

ST. MARY  
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
STAR CITY

33346 University Ave. Morgantown, WV 26505 • 304-599-3747

January 17, 2021 • 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Mass Times: Saturday, 6:00pm, Sundays, 8:30am, 11:00am**

**Daily Mass\*:** Mon. 6:30pm Tue.-Thur. 9:00am \*please see schedule inside for any changes or cancellations.

Radio broadcast at 8:30am on 1300AM WCLG & 92.1FM, and TuneIn channel Morgan 92.1



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher—"where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." - Jn 1:38-39a



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## St. Mary Parish

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### Are you registered in the Parish?

Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of the parish family.

Clearly stating your Catholic commitment in all its dimensions brings many advantages, recognition, and responsibility.

At St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, our policy, is that you must be registered and participating in Sunday Mass regularly before a baptism can take place, or for the initial meeting with the pastor in the case of marriage.

Regular attendance is also required for adults who are asked to be a godparent or sponsor at another parish, in order that a letter can be sent stating that they are a practicing Catholic and a registered member of a parish faith community.

Even though you may have attended Mass here for months, or even years, we would like for you to be registered.

Please pick up a registration form at the church or parish office, or register online at [stmarystarcity.com](http://stmarystarcity.com). For more information, call the parish office at 304-599-3747.

### Sacraments

**Baptism:** (Birth – Age 7) Parents are required to participate in a preparation program before the celebration of Baptism. Parents must be registered and attending Sunday Mass regularly. Please call Kathy 304-225-1163 for information.

**Reconciliation:** 30 minutes prior to each daily Mass

**Order of Christian Initiation:** Children 7-14 years of age, and Children 15 years of age and older & Adults— *The Order of Christian Initiation, RCIA* please contact Please contact Kathy Kerzak (304) 225-1163 /kkerzak@comcast.net for information

**Marriage:** Engaged couples planning to marry at St. Mary Church should be practicing Catholics, participating in Sunday Eucharist regularly. Also, they must participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. Call the Parish Office for information. At least **six months notice** is required. *No date for a wedding will be set over the phone.*

**Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound:** When a parishioner is confined to home or hospital because of illness or advanced age, call the Parish Office. We will be happy to make arrangements to bring Holy Communion.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request and communally as scheduled

#### **Bulletin Deadline:**

**Tuesday@Noon**, email or written copy please,  
no bulletin announcements will be taken over the phone

**Email:** stmaryschurch@comcast.net

**Subject line:** attn: Bulletin, and include topic of announcement

## Spirituality of the Readings – Called by Name



We now begin what the Church calls "Ordinary Time." Christmas season is over, and we begin to see Jesus at work.

We begin with a significant story, found in the First Reading for this Sunday.

A young man named Samuel is sleeping in the temple. He wakes up instantly when he hears his name spoken out loud. He cries out, "Here I am!" and runs to his master, Eli, who is sleeping in another place in the temple. "You called me, what do you want?"

"I didn't call you," Eli rasps. "Go back to sleep."

But the same thing happened again. Samuel runs to Eli, with the same result.

On the third time, the old man at last understands. Wisely, he says "Samuel if this happens again, say these words: 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'"

Samuel goes back to sleep. He hears his name again, "Samuel, Samuel"! Following instructions, he says, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening!" God speaks, and Samuel grows up accompanied by the Lord's presence.

So much for the First Reading. Another naming is represented in the Gospel. John the Baptist points to Jesus. Jesus is waiting for standers-by to notice him and get interested. They follow and Jesus says bluntly, "What are you looking for?"

There are several layers to this question. The plain meaning is, "What's up? Why are you following me?" But the depth charge is there too, the same one that finally shook Samuel loose: "Are you looking for God? Is that your hunger? Is there something about me that answers the deep desire of your heart?"

They stammer. They give some kind of reply. "Well, uh, well, um, where, where are you staying?" Jesus replied as he does to you and me:

"Come and see."

