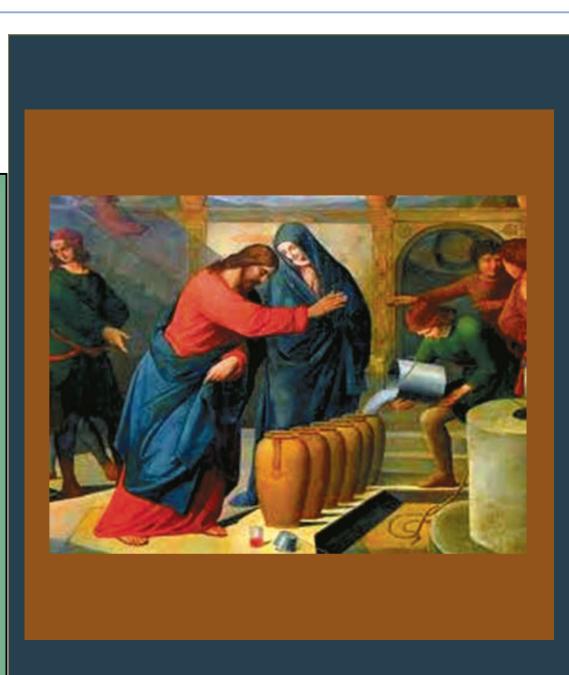


January 16, 2022



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you."

John 2: 5



Robert Clements January 5, 2022

Please keep the Clements Family and Friends in your prayers.

#### WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES Readings for the week of January 16,:

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:**

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Wednesday:

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

# THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

January 17 - January 23

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Monday	Mah Jongg	Noon			
	No Religious Education:				
	Martin Luther King Day				
Tuesday	Mass, followed by Rosary	<b>9 AM</b>			
-	Christian Service Meeting/Vi	irtual 7 PM			
Wednesday	Mass, followed by Rosary	9 AM			
-	Bible and Bagels	10 AM			
	RCIA	7 PM			
	Choir	7 PM			
Thursday	Mass, followed by Rosar	y <b>9 AM</b>			
Friday	Mass, followed by Rosary	y 12:05 PM			
Saturday	Men's Fellowship/in-pers	son			
	and via conference call	7:45 AM			
	Special Needs	10 AM			
	Reconciliation	3 PM			
	Mass	4 PM			
Sunday	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time				
	Mass	8 AM			
	Mass/livestreamed	9:30 AM			
	Mass	11 AM			
	Pre-School, Kindergarten, LWC: 9:20 AM				
	H. S. Youth Ministry	5:30-7:30 PM			

## LIVESTREAM ROSARY FOR LIFE Friday, January 21, at Noon

You are invited to join a livestream praying of the Rosary on Friday, January 21, at Noon, with intentions which will be for an end to abortion, restoration of families, and healing for all of those wounded by abortion. Watch the livestream at:

www.facebook.com/ArchofDet/ or www.aod.org/ livemasses



# **EWTN PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK**

EWTN Cable Channels: 562 (AT&T), 44 (WOW), 393 (COMCAST), on ewtn.com, and on APPs for Roku or Amazon Firestick

6 PM, Monday thru Friday: EWTN Nightly News

10 PM on Tuesdays: Scripture and Tradition with Father Mitch Pacwa

8 PM on Thursdays: The World Over (Live/News)

Thursday, January 20, at 10:30 AM: "Saint Margaret of Castello: Seeing Through God's Eyes" - 'Blind, physically disabled, and abandoned by her parents, she worked with the sick and the dying and attained sainthood.'

## **BLOOD DRIVE** Thank You to All Who Participated; Next Drive

"We reached our goal of 55 pints of blood," shared our parish Red Cross liaison, Pat Dobosenski.

"Considering the shortage of blood supplies right now, that is quite a contribution!...A standing ovation was earned by our wonderful donors and by the volunteers who kept the drive moving. They were there with smiles on their faces and ensured that the drive was safe and smooth-going.

"So many wonderful people coming out on such a frigid day to do something for people they don't know: that is true love for your neighbor."

The next drive is Monday, March 21. You can sign up for a spot at redcrossblood.org, or call Pat at 248.422.4729, and she will register you. Thank you!



## **DID YOU KNOW...**

...that this upcoming week has several special days of note and feast days?

...that Monday is the feast day of Saint Anthony the Abbott and, also, is Martin Luther King Day?

