

January 16, 2022
3rd SUNDAY IN Ordinary Time

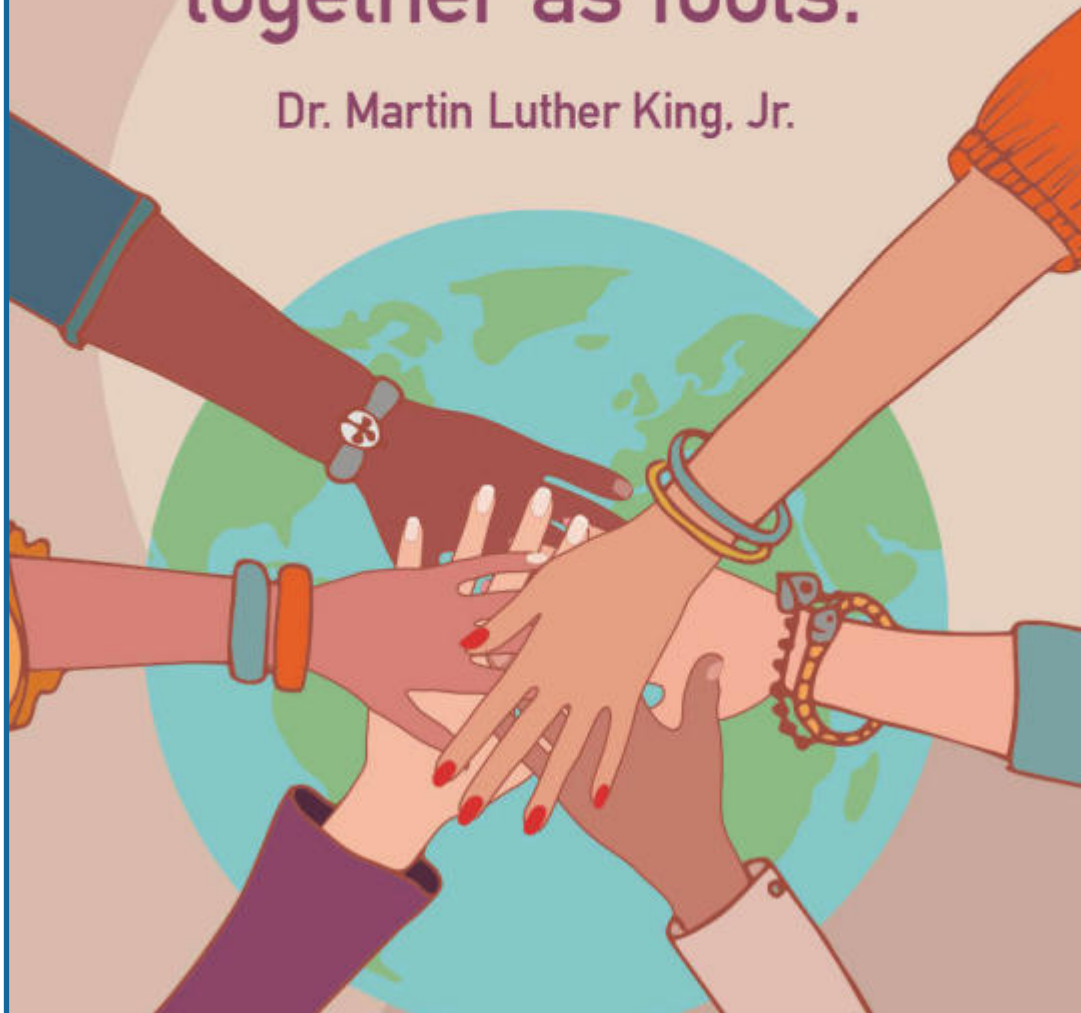


CHURCH *of the* TRANSFIGURATION

"Lord, How good it is for us to be here..." Matt. 17:4

**"We must learn to live
together as brothers
or we will perish
together as fools."**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



"Lord, how good it is for us to be here."

