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**SUNDAY
JANUARY 16
2022**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M–TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm

Friday–Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday 9:30 am - Confession

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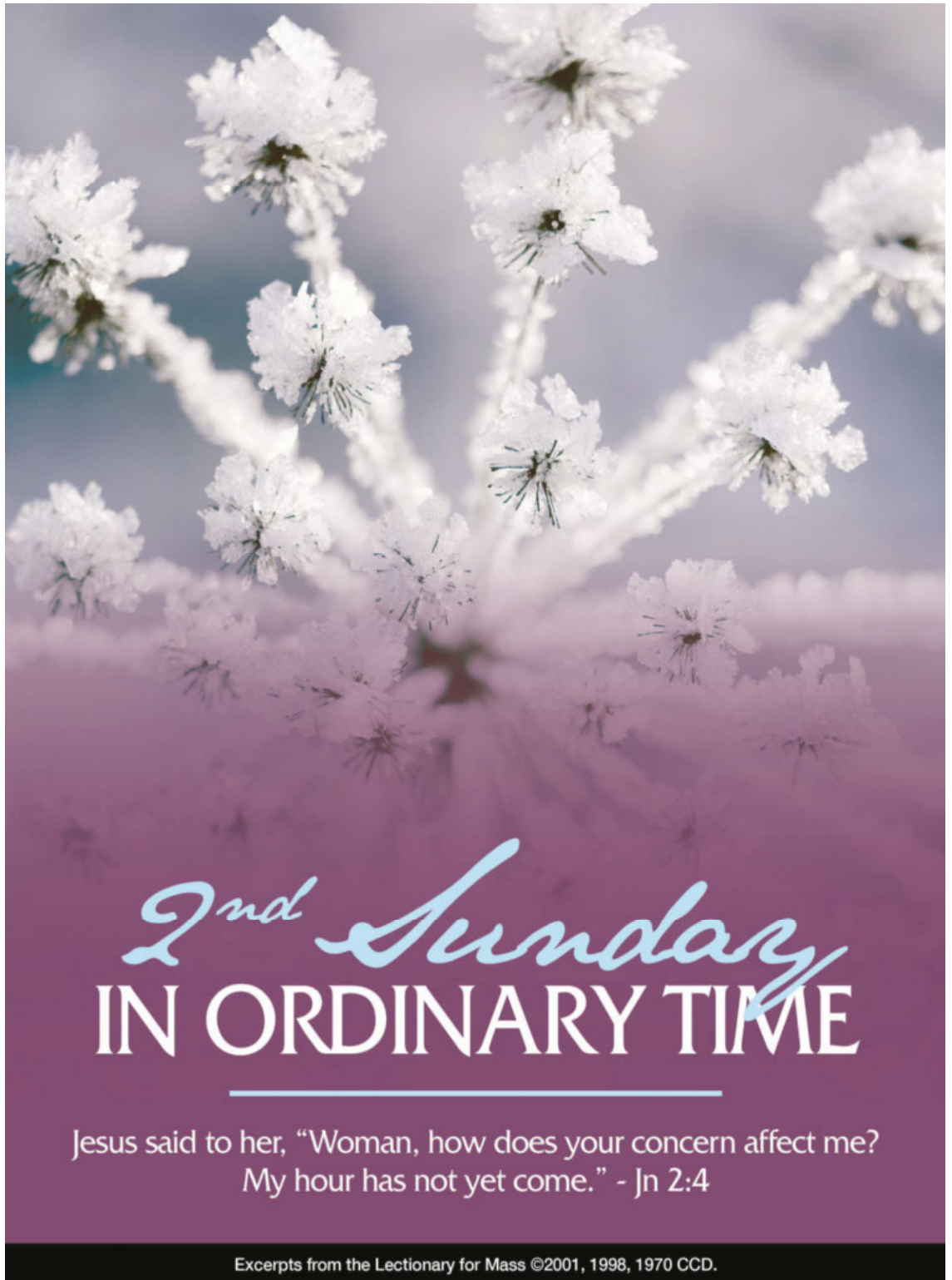
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2nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to her, “Woman, how does your concern affect me?
My hour has not yet come.” - Jn 2:4

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

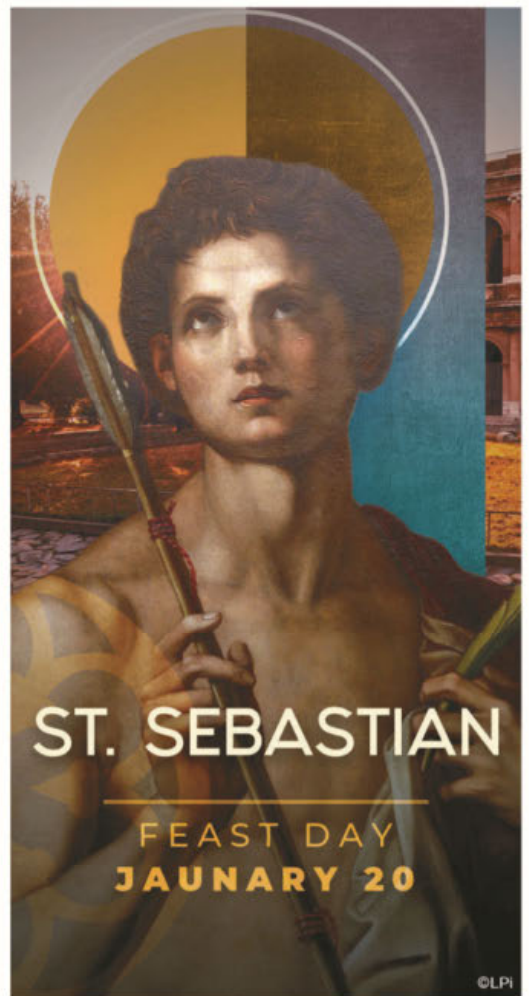
- Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 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

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot
- Tuesday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Friday:** St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

As a young man marries a virgin,
your Builder shall marry you;
and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride
so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)



PSALM

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the
nations. (Ps 96)



SECOND READING

But one and the same Spirit produces all
of these,
distributing them individually to each
person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)



GOSPEL

Jesus did this as the beginning of his
signs at Cana in Galilee
and so revealed his glory,
and his disciples began to believe in
him. (Jn 2:11)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.



