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[He said to them],
"Today this Scripture
passage is fulfilled in
your hearing."

LUKE 4:21

THIS WEEK AT ST. OWEN

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	MASS INTENTIONS	SCRIPTURE READINGS	CALENDAR EVENTS	
Saturday, January 29	Richard Jacobs 2nd Anniversary of Death Req. by Diana Jacobs	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41	11:00am Funeral: M. Trafeli, Jr.,D.D.S 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass	
Sunday, January 30	9am Mass Jerry Leedom Req. by family 11am Mass Deacon Michael Von Ende Req. by Joe & Peg Dasovic	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31—13 Lk 4:21-30	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass	
Monday, January 31	Intentions of Dorothy Synkonsis Req. by Tess Aneiros	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Mk 5:1-20	St. John Bosco, Priest 9:00am Mass (Rosary after Mass) 5:00-6:15pm K-5th Grade Faith Formation Classes-Center 7:00-8:15pm 6th-8th Grade Faith Formation Classes-Center	
Tuesday, February 1	For all the faithful departed of St. Owen.	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24- 25a, 30—19:3 Mk 5:21-43	9:00am Mass	
Wednesday, February 2		Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40	The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life 9:30am Knit/Crochet Group-Center 9:30am Scripture Study via Zoom 6:30pm Handbell Carillon Rehearsal 7:30pm Adult Chorale Rehearsal	
Thursday, February 3	Barbara Campbell Req. by St. Owen Parishioners	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 Mk 6:7-13	St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop 9:00am Mass (Rosary after Mass) 10:00am Women's Spirituality Series via Zoom 6:00pm Madrigal Chorale 7:30pm AA Meeting-Center	
Friday, February 4	Wadie Barash Req. by St. Owen Parishioner	Sir 47:2-11 Mk 6:14-29	9:00am Mass	
Saturday, February 5	Susan Chambers Req. by Dee Whiting	1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34	St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass	
Sunday, February 6	9am Mass Madelyn Damioli Req. by Marianne Breen 11am Mass John Hoban Req. by Marianne Breen	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8 1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 5:1-11	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass—Teen Liturgy 7:00pm YG Education Mtg.	

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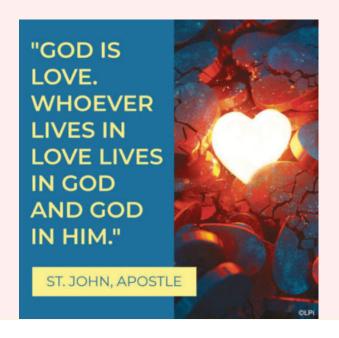
A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE

When I am working with couples who are engaged for marriage one of the sessions we hold is on the topic of love – seems like a no-brainer. But the problem in our English language is that we only have one word for love, and it has a broad interpretation – we can love our food, we can love our dog and then there is our spouse!

The Greek language at least offers us some clarity with their three words for love: filia, eros, and agape. Filia calls to mind Philadelphia as the city of "brotherly love" which we usually equate with friendship; eros directs our attention to passion in our relationships and, finally agape, the highest form of love that doesn't have an English translation – the classic gospel story defining agape is the last supper as Jesus gathered at table with his closest disciples.

As we walk out of January and enter into the short month of February how about pondering how love plays out in your life, especially you faith life.

Fr. Mike





We welcome a newly baptized child

Ottorino Borboni

Baptized on Sunday, January 23, 2022.



We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of

Mario Trafeli, Jr., D.D.S

O LORD, Bring his soul to eternal life.

St. Blaise | February 3



You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to

religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

YOUTH GROUP

Winter Prayer

Lord,

In the midst of Winter, when the days are cold and wind can pierce remind us of the warmth of your love.

In the midst of Winter, when days are short, dawn comes late, and dusk arrives early remind us that in the darkness your light still shines.

In the midst of Winter, when the flowers of spring still lie hidden in the earth, when leaves are off the trees, and the world can seem bleak

..... remind us that Easter is but a short time away.

And when in our lives we feel as if we are experiencing a season of winter, reach out to us with the power of your resurrection so that we may feel the warmth of your love and see your light that alone can take away the darkness of our soul.

