

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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January 16, 2022

Welcome New Parishioners

To The Prince of Peace Family

Welcome to our Visitors and New Parishioners. May you find faith fellowship, love and peace.

Registration Sheets may be found on the table in the Gathering area of Church.

<u>The Staff</u>

Father Callistus Onwere: Pastor Father Calonge Lemaine: Parochial Vicar and Chaplain to the Haitian Community Father Lam Nguyen: Assigned as Chaplain to Memorial Hospital Michael Federico: Deacon of the Parish Terrie Curtis: Religious Director/ Office Manager Doug and Edie Robertson: Music Directors Joan Holmes: Custodian Jeanette Mitchell: Housekeeper

Liturgy Chairs

Ken and Silvia Gardner: Ministry of Greeters Randy and Marie Randall: Ministry of Extra-Ordinary Ministers Terrie Curtis: Ministry of Altar Servers Deacon Michael, Joan Pano, Theresa Heffelfinger, Sara Muirhead, Sandra Stonestreet, Terrie Curtis: Ministry of Sacristans Beth Patterson: Art & Environment

Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Closed all day Thursday

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday: 5:00 p.m. Mass in Creole

Last Sunday of Month: 12: 30 p.m. Mass for Nigerian Catholics (Suspended during Covid)

Holy Day of Obligation:

The Mass Schedule will be announced in Bulletin

Weekday Mass/Rosary Schedule

Daily Mass Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Rosary

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet:

Friday: 8:10 a.m.

<u>First Fridays</u> Eucharistic Adoration: 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Reconciliation Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.

PRAYER REQUESTS



St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, Pray for us!

Please remember the sick in your prayers!

Marie Ochs, Victoria Stacy, Haley Rose Matacale, Doris Card, Reece Anderson, Rita Taylor, Pete and Carol P, Dottie Mathias, Pat Thomas, Tom Mitchell, Riley Kendal, Paulette Hammond, Jonathon, (King's Grandson), Bridget Brumbach, Grace Stetzer, Marie Hassan, Denise Barnett,, Beth Patterson, Jo Kuhn, James ButlerJr, Joe Green ,Debbie Frosch, El Tegre Cowart , Roger & Delores Pruitt, Theresa Trott, Emily Eid, Daniel Curtis , and Albert Lomicka.

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Monday	l Sm 15:16-23	Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13	Mk 2: 23-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51	Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7	Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21	Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27	Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6. 8- 10	Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

MASS READINGS OF THE WEEK

ALTAR FLOWERS



The Altar flowers are in loving memory of Pam Stapleton By Chris & Beth Patterson

Flower Notice

The parish will no longer provide flowers each weekend. If anyone would like to provide flowers for a weekend in memory of a loved one, the fee is \$40. Please send a check to the Rectory Office with a large note that says, **"For Altar Flowers".**

Please write who the Mass is in memory of and who it is by.

Once received, a Mass date will be assigned.

St. Agnes – Jan 21st

Almost nothing is known of this saint except that she was very young-12 or 13-when she was martyred in the last half of the third century. Various modes of death have been suggested-beheading, burning, strangling.

Legend has it that Agnes was a beautiful girl whom many young men wanted to marry. Among those she refused, one reported her to the authorities for being a Christian. She was arrested and confined to a house of prostitution. The legend continues that a man who looked upon her lustfully lost his sight and had it restored by her prayer. Agnes was condemned, executed, and buried near Rome in a catacomb that eventually was named after her. The daughter of Constantine built a basilica in her honor.

Reflection

Like that of Maria Goretti in the 20th century, the martyrdom of a virginal young girl made a deep impression on a society enslaved to a materialistic outlook. Also like Agatha, who died in similar circumstances, Agnes is a symbol that holiness does not depend on length of years, experience, or human effort. It is a gift God offers to all.

Background on the Gospel Reading By Loyola Press Sunday Connection John 2:1-11

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. For many Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle.

To situate today's reading within the context of John's Gospel, we note that John's report of this event follows Jesus' call of his first disciples. John tells us that Jesus and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. There is no parallel report of this miracle at Cana in the Synoptic Gospels.

In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity.

Yet awareness of Jesus' impending passion and death is ever present in John's Gospel. Even in this report of Jesus' first sign, the language used anticipates Jesus' passion. When Jesus says to his mother that his hour has not yet come, he protests against her wishes in language that John will use again when reporting Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples. When introducing the story of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, John writes that Jesus knew that his hour had come. In John's Gospel, Jesus is very much in command and aware of all that is to happen to him.

Here, as elsewhere in John's Gospel, Mary is not mentioned by name, but is referred to instead as the mother of Jesus. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine.

This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.



Columbarium Sales Anyone interested in purchasing a niche may reach out to Kristin Jewell at 619-6293



Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, *9 Days for Life*, Wednesday, January 19 through Thursday, January 27. *9 Days for Life* is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up at **9daysforlife.com**.

<u>CHRISTIAN FORMATION</u>

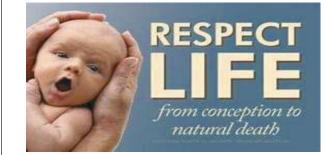
Religious Education Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in the Conference Center for students in K-High School.

> If you have any questions, call Terrie Curtis @ 733-6011 or 733-6860.

