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Monday: Closed
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am-2pm
Wednesday: 12pm-5pm



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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."
- Jn 2:1-3

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January 16, 2022

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Monday, January 17

Office Closed.
Our Mother of Perpetual Help.....11:00am

Tuesday, January 18

Daily Mass –OLW.....9:00am
Foundations of Faith.....After Mass
Drawing Family & Friends Back.....6:30pm

Wednesday, January 19

Daily Mass-OLW.....6:00pm
Finance Council.....6:45pm

Thursday, January 20

Memorial Mass-OLW.....9:00am
Holy Hour –Both OLW & SPC.....6:00pm
Confirmation.....6:30pm

Friday, January 21

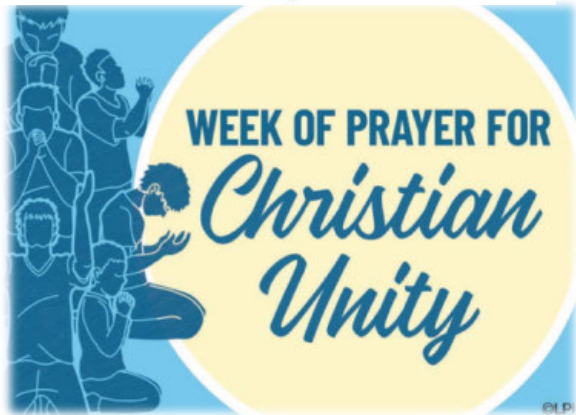
Daily Mass –OLW.....9:00am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament &
Divine Mercy Chaplet.....After Mass
Lectio Prayer Weekly Study.....11:00am

Saturday, January 22

Vigil Mass-OLW (Confession before).....4:30pm
RCIA.....5:30pm

Sunday, January 23

Mass-OLW.....9:00am
Family of Faith.....10:00am
Timeline Bible Study.....10:15am



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Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

JANUARY PARISH FAITH FORMATION

SIGNS OF GRACE-SACRAMENTS: Sun., Jan. 16 & 30 at 10:00 AM
CONFIRMATION: Thurs., Jan. 20 at 6:30 PM
FAMILY OF FAITH (PreK-5): Sun., January 23 at 10:00 AM
YOUTH GROUP (Grades 6-12): Thurs., Jan. 27 at 6:30 PM
LECTIO PRAYER WEEKLY STUDY: Fridays at 10:00 AM
RCIA: Saturdays at 5:30 PM (includes supper)
BIBLE TIMELINE STUDY: Sundays at 10:15 AM
ADULT EDUCATION: Sundays at 1:00 PM at SPC
DRAWING FAMILY & FRIENDS BACK: Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM,
 January 18-February 22

MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass for Allen Mattedi, son of Bruno and Carolyn Mattedi, will be held Thursday, January 20th at 9:00 AM. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH CLASS

Father Marek's class, Foundations of Faith, will start up again Tuesday, January 18th after the 9:00 AM Mass. Plan to join us to deepen your knowledge of our Catholic faith.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION CLASS

Our Lady of the Woods will be hosting an Adult Faith Formation class *Drawing Family and Friends BACK to the Catholic Church*. This program will be held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Parish Hall starting on January 18th. Register online at www.dc4ec.com. Please do not let cost deter you from attending this class. We have donors who have provided funding for this class.

COFFEE & DONUT MINISTRY

We are looking for a volunteer to lead the Coffee and Donut Ministry. This is held on the 4th Sunday of each month. Please contact Dianne in the office (719-687-9345) if you are interested in leading this ministry.

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CHARITABLE TAX DONATIONS

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MASS FOR WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Bishop Golka will celebrate a Mass for the World Day of the Sick with the Anointing of the Sick within Mass on Saturday, February 12 at 10:00 AM. This year the Mass will be at Holy Apostles in Colorado Springs.

HOLY HOUR FOR MARRIAGE

Bishop James Golka will preside at the Holy Hour for Marriage on Tuesday, February 8th at 6:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral in Colorado Springs.

SAVE THE DATE

An Anniversary Mass will be held Sunday, June 12, 2022, at 2:30 PM at St. Mary's Cathedral. Bishop James Golka will preside.

Saturday, January 15

OLW 4:30 PM: Gail Long †

Req. by: David & Billie Kilman

Sunday, January 16

OLW 9:00 am: For the People of the Parish

Req. by: Fr. Marek Król

SPC 12:00 PM: Lorenzo Neal

Req. by: Delia Neal

Tuesday, January 18

OLW 9:00 AM: Souls in Purgatory †

Req. by: Kelly & Margit McCarthy

Wednesday, January 19

OLW 6:00 PM: Roger Faubion

Req. by: Todd & Renee Wiseman family

Thursday, January 20

OLW 9:00 AM: Allen Mattedi †

Req. by: Church family

Friday, January 21

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Req. by: Mike & Cindy Weiss

SPC 12:00 PM: Ken Ruzella †

Req. by: Carol & Nancy Poch

OUR CHARITABLE GIVING

*Each month, 10% of our general offertory goes to charity; 6% goes to charities chosen by the Diocese and 4% is allocated by us to local charities. Continuing our parish's help in Teller County, we will be sending our December charitable tithe to **Community Partnership Family Resource Center**. Community Partnership delivers programs and services which strengthen families. Their vision is that all Teller County families are self-reliant, fully functional, and positive contributors to our community. Thank YOU for helping our parish be a part of their mission. Learn more about them at <http://www.cpteller.org/>*

