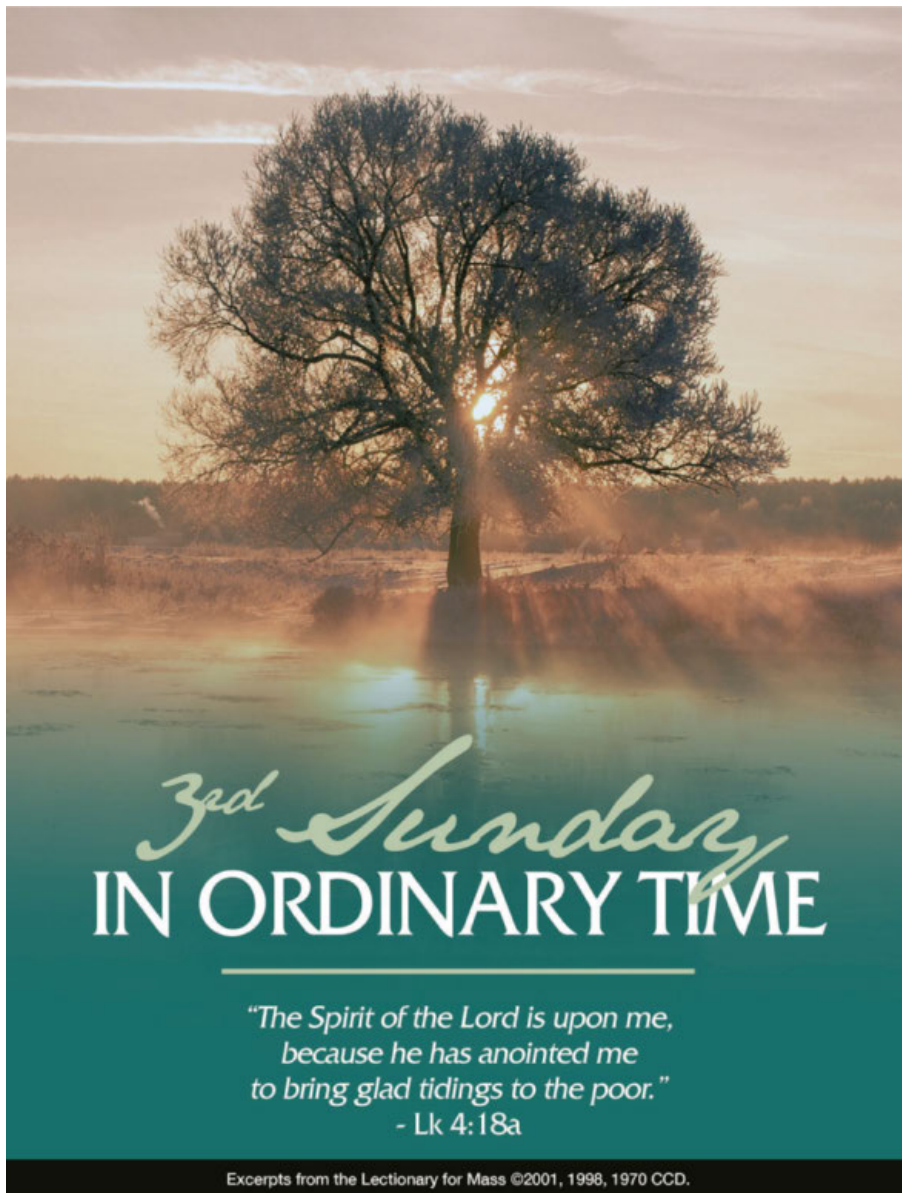
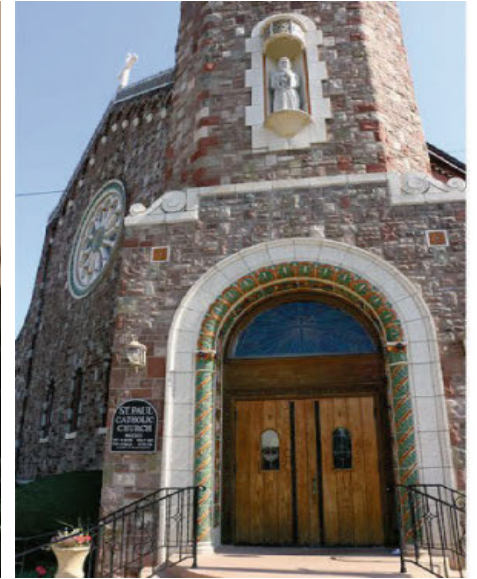
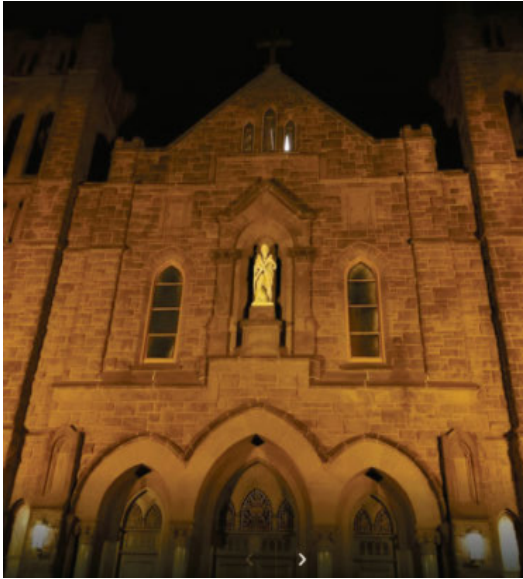