...that Tuesday, January 18, through Tuesday, January 25, is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity?

...that on Thursday, January 20, the feast days of Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr, and Saint Sebastian, Martyr, are celebrated?

...that the feast day of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr, is celebrated on Friday, January 21?

...that Saturday, January 22, is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children?

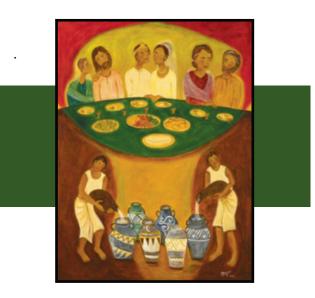


# MEN'S FELLOWSHIP AT CHRIST, OUR LIGHT!

Here is a thought starter used in our meeting from this Sunday's Readings (1/16/22). In the Gospel (Jn 2: 1-11), the servants are asked to do something: first to obey the request from Mary and then to fill the jars with water and then take some to the headwaiter as Jesus asked. Simple enough tasks, yet their obedience to Mary's request and to Jesus is part of the miracle. What might God be asking you to do that is something "simple," yet may be a part of fulfilling His will for someone ... maybe as "simple" as listening to wife or children, or just being available to someone in need?

Here is a thought starter using next week's Readings (1/23/22). The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 19:8-10,15) says, "The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; The ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just. Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor before you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer." Do you agree with each line? If so, how do you live out the last line, "Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor before you?"

As always, you are invited to come and share in the discussion at our meeting on Saturday mornings from 7:45 - 9:00 at Christ, Our Light! Please contact the parish office to get information on the Men's Fellowship.







"AFTER SUNDAY" Next Gathering: Next Friday, January 21, at 7 PM

"AFTER SUNDAY" is for young adults ages 18 - 25 and will gather, usually on the third Friday evening of every month, for fellowship, fun and faith sharing.

> Contact Elaine Cervera at elaine.cervera@coltroy.org or 248.649.5510, ext. 105

## <u>CHRIST, OUR LIGHT!</u> <u>HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY</u> (Grades 9 - 12)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, February 2: RISE Conference. (Details to follow soon.) Please call or email to R.S.V.P. and if you have any questions: elaine.cervera@coltroy.org or call 248-649-5510 ext. 105

# RCIA

RCIA classes are at 7 PM on Wednesdays, in the social hall. All adults are welcome to attend class(es)! No registration is necessary.



**BIBLE & BAGELS** 



Please join us **Wednesdays, from 10 AM - Noon**, for Bible & Bagels. No registration necessary. All are welcome!



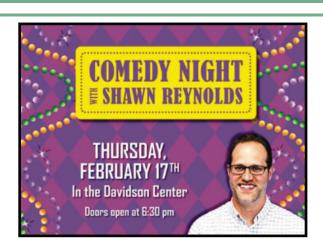
## **Three Tips to Boost Your Prayer**

Here are three suggestions from Saint Teresa of Avila:

**Become aware of God's presence.** It may feel as if God is distant, but He is so close. Saint Teresa by enjoying God's nearness. Know that He is with you and wants your company.

**Bring a good book.** Saint Teresa, who struggled with dryness in prayer, kept a book with her. Scripture, Lives of the Saints, or a good book about the Faith can help us focus and spark conversation with Him.

**Be honest.** It is said that Saint Teresa once fell into the mud and told God bluntly, "If this is how you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few of them!" God wants you to share all your experiences with Him - good and bad. Entrust your cares to HIM, and "Do whatever he tells you" (John 2:5).



SAVE THE DATE for a night of laughs at St. Anastasia

St. Anastasia, one of our "Family Parishes," has invited our parishioners to this event.

Tickets are \$20 and are available in their parish office or on their website: www.stanastaia.org.

Hors d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic beverages are included in the price. Beer and wine will be available for a cash donation.

Sponsored by the St. Anastasia Marriage Ministry Group

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**



This past Monday, Father Don met with the parents of our Confirmation Prep students. These students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in November, 2022. Their preparation began in their 7th grade formation year and continues and ramps up as we get closer to the date. The ultimate goals of this period of study are to gain a greater knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith and to form a closer relationship or encounter with Jesus and the Triune God.

