

Saint Francis of Assisi Church

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 16, 2022



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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SUNDAY VIGIL (SATURDAY)

After Easter to January 1 ... 4:00 pm
January 8 to April 9 ... 3:00 pm & 4:30 pm

SUNDAY

After Easter to January 2 - 8:00 am & 10:00 am
January 9 through Easter Sunday
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday - Friday.....8:15 am
Holy Days.....8:15 am & 6:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Winter— September 7 through June 3
Mon - Thurs 9:00 am-12:30 pm, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am-12:30 pm

Summer - June 6 through September 2
Monday through Thursday 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am-12:00 pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday after Mass 9:00 am - 9:15 am
Saturday 2:00 pm-2:30 pm (January 8 thru April 9)
Saturday 3:00 pm-3:30 pm (After Easter thru Dec 31)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Call Parish Office at least six months
in advance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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**Mass Intentions and Scripture
Readings for the Week**

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

8:15 am †**SOULS IN PURGATORY**
Memorial of Saint Anthony the Abbot
Reading: 1 Samuel 15:16-23
Gospel: Mark 2:18-22

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

8:15 am †**COLETTE CANNING**
by Ladies Auxiliary
Tuesday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time
Reading 1: 1 Samuel 16:1-13
Gospel: Mark 2:23-28

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

8:15 am †**SPECIAL INTENTIONS CHARLES
FIALA**
†**CHUCK KAHLER**
by Gil and Peggy Ulrich
Wednesday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time
Reading: 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 40-51
Gospel: Mark 3:1-6

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

8:15 am †**RON DENNY** by Dick and Ellen
Thursday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time
Reading: 1 Samuel 18:6-9, 19:1-7
Gospel: Mark 3:7-12

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

8:15 am †**SOULS IN PURGATORY**
Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
Reading: 1 Samuel 24:3-21
Gospel: Mark 3:13-19

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

SUNDAY VIGIL (SATURDAY)

3:00 pm **HELEN & †LAVERN LEACH**
by Deberra Cogan
4:30 pm †**MARLENE WOODCROFT**
by Richard Woodcroft

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

7:30 am †**LOUIS WELCH**
by Margaret Whelan
9:00 am †**PAULINE PETTIGNANO**
by The Michaels Family
10:30 am †**MARY ANN DERROYBY**
by Dick and Ellen
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Reading 1: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel: Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21



Wedding at Cana

On this Sunday the gospel reading is from John. This liturgical year we use cycle C in the lectionary, and most of the gospel readings in ordinary time will be taken from Luke. But today, the Church instead chooses a reading from the fourth Gospel. The Gospel of John inaugurates the public ministry of Jesus with this story, telling us: "Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs...and so revealed his glory". As we saw last week, when the Gospel reading described the Baptism of Jesus, today we again see that Jesus' public ministry will not follow the path one would expect from the Messiah, the promised King of Israel. His birth was marked by great signs: at Christmas, we heard of the multitude of angels who announced his birth to the shepherds; at Epiphany we heard about the Magi from the East who followed heavenly signs to pay him homage. But the public ministry of Jesus was going to be different. Appearing at the Jordan where John was proclaiming the advent of the Messiah, Jesus did not call attention to himself. Rather, he humbled himself and joined the crowd being

baptized by John in preparation for the new kingdom. Jesus had come to establish this kingdom, but it would not be like earthly kingdoms that are forged with violence and tumult. As the reading from Isaiah last week put it, "he shall bring forth justice to the nations, not crying out, not shouting, not making his voice heard in the street. A bruised reed he shall not break, and a smoldering wick he shall not quench." In today's gospel Jesus performed his first sign, turning water into wine. But consider the setting: he did not stand beside the village well, turning water into wine for anyone who approached him. He did not gather a large crowd (think of the miracle of loaves and fishes) and then provide them with abundant wine. Rather, he is one guest among many at a large wedding. He again does not call attention to himself. Indeed, from the way John describes it, only a few guests—Jesus, his mother, his disciples—and a handful of servants knew what had happened. Neither the steward in charge of the feast, nor the groom, the guest of honor, knew. The story would get around: surely the servants would tell the story of great stone jars of water changed to wine. But now Jesus acted quietly, without fanfare, without calling attention away from the bride and groom, so that his disciples might "begin to believe in him." This would slowly change: Jesus' ministry would attract more attention, the crowds would grow, and so would the opposition. In the end, Jesus would be crucified. Looking back, John frames this first miracle story to point his readers, to point us, forward to the final miracle of Jesus. In the