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January 23, 2022 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



3rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor."
- Lk 4:18a*

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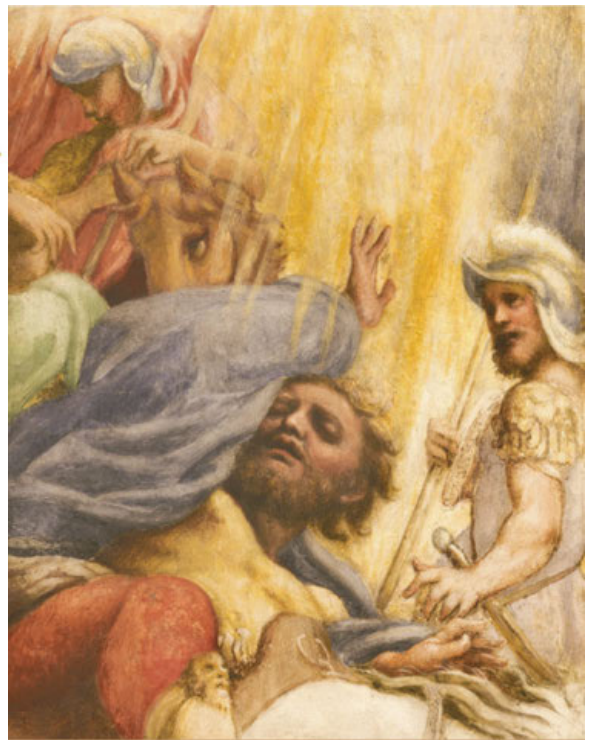
WEEKLY PRAYER

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 or 12:12-14, 27/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

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23, 2022

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
- Monday:** St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
- Wednesday:** Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
- Thursday:** St. Angela Merici, Virgin
- Friday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week



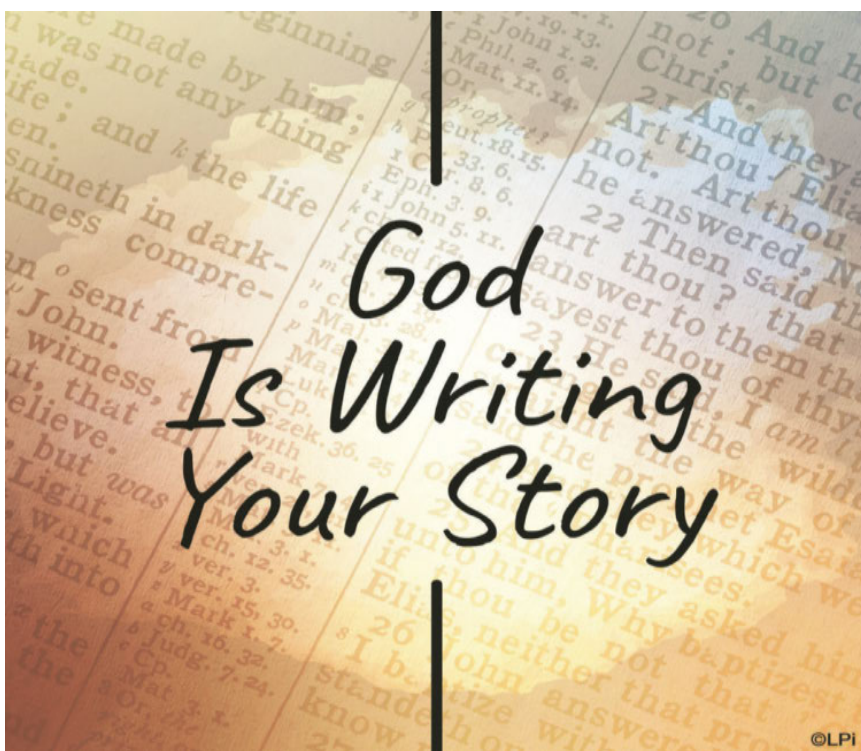
THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