They do go and see, spending the day with him. One of them, Andrew, runs to get his brother Simon, shouting, "we have found the Messiah"! They run back to Jesus and the most important event in Simon's life takes place: Jesus gives him the name Cephas (Peter), a new deep identity for him. The word Cephas' base meaning is "the rock." Jesus must have seen innermost stability in him.

Peter could never have become fully himself if someone had not named him all the way to his depths. The same goes for Samuel. God can call any of us by a name that reaches all the way down into our souls, to a place that we do not even know about! Our job is to begin hearing and to grow.

Must it always be God or Jesus who calls our name in order for us to become ourselves? Couldn't a psychologist do it, or a spouse, or a dear friend who believes in us? Yes, of course, each of these know us and beckon us to be ourselves.

But only God can know our very deepest desires, and only God can satisfy the one that is the most precious in each of us: the reaching out for that person we want most and for whose sake we love others.

Jesus God.

Do you sense in your insides a kind voice whispering such an invitation, calling you by your real name, calling you to be an ally of the Christ of God?

John Foley, SJ

## Giving Summary

### Last Sunday's Offering

\$7,634.54

### Online Giving

\$2,246.35

### Attendance: 146

For ease of accounting, **separate checks are preferred** for all donations to different collections and purposes, including special collections, Mass intentions, memorials, and donations to different funds e.g. Trust Fund for the Poor, Debt Reduction, etc. Thank you for your help!

## Recent/Upcoming Special Collections

**1/31**—Church in Latin America



**Wear a mask. Save lives.**

Wear a face cover

Wash your hands

Keep a safe distance



 **DONATE TODAY**

### **GIVE ONLINE!**

by clicking on the image on our website  
[www.stmarystarcity.com](http://www.stmarystarcity.com).

## THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

January 17, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 6:00pm	Kathy Evanto
Sunday, 8:30am	Joan DeChristopher
Sunday, 11:00am	For the People

Monday 1/18	<u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u>
6:30pm	In honor of Michael Aldridge
Tuesday 1/19	<u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u>
9:00am	Chris Honaker
Wednesday 1/20	<u>Weekday in Ordinary Time</u>
9:00am	Kathy Koloff
Thursday 1/21	<u>St. Agnes</u>
9:00am	Intention of Celebrant

In the event of Closing of school due to inclement weather, there will be no Daily Mass or Prayer Service.

\*In the event of a funeral, morning Mass will be cancelled\*

January 24, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, 6:00pm	For the People
Sunday, 8:30am	Deceased Members of the Lucci Family
Sunday, 11:00am	In honor of First Communicants



**We will have  
The Blessing of the Throats  
directly following all three  
Masses the weekend of  
January 30/31**



**With the rising cases of COVID-19 in our area, St. Ursula really needs volunteers in less at-risk age groups for several jobs, especially sorting donations of clothes and toys.**

Call (304)599-3822 to speak with Ginny or Sr. Rachel. Thank you!



**St. Ursula Food Pantry needs:  
\*\* Soup and Cereal\*\***

### Baby & Toddler Program needs:

**\*Diapers** (All sizes, but especially 4, 5, 6)  
**\*Toddler-sized Winter Clothing**  
(Especially 3T, 4T, & 5T. No other children's clothing is being accepted at this time)

## THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY

**Sunday, January 17**

8:30/9:30	Religious Ed. (Refer to schedule)
1:00pm	NA Meeting

**Monday, January 18**

Parish Office Closed

**Tuesday, January 19**

6:30pm NA Meeting

**Wednesday, January 20**

7:00pm Catholic Homeschoolers Bible Study

**Sunday, January 24**

8:30/9:30	Religious Ed. (Refer to schedule)
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11:00am	Rite of Enrollment for First Communicants (at Mass)
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1:00pm	NA Meeting
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### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

**30 minutes prior to each Daily Mass**

**(Mon.-6:00pm, Tue.-Thur.-8:30am)**

\*times may change based on any changes to the weekly Mass schedule

**The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 18th for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

**A Pendant was found** in the St. Mary Church parking lot. If you are missing one, please call the Parish office and describe it to claim.