Father addressed the challenges that parents have in the current culture, with the age of the children, and with the competition of sports and various other distractions in our world today. He explained that it isn't the picture of bliss that we witnessed when they received First Eucharist. He also stressed the importance of the parents' and sponsors' roles in the sacrament preparation. We are unable to give them everything they need in one class a week in Religious Ed. The support of parents in the home is essential to faith formation.

Confirmation Preparation at Christ, Our Light! is a two-year process. Consistent attendance is required in the 7th and 8th grade classes, and they need to be present. In-person instruction is the goal, though COVID quarantines have impacted this goal. Home instruction during the sacramental years (second, seventh and eighth grades) is not a part of our instruction at Christ, Our Light! A commitment must be made by families in order to receive the sacraments. These are hard decisions with all the choices in our world today.

Confirmation should not be a check off the list of life. A relationship with Jesus is lifelong, and it grows over time. Faith formation is a tool to create an understanding of what we believe as Catholic Christians and a journey towards a relationship with Jesus. It doesn't happen overnight. A growing number of families are discontinuing faith formation between First Eucharist and Confirmation. This makes returning to Confirmation Prep studies even more difficult, since they haven't had consistent formation, and today's children are accustomed to making their own choices. Our catechetical team is happy to work with all students who come to us seeking the sacrament, but we need a heartfelt commitment from families to do it well. We ask our parish community to please pray for our families and the students preparing for the sacraments.

THERE ARE **NO** RELIGIOUS FORMATION CLASSES **TOMORROW, JANUARY 17**, IN OBSERVANCE OF MLK DAY. CLASSES RESUME ON JANUARY 24.

JoAnn Bonahoom Director of Religious Education Joann.bonahoom@coltroy.org 248.649.5510, ext. 107

## SPECIAL NEEDS ALL BELONG FAITH ENRICHMENT CIRCLE

It was decided to have a Zoom Class on January 8th, since so many people in the community had seen relatives or had been in contact with more people than usual. The class was amazing and the only person who had glitches on zoom was me! Of course, I fixed it just as I was saying goodbye to the last students! One of the many strong points of our "Operation" is that we are all patient and nonjudgmental. Wanting to pray together and laugh and sing brings moments of contentment and joy. Who can't be patient for that!?!

Many people had serious prayer requests, and our commitment to our faith and God's goodness sustains us through good times and challenges. I would like to include the prayer that we say at the end of all of our classes. I think it has rich meaning and depth.

May the New Year make the gifts that we all possess rise within us and enrich the lives of others.

Pourv Pam La Grassa, Director, Special Needs Program



#### **OUR WEEKLY PRAYER**

Thank you, Lord, For the goodness of life around us: For the beauty of the earth, For one another, For surprises and challenges.

Bless us. Strengthen us And lead us to a new awareness Of the goodness around us. Most of all, may the strength we gain From prayer Lead us to You, The source of all goodness.

Amen

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

9:00 AM Tuesday, January 18 Dec. Tom Corby Reg. by Alice Corby Int. of John Reeser (surgery)

Req. by Carol Reeser

9:00 AM Wednesday, January 19 Dec. Sally Wagener Req. by MaryAnn and Don Farrell

#### 9:00 AM Thursday, January 20 Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr; Saint Sebastian, Martyr

Dec. Frank Von Koss Req. by the Beaubiens

## 12:05 PM Friday, January 21 Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Dec. Dr. William Fishbaugh Req. by Christ, Our Light! Parish Dec. Debbie Brown Req. by Diane Kasunic Dec. Peggy Barnes Req. by Diane Kasunic

#### 4:00 PM Saturday, January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of **Unborn** Children

Dec. Judy Johnson (First Anniversary) Req. by MaryAnn and Don Farrell Dec. Dr. Rosanne Ward Reg. by Eileen Mercier Dec. Dr. Bill Fishbaugh Req. by Friends Dec. Craig Mercier Req. by Eileen Mercier

#### 8:00 AM Sunday, January 23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dec. Dolores Balok Req. by the Troy Family Dec. Bernice Vissotski Req. by Christ, Our Light! Parish Dec. William McGowan Req. by the Sheffieck Familiy

#### 9:30 AM Sunday

Dec. Ellen Stark Req. by Christ, Our Light! Parish Dec. Joseph De George Req. by Jim and Barbara Viola Dec. Paul Quinlan Req. by the Socier Family 11:00 AM Sunday