Sincerely yours, Paul

Nine of the letters attributed to Saint Paul were sent to large groups of people: the Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Thessalonians. They are filled with advice, instruction, and spiritual insights for these communities. The remaining four letters, however, were addressed to specific people: Timothy, Titus, and Philemon.

Written later in Paul's life, they are shorter and a bit more private. Though these letters were perhaps intended to be read by only a few people, they are now quite public because they were copied and shared with other followers of Jesus. For almost 20 centuries, Christians have recognized them as inspired, as words that feed us as much now as they did these first-century Christians. The feast of Saints Timothy and Titus (January 26) uses these letters.

Once a Christian-hater who became a phenomenal Christian leader, Paul, through his letters, guided and strengthened an unfolding Church, helping believers keep their new faith growing, alive, and true. Did Paul realize that these letters would be read for centuries by Christians all over the world? Almost 2,000 years later, they are still full of rich help to countless Christians who strive to nurture their faith. (Unless otherwise noted, all translations are from the New American Bible.)



WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES: January 29/30

SATURDAY— St. Paul at 4:30PM

LECTOR: Sr. Susan



SUNDAY— Sacred Heart at 9:00 AM

LECTOR: Annette & Mike Ahrens

EM: Charlene Amann, Pam Drylewicz, Don Weibel

SUNDAY—St. Andrew at 11:00 AM***

LECTOR: Brian Stark **EM:** Pam Birosczak

USHERS: Tom Skrzypczak, Gary Wesman, Tom Klemm



SUNDAY COLLECTION COUNTERS:

SACRED HEART & ST. PAUL: Ruth DeFranco, Anita Salvia,
& Ron Sivillo

ST. ANDREW: Ek & Wesman



SACRED HEART CLEANING TEAM Fri, January 28:

TEAM 7-Charlene Michael

Thank you ALL for your time and devotion to these ministries!

*****Attention: ST ANDREW LITURGICAL MINISTERS (EM's, LECTORS, USHERS, and COUNTERS):**

For the spring schedule, I need the dates that you are not available in the months of March, April, and May. Text 814-602-0558 or email jnkbaldwin@gmail.com by Feb 6, 2022. Thank you. Kathy

St. Andrew Thirty-One Club

Daily listing Sunday to Saturday:

23-Steve Snyder 24-Judy Cassano
25-Andrew Campbell 26-Sally Mink
27-Elaine Hirsch 28-Ros Cromer
29-Dody Tully & Nina Siggia

*Special thanks to the members of the 31 Club who agree to go to Mass and/or offer prayers on a particular day every month for an increase of vocations to the Church. **Pray for vocations.***

Looking for The Chosen DVDs?

If you borrowed one of *The Chosen* DVDs and have finished watching, please return it to the rectory so that we may share it with others. We hoped you enjoyed it and have tried out Season 2!



The Erie Cursillo Movement is currently planning and accepting candidate applications for a Men's Cursillo from February 11 to 13, 2022 and a Woman's Cursillo from April 29 to May 1, 2022.

Applications can be found on the Cursillo Website at eriecursillo.org, calling the Cursillo office at 814-824

-1119, or by asking someone you may know who has completed a Cursillo weekend who would be willing to serve as your sponsor.

Sacrificial Giving

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Offertory	January 9	Weekly Expenses
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St. Andrew	\$2,345.00	\$6,691.00
St. Paul	\$2,363.00	\$3,281.00