**Memorial Donations** for Bread and the Tabernacle candle are now being accepted for the year 2021.

The requested donation is \$40. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested. 304-599-3747.



**Mass intentions are now being accepted for 2021.** The suggested donation is \$20 for a weekend, \$10 for a weekday. Please call the Parish Office if interested, 304-599-3747.

Please note that any Masses cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances such as a global pandemic, inclement weather, or a funeral, will be moved to the next available 'like' date and time e.g., Daily Mass on Tuesday moved to another Tuesday, 8:30 Sunday Mass moved to another 8:30, as available.



We have Hearing Assistance Devices available for use during Mass. If you would like one, please ask an Usher.

# Pastoral COUNCIL

## Parish Council Responsibilities

On January 31st we will be selecting 7 new Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) members who will join with two current PPC members to form a new 9 member PPC.

As I mentioned in my Christmas letter I want to form a committee to create a 5 year plan for St. Mary. The PPC will play a major role initially of helping to plan and make recommendations on who should be on that committee. Once the 5 year plan has been finalized it will be the PPC that will make the objectives and goals of the plan come to life and hold the pastor et al. responsible for implementing the plan.

Once we get past the initial phase of implementation the council will meet every other month on a Monday evening following the daily Mass. At those regular meetings the council will be given several sub-committees to report on at the meeting as well as receive information regarding all the endeavors of the parish such as St. Ursula, Faith Formation and financial updates. Additionally, other matters of current interest will be brought up for discussion. All of the efforts are designed to come up with good advice for the pastor.

As with the selection process the members length of office will be determined by drawing their names from a hat. Three will be on for three years, three will be on for two years, and three will be on for one year.



**Donations for St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach may be placed in the labeled bins in the church, or dropped off in the baskets in the CFC entry.**

**The Parish Office has relocated to the Formation Center, room A. We remain closed to in-person visits, except by appointment. You may still contact us by phone or email.**

# THANK YOU!

### Appreciations:

I want to express my great appreciation for Carmen Riotto DeMasters, our office and business manager, who has decided to resign and pursue other challenges in life. During the whole transition of myself into being the pastor and again when we made the move of the offices to the Christian Formation Center Carmen leaned forward to ensure as smooth a change as possible. For those of you who have known her for longer you already know the value she has added to the running of the parish over the years. Carmen's last day will be later this month so I encourage you to reach out with your own appreciations.

I also want to express my gratitude to Ginny Aultman-Moore who for more than twenty years has devoted a considerable portion of her life to helping those most in need through our community outreach ministry at St. Ursula Food Pantry & Outreach. Her dedication to those in our midst struggling with financial burdens is worthy of our greatest appreciation and fulfills one of our core Christian tenets of care for those the rest of society would just as soon ignore. We cannot ignore the impact Ginny has made over her many years of ministry and so I encourage you to reach out with personal appreciations as well. Her last day will be in March before she moves into retirement phase.

May God bless both Carmen and Ginny in their future endeavors.

Fr. John

### Our New Address is:

3346 University Ave  
Morgantown, WV 26505

Please direct all correspondence to this new address. Our P.O. Box is now closed



## Position Opening:

St. Mary is looking to hire a new business/office manager. While the person chosen will need a variety of skills, some of the basic skills and experience necessary will be a good understanding of financial accounting with a familiarity with Quickbooks online. Additional skills will be good communication with the broader public and with the parish staff and various groups within the parish. Basic computer skills are also a necessity. This is full-time 35-40 hours a week. Compensation will be determined by experience. Please contact the office if interested and to set up an interview with the pastor.

# CONFIRMATION

**Adults who have yet to be Confirmed** are invited to join our spring preparation classes, which begin February 7th. Please contact Kathy Kerzak for more information at [kkerzak@comcast.net](mailto:kkerzak@comcast.net), or (304) 692- 8881.



