

Saint Titus Roman Catholic Church

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JANUARY 23, 2022 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday: 6:30 PM Wednesday: 8:30 AM Thursday: 8:30 AM Friday: 8:30 AM Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM*

*Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered from September - May at this Mass.

BEREAVEMENT CARE AND CONCERN Call Karen Edwards at 827-2658.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are always welcome! Census forms are available at the Parish Office. Please contact our Administrative Secretary (ext. 2) in the event of an address or phone number change.

PRAYER CHAIN

To add a prayer concern to our list, contact Nancy Madden at 814-493-3841, Helen Quimby at 827-1437, or Darlene Aul at 827-7343.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor	Reverend Walter E. Packard		
Deacon Assistant	Deacon Kevin Harmon		
Administrative Secretary	Brenda Lytle		
Religious Education Coordinato	rKathleen Puleo		
Music MinistersAnthony 'T.J.' Parks, Margaret Bernecky			
Maintenance	Greg Tress		
St. Catharine's Cemetery	Bob Beauchat		

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment only.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM or by arrangement.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please let us know when a family member or friend is ill, either at home, in the hospital, or at the nursing home.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made six months prior to the ceremony.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

If you are interested in R.C.I.A, please contact our pastor.

FAITH FORMATION

Religious instruction classes for youth take place at the Faith Formation Center on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM. Contact the Rel. Ed. Coordinator (ext. 4) to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Submissions for the bulletin must be dropped off at the Parish Office or sent via e-mail no later than 10:00 AM on Tuesday.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SOME THOUGHTS FROM FATHER PACKARD...

For weeks now we have smugly chuckled that "ole man winter" has passed us by! Then this past weekend we were warned of snow...it didn't come...it didn't come...and then, POW! Right in the kisser! We weren't forgotten last weekend. But that's why we live here, isn't it? The poor school kids – Monday was a holiday so they couldn't cash in with a snow day!

In our Liturgy of the Word this weekend, we continue to hear from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Let's look at it again. When Paul wrote what we call the "First Letter to the Corinthians," he was dealing with a divided community. Many of the members were boasting about the importance of their different gifts. These gifts often manifested a spiritual quality, such as speaking in tongues, prophesying, interpreting, preaching, healing, and so forth. Paul's image of the body is intended to deflate the people's arrogance and put their relationship with Christ in a new context. The people accept their faith as individuals, but Paul wants them to understand that at baptism, the Holy Spirit draws all believers together into fellowship with Christ as one body. Therefore, no member can be considered greater than another: all are equally relevant because each contributes to the well being of the whole.

The image of the body was already commonly used by Greek philosophers to describe the city. Paul, however, is the first to apply its image to the Church. It is important to recognize that his explanation here is not a systematic vision of the Church but rather a poetic response to a particular situation in Corinth. That said, Paul's metaphor can be a helpful way for us to think about the role in our own parish community. As one body, we rely on one another and need to recognize the important role each part in that body plays.

As members of one body, the Church, we all have an important part to play in recognizing the gifts of one another. St Paul builds his analogy of the body, ending by pointing out that "if one part of the body suffers, all parts of the body suffer with it'. We are all members of the Body of Christ, of the "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church." If one of us is suffering, the entire Church suffers. Many suffer from chronic illness, or poverty, or racism, or emotional trauma, or physical limitations. Many are not able to reach their full potential. In an even wider sense, since we are all children of God, the human family is united as one as well. And so we are all called to care for the least of our brothers and sisters, be they next door or at the other end of the world. **We are one family**.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

In what ways am I poor, oppressed or held captive? How does the Lord's promise speak to me? How can I bring glad tidings to those who are poor and oppressed?

The Parish Office is in the process of preparing the year-end contribution statements for everyone. They should be available in the not-to-distant future. Please look for them in the mail.

This Wednesday, the Church's liturgical calendar celebrates the **Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops**. This is our annual celebration of the feast day of our Parish Patron. In the past, we would have an evening Mass followed by a Tureen Dinner. But since COVID, we have not been able to do many of the things we used to! Nonetheless, I do want to encourage many of you to try and attend Mass next Wednesday morning at 8:30AM, at which time we can pray for our parish community under the patronage of **St. Titus!**

This weekend throughout the Diocese of Erie there will be a special collection: **Help Spread the Faith**. The diocese continues to invest in a team dedicated to providing us with thoughtful publications, social media posts, web resources and more. One of the most visible communications devices is the bi-monthly publication of **FAITH Magazine**, that is mailed to every Catholic home in our diocese. Please consider making a contribution to this special collection and use the special envelope in your packets

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The <u>Ninth Annual 22:32 Men's Conference</u> will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022, and the <u>Seventh Annual 1:38</u> <u>Women's Conference</u> will be held on Saturday, March 12. 2022. Last year, both of these conferences were available virtually in our own parish Church. More details about both of these conferences will continue to be shared with you through our Parish Bulletin. Please <u>Save the Dates!</u>

Thank you to everyone who continues to be faithful in worshiping weekly in our Church and for the respect to afford everyone by following the protocols when being in our Church. Your presence is so very much appreciated! Also, thank you for your continued support of the financial needs of our parish! As we continue to move forward during these uncertain times of the pandemic, may we continue to remember one another in prayer!!

