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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fri. - 8:30am - 12pm

Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at
St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact
Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice
required. Please contact the pastor
to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday
6:00-7:00pm.

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

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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January 31, 2021 • 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living.

We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God's special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.

St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, "When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties." We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life's challenges. That sounds doable, doesn't it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.

Catechetical Corner

Religious Education Classes

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

First Communion & 5th - 8th Grade

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Juan Franco, Jean Beesley, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Don Perno, Judy Diskin, Dianne Perno, Lindsey Roberts, Richard Contu, Evangelina Harly, Donna Esko.

Happy Birthday to:

Kris Boyne (1); Pat Creason, Nicholas Newton (3); Wayne Beuchat (4); Sarah Beuchat (5).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: January 30, 2021 - February 5, 2021

Saturday Rick Larson t / Knights of Columbus
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions
Sunday 10:30 Special Intentions of Don Boyne
Tuesday Special Intentions
Wednesday Paul & Carolyn Hoehner t / Jennifer & Rick Rumsey
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Special Intentions Wayne & Sarah Beuchat

Readings for the week of January 31st, 2021



Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/
Mk 1:29-39

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors: Saturday 1st & Second Readings

January 30th - Mike Tanner
 February 6th - Jeff Everard
 February 13th - Karen Sontag
 February 20th - Mike Tanner

Lectors: Sunday 1st & Second Readings

January 31st - Marie Chapman
 February 7th - Chris Lawson
 February 14th - Sue Ausmus
 February 21st - Charles Gebetsberger

Ushers - volunteer basis

Sacred Heart Church Collections



January 24, 2021 Collection

Envelope	\$ 1,003.00
Loose	\$ 2,046.00
On-Line	\$ 25.00
Total Weekend Collection	\$ 3,074.00

January 17, 2020 Collection\$ 2,432.00

Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc.35:7

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

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. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Presentation of the Lord February 2nd

Question:

Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary?

Answer:

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple.

Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification.

The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

Grief Support Group: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays/8 wk sessions Contact Connie Anderson by text at 319-470-2800.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



February 17th - Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. with the distribution of ashes. There will be a collection to support the charitable works of Sacred Heart Parish.

If you requested a contribution statement for 2020, they are available in the gathering area.

If you would like a poinsettia, please check the table by the kitchen. These are available for anyone to take home.

Together in Holiness Marriage Conference - presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Tulsa and Eastern Oklahoma on Saturday, February 6, 2021 from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm at the Parish of Christ the King. Featured Speakers: Kathryn Whitaker and Dcn Tim Sullivan. Registration: \$59/Couple or \$35/Individual. At Home Experience: \$15. Scholarships available upon request. Visit togetherinholiness.org or sara@forlifeandfamily.org



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