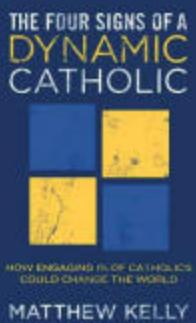
### Do you want a life of Heroic Sacrifice?

Is God Calling YOU to be a Priest of Jesus Christ?

completely to God in a life of consecration and commitment to building up the kingdom of God here in West Virginia? Perhaps the Lord is calling you to be a Priest of Jesus Christ in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston!

The annual diocesan Men's Priestly Discernment Retreat will be held on Saturday, March 20 at the Pope St. John XXIII Pastoral Center (100 Hodges Rd, Charleston, WV 25314) from 10AM – 5PM. This event is open to men 18 years and older who are simply open to reflecting on God's will for them in their lives. The day will consist of Holy Mass, prayer, reflections on the priesthood, and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession. For any men interested in attending, please email Rick Teachout at [rteachout@dwc.org](mailto:rteachout@dwc.org) or call him at (304) 233-0880 ext. 442.

## Lenten Book Study



In preparation for our Five Year Plan, I will lead a book study on Matthew Kelly's book "Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic" weekly during Lent. If you are thinking about volunteering to be on the Five Year Plan committee I believe this book

is a good introduction on some of the topics that will be covered in our deliberations.

**The discussion sessions will be on Tuesday evenings in Peace Hall, where we can be socially distanced, on February 16 & 23, March 2, 9, 16 & 23.** They will start **at 6:30 pm** and should be finished no later than 8:00 pm each night.

Please mark those dates on your calendars if this is of interest to you and I hope we will have a nice cross-section of St. Mary there to start the work of bringing our parish back to life after this pandemic. -Fr. John



**Happy New Year!** As we start 2021, Mon Valley Habitat for Humanity has many opportunities for people to help in the Restore while maintaining social distance.

Full and Part Time employee positions:

**Cashier**

**Box Truck Driver**

**Floor Organizer and Re-stocker  
Warehouse Attendant**

A variety of volunteer opportunities are also available. You must be 16 to work on the Restore floor and 18 to work in the Restore warehouse. Please contact the affiliate office at 304-291-2991 for more information.



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## PARENT INFORMATION REGARDING TUITION ASSISTANCE

**PLEASE MAKE THIS INFO AS WIDELY AVAILABLE AS POSSIBLE**

(parish bulletins, school & parish newsletters, school & parish websites, etc.)

### 2021-2022 DIOCESAN TUITION ASSISTANCE PROCESS IS OPEN

For the 30th consecutive year, the Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program (**TAP**) is striving to keep Catholic school education affordable for Catholic families who desire it for their children but who may need some financial assistance to make that dream a reality. Thanks to the ongoing and genuine commitment of The Most Reverend Mark Brennan to the Catholic schools in our Diocese, funds have, once again, been allocated for distribution to Catholic families in need of financial assistance.

Applying for **TAP through FACTS** is easy and affordable. You are encouraged to apply if your child is already enrolled or has been accepted by one of the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Who is eligible?** Any Catholic student accepted for the 2021-2022 school year in any Diocesan Catholic school (PK thru grade 12) and who belongs to a parish included on the drop-down list as part of the on-line application is eligible. Determinations are based upon a family's degree of need relative to all other applicants.

**How do I apply?** Applications are made on-line. Go to [www.factsmgt.com](http://www.factsmgt.com), click on "Grant & Aid Assessment" and log in. If you do not have Internet access, contact your school office for assistance.

**Cost?** The application fee is \$35. The Diocese will pay \$17.50 and families pay the other \$17.50.

**Grants:** Diocesan grants for Catholic families who have completed their applications and show financial need will receive up to 50% of the child's tuition.

**Phase I Deadline**  
April 30, 2021 In order to receive notification in late May, applications (*including all required documentation and payment of the fee*) are to be received by **FACTS by April 30, 2021**. Phase I is intended for families with children currently enrolled or already accepted for the 2021-2022 school year in any Catholic school in the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston.