Special Wedding Anniversaries

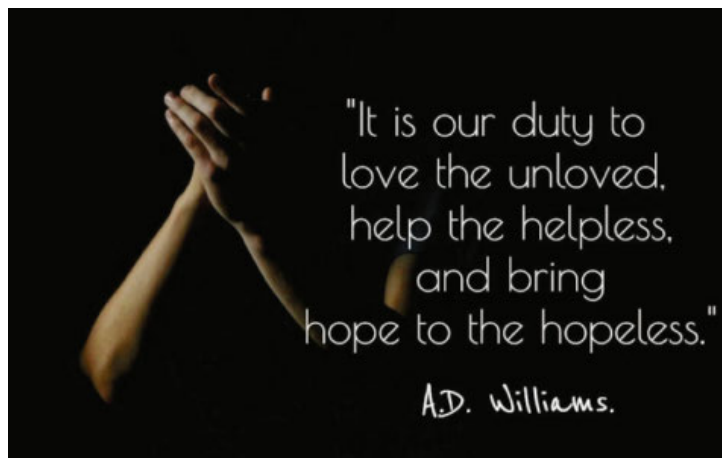
Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2022 (25,40, 45,50,60+...)? If so, please let us know when it is! There will be a special blessing during all the weekend Masses on **February 12-13**. Call Rebecca Flynn at Sacred Heart rectory (456-6256). Even if you are unable to come to one of the Masses, we would still like to hear from you and know when you will be celebrating that special occasion.

Kinship Ministry Collection

During the month of January, we will be collecting men's, women's and children's winter hats, gloves, scarves, socks, and individual sized personal care items for distribution at Erie City Mission. This distribution is part of our recycled plastic bag ministry and mirrors the collection that we concluded 2 years ago with the Erie police department. The ministry will be setting up outside the Mission a couple of times during the month of January where they will distribute the bags we weave. Items may be placed in the box under the Holy Family statue at Sacred Heart Church or dropped off at the church office.

City Mission Distribution Update...

We had our first January delivery of items collected for the City Mission on 1/11/22. It was a huge success. Everything-woven plastic mats, socks, warm weather clothing, and personal care items were distributed. Sharon Bond's van was filled to the brim. Little, if anything, came back. Thank you to everyone assisting with this ministry. We hope to make another delivery at the end of the month so **keep those items listed above coming in**. Kinship Ministry



College Care Package Donations:

We are looking for donations for the college care package program. We collect single serving size treats for the students. Over the years they have enjoyed fruit snacks, granola, trail mix, cheese crackers, cookies, popcorn, chips, and candy. The students also enjoy some stationary items such as post its, pens, mechanical pencils, and highlighters. The students appreciate your generosity. We deliver the care packages to them the week before their finals so they can have a quick snack. We also accept monetary donations for shipping the boxes of treats. Donations will be accepted at the parish office at Sacred Heart or by contacting Sara Comi to pick up (814) 323-4718. Donations are greatly appreciated and allow this program to continue. Please contact Sara Comi with any questions. Thank you!!!!



St. Andrew Knights of Columbus sponsors benefit raffle, dinner

The Knights of Columbus #14437 of St. Andrew Parish, Erie, is sponsoring a 50/50 raffle and a Salisbury steak dinner to benefit Michael Lombardozi. Mike has been dealing with medical issues and is in need of assistance. Raffle tickets are \$1 each and are for sale after the 11 a.m. Mass or by contacting the Knights (John Skrzypczak at 814-440-9157, Tom Klemm at 814-323-5222, or Pat Nenzo at 814-812-4238). The dinner will be held Feb. 6 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Msgr. Gannon Auditorium, 1116 W. 7th St., Erie. Tickets will be available at the door.

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22:32 Ninth Annual Catholic Men's conference in Erie is less than a month away! Be part of it!

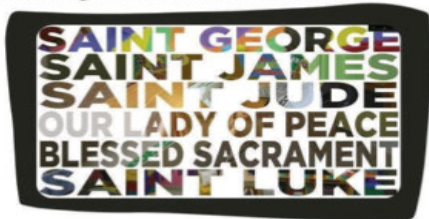
Men are invited to attend 22:32 Men, a half-day event based on the theme of Luke 22:32, "But I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers." The conference will be held Feb. 12 from 8:30 a.m. to noon at St. Jude the Apostle Church, 2801 W. 6th St., Erie. Enjoy fellowship and inspiring national speakers Bear Woznick and Father Anthony Marie Baetzold, CFR. The event will conclude with Mass offered by Bishop Lawrence Persico. Discounts available for groups of eight or more, as well as for high school students. Visit www.2232Men.com or call 814-455-7364 for more information and to register.

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Calling all young adults 21+!

The Catholic Young Adult Ministry invites anyone 21 and older to **Trivia Quiz Night on Feb. 18** in the auditorium of Sacred Heart Parish, 816 W. 26th St. (Auditorium is located behind the church.) The cost is \$10 per person; \$15 per couple. Please RSVP by Feb. 4 to aboyd@eriercd.org or at <https://erieya.org>. For more information, contact Father Andy Boyd at aboyd@eriercd.org.



