

JANUARY 17, 2021 2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021

8:30 A.M. – Sally Flaten-M

Rosemary Schoening & Boys

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

8:30 A.M. – Benjamin Lao-M

Dr. Antonio & Luz Lao

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2021

8:30 A.M. – Mike Hansen-AM

Gayla Hansen

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021

8:30 A.M. – William (Bill) Jarchow-M

Dcn. Arthur & Janette Gil De Lamadrid



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021

4:00 P.M. – Walter Herrick-M

Joanne Blatt

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021

7:30 A.M. – Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of

Cathedral Parishioners

10:30 A.M. – Shirley Higgins-M

Rita LaVenture & Family



VOCATIONS... *Speak Lord, your servant is listening.*

Listening to the Lord requires silence. Make time each day to be quiet, so that you can hear God's call.

(1 Samuel 3: 3-10)

CATHEDRAL CHURCH CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 18 – 6:30 PM Prayer Group Meeting in Kress Hall
 Wed. Jan. 20 – 7:00-8:00 PM Rel. Ed. Gr. 5-11 will be Virtual
 Thurs. Jan. 21 – 6:30-8:30 PM RCIA (Virtual)

MINISTRIES

PRAYER MINISTRY – There are people in the parish willing to share your needs and prayers. Please call 715-394-4927 if you or a loved one is in need.



LITURGICAL ROLES for Jan. 23 & 24

READERS:

4:00pm Tom Unterberger
 7:30am Ro Birch
 10:30am Janette Gil De Lamadrid



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

4:00pm Jill Unterberger
 7:30am Theresa Carr
 10:30am Tom Henning



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the Psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

	Jan. 9/10	Last Year
Envelopes:	77	137
Collection:	\$4,184.17	\$5,207.00
On-Line Giving (78)	\$5,332.00	\$1,457.00
Loose Collection	\$ 348.00	\$ 458.00



Thank you for your generosity!

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Thank you for filling out a Catholic Services Appeal envelope. For those who did not fill one out, please do so today – either online through our secure website or by mailing your envelope to our office. No gift is too small, and our parish is trying to reach 100% participation. Our 2020-2021 goal is \$72,541.

There are many challenges that face us today. The shortage of priests is one such challenge. The responsibility our parish has to help provide diocesan services and ministries such as support for vocations and the education of seminarians is an answer to that challenge. Online Giving to the Catholic Services Appeal is secure and easy. www.superiorcatholics.org/giving (177 Families have given \$52,214)

WINTER SAFETY

Winter is here, and while we try to keep the sidewalks and steps free from snow/ice as best we can, Mother Nature doesn't always follow our schedule!



Please be careful when attending events by sticking to the main walk ways. If the weather changes quickly, there are shovels and salt/grit bins at every entrance.

OFFICE HOURS (COVID)

Monday – Friday
 9:00 AM to Noon



If possible, please conduct all parish business through mail, phone calls or email.

Thank you!

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Have you ever had moments in life when you wish the answers were written in the sky with letters that were clear and easy to read? Where there is no doubt what to do; no hesitation that a certain choice is the best; no worry that something has been missed? **The question surfaces frequently: How do we know the Lord's call for our lives?**

In the Scriptures today we have two examples where people are being called by God:

- The call of Samuel in the temple of the Lord
- The call of two of John the Baptist's disciples by Jesus

While each story presents a perspective that is unique, both have some points that are worth noting:

1. **God takes the initiative.** It is the Lord who begins the encounter, speaking Samuel's name or asking the disciples, "What are you looking for?"
2. **There is a human response.** Samuel calls out, "Here I am" while the disciples begin a conversation, "Where are you staying?"
3. **A call to action.** Both Samuel and disciples do something. Samuel reaches out to Eli; the disciples stay with Jesus and one of them (Andrew) brings his brother Peter to meet the Lord.

The same three steps continue today. God keeps inviting! The Lord's grace ceaselessly pours out upon the earth, inviting and empowering us to draw closer to God and one another. Everything we have comes from the Lord, who takes the initiative to reach out to us in love.

Our response - both in word and deed - completes this initiative. Accepting the Lord's call we grow in wisdom and strength, developing our God-given gifts for service in the world. As we continue to say yes to the Lord's guidance we become more and more alive, become a conduit through which Christ's mission touches the hearts and lives of others.

So how and where does the Lord speak today? Where do we look for the call? A few starting thoughts...