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Financial Update-Fiscal Yr. 7/1/2021-6/30/2022

Offertory

Our Lady of the Woods St. Peter Chapel

Annual Budget \$373,000 \$44,000

Year to Date \$210,921 \$27,886



OLW Capital

Received \$54,572



SPC Capital

Owed for Loan & Shrine \$110,075

December 2021 Hall Income \$6,924

2021 RGG Campaign

Annual Goal \$45,074

Paid to Date \$34,340

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK January 16, 2022

LISTEN 7 SECRETS OF CONFESSION BY VINNY FLYNN

The Sacrament of Confession is the place where we get to encounter the Lord's mercy in a tangible way. In this talk, best selling author and Catholic speaker Vinny Flynn explores the incredible gift of mercy we encounter in Confession.

BE Transformed

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK January 16, 2022

WATCH JOHN PAUL II: I KEPT LOOKING FOR YOU

This incredible documentary traces Pope St. John Paul II's impact on the Church and the world. This film is a wonderful tribute to a man who inspired millions of people to deeper faith in Jesus Christ.

JOHN PAUL II



Saints

All Christians are called to be saints. Saints are persons in heaven (officially canonized or not), who lived heroically virtuous lives, offered their life for others, or were martyred for the faith, and who are worthy of imitation.

In official Church procedures there are three steps to sainthood: a candidate becomes "Venerable," then "Blessed" and then "Saint." Venerable is the title given to a deceased person recognized formally by the pope as having lived a heroically virtuous life or offered their life. To be beatified and recognized as a Blessed, one miracle acquired through the candidate's intercession is required in addition to recognition of heroic virtue or offering of life. Canonization requires a second miracle after beatification. The pope may waive these requirements. A miracle is not required prior to a martyr's beatification, but one is required before canonization.

In the first five centuries of the Church, the process for recognizing a saint was based on public acclaim or the *vox populi, vox Dei* (voice of the people, voice of God). There was no formal canonical process as understood by today's standards. Beginning in the sixth century and continuing into the twelfth century, the intervention of the local bishop was required before someone could be canonized. The intervention of the local bishop usually began with a request from the local community for the bishop to recognize someone a saint. Upon studying the request and a written biography, if he found it favorable, the bishop would typically issue a decree, legitimize the liturgical cult and thereby canonize the person.

Starting in the tenth century, a cause proceeded with the usual steps, i.e. the person's reputation would spread, a request to the local bishop from the people to declare the person a saint occurred, and a biography would be written for the bishop's review. Now however, the bishop would collect eyewitness testimony of those who knew the person and who had witnessed miracles, and he would provide a summary of the case to the Pope for his approval. The Pope then reviewed the cause, and if he approved it, he issued a decree declaring the person a canonized saint. The first documented case of papal invention is by Pope John XV on January 31, 993 for the canonization of St. Ulric. When Pope Sixtus V reorganized the Roman Curia in 1588 he established the Congregation for Sacred Rites. One of its functions was to assist the Pope with reviewing causes. Except for a few canonical developments, from 1588 the process of canonization remained the same until 1917 when a universal Code of Canon Law was promulgated.

The 1917 code contained 145 canons (cc. 1999- 2144) on causes of canonization and mandated that an episcopal process and an apostolic process be conducted. The episcopal process consisted of the local bishop verifying the reputation of the person, ensuring that a biography existed, collecting eyewitness testimony and the person's written works. All of this was then forwarded to the Congregation for Sacred Rites. The apostolic process consisted of reviewing the evidence submitted, collecting more evidence, studying the cause, investigating any alleged miracles, and ultimately forwarding the cause to the Pope for his approval. This process remained in effect until 1983 with the promulgation of the 1983 Code of Canon Law and new norms for causes of canonization: *Divinus Perfectionis Magister, Normae Servandae in Inquisitionibus ab Episcopis Faciendis in Causis Sanctorum* and *Sanctorum Mater* (2007). This revised process for causes of canonization is still in force.

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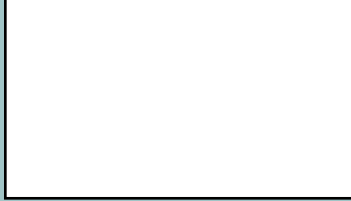
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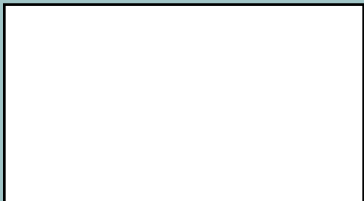
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