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# January 16, 2022



**2<sup>nd</sup> 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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### This Week's Readings - January 16, 2022

**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Next Sunday:** 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

For more information on our Parish, how to become a Parishioner, or for Letters of Recommendation, please call the Rectory or head on to our website.

## *Mass Intentions*

### Monday, January 17

- 7:30 am Maria Macaro  
- John & Lois Riccardi
- 11:30 am Ann Persse  
- Katie & Dick Smith

### Tuesday, January 18

- 7:30 am Sally Kobis  
- Mike & Kathy Kobis
- 11:30 am Vincent Wade  
- Anonymous

### Wednesday, January 19

- 7:30 am Ann Persse  
- Patrick & Paula Caffery
- 11:30 am In Memory of Thomas & Jean Wright  
- Rosemary Sheehan & Family

### Thursday, January 20

#### St. Fabian & St. Sebastian

- 7:30 am For the People  
- Fr. Greg
- 11:30 am Frank DiGiacomo  
- Carl & Kathy

### Friday, January 21

#### St. Agnes

- 7:30 am Carol L. Fachko  
- Sister, Nancy
- 11:30 am Carmela Griffin  
- Family

### Saturday, January 22

- 4:00 pm June Cotter  
- Dianne Woolingham
- 5:30 pm Harry O'Brien  
- Rosemary Sheehan & Family

### Sunday, January 23

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Leon Gorkiewicz  
- Gorkiewicz Family
- 9:30 am Dorothy Warner  
(Anniversary)  
- Family
- 11:15 am Debbie Binder  
(Anniversary)  
- Family

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

The Christmas holiday season is over, and it is a **good time to be attentive to God's presence** in the ordinary occurrences of daily life. In this weekend's Gospel reading we see **Jesus attending a wedding at Cana**, a special event in the life of a family, but a fairly common experience in the life of the community at large. This event becomes the opportunity for Jesus to perform his first miracle in the Gospel of John. **It is the "beginning of His signs" that reveal more fully who He is** and "His disciples began to believe in Him." Jesus responds to the needs of the people with abundance, providing good wine overflowing for those who turned to Him. Jesus was there all along, but the people did not acknowledge their need for Jesus until they realized that they had no wine.

**Often in life, we fail to realize our need for God until we are running on empty.** In our want, we call out to God who is always there. At times different events awaken us to God's presence. Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI, relates that Victor Frankl, the author of *Man's Search for Meaning*, had such a moment when he had been clinically dead for a few minutes before he was revived by doctors. As Frankl returned to ordinary life, everything became very rich for him. "One very important aspect of post-mortem life is that everything gets precious, gets piercingly important. You get stabbed by things, by flowers and by babies and by beautiful things – just the very act of living, of walking of breathing and eating and having friends and chatting. Everything seems to look more beautiful rather than less, and one gets the much-intensified sense of miracles."

**God is present to us every day, transforming the ordinary into something extraordinary.** As Jesus turned water into wine at Cana, miracles are happening all around us daily. In prayer we can become more attentive to those day-to-day miracles as Fr. Rolheiser relates: "The secret to prayer is not to try to make God present, but to make ourselves present to God. The secret to finding beauty and love in life is the same. Like God, they are already present. The trick is to make ourselves present to them." **May we become more aware of God's miracles existing around us this week and throughout this Ordinary Time!**

God Bless,

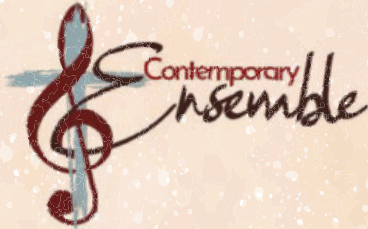
*Fr. Greg*

P.S. There are a few important celebrations this week that remind us of the need for justice and peace for all people. This Monday, January 17, is **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**, a federal holiday that reminds us of the need for racial harmony and justice. The following day, Tuesday, January 18, begins the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**, which calls all Christians to join together and pray that we might remove our differences and be united in Christ Jesus. On Saturday, January 22, we have a **Day of Prayer for the Protection of Unborn Children** where we pray that all human life be respected and protected from womb to tomb. See the last page of this bulletin for a prayer.



Our first meeting of the New Year 2022  
will be held  
**Tuesday, January 18th**  
at 6:30 pm.

We are excited to have Denise Reichard  
return to us with a new program called  
**Faith Journey.**  
As insightful as she was with her historical  
figures, we know we will be enriched by  
her presentation once again.