- **Start by reading the Scriptures!** (It is the Word of God, after all.) I recommend first digging into the Gospels.
- **Pray everyday.** It doesn't have to be very long, but it does have to be real and from your heart. Take a couple of minutes to count your blessings, make your petitions, and close with the Lord's Prayer.
- **Reach out to people** of faith for fellowship & strength. (Remember: united we stand!)
- **Go to Confession.** It's a powerful way to begin again with God's help.
- **Go to Mass weekly.** (Let's see: get a Sacrament; hear God's Word; pray alone and with others; fellowship; with a little peace & silence...not a bad gig.)

May we say yes to the Lord's call in our lives, responding with full and open hearts, serving one another with the strength of Jesus Christ!

Fr. Andrew

Question for Children: What can you do this week to show that you are a follower of Jesus?

Question for Youth: Andrew seemed to know immediately that he should follow Jesus. Do you have that same sense of confidence in your faith in Jesus? What helps? What makes it hard?

Question for Adults: In what ways do you experience being called by Jesus? What does he want you to do?

Readings for the week of January 17, 2021

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31
Mk 1:14-20

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, January 20th

Religious Education

Grades 5-11: (Virtual) Students will log in for class from 7:00-8:00pm.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We wish to thank everyone who in so many ways supported our brothers and sisters in need in 2020. This year we have spoken with and assisted a record number of people who are homeless and struggling with mental illnesses. Many of us are struggling with the uncertainties of our times. Those who have a mental illness to even a greater extent can reach a point of despair and hopelessness. Please pray with us that they will obtain all of the types of assistance they deserve.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, January 26th at 6pm in Kress Hall with an option to join virtually. For more information or to obtain assistance, please leave a message at 715-398-4039.

CATHEDRAL BLANKET MINISTRY

366 Blankets have been created to date!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul received an additional 32 blankets before Christmas from an angel who made them at home. We were able to distribute blankets to children as part of our Christmas gift distribution. There is hope that this ministry can begin meeting again in 2021 to put together blankets. We are grateful to the organizers and volunteers in this ministry for their dedication and generosity!

RESPECT LIFE

Diaper Drive This Weekend



The Diaper Drive continues at our cluster parishes through this Sunday, January 17th. If you missed out on this weekend's collection, please contact Lynn Tracy at 715-392-8511 before Wednesday Jan. 20th. Thanks for your generosity! Diapers will be given to the Lake Superior Life Care Center in Superior to be distributed to families in need. As we recall the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade this January 22nd, let us pray for all women facing an unplanned pregnancy - that they choose life. Let us pray for an end to abortion.

RCIA

Adults are drawn to the Catholic Church for many reasons and in many ways. They come to the Church with varying levels of knowledge and understanding but the one constant is that each has many questions. RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - is the process that allows adults to explore Catholicism, increase their understanding and get answers to their questions in an environment that is welcoming and responsive.



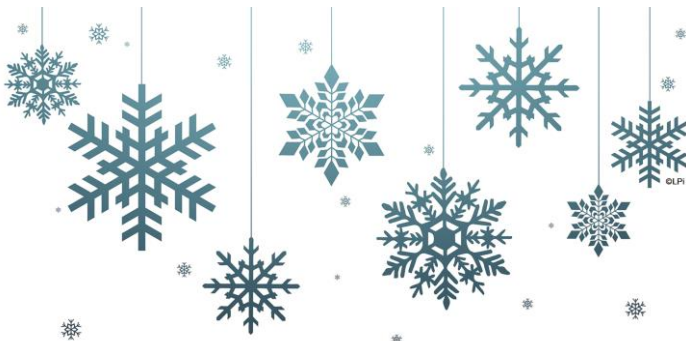
All RCIA meetings will be held virtually. If you are interested in participating – or know someone who is – please contact Kathy Drinkwine at Kathy.RCIA@gmail.com or at 715 394 3005. If there is no answer, please be sure to leave a message.

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Substitute Teachers Needed

Have you considered Substitute Teaching? Do you love working with children of all ages? Does your busy schedule keep you from working full-time? Would you like to supplement your current income? Cathedral School is looking for qualified substitute teachers. If you answer yes to the question, we need you!! A 4 year degree is required but the degree does not need to be in education. If you are interested please contact Melissa in the main office for more information - 715-392-2976.

Box Tops for Education (Cathedral Home And School Association) participates in several programs, which generate money for our school. Box Tops for Education can be found on several products including food, household items, tableware, office supplies, and even bake ware. **No more clipping.** No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products. Tap the scan button and snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase. The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online. **(Twice a year, your school will receive a check and can use that cash to buy whatever it needs!)**



John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.

— Jn 1:35-37

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