Dec. Robert Louis-Ferdinand Req. by Camille Louis-Ferdinand Dec. Eily Clemens Req. by Jim and Linda Clemens Dec. Jim Alexander Req. by the Socier Family

Please Pray for the Sick and Homebound

Jasmen Acton Frances Agnello Baby Aleman Steve Balasia Cathie Baldwin Corey Bauman Jackie Bellinger Pam Biske Liz Blaha Martha Blaszkiewicz Gail Graor Tom Bolme Andrew Boyle Joan Brand Sara Brenz Si Brieloff Jill Buccafurri Melanie Burkhardt Carolyn Hall F. Burns Daniel Burton Mary Coblentz Ron Caffee Joan/Dr. Ron Cain Dennis Casanovas Lil Christein Mitch Cochran Ellen Cokewell Tilly Cron Catherine Cushing Bonnie Dawson Natalie Danaher Marjorie DeCapite Peter Hrit Cindy DeLovenzo Anne Marie Dettmer Marie Janicke Steve DeWitt Katie Doherty Lawrence Dolot Larry Donabedian Carolyn Johnston Mark/Helen Double Megan Jones James Douglas Monte Douglas Brian Dreer Rosemary Dundas Cheech Eames JoAnn Eaton Carol Erickson Mary Everly Don Farrell MarvAnn Farrell Rev. Don Finley Sally Fisher

Alice Fournier Kay/Scott Friebel |Shirley Leja Jim Gerasi Carol Gibson Gordon Gillet Mona Giust Sue Gobel Cesar Gonzalez Justine Gonzalez Jim Gregorczyk Brad/Inger Griffin Helen Gruss Debra Guilmet Richard Guilmet Tim Haley Mary Hannon Dorothy Hannum Maya Harris Jex J. Harrison Gabrielle Haverland Michelle Haverland Mary Head Hanna Hefner Yvonne Hesse Ned Hoffman Charlotte Hosking Mary Helen Hrit Isabella Carol/Ron Johansson Dan Johnson **Dick Johnson** Kaci Loretta Kaltz Sam Kell Margo Kerr Kaven Killu Kim Michael Kincaid Sandi Kirk Jeanine Krause Marlene Kropidlowski Jacquelyn Pierce Baby LaFave

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Marie Pietila Maud Plumer Jacki Price Bob R. Karin Rauch Dennis Ramsden Georgia Reid Laura Reynolds Janet Rhoades Rene Ricks David Rich Lauren Roberts Pat/Bill Rodgers Rita Rose Gerald Roth Barbara Rozak Donald Robinson Carol Ryan Victor Saccaro Mary Safarian Rose Maria Santos Seley Family Sally Senese Tom Shantry Donna Spaniola Kari Stark Elizabeth Stasilowicz Roger StJean Jacob Stone Maddy Stoner Jake Stys **Dominic Swoish** Sidney Tasker Ann Marie Teli Kitty Thayer Joshua Thomas Jerry Tishler Patricia Trungale Margaret Trzebinski Scott Turner Selma Velilla Christine Vertrees Cathy Walsh Bella White Steve Wiercinski Kenneth Wysocki Irene Zitkus Ray Zukowski

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE MILITARY

Sgt. Edward Alsep L.Cpl. Sarah Fitzpatrick Alsep Keith Armstrong, US Army Lt. Cmdr. Kristian Barton L. Cpl. Wayne Chuang Pvt. Nathan Cobleigh Cpl. Johnny Do, USMC John Dunn, MDMAJMC CDR Patrick Dunn PFC Michael Gallagher Ronald Green USCG

	Troy Glendye, F. Cmdr., USCG	John Michael Phillips, USMC
	Ty Griffin, US Army	Cpl. John Paul Pineiro, USMC
	SFC Eric Hesse, US Army	Capt. A. J. Przybyla
	Captain Ben Heckert	FT1 Matthew Schwab, USN
	Dereck Jersak	MMNC (surface)
	Kyle Kosal, Specialist E4	Paul Schwab Jr., USN
	Sgt. Brendan Lamb, US Army	S.N. Schwab, MP
		L. Cpl. Aaron Sewell
	Sgt. Brian McKnight	Will Sherwood, FC2, USN
	L. Cpl. Ethan Messene	EN3 Christopher Shires, USN
	Ryan Mitchell, Cmdr, US Navy	Elizabeth Zemba, Air Force
	Lt. Andrew Nicoletti, USAF	
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