Legend- "T" = Transfiguration
"SCS" = St. Catherine's

Monday, January 17, 2022

*** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Parish Office is Closed-MLK

T-6:45 am Mass: For our Health Care Workers &
First Responders

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

*** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

SCS-9:00 am Mass:

12:30 pm: Women's Bible Study-Ed. Ctr

4:30 pm: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd-Ed. Ctr

7:00 pm: Sr. High Youth Group-Teen Room, Ed. Ctr.

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

*** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

T-6:45 am Mass: Kevin Leonard by Cathy & Mark Klingensmith

Thursday, January 20, 2022

*** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/
Mk 3:7-12

SCS -9:00 am Mass: For the intentions of Diane Kannel

Friday, January 21, 2022

*** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday, January 22, 2022

*** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

4:00 pm Mass: Pat Slimmer by Barb & Terry Finegan

5:30 pm Mass: Ron Anderson & Joy Mulhern by Nancy P. & John N.

Sunday, January 23, 2022

*** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30
or 12:12-14, 27/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

T-8:45 am Mass: Eileen Moutan by Mary, Judy, JoAnn & Lee

SCS- 10:45 Mass: Robert Gruber, Jr. by The Gruber Family

Patti Ranney-Petersen by Jim & Nancy Johnstone

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Thanks

Please note

Your end of the year 2021 financial statements will be mailed to you by the end of January.



Team 3

D. & K. Hamann, K. Larimer,
B. Hanford, J. Eckel, K. Kyhos



Our Prayer Log is located outside the door of the Chapel. Please stop by and enter your prayer requests.



We Welcome our Newley Baptized



Lucas James Cutter



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| | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> | <u>Variance</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Weekend Collection— 1/9/22 | \$3,674 | \$8,752 | \$(5,078) |
| EFT — 1/1/22 | \$11,580 | \$12,245 | \$(665) |
| Christmas—As of 1/9/22 | \$43,327 | \$50,000 | \$(6,673) |
| July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 | <u>\$511,406</u> | <u>\$525,949</u> | <u>\$(14,543)</u> |

Lord, how good it is for us to be here..."

SHARE YOUR GIFTS FROM GOD
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Dear Friends,

Well, our parishes have taken down and put away our precious Christmas decorations. Christmas ended last weekend celebrating the Baptism of the Lord.

It was wonderful to have Lucas Cutter's baptism during the 8:45 mass! What a precious gift not only to his family but to all of us! His faith filled family is an inspiration and a testimony to ourselves why our communal family is so important!



I share a few pictures. Even as our liturgical season moves on so does Santa's clothes at the dry cleaners!

Ordinary Time.

Well the new church year began on November 28, 2021 with our First Sunday of Advent. The Advent Season moved us four weeks later into our Christmas/Epiphany Season. As mentioned above, the Christmas Season officially ended with the Baptism of Jesus.

Now, we go forth in what is referred to Ordinary Time. It is the longest of all church seasons. It doesn't happen continuously but will have an interruption on March 2nd when Ash Wednesday begins our Lenten pilgrimage.

As quoted from the ORDO, the Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist, "Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time" (Universal Norms,43)

So, even though we find ourselves in Ordinary Time it nonetheless calls us by our Baptism, to be extraordinary sisters and brothers of Jesus in acknowledging our awareness of His life and movement with each and every one of us! Remember last weekend hearing You are wonderfully made? You are my beloved? I hope so and now, we take that awareness as we continue to marvel in the profound love the Lord has for each and every one of us!

Let us continue to gather in prayer with one another. Let us continue to be fed by the very bread of life, Jesus Christ. Let us nourish our physical and spiritual lives that we go forth proclaiming the goodness of the Lord.

So, onward in Ordinary Time and with a resolve to be vibrant disciples loving one another as He loves us!

