

4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." - Mk 1:27

January 31, 2021

Parish Mission Statement

A welcoming and joyful community committed to making disciples, by igniting and strengthening faith in Christ, and the celebration of God's grace.

January

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday	7:30 am
Confession before Daily Mass	7:00 am - 7:30 am

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday - Attend/Livestream	4:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am
Attend And Livestream @ the 11am	

RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday	7:00 am
Saturday - Church	2:45 pm – 3:45 pm

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Monday - Friday	7:00 am
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Fridays	8:30 pm - 12:00 pm

PASTORAL STAFF

PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR, Fr. Bing Colasito
 DEACON, John Mezydlo

PARISH STAFF

Office Administrator, Alicia Gonzales	Ext. 104
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MISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

45033 North 12th Street
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WEEKEND MASS

Sunday	9:00 am
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RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Sunday	8:30 am
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ADORATION

Thursday	7:00 am – 5:00 pm
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Readings for the week of January 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 31, 2021

- 7:00 am All Parishioners
- 9:00 am +Rich Rogers
- 9:00 am +Pat Allison
- 11:00 am Jordan & Rachele Kuhle-Thanksgiving

Monday, February 1, 2021

- 7:30 am +Rosemarie Maruschak

Tuesday, February 2 2021

- 7:30 am +Walter Gal

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

- 7:30 am Renee Hunsaker-Thanksgiving

Thursday, February 4, 2021

- 7:30 am Claire Manguerra— Thanksgiving

Friday, February 5, 2021

- 9:00 am Lindsay, Nick & Ethan Miller— Thanksgiving

Saturday, February 6, 2021

- 7:30 am +Mary Borgert
- 4:00 pm +Barb McLeod

January 16 and January 17th

ST. ROSE: \$15,518.40
(includes online giving of \$11,456.00)

GOOD SHEPHERD: \$1,271.00
(includes online giving of 447.00)

TOTAL PARISH GIVING: \$16,789.40
(includes online giving of \$11,903.00)

Mortgage Retirement Contributions: \$5,732.36
(includes online giving of \$1,1015.00)

Total Simbang Gabi donations to the Mortgage Reduction were \$2,665.00

Thank You



Pastors Corner

5th Sunday in Ordinary Bulletin: ***Jesus' Mission Mk 1:29-39***

Job says: life, especially sickness, is a *drudgery*. The book of Job deals with the question and problem that many people struggle with: Why does God permit human suffering through death, sickness, and poverty? Up to this time, traditional Jewish belief that God rewards the just and punishes the evildoers. Thus, sufferings were considered a punishment from God. Job did not know much about the life after. God revealed this only at a later time in the Book of Wisdom. And more fully in the New Testament. Job did not understand it, but he will never doubt the justice and fairness of God.

The four parts of the Gospel today consist: First, Jesus heals the mother-in-law of Peter. Second, news spread of Jesus presence, He heals and casts out unclean spirits after sunset. Third, rising very early in the morning, Jesus withdraws to a deserted place to pray. Fourth, Jesus visits synagogues and cast out evil spirits.

The readings give us a wide range of human experience, from the darkness and hopelessness of Job, losing everything, to the joy of healing and freedom from evil spirits at the hands of Jesus.

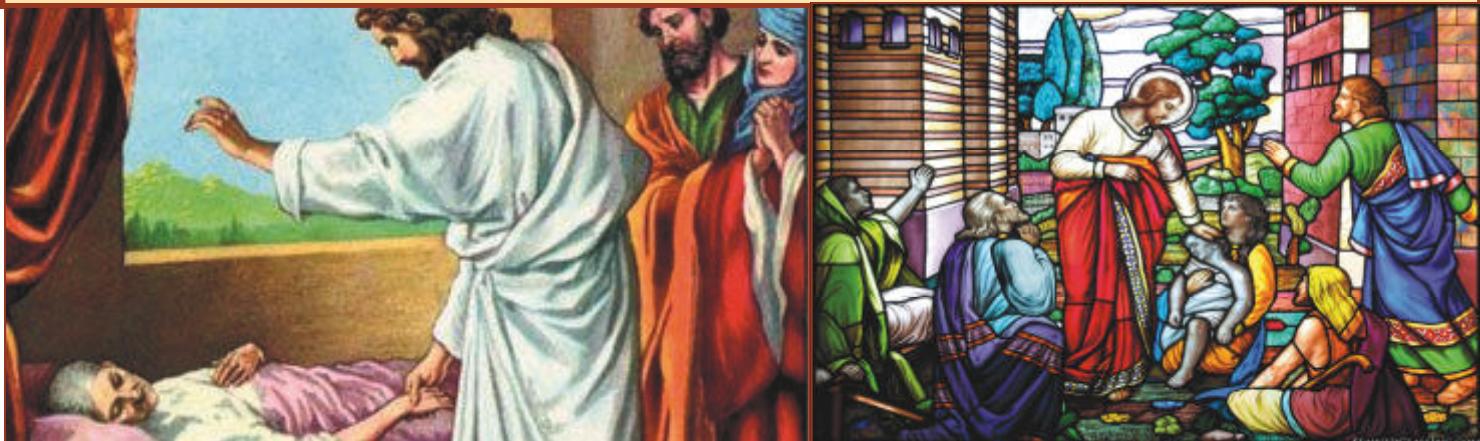
The first reading opens so many questions in the mind and heart of Job. His family and friends could not give him any consolation. Because of the series of misfortunes and miseries, he cannot see any reason to go on. If Job visits modern-day counselors, they will probably diagnose him with a certain degree of depression or post-traumatic stress disorder. This is the present-day dark reality of life in a fallen world.