Amen Cal Wick



<u>CAN DRIVE</u> February 13 after 11am Mass. Fellow parishioners, save those cans/bottles and please bring them Sunday, February 13 or drop them off at the outside of the Teen Room door (across from the rectory) Teens will be available to take them off your hands! The teens each need a minimum of \$75-100.00 in returnables for our summer mission trip. If you would like to rid yourself of your can/bottles earlier, give me a call and I will pass them on to a teen or you may drop them at the outside door of the Teen Room. THANK YOU to all those who donate your

returnables throughout the year. Prices have increased, so every dime helps us meet our fundraising goals for our summer mission trip.



Mission Trip......2 spots have opened up for this summer's mission trip. If you are interested, please contact me for the information, criteria, and requirements for the trip. All others, please use the link provided in your email to register for the trip. Planning and preparation for this trip to be successful has begun months ago.

Calendar

February 5 Youth Liturgy, 11am.
Education Meeting, 7-9PM

February 13 Can Drive

LOVING—SERVING—GROWING!

Let each of these actions be seen in everything we do!

FAITH FORMATION CORNER...

I received a text recently that said "UR Blessed" my response was "Indeed!" Taking a moment to truly reflect on this, my blessings



are overflowing. We were blessed with this beautiful blanket of new-fallen snow. While it may have been an inconvenience for some, I stood in awe looking out the window, watching God's winter majesty grant a sense of peace, quiet, and wonder at the transformation from the dreary winter ground. It led me to realize that my family is safe, and healthy, and that I had the ability to continue my work day from home. I thought about my friends, and colleagues, once again, each a blessing in my life. To be nourished by the Eucharist, not only a blessing, but the greatest gift of our faith. Blessed? Indeed! R U? Think about it, and may your blessings overflow.



Yet another blessing was standing amidst our children and families this past Saturday as they participated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. Congratulations and blessings to

Eli, Lilah, Eleanor, Eleonore, Julianna, Adelaide, Faith, Julia, Hailey, Alden, Colbie, Genevieve, James, James, Thomas, Peter, Jenna, and Joslyn. It was a joy to be present with them, and to recognize their sense of excitement! I look forward to walking with them as they begin to prepare for First Eucharist, and Holy Communion. May God bless them, along with their families, as they prepare to come to the Lord's Table.

Please pray for all of our children on their journey of faith, that they too, may recognize their many blessings.

Winter Blessings, Kathy Susalla Rochon Director of Faith Formation krochonstowen@gmail.com

Reminder:

January 31 – All Sessions Meet

February 7 – All Sessions Meet

February 14 – No Session

KIDS CORNER





If Jesus lived next door to you, you might not believe in him. People who lived in his hometown did not believe that Jesus could heal. Everyone said, "He's just a carpenter's son, he can not heal." Jesus got tired of hearing those words. He left his hometown to go where people believed in him. Believe in Jesus, and he will be with you even when you are sick. If you believe, Jesus will help you.



Lord, I believe. Heal me and my family.



ADULT SPIRITUALITY

We are happy to be able to host our Spirituality Programs via ZOOM until the current viral surge subsides. While this is not the ideal form of gathering, we are comfortably able to meet for input and faith sharing. If you have not joined us previously, please consider participating and feel free to share an invitation with a friend. All are welcome!



Our next **Women's Spirituality** gathering will be held this coming **Thursday, February 3 from 10 – 11:30 AM** via ZOOM. We will explore the history and practice of **Spiritual Direction** and discuss how it can be a tool for discernment and deepening our faith. Join us for a morning of friendship and conversation! To register for a ZOOM link for the meeting please send a request to <u>Parishserv@aol.com</u>. Zoom links will be emailed to each registrant prior to the meeting.



Scripture study continues online via ZOOM on **Wednesday, February 2 from 9:30 – 11:00 AM**. All are welcome! To request a link to the meeting please email Nancy Mason Bordley at Parishserv@aol.com



We are excited to announce that we will be hosting several opportunities for the St. Owen community to participate in the Synod process that Pope Francis has initiated. Gatherings will be set up to meet everyone's needs — morning, afternoon, evening and several remote opportunities for those who prefer to meet online. EVERYONE is invited and encourage to join the discussion, including those who have been away from the practice of their faith. Pope Francis wants to hear from everyone, even those who have left the Church. NO ONE is left out or not included! And all the feedback that we gather from the discussions will be summarized locally and sent DIRECTLY to Rome.