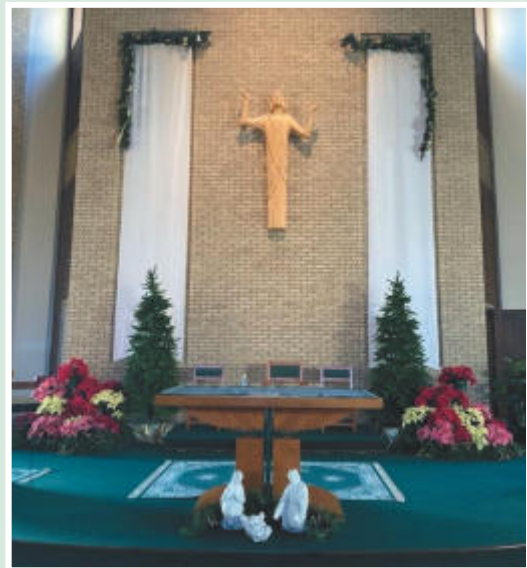
Blessings,
Father Rob



St. Catherine's Altar.



St. Catherine's Nativity



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Thank You to all who have already made their pledge. Peace in the New Year!

Peace & Justice

Foundations of the Common Good The Politics of Catholic Social Teaching

Here is a quiz. “Catholic Social Teaching belongs to which political position?”

- a. Far left
- b. Left
- c. Center
- d. Right
- e. Far right

If you suspect a trick question, you are right! It is unfortunate that Americans have been conditioned to interpret too many things through a political lens. When we slap a label on something, that act makes it easy to praise, condemn or dismiss something, without having to think critically.

American political parties only took root at the end of the 18th century, and political warfare has been conducted ever since. But the roots of Catholic Social teaching go back *millennia!* They are grounded in: the Hebrew Scriptures; the gospels; the words, acts, and meaning of Jesus; centuries of reflection and lived experience; and significant exploration and exposition in thought and word. Our foundational social values and principles remain firm, but thoughtful application is required as societal conditions change, presenting new issues and challenges to address.

Those who attempt to embed our social teaching in a political party, platform, or ideology misunderstand our social values. In the worst case, they may be deliberately propagating malicious misinformation.

Put simply, Catholic social teaching is “apolitical.” “But wait,” you say, “This particular [principle, value, application, or position] of Catholic social teaching sounds an awful lot like [fill in the blank....].” That resemblance is accidental, not an indicator of political identity. In fact, any effort at comprehensive alignment with secular politics quickly becomes futile. Our independent faith tradition began long before (and transcends) American politics.

The fact is that any expression of Catholic Social Teaching implicitly carries a disclaimer similar to that found in many books: “Our social principles, values, and positions are *faith-based*. Any resemblance to a political party, faction, platform, ideology, or position is strictly coincidental!”



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Dear Church of the Transfiguration, Your kindness means the world to us! As I start this note of thanks, I am trying to figure out how do I. You are such a generous parish for the many varied ways you have continually supported our inner city

ministries for many years!.

Thank you most recently for the oodles of school supplies. It is overwhelming, really. This huge haul is barely the tip of the iceberg when you consider all the initiatives you continually make possible.

Thank you ever so much for your faithfulness. Blessings,

Sr. Karlien and all of us at the Sister's of Mercy St. Stanislaus

FEBRUARY ROSARY at St. Catherine's

*Wednesday, February 2nd at 7:00 PM
Deacon Jim Carra invites you to join him in the Chapel at St. Catherine's to pray the Rosary & Benediction.*

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

Pope Francis has called for the entire Church to enter a General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops from October 2021 through October 2023.

The basic question of this Synodal Process is “How does the ‘journey together’ which takes place today on different levels from the local level to the universal level, allow the church to proclaim the Gospel in accordance with the mission entrusted to her?”

A Synodal church, in announcing the gospel, journeys together, so this Synod wants to know “How is this ‘journey together’ happening today in your parish, in your Diocese, in the Global Church?”

“The challenge of Synodality”, Pope Francis says, “what the Lord is asking of us is already in some sense present in the very world ‘Synod’. Journeying together—laity, pastors, the Bishop of Rome—is an easy concept to put into words, but not so easy to put into practice.”