Rehearsals begin again  
**Wednesday,**  
**January 19**  
at 7:00 pm  
in the Choir Loft

All are welcome to join!  
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For questions, please contact  
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Queen of Heaven School's



# Night of Hope

Live In-Person Event  
Saturday January 29, 2022  
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### Mass Schedule

Daily: 7:30 am; 11:30 am

Saturday: 4:00 pm; 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:15 am

Confessions: 3:00 pm Saturdays

Holy Days: See Bulletin & Website

### Rectory

Weekdays: 9:00 am - Noon

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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2022 Stewardship:

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\$21,496.40

School Fund: \$35

Solemnity of Mary: \$618

## Upcoming Second Collections

January 16  
School Fund

January 30  
Catholic Relief Services

Please remember  
in your prayers

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Vincent Wade

## Faith Formation

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**It is very important to call or email our office for an appointment instead of just stopping in. Visitors are not allowed in our building.**

**Forms & payments, baptism certificates, etc.  
can be dropped off in the Rectory front door mailbox 24/7.**

### UNIT 3 GOSPEL WEEKLIES:

Packets for Home Study are ready for pickup from the Rectory front hall and Family Program packets are there as well.

### SESSION INFORMATION

*All sessions are in person this year. Masks are required for all programs whenever we are in the building.*

### SATURDAY PROGRAM

Will not meet on January 15.

Will meet next on Saturday, January 22 from 9:45 to 11:15 AM

### CONFIRMATION

Session #6 meets Wednesday January 19 from  
7 :00 to 9:00 PM in the Cafeteria.

*We ask our Parishioners to remember these candidates in your prayers  
in a special way during their journey to Confirmation.*

### LIFE TEEN

Meets Sundays from 10:45 AM to 12:15 PM in the Board Room.

### EDGE

Meets Tuesdays from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the Board Room.

*For all correspondence, please check your email inbox and  
spam/junk mail for messages from:  
[youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org](mailto:youthfamilyinfo@qofhchurch.org).*



Back to Ordinary Time,  
where we strive to serve God  
faithfully with our daily labors.

  
Vocation  
View

**Is Jesus asking you to labor in  
the Vineyard to save souls,  
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There are many open hours in the adoration schedule - when you decide to become an Adorer; simply write your name and phone number in any open spot on the printed schedule outside the Chapel nearest Mill Road, or go to the Queen of Heaven website and under the Adoration Chapel page you can view the open hours available and sign up for your hour there. For more information email us at: [adoration@QofHChurch.org](mailto:adoration@QofHChurch.org).

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Our Father,

We seek You in so many ways and places in our life.

We seek You for guidance and for comfort.

But You have told us that when there is hunger, it is up to us to feed the hungry.

We ask You to help us see You in other Christians and humbly ask You for strength in the search for what we have in common.

Bless our efforts to look at all the ways we are united in faith, and grant us courage to change our hearts and minds to realize your will.

We ask all this through Christ our Lord and brother, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



## 2022 MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions are still available for requests to celebrate special hallmarks, birthdays, anniversaries, and remember your loved ones both with us and those we have lost.

**Stop in the Rectory to see if your special dates are available!**

*The donation is \$15 per Mass.*



Pray  
FOR THE  
PROTECTION  
OF THE UNBORN

January 22, 2022



*We encourage you to pray for a deeper awakening throughout the world to the sacredness and dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.*

Good and gracious God, You blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life You have given us is a gift beyond measure. Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

## QUESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### First Reading: Is 62:1-5

The prophet Isaiah used marriage imagery (bridge and groom) to describe the Lord's love for His people, Israel.  
What do you see as some implications of this marriage imagery?

### Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11

Paul taught the Corinthians that the individual gifts of the Holy Spirit are meant to benefit and unify the community of faith.  
How do you use your spiritual gifts within your faith community?

### Gospel: Jn 2:1-11

Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana was one of the first public "signs" he performed revealing his divinity. It also showed Jesus' compassion, sparing the family shame at running short of wine.

How do you imagine the family reacted to Jesus' intervention and rescue?

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Saturday  
January 22  
3:30 pm

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## Schedule of Events

3:30 pm Rally in the St. Greg's Ministry Center

4:15 pm March begins

5:30 pm Mass for Life with Bishop Fisher

All are welcome to attend. We ask for parental oversight to help with safety. Face coverings are required. Dress appropriately as we will be marching outside regardless of the weather. Everyone is encouraged to make signs.

**Come and witness the power of the Rosary and support all life!**

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