New Testament, the Gospel passage begins "on the third day...."; it ends by telling us that Jesus "revealed his glory." The final miracle of Jesus, the one which would inaugurate the Kingdom of God, was his resurrection: on the third day God raised him up and he again revealed his glory. Another important aspect of the gospel today is that it is set at a wedding. In the Old Testament, the prophets frequently used marriage and weddings as symbols to describe the relationship between God and his people. In the first reading today, the prophet Isaiah promises the Israelites, then in exile in Babylon, that their kingdom will be restored. He uses wedding imagery to describe the occasion: "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." He chose this familiar image because a wedding, full of joy and the promise of a better future, made concrete the depths of God's love for his people. This would slowly change: Jesus' ministry would attract more attention, the crowds would grow, and so would the opposition. In the end, Jesus would be crucified. Looking back, John frames this first miracle story to point his readers, to point us, forward to the final miracle of Jesus. In the New Testament, the Gospel passage begins "on the third day...."; it ends by telling us that Jesus "revealed his glory." The final miracle of Jesus, the one which would inaugurate the Kingdom of God, was his resurrection: on the third day God raised him up and he again revealed his glory. Another important aspect of the gospel today is that it is set at a wedding. In the Old Testament, the prophets

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Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day,
January 17, 2022

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is one of the most important African American leaders in U.S. history and one of the iconic figures of the civil rights movement in the United States

during the 1950s and 1960s. King's fight against discrimination and segregation changed American history and gave hope to millions of a future of equality. One of the most inspiring moments of King's life was the August 28, 1963, March on Washington, and his "I Have a Dream" speech, where he stated, "I have a dream that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character." Pope Francis noted the importance of King's dream, one that continues to inspire Americans and people from around the world to this day: "Here too I think of the march which Martin Luther King led from Selma to Montgomery fifty years ago as part of the campaign to fulfill his "dream" of full civil and political rights for African Americans. That dream continues to inspire us all. I am happy that America continues to be, for many, a land of "dreams". Dreams which lead to action, to participation, to commitment. Dreams which awaken what is deepest and truest in the life of a people." King's call for racial equality is echoed in the Catechism of the Catholic Church. "Created in the image of the one God and equally endowed with rational souls, all men have the same nature and the same origin. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, all are called to participate in the same divine beatitude: all therefore enjoy an equal dignity." (CCC 1934). In his remarks, Pope Francis noted that King's message of equality is rooted in the Gospel passage of the Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" (Mt 7:12). As the Holy Father stated: "This Rule points us in a clear direction. Let us treat others with the same passion and compassion with which we want to be treated. Let us seek for others the same possibilities which we seek for ourselves. Let us help others to grow, as we would like to be helped ourselves. In a word, if we want security, let us give security; if we want life, let us give life; if we want opportunities, let us provide opportunities. The yardstick we use for others will be the yardstick which time will use for us. The Golden Rule also reminds us of our responsibility to protect and defend human life at every stage of its development." Yet, while the struggle began by Dr. Martin Luther King and others continues, Pope Francis reminds us not to lose hope: "Building a nation calls us to recognize that we must constantly relate to others, rejecting a mindset of hostility to adopt one of reciprocal subsidiarity, in a constant effort to do our best. I am confident that we can do this."