**Phase II Deadline**  
August 14, 2021 **In order to receive notification in early September, all applications for 2021-2022 (including all required documentation and payment of the fee) MUST be RECEIVED by FACTS no later than August 14, 2021. This is a firm deadline.** Phase II is intended for families new to the school or who have had a life-changing event (i.e. birth, death, loss of job, major illness). If an application was submitted during Phase I, please contact the school. Please do NOT submit a second application.

**Note 1:** **No assistance will be available from the Diocese or from any school unless:**  
 1. an application is completed in full (ALL questions answered) and submitted  
 2. all required documentation is provided, AND  
 3. the family portion (\$17.50) of the application fee is paid by the deadline.

**Note 2:** **ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER FAMILY** should be submitted per school year. If you made an error or had a life event change, please do NOT submit a second application. Contact your principal and your application can be updated by FACTS.

**Questions?** If you have questions, please contact the principal of your school.

## Sunday, Jan 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Lifestyles of the brave and mobile

Media coverage is thick concerning the lifestyles of the rich and famous. The lives of the truly heroic, on the other hand—faithful spouses, conscientious parents, the working poor, folks who turn their lives around after addiction or costly misdirection—are mostly hidden from view. Faithful discipleship requires effort, quiet persistence, and most of all, movement in the spirit. Followers don't stand still, unchangeable in opinions or behaviors. Growth is required. The terms of the deal are as follows: "Come—and see."

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42 (65). "*Rabbi . . . where are you staying? He said to them, 'Come and you will see.'*"

## Monday, Jan 18, 2021

### Abide your time this week

For more than 100 years, Christians around the world have been observing annually the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25). For Catholics, this week is an opportunity to also ponder the Decree on Ecumenism from Vatican II. Is your diocese or parish participating in this healing effort? For resources, visit the World Council of Churches at Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. As you pray, call to mind this year's theme: "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit."

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22 (311). "*Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them?*"

## Tuesday, Jan 19, 2021

### Pray the pope's prayer for peace

Exactly 60 years ago tomorrow, John F. Kennedy gave an inaugural address that quoted Romans 12:12, reminding citizens to be "rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation." One year later, Pope John XXIII became a secret intermediary between Kennedy and Soviet leader Nikita Khrushchev, speaking a message of peace to the entire world during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Haunted by the experience, he penned his final encyclical, *Pacem in Terris*, stressing the church's Christian duty to address international issues of peace and human rights—speaking to all persons "of good will," not only Catholics. Pray for peace and the perseverance of hope.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28 (312). "*Hold fast to the hope that lies before us.*"

## Wednesday, Jan 20, 2021

MEMORIAL OF FABIAN, POPE, MARTYR

### Be open to the Spirit of surprise

In the year 236, Fabian left his farm and headed to Rome. He wanted to be in town for the election of a new pope. The furthest thing from his mind, or anyone's mind, was that he would be elected. Legend holds that as clergy discussed worthy candidates, a dove landed on the head of bystander Fabian. Thinking it was a sign from the Holy Spirit, the crowd elected Fabian by acclamation. A kind and capable administrator, he had the respect of both the faith community and three different emperors

in a period of rare peace. Although that peace eventually ended and persecution cost him his life, Fabian's legacy endures. Be open to unexpected visitations of the Holy Spirit!

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 7:1-3, 15-17; Mark 3:1-6 (313). "*Come up here before us.*"

## Thursday, Jan 21, 2021

MEMORIAL OF AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR

### Draw inspiration from women of faith

Today we honor both Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr, and, in some places, Our Lady of Altamaria, protectress of the Dominican Republic. The devotion to both grew from grassroots popularity; that is, ordinary Christians were moved by their stories and lifted them up for veneration. Saint Agnes was executed for her faith in the fourth century. Our Lady of Altamaria is an image of Mary in the Dominican Republic that, according to legend, kept mysteriously moving to an orange grove until a church was built there. Centuries later memories of both women continue to inspire the faithful. Take a moment to reflect on women of faith who inspire you.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 7:25—8:6; Mark 3:7-12 (314). "*Jesus is always able to save those who approach God through him.*"