The Gospel, on the other hand, offers a more positive picture. The presence of Jesus brings healing and freedom from unclean spirits. Jesus did not come to condemn the world: but to save the fallen world. Early in His ministry, Jesus proclaims the Gospel of God, He cures all the sick, and drives out unclean spirits. There is so much novelty in Jesus' ministry: people are awed by the power and authority of His preaching and teaching, unlike the Scribes, Pharisees, and many Rabbi. In the world flooded by miseries, He brings an ocean of love and hope. To the experience of suffering and despair, Jesus provides so much relief and hope. *Praise the Lord who heals the brokenhearted.*

Another element of the ministry of Jesus is the many exorcisms He performed, sometimes not permitting the demons to speak because they know who He is. Demons do whatever they can to destroy the plan of God for man. They attack subtly, distracting the mind and heart, to weaken our commitment. Let us learn from Jesus how to deal with these subtle attacks: He would not permit them to speak. In the same way, avoid any interior dialogue with any form of temptations. The best way to confront temptations is an immediate and decisive rejection of them. *Do not even give a finger to the devil: because he will surely want to grab your whole being.* Call on Jesus: He alone has the power to drive them out. And with peace and faith in our hearts, we proceed with vigilance with our day.

Today, the world is full of miseries, doubts, and despair. Believers of Christ must continue His mission. We cannot take the risk of running spiritually dry. There is so much work to do: we are proclaimers of the Word. Entrusted with the Word, we must believe what we read, teach/share what we believe, and practice what we teach.

Going back to St. Paul, his zeal and willingness to *become all things to all men* for the sake of their salvation is something to imitate. The Gospels reveal to us a healing, merciful, and compassionate Savior, Jesus Christ, who came to conquer all kinds of suffering and evil. The Gospel is the glad tiding and joy with Jesus, the Good News that we must share.



Embracing Change in Christ



It's officially one month since we popped the champagne, toasted 2021 and wrote down a list of resolutions. This is usually the time when we start to take a good, hard look in the mirror to assess what we have done — or have not done — with the first month of this brand-new year.

New years can be scary, can't they? Full of promise, sure, but also full of room for failure. Full of space for our old baggage, old fears and the continuation of old mistakes.

The same can be said of Christ, and the new life he offers us, if we are brave enough to accept it. Opportunities like that can be intimidating. In that moment, we might find ourselves like the man with the unclean spirit crying out: "What have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us?"

Jesus is a comforter of the afflicted; he is a consoling figure, but he is also a challenging one. Sometimes we have grown attached to our afflictions. The idea of correcting bad habits or forming new ones is frankly terrifying to us. We have a voice deep inside who sees Christ and his invitation to repentance, and it cries out in fear: "I know who you are!"

When we live in the present, disavowing the baggage of the past or fear of the future, we submit ourselves to the promise of redemption. Let us be brave everyday stewards and invite Christ's healing power into our lives. We won't regret it — I'm sure the demoniac never did.

Annual Gospel of Life Collection

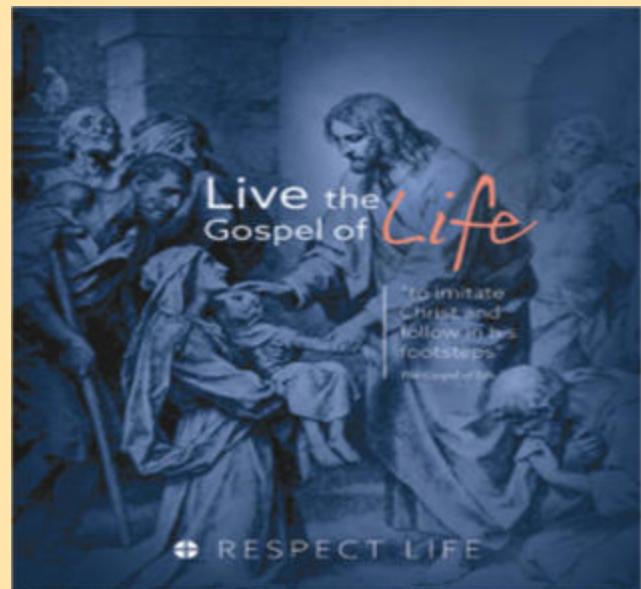
To aid the parish in this year's Gospel of Life Appeal, the Diocesan Office of Marriage and Respect Life will split collected funds 50/50 with St. Rose through February.