Consider hosting a mini synod in your home and gather your family members, friends, and neighbors. Spread the word!

What can YOU Do Now?

To prepare together we have some questions for you to reflect and pray upon. Questions like these will be used in our conversation together:

- How are we announcing the Gospel (Good News) today at St. Owen?
- Who else do we need to reach out to, listen to and learn from?
 Whose voices are currently not being heard? Who is absent from our gatherings?
- What do you think would make our parish better? What am I willing to do to make it better?
- How do we see our parishioners becoming more aware of how much their insights and ideas count –
 and need to be heard?
- What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow as a faith community?

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Dear Friends in Christ,

Every day gives an opportunity to think of others, do for others, and be there for others; no matter how large or small what we do for others MATTERS!

Thank you for your support.



RESPONDING TO THE CALL OF CHRIST



In keeping with the spirit of giving and thinking of others and their needs, for the next two weeks we will assist CCRT, by collecting items from their wish list for a Baby Shower they are hosting for Pontiac new mothers. A basket will be available in the narthex for donations. Their list is as follows: baby wipes, baby wash & wash cloth, diaper cream, bibs, burp cloths, pacifier & clip, sippy cups. This collection will take place until Sunday, February 7, 2022!



Earlier this week, I received a note from our former Director of Religious Education, Jarrod Dillon. He is working as a hospice chaplain and one of the nursing homes (Wellbridge of Clarkston) is in need of books and magazines. They are looking for variety of magazines and books for their residents. In addition, new coloring books and small packs of crayons are also eagerly accepted. If you think you have something a senior may enjoy and would like to donate it, a labeled basket will be in the narthex. Thank you for any considerations.



Thank you for your generosity in getting our pantry shelves mostly refilled after receiving several calls for food and cleaning items the last couple of weeks. The following items are a little low in inventory: toilet paper, paper towel, kitchen garbage bags, toothpaste and canned.

God bless,

Michelle Novaco

MUSIC MINISTRY

Hi folks:)

I hope you are all well! It's been a while since I've had the chance to sit down and write to you. So let me begin by saying I hope you had a deeply spiritual holiday season and continue to remain safe and healthy!

For what is now a couple of years, we have faced liturgy with a great deal of uncertainty. Beyond liturgy, I can say we've faced a great deal of things over the last few years with new uncertainty. I mean, questions arose that have never been asked before (at least not in my short 39 years) Among them were - Can we sit near each other? Are we still supposed to wear masks? and even - Is it safe to sing? Thank you for your continued spirit of prayer and hopefulness as we weathered these times together.

Like everything else, the music ministry weathered the storm. It continues to change and evolve based on what we know and what we continue to learn. But every now and then, amongst the process of creating music with folks in the present, in new ways with new precautions, I get to hear whispers of songs that at times seem long gone.

Last weekend was no exception. Among the prayerful atmosphere of readings that practically drew together a recipe for building the body of Christ, the best sort of thing happened. In each mass, (but especially at the 11 o'clock) there arose the entire mass, the voice of children. Infants and toddlers crying and making noise and running and playing and singing a song of development all of their own. Among their song, I smiled within and gave thanks for the spiritual home we have at St. Owen.

After all of that business, I wanted to take the opportunity to share Mrs. McKenna and I will be resuming Children's choir this coming week. BUT - the Monday time presented us with some issues so we will be moving rehearsal back to our normal time on Wednesdays from 5-6 o'clock. Mrs. M has been working with the children's choir here at the parish for nearly 15 years. She's shared with me it always looks a little different and has waxed and waned in participation through the years. But we hope to build a strong program of healthy singing with our children. If you have kiddos in grades 2 and higher who like to sing, please consider encouraging them to come join us on Wednesdays. In the end, singing is very universal in the church and something we all are responsible for together. What a great way to encourage your children to help in leadership in the church at this time. Wednesdays from 5-6. If you're planning to come, please drop me an email at lietoba@gmail.com. Hope to see you there - See you at Mass!