Christian Formation Program

January Schedule

- 16 CFP Classes
- 23 CFP Classes
- **30** CFP Classes



On January 16th Prince of Peace will conduct a Rose Procession at 10:15 am in the Church commemorating children who have lost their lives to abortion.
49 individuals or families will carry a rose to the sanctuary to represent each year that abortion has been legal.

Our CFP students will lead this procession.

We also encourage parishioners and their family members to participate.



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STATEMENT ON ROE V. WADE DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN LIFE January 22, 2022

On this tragic 49th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Roe v. Wade* that legalized abortion and stripped the unborn of their fundamental right to life, we mourn the heartbreaking loss of over 62 million victims. The Catholic Church stands emphatically and unreservedly for the rights of the unborn. We look forward with the hope that God will soon bring our nation to a profound awareness of the dignity of human life and a recognition that all lives deserve protection under the law.

We are especially encouraged that the U.S. Supreme Court has heard arguments in the Mississippi abortion case, *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*. This case addresses whether banning abortions after 15 weeks gestation is constitutional. Although difficult to predict, this could very well be the case that overturns *Roe* entirely or in part. We are steadfast in praying that there will be a monumental shift in the Court's abortion precedent in favor of protecting unborn children. We entreat the faithful to commit to daily prayer and fasting along with other believers across the country for a decision that honors the sanctity of unborn life through the Pray for Dobbs campaign (www.prayfordobbs.com).

We also remain hopeful that the Florida Supreme Court will have an opportunity to reconsider its 1989 ruling that interpreted our state constitution's privacy clause to find a right to abortion in Florida. We are closely following a case currently on appeal, *Gainesville Woman Care, LLC v. State of Florida*, addressing the constitutionality of a common-sense Florida law requiring a 24-hour reflection period prior to abortion. Though this good law is being challenged on the basis that it violates the state constitutional right to privacy, we pray for a judicial outcome that upholds the pro-life law so that women have more time to deliberate undergoing an abortion. Additionally, we urge Florida's Agency for Healthcare Administration to strengthen enforcement of existing abortion regulations.

As a Church, we are committed to accompanying all women, including those experiencing unplanned pregnancies or considering abortion. One way that we have been serving pregnant women and their families is through the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' initiative *Walking with Moms in Need*, which connects parishioners with volunteer opportunities at community pregnancy resource centers. We wholeheartedly support this ministry that offers tangible, life-affirming support for vulnerable families – fathers, mothers and their babies. As Pope Francis has said, "And among the most fragile are children who do not see the light because their mothers suffer economic, social and cultural conditioning that drives them to give up that wonderful gift that is the birth of a child." (Address of His Holiness Pope Francis to the Hospital of the Innocents Institute, May 2019)

The Church seeks to be a beacon in a dark world and desires to serve as a field hospital to all who are contemplating or have been harmed by abortion. Even while we recommit to highlighting the great good in embracing life so that abortion is unthinkable, may the Lord continually renew our collective passion to advocate for the protection of unborn children from harm. We ask that the Lord would guide and strengthen our elected and appointed officials in Florida and pray that the legislative and judicial branches at both the state and federal levels come to respect the sacredness of each human life, including the unborn. Let us continue to fight for a culture of life in all spheres so that our society may appreciate the truth that every person—no matter their size, ability, or location—is worthy and worth protecting.

Most Rev. Thomas G. Wenski Archdiocese of Miami

Diocese of Palm Beach

Most Rev, Frank J. Dewane Diocese of Venice Most Rev. John G. Noonan Diocese of Orlando

Most Rev. Felipe J. Estévez Diccese of St. Augustine Most Rev. Gregory L. Parkes Diocese of St. Petersburg

Most Rev. Gerald M. Barbarito

Most Rev. William A. Wack, C.S.C. Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee Most Rev. Enrique E. Delgado Archdiocese of Miami

Marriage in the Lord

On the threshold of his public life Jesus performs his first sign - at his mother's request during a wedding feast.¹⁰⁵ The Church attaches great importance to Jesus' presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence.

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Mass Intentions

Sunday	16th	Ŧ	For the Souls in Purgatory
8:00 AM			By: Ted St. Martin
Sunday 10:30 AM.	16th	● ₽	The People of Prince of Peace
Monday	17th	•	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday	18th	Ŷ	By: Clarisse Birregah Catherine & Basile Birregah
Wednesday	19th	•	By: Clarisse Birregah Divine Protection for Helga & Nadege
Thursday	20th	Ŷ	By Clarisse Birregah Frank & Joyce Kaurich
Friday	21st	Ŷ	By: The Kaurich Family Rod Groat
Saturday	22nd	•	By: George Banks The Sick of Prince of Peace
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH FAMILY, YOU ARE ALL AWESOME!					
Money Mailed or Collected 01/03/22- 01/09/22					
General Collection	\$8210.00				
Repair and Renovation	\$10.00				
Church Roof	\$1200.60				
Liturgical Supplies	\$1000.00				
Funeral Stipend	\$200.00				
Total	\$10,620.00				

Respect Life Collection

The Respect Life Collection will be the weekend of January 15th & 16th. Your donation supports local pregnancy resource centers and parish-based respect life activities in partnership with Walking With Moms In Need.