MON 1/17	NO MASS
TUES 1/18 9AM	Mary Frances Stawiasz [Stawaisz Family]
WED 1/19	NO MASS
THU 1/20 9AM	Hugh O'Brien [Bob & Rose Eusano]
FRI 1/21 9AM	Al Puntureri [St. John Paul II Staff]
SAT 1/22 9AM	Dorothy Fill [Son, John Edward Fill]
SAT 1/22 4PM	Fred & Maureen Stocick [Fr. Brian & Rosalee]
SUN 1/23 8AM	Mass for the People
SUN 1/23 11AM	Hugh O'Brien [Robert & Diane Boeh]



SAT 1/22 4PM	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
LECTOR T. Bain	C. Esmond / S/ Goclano P. Thornburg	SERVER NEEDED
SUN 1/23 8AM	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
LECTOR J. Feeney	P. Slezak / J. Trenga R. Vetica	SERVER NEEDED
SUN 1/23 11AM	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
LECTOR K. Wagner	EUCH. MIN. NEEDED	SERVER NEEDED

*ATTN VOLUNTEERS! PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRIOR TO MASS

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED MONDAY, JAN. 17TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF DR. MARTIN
LUTHER KING DAY**

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:

	<u>Notre Dame</u>	<u>St. Bartholomew</u>
MON	NO MASS	7:30 AM
TUE	9:00 AM	6:00 PM *6:30 PM Confessions
WED	NO MASS	7:30 AM
THU	9:00 AM	NO MASS
FRI	9:00 AM	7:30 AM
SAT	9:00 AM *9:30 AM Confessions	

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

	<u>Notre Dame</u>	<u>St. Bartholomew</u>
SAT	4:00 PM	5:30 PM
SUN	8:00 and 11:00 AM	9:30 AM

***Altar flowers this weekend are donated
In thanksgiving to God and
In Memory of***

Mary Frances Stawiasz

On Behalf of: Stawaisz Family



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is salad dressings. The upcoming item will be juices and powdered drinks.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

DECEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORT

Reg. Offertory, 4 Sundays, Maintenance Fund, and Christmas

Budgeted	Received
\$59,300	\$71,046
Religious Retirement Fund	\$1,782

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of those who have lost a loved one. Please keep in prayer those who have entered into eternal life:

John Ziemianski

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

Prayer Line, Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858

TAX STATEMENTS

Tax statements for 2021 Sacrificial Giving to Notre Dame will be prepared and mailed February 1, 2022 for those on our tax list. If you would like a 2021 statement and want to be added to the list, please call the parish office, 724-981-5566.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR 2021-2022

Grades: **Pre-K–11th** / Sunday Mornings: **9:15am-10:45am**
Use Grotto entrance of SJPII School
Joe Ranelli, RE & Sacrament Prep Director
Mary Lou Hornyak, Secretary
Office: 724-981-5566 / Email: Religiously@notredame-pa.org

NOTE:

Calendar is subject to change due to the ongoing COVID circumstances. We will adhere to state mandates and guidelines as they unfold concerning the virus. Our primary means of communications to convey adjustments and notices will be email. Please check your email on a regular basis. If you do not have an email address, please notify the RE office.

January

16 Class
23 Class
30 NO CLASS (Confirmation Retreat)
(11am Mass until 5pm - all candidates)

February

6 Class
13 Class
20 Class
27 NO CLASS (First Penance Retreat)
(11am Mass until 1pm - all candidates)

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY!

The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Valley Council, are planning an overnight pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on the first Saturday / Sunday in May 2022.

In order to determine the total cost and needs for overnight travel and lodging, we would like to determine the level of interest in this trip. The pre-paid cost would include transportation and lodging only. Meals and other incidentals are not included.

<https://www.nationalshrine.org/>

Please indicate your interest no later than January 31st by email to Deacon Frank Hannah: fhannah@eriercd.org or Rich Mondak: mondakrw@gmail.com or giving your written contact information to any of the Knights of Columbus in our Council.

Play For the "K"

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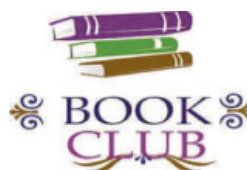
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If you would like to make a contribution to the "Play for the K" Raffle, or if you would like to purchase tickets, please contact:

Macy Bailey at mab Bailey@kennedycatholicschools.org
Or the school office (724) 346-5531

Should you choose to make a monetary contribution, please remit to the address below prior to Monday, January 17, 2022:

Kennedy Catholic High School
ATTN: Play for the K
2120 Shenango Valley Freeway
Hermitage, PA 16148



The Notre Dame Book Club will be meeting Thursday, January 20th at 6:30 PM in the FOUNDERS ROOM.

We will be reading Inheritance by Dani Shapiro
A few books are available outside the parish office.

Please join us!



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