CLIMATE CHANGE



The movie "An Inconvenient Truth " will be shown in the parish center February 6 at 2.p.m.

All are welcome. Sponsored by the Justice and Peace Committee







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We are never more than one grateful thought away from peace of heart.

~Brother David Steindl-Rast

Dear Friends,

Our hearts are overflowing with gratitude! We are so honored and incredibly blessed that you chose to support the Mission and the ministry of the Adrian Dominican Sisters.

Please accept our deepest gratitude for your gift of \$1,908.69, which we received on January 19, 2022. As requested, your gift will be used to support the Adrian Dominican Sisters' ministry in Haina, Dominican Republic. Thank you for caring for the work of our Sisters with such a thoughtful gift.

We pray for our benefactors every single day. If you have a specific intention, today or in the future, please feel free to contact me anytime at apalmer@adriandominicans.org and I would be happy to share your request with the Sisters.

With peace and gratitude,

Amy Palmer, MA, CFRE Director of Development Your thoughtful gift to appreciated. Blessings gratitude to act!

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Offertory for the week of January 23: \$15,546.

YTD Budgeted Contributions: \$435,119.*

YTD Actual Contributions: \$453,048.*

Over Budget \$ 17,929.

*Includes WeShare online giving.



Thank you!!





Thank you for your continued financial support of St. Owen Parish. Please consider giving online. To do so, scan this QR code with your smartphone and you will be directed to WeShare online giving.



At each St. Owen Mass, one special intention is offered. We are scheduling throughout 2022. AOD's suggested donation is \$10.

Call us at 248-626-0840 or email parishoffice@stowen.org to reserve a Mass intention. We have a selection of cards for occasions to express your sympathy or intention and communicate that a Mass will be offered.

Liturgical Minister Schedule February 5-6, 2022

*Substitute may replace a scheduled minister after publication.

Ushers: A&B	Lectors*	
Saturday, February 5	E. Denha	
5:00 p.m.	R. Gumbleton	
Sunday, February 6	B. Murphy	
9:00 a.m.	C. Yee	
Sunday, February 6	Youth	
11:00 a.m.	Mass	



Diane McShane (Dec 2021) Peter Grantz (Nov 2021) Rose Dalton (Nov 2021) lan Carmichael (Oct 2021) Megan Mabee (Oct 2021) Msgr. Monticello (June 2021) Pam Healy Hurley (June 2021) John Burlingame (May 2021) Steve Whiting (May 2021) Mark Kelly (May 2021) Kenneth Roy (Feb 2021) Paul Krass (Dec 2020) Mary Lou Schmidt (Nov 2020) Joseph Madden (Nov 2020) Bev VonEnde (Oct 2020) Father James Cronk (Sept 2020) Mike Donovan (Sept 2020) Eileen Poth (Aug 2020) Pam Biglin (Feb 2020) George Fenton (Dec 2019)

Jalila Kainaya (Nov 2019) Betty Bright (Nov 2019) Lila Fenech (Nov 2019) Pat Devine (Oct 2019) Sheila Callahan (Oct 2019) Margaret Fuchs (Sept 2019) Mark Crawford (August 2019) Elisabeth Ebisawa (July 2019) Polly Brennan (July 2019) Norma Tioran (May 2019) Fred Hillard (Feb 2019) Jim Holden (Feb 2019) Donna Kelly (Sept 2018) Joann Holden (Aug 2018) Sawyer Ziegelman (June 2018) Armed Forces & Veterans First Responders Missionaries Healthcare Personnel

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers and would like to remain confidential, may we suggest you request prayers from the Prayer Line Ministry. Call Rita Lou at 248-851-0595.

Prayer List:

To add or make a change to this prayer list please call Angela in the parish office at 248-626-0840.

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<u>WEEKEND MASS</u> SATURDAY: 5:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM WEEKDAY MASS MONDAY: 9:00 AM TUESDAY: 9:00 AM THURSDAY: 9:00 AM FRIDAY: 9:00 AM

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