## Friday, Jan 22, 2021

### Embracing your inner apostle

How many apostles did Jesus call? If you said 12, well, you are sort of correct. Indeed, Jesus appointed 12 followers to be his close companions, to learn from him, and to preach the Good News. But it doesn't stop at 12. Jesus continues to call forth apostles in the church. We have bishops who continue the mission via the tradition of apostolic succession. We also have every single person in the church, including you! "The whole church is apostolic, in that she remains . . . in communion of faith and life with her origin; and in that she is 'sent out' into the whole world," says the Catechism of the Catholic Church. How will you respond to your call to apostleship?

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 8:6-13; Mark 3:13-19 (315). "*Jesus went up the mountain and summoned those whom he wanted and they came to him.*"

## Saturday, Jan 23, 2021

MEMORIAL OF MARIANNE COPE, RELIGIOUS

### Remarkable, two times over

Imagine leaving all that is familiar to minister in a far-off land. Now imagine doing it twice! German-born Marianne Cope came to the United States as a young woman and, as a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Syracuse, New York, became a founding leader of St. Joseph's Hospital in the city, one of the first general hospitals in the country. Then in 1883 she relocated with six other sisters to Hawai'i to care for persons suffering leprosy and to help develop the medical infrastructure of the island chain. Pray today for an ounce of the courage and sacrifice she modeled for us all.

TODAY'S READINGS: Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14; Mark 3:20-21 (316). "*Jesus came with his disciples into the house.*"



*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*

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### **Safe Environment Reporting**

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888-434-6237 or 304-233-0880. Please visit [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

### **Will or Estate Planning**

Are you thinking of remembering St. Mary Church in your will or estate plans? A bequest through a Last Will and Testament is the simplest way of creating a lasting legacy of support for St. Mary Church. Bequests should be made out to:

"The Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, or his successors in office," with a specification of the purpose for which the bequest is to be used, e.g. "for the use of St. Mary Parish"

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**January 17,  
2021**

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:** Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

**Next Sunday:** Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

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### **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service [ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://ReportBishopAbuse.org) (800) 276-1562**

The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops, and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. Where a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential. If you have any other kind of complaint about a bishop—such as parish assignments, church closings, or homily contents—please address those directly to your diocesan or episcopal bishop instead. Sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or a staff member or volunteer of the Church should be reported to the Office of Safe Environment for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. So, to be sure you get the help you need, phone numbers and addresses may be found at [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) under the accountability tab. If you are the victim of sexual abuse (or any other crime), please contact local law enforcement.

### **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time—Readings and Gospel**

#### **FIRST READING**

#### **A READING FROM THE FIRST BOOK OF SAMUEL**

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD

where the ark of God was.

The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am."

Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me."

"I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep."

So he went back to sleep.

Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli.

"Here I am," he said. "You called me."

But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep."

At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet.

The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time.

Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me."

Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth.

So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply,

Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence,

calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!"

Samuel answered, “Speak, for your servant is listening.”

Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him,

not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

### **The Word of the Lord.**

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#### **SECOND READING**

#### **A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF SAINT PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS**

Brothers and sisters:

The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord,

and the Lord is for the body;

God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power.

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?

But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him.

Avoid immorality.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the body,

but the immoral person sins against his own body.

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?

For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

### **The Word of the Lord.**

#### **A READING FROM THE THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN**

John was standing with two of his disciples,

and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, “Behold, the Lamb of God.”

The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them,

“What are you looking for?”

They said to him, “Rabbi”

— which translated means Teacher —, “where are you staying?”

He said to them, “Come, and you will see.”

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying,

and they stayed with him that day.

It was about four in the afternoon.

Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus.

He first found his own brother Simon and told him,

“We have found the Messiah”

— which is translated Christ —.

Then he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said,

“You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas” — which is translated Peter.

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