

January 23, 2022

St. Ronald Church

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



It is the Mission of St. Ronald Catholic Church to provide a place of comfort and peace to all who seek worship, friendship, Christian knowledge, spiritual guidance, and service to the Community of the Lord.

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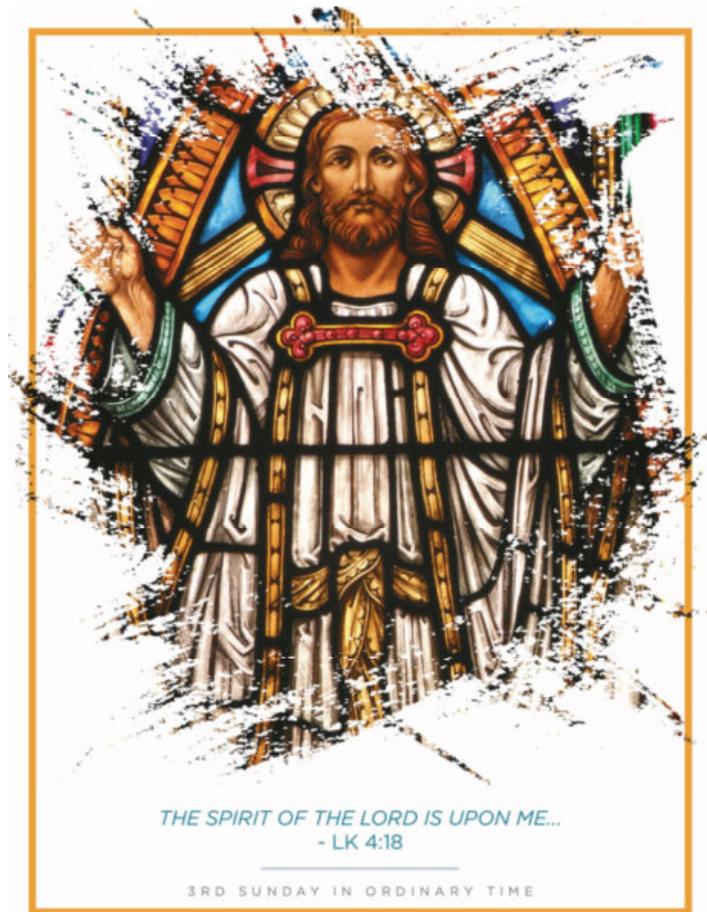
GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGING A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF GOD

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away. ©LPi



Eucharistic Adoration

FIRST FRIDAY

February 4

AT ST RONALD PARISH

**9AM MASS, ADORATION FOLLOWS.
BENEDICTION AT NOON.**

**Come spend some quiet time
with the Lord.**



Religious Formation News

Kimberly Jacob:

Parish Catechetical Leader & Youth Minister

Religious Formation:

Classes are in session this Tuesday, January 25th at 4:30pm.

First Holy Communion:

Communion retreat is on Saturday, March 5th at 1:30pm and will end after 4:00pm Mass!

Middle School Formation:

The next time we meet is today Sunday, January 23rd at 9:30am, this is our family session. Students should always have their Bible, workbook, and folder with them.

High School Ministry:

NO meeting this week!

**The Archdiocese of Detroit has put together a prayer initiative for our youth! St. John Bosco is the patron saint of youth so in his honor they have put together this website to enable people to sign up and intentionally pray for our youth. I encourage you to sign up for an hour, it is very easy to do, and our youth need our prayers more now than ever before! <https://Boscoprayer.org> it runs from January 30th through February 5th. Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

January:

23rd – middle school family session

25th – religious formation classes

February:

1st - religious formation classes

2nd – high school meeting

8th – religious formation classes

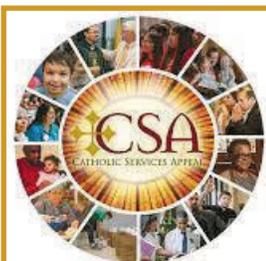
Quote of the Week: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me!" ~ John 14:1

If you should have comments, questions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via e-mail kjacob.stronald@gmail.com or call 792- 1276, ext. 226.

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

If you haven't given to our CSA 2021 yet and are able to contribute, please prayerfully consider doing so. We have not met our target goal yet. Any amount not fulfilled will have to come from the parish's checking or savings account. Please call the Parish with questions. Thank you for your support.



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.

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available in the Gathering Area after all
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RECOGNIZING GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

***Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.
(Ps 19)***

We are looking for parishioners interested in assisting with our Funeral Ministry.

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**Our next Blood Drive
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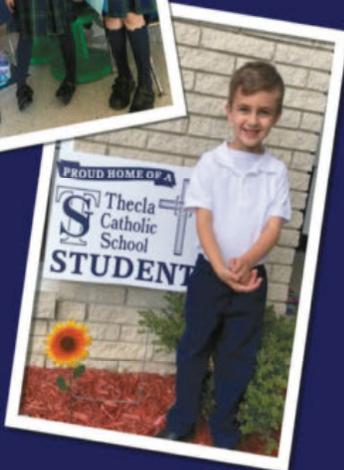
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LITURGICAL ROLES

January 29/30	Saturday, 4:00 PM	Sunday, 8:30 AM	Sunday, 11:00 AM
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Ushers	Phillip Vallelunga Cindy Neiman Max Adani	Marc Moma Nancy Zagata Mike Bellardi	Daniel Baker Mike Lutz Jan Chrzan
Lector	Shalise Tempest	Lynn Hodell	Angela Lucido
Eucharistic Minister	Norm Dodt (P)	Ann Burnett (P)	Bea Doan (P)
Server	Charlie Clark		Lauren Krajewski

Pray for our Troops

*Keep our troops and their families
in your prayers.*

*Also, remember all those who fought
and lost their lives for our freedom.*



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Readings of the Week

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

Thurs: 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

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Fr. William J. Herman, Pastor

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday - 9:30am - 1:30pm

Friday - 9:30am - 12 noon

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22, 4pm Mass

+Sandra Stark requested by Klaus Family

For Family and Friends requested by Claudia Markos

For Cathy Gray requested by Cindy Neiman

Sunday, January 23, 8:30am Mass

For the Parishioners and Guests of St. Ronald Parish

Sunday, January 23, 11am Mass

+Walter Bogus requested by Family

+Joe Konopka requested by Family

For Danielczyk Family requested by Kim Jacob

Monday, January 24 - No Mass

Tuesday, January 25, 9am Mass

For the Parishioners and Guests of St. Ronald Parish

Wednesday, January 26, 9am Mass

+Maynard Nitz requested by Friends

Thursday, January 27, 9am Mass

+William Timmerman requested by Van Marcke Family

Friday January 28, 9am Mass

For the Parishioners and Guests of St. Ronald Parish

Saturday, January 29, 4pm Mass

+Dennis Seefried requested by Betty and Darold Dudley

+Joe Konopka requested by Family

Sunday, January 30, 8:30am Mass

+John Gwizdak requested by Cathy and Mike Grix

+Robert Heighes requested by Cindy Neiman

Sunday, January 30, 11am Mass

+Sheila Talbot requested by Marion Comtois

Masses of the Week

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

Saturday: Mass of the Day

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pray for our Sick

Michelle Ambory

Robert Barner

Josephine Blunk

Michael Bolter

James Cichocki

William Cichocki

Fran Davis

Anna DelVillano

Carol Goyette

Chris Kleist

Kelly Kleist

Darlene Kleist

Richard Kowalewski

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