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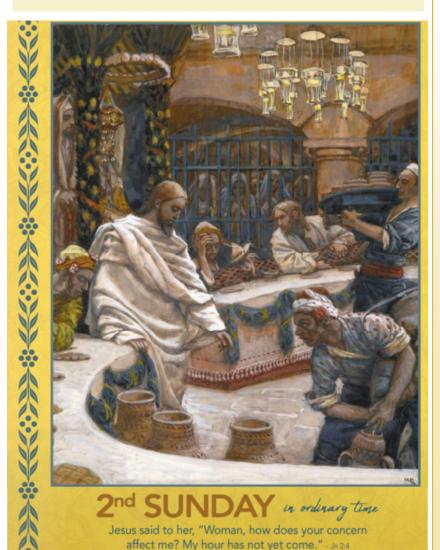
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday—Thursday 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard on Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. before the 4:00 p.m. Mass and also by appointment.

BAPTISM

For information, please contact the rectory at 440-359-8205 Monday— Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

MARRIAGE

For information, please contact the Rectory at 440-359-8205 Monday-Friday Between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, January 15th 4:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners Sunday, January 16th 9:15 a.m. Leonard & Rita Madej Wednesday, January 19th 7:30 a.m. - Rosary 8:00 a.m. Victoria Duever Thursday, January 20th 7:30 a.m. - Rosary 8:00 a.m. Martha Janosko Novena to the Miraculous Medal Saturday, January 22nd 4:00 p.m. Ron Sweed

Please Remember In Your Prayers . . .

Sunday, January 23rd 9:15 a.m..... Mirta Karlak

Nancy Belsito, Gen Cannella, Pat Christian, JoAnn Conway, Alice Cotter, Deb David, Robin Davis, Bill Deak, Dick Dolan, Jim Goersmeyer, Darillinn Grubbs, Mary Hills, Dolores P. Hovan, Ken Hudak, Helen Husky, Cindy Jerick, Carlotta Jones, Carol Kainec, Matt Kish, Judy Kobus, Kelly Kostilo, Ken Krawczyk, Corey Kurilko, Ryleeann Kurilko, Lucy Lagaza, Cindy Lowe, Wiletta Lynch, Ryan Martin, Richard Moore, Marcy Nero, Delores Nose, Lucille Novak, Virginia Pfeffer, Conner Press, Clara Rizzo, Eileen Salupo, Charles Saraniti, Jonathan Sedor, David Shostek, Anna Marie Slaby, Bill Smith, Gabe Sobina, Madyson Strohl, LueRean Talley, Mary Ann Taylor, Ed Thorsby, Diane Whitelaw, Carl Wilson Jr., Gwen Yates, Patricia Zak,

Special Intention and all those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world

Please get permission from the family before asking us to add someone to the Prayer List.

IT'S TAX TIME ONCE AGAIN

Please send a copy of my 2021 contribution statement for St. Mary to:

| NAME: | |
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| ADDRESS: | |
| CITY: | ZIP: |

Please fill out and send back to the parish office. If you can include a first class stamp we would appreciate it.

Mass Intentions—Our Lady of Hope

| 8:00 a.m | Monday, January 17th Josephine Pucic |
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| 8:00 a.m | Tuesday, January 18th Fr. Daniel Louis Begin |
| 8:00 a.m | Friday, January 21st Living & Deceased Parishioners |
| 11:00 a.m | Sunday, January 23rd Living & Deceased Parishioners |



Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of

John Savarino

who was buried from our church this past week. May his soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed rest in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

2022 MASS INTENTIONS

There are many Mass intentions available in our 2022 Mass Book. To book intentions for someone who is ill or deceased or has an anniversary, birthday, etc., please call or stop in either parish office during office hours. The cost is \$10 per Mass.



Parish Support

for 1/9/2022

 Church Support
 \$2265.36

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 \$1826.00

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 \$4091.36

Christmas—\$110.00; Solemnity of Mary—\$118.00 Donations for the Poor—\$100.95

MASS COUNTS

SM: 4 pm—88; 9:15 am—64 Total—152 **OLH**: 4 pm—59; 11 am—78 Total—137

Thank you for your continued generosity

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners.

The Christmas season is over, and we have arrived at the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Baptism of the Lord is actually considered the First Sunday in Ordinary Time as well as the official end of Christmas. I wasn't able to see my mom the Monday after Christmas because I was around numerous people with Covid, and I had some mild symptoms. I tested negative through an at-home test, but I didn't want to risk giving my mom anything. I hope to see her for our "Christmas visit" this coming week. Covid is still hitting both of our parishes hard, and I have celebrated numerous funerals, both at Saint Mary's and Our Lady of Hope, of parishioners who have died of Covid. At last count, there were seven priests in the Diocese who were sidelined with Covid. For the foreseeable future, I have stopped using altar servers at Mass and the gifts will not be brought up at the Offertory. I will not be blocking off every other pew, but I would encourage people to spread out as best they can throughout the church. Any events where food is served as well as in-person meetings will be suspended until the current surge comes to an end, and we pray that this will end soon.

Many parishioners have dropped off food during the holiday season at both Saint Mary and Our Lady of Hope. Thank you for your generous donations, especially during the winter when the need is greater. I would ask that you check the expiration date/ best-by date before donating, especially if you are cleaning out your cupboards or the kitchen of a loved one. We have received quite a few donations recently where the canned goods or boxed dry goods expired anywhere from one year ago to eight years ago. Even though some of these foods would not be technically spoiled if you were to eat them, we are not allowed to distribute them from our Saint Mary/Our Lady of Hope Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. If the food is not purchased fresh from the store, please check the expiration date before donating them to the church. Thanks to the volunteers who dedicate their time in purchasing food

for the Food Pantry and for those who organize the shelves and pass it out to the needy.

Winter blessings! Father Joe



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In the Gospel today, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they began to believe in him. Everyday, God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust.

Your food and monetary gifts to the St. Vincent de Paul Society become a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.



Our Food Pantry is open on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 3-4:30 p.m. with outside pick-up only.

MORNING PRAYER FOR WOMEN

Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer at the Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Road, Cleveland, on Monday, January 24th, from 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Just bring your Bible and come as you are! Price is \$10 and includes coffee and pastry. Register at www.jesuitretreat-house.org. Registrations are encouraged, but walkins welcome!

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA COLLECTION

Next weekend is the Collection for the Church in Latin America. For many in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers all present obstacles to practicing the faith. Your support provides lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, and other programs to share our Catholic faith with those who long to hear the Good News of Christ. An envelope is included in your January/February packet. Please give generously!

FURNITURE COLLECTION

Do you have used furniture in good condition you just don't use? Are you moving or downsizing and need to unload some unneeded pieces? We'll come pick it up and you can help a refugee family start a new life in the process. Catholic Charities helps place many families who have not much more than an empty apartment. If you have Queen & Full sized mattresses, tables & chairs, end tables or other furniture you would be willing to donate, please visit https://onehopeneo.com/homeless-refugee/

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