In next weeks bulletin you will see you can participate in the Synod. We look forward to your participation.



Let's Have "SNOW" Much Fun: Join us over on YouTube for a fun, educational online worship experience for elementary-age kids starting next week. During this wintry series, kids will learn about the promises God made through stories in our Gospel. They will see that God is not just a promise maker, but a promise keeper!

Youth Ministry News

- **Senior High Youth Group** meets every Tuesday from 7-8:30 in the youth room (lower level of the Education Building).
- **Confirmation:** Our next meeting is Sunday 1/23 from 7-8:30 in the upper level of the Education Building. Make sure to complete your online assignment on morality BEFORE our meeting. The second years ONLY also have their Confirmation Name/Sponsor online form to complete before the January meeting. *Also, remember that each candidate must also attend at least 4 youth group meetings over the course of the year!*
- **Middle School Youth Group:** Meets next on Sunday 1/30. The online work for January is linked for you below. (BTW, if you are looking ahead on the calendar, you might have noticed that our Feb. meeting on 2/13 also happens to be Super Bowl Sunday. Don't worry! For the February meeting only we will meet after Mass from 10AM-11:30AM to get you back home well in time for the game and festivities!)

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| Liturgy Schedule | 1/22 | 1/23 |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| | 4:00 PM | 8:45 PM |
| Coordinators | Charette | Kyhos |
| Greeters | Zinn | MB & Pete Sullivan |
| Greeters | | |
| Usher | Lutz/ Martinez | Gangemi |
| Commentator | D. Dey | D. VanVechten |
| Lector | M. Kastner | J. Maxwell |
| Bread 1 | Fr. Rob | Fr. Rob |
| Bread 2 | Deacon | Deacon |

Please note: If you have a conflict with your schedule, please try to find a sub and copy in. We understand that life happens and you are not able to serve as expected secure a sub

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New Parishioners

Welcome to our Community of Faith! You may register as part of our Community by contacting the Parish Office by phone in person or our website. Please introduce yourself after Mass to one of the parish staff members.

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Sacraments

Eucharist: Please check page 2 of this bulletin for Sunday, weekday and Holy Day Mass schedules.

Anointing: In any emergency, at anytime, please call 248-2427 wait for prompt and press 9, or at your convenience, or after any weekend Mass.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Please contact Deacon Eric Bessette @ ebesset1@rochester.rr.com three months in advance to register for the Baptismal Preparation Program.

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Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church, please call the parish office.



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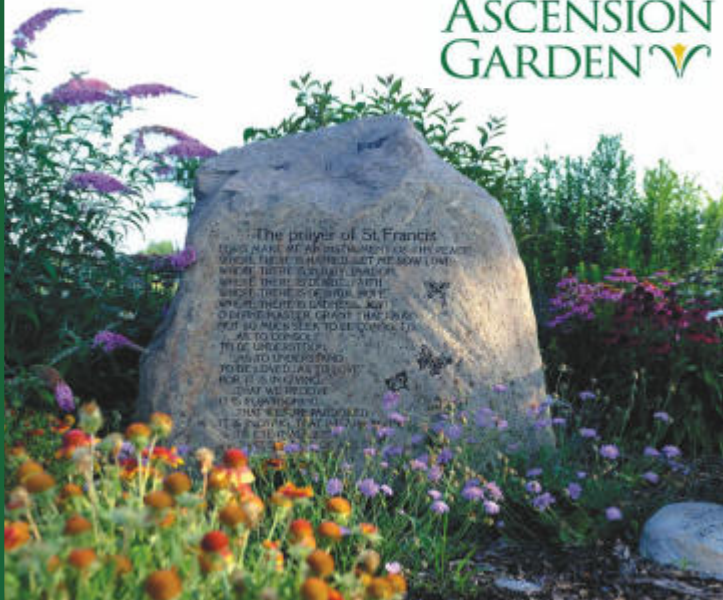
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