Have a good week! Father Packard

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mon. Jan. 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church NO MASS Tues. Jan. 25 Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle 6:30 PM Gladys Lamberton (Jane Lamberton) Wed. Jan. 26 Saints Timothy & Titus, Bishops 8:30 AM Fledderman & Feldbauer Families (Gary Crawford) Thurs. Jan. 27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin 8:30 AM Bill Edwards (Dave & Karen Badowski) Fri. Jan. 28 St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church 8:30 AM Mary Reisinger (Ann Reisinger Knox) Sat. Jan. 29 Weekday 4:30 PM Lee & Ina Hugar (Hugar Family) Sun. Jan. 30 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Titus Church 10:00 AM Barbara Young (Mary & Stephen James)

PRAYER LIST

For our Families and Friends: Pauline Milberger, Carreena Ewing, Teddy Muir, Nita Ashley, Brittany Johnson, Janet Anderson, Callie, Connie Phillips, Brother Timothy Waid, Pop DeMello, Paul Pennell, Rachel Knupp, Jean Spence, Gina Green, Todd Campbell, Ruth Goodwill, Clint, Clifford J. Kirvan, Jessica & Family, Rita Homer, Ricky Reed, Katelyn Dougherty, Ed Schneider, Colleen Hofmeister, Lori Crawford, Mary Haas, Donna Noel, Mary Anne Kopper, Frank & Cindy Ruppert, Maxine Gollehon, Tom Boyle, Ted Kubiak, Clifford Johnson, Bill See, Mary Perkins, Drake Fellows, Frank Tomaino, Charlotte Randall, Kyle Lukowich, Sherry Lynn Beach, Zach Thompson, Kathy Obert, Steven Gratkowski, Teresa F., Anna Bauer, Alex Kunz, Mike Wakefield, Jim Kocan, Linda Marsh, Sharon Wirkowski, Brud & Nancy Giffin, Lilly Bailey, Pat Maginnis, Loretto Parres, Bill & Robin Amore, Beth Davidson, Valerie Boyle, Margaret Collins, Bill Hensler, Bill Stumpf, Barb Gratkowski, Patrick J. Hynes, Jr., Nancy Prenatt, Patrick Cartney, II, Tom Hasbrouck, Mandy Hanely, Marian Adelman, Sara Master, Harriett Morris, Pat Schneider, Lucille Brown, Robert Caratelli, Mary Hall

<u>Please call the Parish Office to add or remove anyone from the</u> <u>prayer list.</u>

For our Servicemen and Servicewomen: Brock Benedict, James Moyer, Derek Baldwin, Andrew Baldwin, Casey Bargar, Destiny Nicol, Christopher Macko, Robert Macko, Mathew Longiotti, Luke English, Cory Bemis, Kayla Barrett, Dr. Joseph Shevchik, Travis Pearsall, Caden Mallory, Anna Bauer, Alex Kunz, Andy Ferguson, Michael Avallone, Matthew English, Kasey Sines

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen

PRAY FOR PRIESTS: Rev. Msgr. Bernard J. Urbaniak, Rev. Richard J. Toohey, Rev. Msgr. Gerald J. Koos, Rev. Casimir J. Wozniak, Rev. David J. Wilson, Rev. Joseph P. Staszewski, Rev. James Power

Ministry Schedule (January 29 & 30)			
4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	
Lector: David Badowski	Lector: Lisa Lynch	Lector: Kevin O'Neill	
Sacristan: Brenda Lytle	Sacristan: Karen Metzgar	Sacristan: Dianne & Tim	
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OFFERTORY REPORT 1/8 &1/9

Envelopes	\$ 7037.00
Loose	\$ 131.00
Candles	\$ 80.00
Christmas	\$ 20.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00
Communications Collection	\$ 75.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 20.00
Initial Offering	\$ 73.00
Operation Rice Bowl	\$ 10.00
Snow Removal	\$ 6.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 54.00
Religious Education	\$ 237.00
Total	\$ 7773.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE—In today's gospel Jesus was "praised by all" except at home in Nazareth where the "eyes of all were intently on him." Acceptance can be hard to find at home due to unreal EXPEC-TATIONS. Jesus challenges us to "proclaim liberty" to anyone "oppressed" or "captive' by our EXPECTATIONS.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS—Because we are humans, we have eyes, ears, hands, feet, and many other body parts. Ideally, they all work together. Is there any part of your body that sometimes gives you trouble? How might your beloved aid or comfort you?

ANNUAL PRE-LENTEN RETREAT—Longing for a deeper encounter with the Lord this Lent? Singles and couples are invited to participate in a retreat Feb. 25-26 at St. Thomas More House of Prayer in Cranberry. Retreatants will have opportunities for community, talks, adoration, Mass and confession. For more information, visit <u>www.eriercd.org/chastity/retreat</u>. Questions? Call or email Jacob Kessler at 814-824-1216, <u>kessler@eriercd.org</u>. The retreat is sponsored by the Diocesan Chastity Education Office.

BACKPACK PROGRAM—Please remember the Month of January is St. Titus Church's turn to fill the backpacks for the Weekend Backpack program sponsored by LOVE Inc. A receptacle for your donation is located in the gathering space. Many thanks for your generosity!

THANK YOU to all our local businesses that advertise in our church bulletin. This week we want to especially thank **The Ribbon Factory**.

