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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 23, 2022

Inspired by our Gospel Reading this week:

Jesus, rise,
spread out the scroll
--like Ezra, your priest-scribe
--and declare to
the people
and to
us
that God is in our
midst this
day.
Oh earth,
you are holy now.

Holy Spirit,
touch our being and our doing.
Let us
feed and shelter the poor,
welcome immigrants,
free the prisoners,
fix climate
crisis.
Brush our days,
with grace.

MASKS FOR ALL

The rise in Covid-19 cases in the Adirondacks has created a heightened awareness for the need to be vigilant. A face mask while in the church is mandatory. Sanitizing hands is also very important and keeping some social distance is encouraged. "Getting vaccinated is a simple yet profound way to care for one another, especially the most vulnerable" - these words from Pope Francis are important for all of us. If you have not yet been vaccinated, please prayerfully consider doing so! And let us keep in prayer all who are suffering from this virus and our exceptionally committed health care workers.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

One might ask: "Is there a declared war on the pre-born?" It is unlikely that there ever existed a war with one side totally and completely incapable of any form of self-defense whatsoever. That is the dilemma of the preborn today. Our nation will never be a "shining city on a hill," as President Ronald Reagan once said, as long as the bottom of that hill is littered with the corpses of tens of millions of its innocent preborn babies.

My sisters and brothers, we now live in a society that speaks persuasively about protecting the environment and rescuing species on the brink of extinction. But then it promotes and funds the mass killing of unborn children and contemplates the killing of the sick and elderly in the name of their "dignity." A persevering effort is needed to present to God our united will to put an end to the carnage resulting from abortion.

Today, people of faith are facing a multitude of threats to religious liberty. Bringing our religious beliefs to bear on public policy is not just a privilege, but a right. Regardless of what some of our political leaders say, Believers can't be silent in public life and be faithful to Jesus Christ at the same time. *Equality begins in the womb!*

The Church of Ogdensburg continues to hear the silent scream of the baby in the womb and seeks to defend and protect the right to life of every child. Colleen and John Miner, Directors of our Respect Life Office, coordinate the steps we take in promoting and protecting the dignity of every human life.

Every year at this time, we are given the opportunity to support the effort this local Church makes in promoting the Culture of Life. *Gabriel Project, Elizabeth Ministries, Rachel's Vineyard*, as well as organizations such as the Legion of Mary, Birthright, the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters, in addition to our own Respect Life Office, are just a few of those who support life at all stages. In "normal" (i.e., non-pandemic) years, this collection also supports the Youth Buses for Life for participants at the March for Life in Washington, D.C. Other grants support educational programs, Catholic radio in the Adirondacks and various Pro-Life programs.

Thank you for your prayers and generous support of the 2022 Respect Life Collection and for all your efforts to build a Culture of Life by changing hearts and minds.

Faithfully yours in Christ,



Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg

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WELCOME FR. LARRY ANDERSON, OFM

We are exceptionally fortunate to have Fr. Larry with us from Siena College in Loudonville. Fr. Larry serves as Campus Minister at Siena and over the years has become a familiar face at St. Agnes and St. Brendan's. His energy and deeply committed faith is an inspiration enjoyed by all. This is also a chance for any high school student interested in a superb education to talk with Fr. Larry about Siena.

INVITATION TO A SYNOD CONVERSATION AT ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

Pope Francis is inviting everyone in the church to a synod, a journey together, in order to listen to each other and to improve the way we witness to God's love in the world. He wants "to plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions, allow hope to be nourished, inspire trust, bind up wounds, weave together relationships, awaken a dawn of hope, learn from one another, and create a bright resourcefulness that will enlighten minds, warm hearts, give strength to our hands." Your experience matters. Your voice can give the bishops and the Holy Father new insights into the reality of the church today. After the 4:00 mass on February 19, parishioners of St. Brendan's will gather to share light refreshments and conversation about our parish church and the wider church. There will be opportunities to share written comments or reflections at this gathering, or later for those who cannot attend.

For more information visit the diocesan website <https://www.rcdony.org/150/synod.html> or contact Kathy Wiegand at 914-500-5236 or kathywieg@gmail.com.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

In winter, relative humidity indoors can fall well below the ideal of 30% and 50%. Try using a humidifier, especially one that disperses a stream of cool mist from an ultrasonic system. This will often allow you to turn down the thermostat by a degree or two without making you feel chillier.

NATIONAL SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH

The elimination of human trafficking is a priority issue for the Catholic Church. Because every life is a gift from God and is sacred, it deserves to be protected and nurtured. We each have a responsibility to fight against the violation and degradation of our brothers and sisters. Since 2010, January has been declared National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month by presidential proclamation. January 11 is National Human Trafficking Awareness Day, which seeks to increase understanding among Americans that human trafficking happens in states and communities across the United States. With encouragement from Pope Francis, February 8 has been designated World Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking. On that day, we remember and pray for survivors and victims of modern-day slavery. More information is found at the tables near the doors of the church.



FREE THE GIRLS

Is a non-profit organization that partners with safe houses and aftercare providers to offer sustainable employment opportunities for women survivors of sex trafficking. Between January 15 and February 6, our Catholic Daughters will be collecting new or gently used bras to aid this organization. Free the Girls provides a safe economic opportunity for women to sell bras in the second-hand market. If you do not have a bra, a \$1 donation will help with shipping and a collection box - there is a table at the front entrance of the church for donations of cash and bras. Thank you

January 23, 2021

SB: Saint Brendan's in Keene; All other Masses at St. Agnes Church.

Saturday, January 22nd Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

4:00PM (SB) David Baker by the family

5:30PM Don Locke by Olaf & Christina Carlson

Sunday, January 23rd Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Vincent Bove by Doris & Don Jellig

10:00AM Esther Coughlin & Meg Skufca by the Gallagher family

Monday, January 24th Saint Francis de Salles, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

No Daily Mass

Tuesday, January 25th Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

No Daily Mass

Wednesday, January 26th Saints Timothy & Titus, Bishops

No Daily Mass

Thursday, January 27th

No Daily Mass

7:00PM Rosary

Friday, January 28th Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious & Doctor of the Church

No Daily Mass

Saturday, January 29th

4:00PM (SB) Special Intentions of Don & Debbie Stewart by Ed & Paul Cassot

5:30PM Rose Nadon by the Byrne family

Sunday, January 30th Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM Vincent Bove by Doris & Don Jellig

10:00AM Esther Coughlin & Meg Skufca by the Gallagher family

READINGS FOR JANUARY 30

Reading I: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Responsorial Psalm: 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

ARE YOU GLUTEN INTOLERANT?

We have Church-approved low-gluten hosts that have 0.01% gluten and should be safe for most people with this intolerance. For a low-gluten host, receive from Fr. John and raise your hand to indicate your desire.

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Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

Please call the Parish Office - 518-523-2200

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Brendan, Saturday 3:30 p.m.

St. Agnes, Saturday after 5:30 p.m. Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

On the First Friday of each month from 7-8 p.m.

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Light of Truth Catholic Radio Station: WCLP 98.3 FM

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TUESDAY 4:30 ADORATION

Tuesday Adoration and Confessions will resume during Lent, beginning on Tuesday, March 8.

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