DEACON DABBLINGS... GET OUT THE SHOVEL

It took a while but the winter weather has finally arrived. As I write this edition of "Deacon Dabblings" I am watching the snow quickly piling up on my sidewalk and driveway and for as beautiful as it is, I know that soon someone in my household will need to go out into the harsh elements and remove the accumulated blanket of Mother Nature's white winter gift that, if no action is taken, will eventually prevent me from getting my car out of the garage. Seeing that my household is comprised of my wife and I and two cats, I think we all know who will soon be outside in the blowing snow clearing a path for escape.

We often hear people talk about how much they hate winter; not only the snow and the cold but also the darkness associated with the shorter hours of daylight related to this time of year. And although I too can find some reasons for disliking winter (see paragraph above) there is a certain spiritual dimension to this season that I find calming.

We read in Ecclesiastes, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens... a time to plant and a time to uproot... a time to search and a time to give up... He (God) has made everything beautiful in its own time."

What if we approached our spiritual life from a perspective of understanding that each season would teach us lessons on how to develop a close relationship with God? Our spiritual seasons typically mirror what we see in nature. Here we are in winter and if we just focus on the harshness of the weather and consider everything around us as being dead, then we miss a great opportunity for growth, both spiritually and psychologically. This is typically a period when things are not growing or blooming outside. Animals are hibernating and if we are smart we should take a cue from nature because this is a time to rest. Since we are indoors much of the time during these shorter days of sunlight, we have the opportunity to take time to take inventory of the relationship that we have with God.

We shouldn't resist this chance to rest. Rather, we should welcome the opportunity to grow in strength, endurance and faith. This is a good time to really hear from God by taking the time to quietly listen to what He has to say to you. Yes, "...God has made everything beautiful in its own time."

Let's take him up on His graciousness and rest in Him.

*Peace of Christ,
Deacon Tony*



Erie March for Life

Saturday, January 29, 2022—11AM

Arrive at Perry Square Pavilion in downtown Erie by 10:45 am
The event concludes by 12:30 p.m.

St. Martin Center, Inc. is hiring a Maintenance Team Member, a Trauma Case Manager, and several teaching positions. All information can be found at our website, www.smcerie.org.

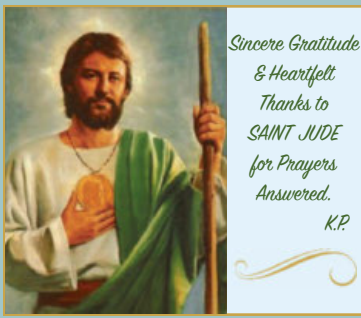
Youth invited to NET Ministries conference

St. Mark the Evangelist Parish, Lawrence Park, and Mount Calvary Parish, Erie, invite all youth in sixth through 12th grades to the NET Ministries Youth Conference Feb. 5 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the social hall of St. Mark the Evangelist, 695 Smithson Ave. This event is open to anyone who wants to dive deeper into their relationship with God. NET Ministries is a group of fun, energetic and engaging young adults that travels the country to share their experiences and faith with young people. Bring a pen and your Bible. (Bibles also are available on site.) COVID-19 social-distancing protocols will be followed. Lunch and refreshments will be provided by the parishes and Knights of Columbus #13826. Join NET Ministries and parish representatives for dinner after the 4:30 p.m. Mass. RSVP for the conference at <https://form.iotform.com/smmcreled/net-ministries-form> or contact the office at office@smmc.church or 814-899-3000.

Cash bingo planned for February

Plan now to attend the Feb. 20 cash bingo event sponsored by the St. Benedict Academy alumnae board. Bingo starts at 1 p.m. at the Polish Falcons Club, 431 E. 3rd St., Erie. A 50/50 will be featured, kitchen and bar will be open. Packets are \$25. The event benefits the ministries of the Benedictine Sisters of Erie.





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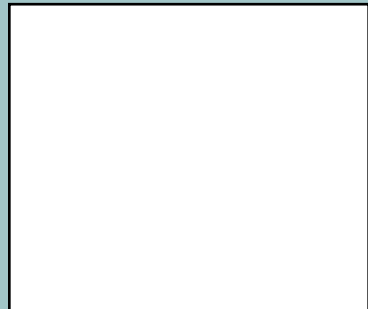
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