NEW GIVING/INFO WEBPAGES:

The Office of Mission Advancement has created an online GOSPEL OF LIFE webpage and giving portal for the faithful.*

- a. In English, find this page at:
dphx.org/gospeloflife
- b. In Spanish, find this page at:
dphx.org/evangeliodelavida

English questions may be sent directly to Mike Phelan at mcphegan@dphx.org.



2020-2021 Religious Education Class REVISED Calendar – January 6, 2021

ALL CLASSES are VIRTUAL until further notice

Children's Ministry with Sacrament Prep

Grade 1 Sundays, 2:00pm / Mondays, 4:30pm

January 17/18 & 24/25, 31/Feb.1 virtual

February 7/8 & 21/22, 28/29 virtual

March 7/8 & 21/22, 28/29 virtual

April 11/12 & 18/19, 25/26 virtual

May 2

Sac Prep – Grades 2 – 5 Sunday - 8am/9:30am/11am/12:30pm

January 17 & 24, 31 virtual

February 7 & 21, 28 virtual

March 7 & 21, 28 virtual

April 11 & 18, 25 virtual

May 2 (*May Crowning Mass for C/E Students*)

Sac Prep – Grades 2 – 5 Tuesday - 4:30pm/6pm Wednesday - 4:30pm

January 12/13 & 19/20, 26/27 virtual

February 9/10 & 16/17, 23/24 virtual

March 9/10 & 23/24, 30/31 virtual

April 13/14 & 20/21, 27/28 virtual

May 2 (*May Crowning Mass for C/E Students*)

Sac. Prep - Grades 6 – 12

Sunday - 3:30pm

January 17 & 24, 31 virtual

February 7 & 21, 28 virtual

March 7 & 21 in person, 28 virtual

April 11 & 18 in person, 25 virtual

May 2 (*May Crowning Mass*)



Distraction During Prayer

Question:

I get annoyed with myself when I am distracted while I pray. Is it a sin? How can I be more attentive?

Answer:

The mind is a marvelous and complex thing, producing amazing thoughts, images, wisdom and inspiration. Yet at times it is like a two-year-old: it does not follow directions, does what it wants and loves to tell us “no!” This is probably the oldest and most common problem in the spiritual life-dealing with distraction. It comes in all forms: good intentions forgotten, wandering thoughts at Mass, daydreaming, etc. A little poem says it all: When the soul begins to pray, the brain always wants to play!

There are many ways to handle distractions. If we are distracted by thoughts about our families or friends, we should pray for them. If we lose our focus, we need just “re-collect” ourselves. If some worry or concern just won’t leave our mind, then we deal with it and come back to prayer or make it part of our prayer. And when words just won’t come, the only prayer we might offer is our presence, our suffering, and our desire to be close to the Lord. Most importantly, we need to be patient with ourselves. These things are not sinful, but reminders of our human frailty. Our weaknesses and good efforts are all acceptable to God, who reads the love in our hearts and the good intentions of our minds.



**We extend a warm welcome
to our newest parishioners from
August thru December 2020**

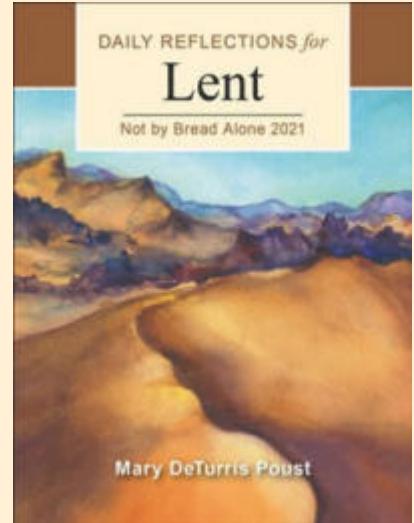
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John Martfeld & family
Marcial and Teresa Nunez
Lisa Marie & Andrew Johnstone family
Tony and Bonnie Denmark
Lamar and Julia Colbert
William and Glen Miller
Erik and Erin Levandowski & family
Gina and Austin & family
Kevin and Michelle Rasmu & family
Jean Boutin
Robert and Joan Herrmann
Keith Angell & Taylor Zwark family
Jeremy and Lyndsey Pope & family
Matthew and Janet Taylor & family
Paul and Julie Ocker
Rod and Mary (Betsy) Crawford
Kevin and Patti Beamish
Lucy Arellano
Joseph and Janine Palmer
Charles and Valerie Stehney
William and Eileen Ide
Rosabel and Dwight Macaspac
Angela and Elijah Howell
Mark and Sheena Sengson & family
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**Baptism Preparation
Next Class
February 1, 2021 at 6pm
in the Parish Office**

In preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism, parents are required to attend this preparation class.

Although not a requirement, Godparents are strongly encouraged to participate.

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