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Couples Wedding
Anniversary Mass
February 12 or 19, 2022

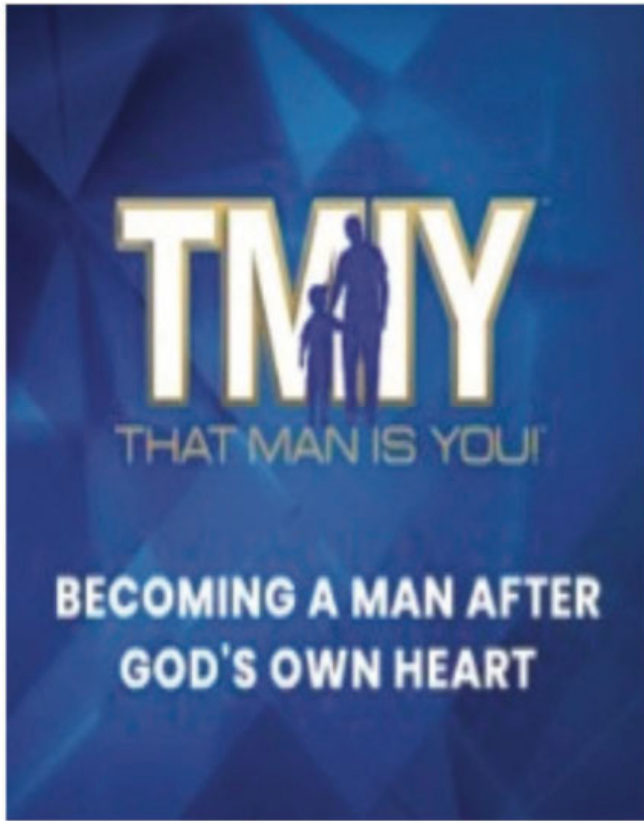
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All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or more years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Masses will be celebrated in two locations: February 12th at Saint Leo the Great Parish in Bonita Springs at 11 am, and February 19th at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice, also at 11 am. Please contact our Parish Office for reservations no later than the week before the event you choose to attend.

Ministry Week for Saint Francis of Assisi Church

	Start	End	Event - Location
Mon Jan 17			DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
	7:50am	9:00am	Rosary/Mass/Anointing/Chaplet - Church
	9:15am	11:15am	Parish Outreach Ministry - Parish Center
	10:30am	11:00am	Priest Anoints at Englewood Hospice House
	11:45am	12:30pm	Lectio Divina - Gospel Prayer - Church
	5:30pm	7:00pm	Knights of Columbus/Ladies Auxiliary General Business Meeting - Parish Center
Tues Jan 18	7:50am	8:45am	Rosary/Mass - Church
	8:45am	9:45am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration - Church
	9:00am	11:30am	Parish Stewardship Ministry - Parish Ministry Room
	9:50am	10:00am	Benediction - Church
	10:15am	11:15pm	Parish Outreach Administrator/Coordinator Meeting - Parish Conference Room
	1:00pm	3:00pm	Women's Bible Study - Parish Conference Room
	5:30pm	6:45pm	Religious Education (K-8) - Parish Center
Wed Jan 19	7:50am	8:45am	Rosary/Mass - Church
	9:15am	11:15am	Parish Outreach Ministry - Parish Center
	1:30pm	3:00pm	Bible Study with Fr. Marcel
	7:00pm	8:00pm	AA - Parish Hall
Thurs Jan 20	7:50am	9:00am	Rosary/Mass/Chaplet - Church
	9:00am	9:15am	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Church
	1:00pm	3:00pm	Hooks & Needles for Angels - Parish Conference Room
	4:00pm	7:00pm	Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner - Parish Center
	5:00pm	6:30pm	Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) - Parish Conference Room
Fri Jan 21	7:50am	8:45am	Rosary/Mass - Church
	9:15am	11:15am	Parish Outreach Ministry - Parish Center
	10:30am	11:00am	Priest Anoints at Englewood Hospice House
Sat Jan 22			Recalling our First HOLY COMMUNION
	2:00pm	2:30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Church
	3:00pm	4:00pm	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - Church
	4:30pm	5:30pm	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - Church
Sun Jan 23	7:30am	8:30am	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - Church
	9:00am	10:00am	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - Church
	10:30am	11:30am	Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - Church



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