

JANUARY 24, 2021 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 Call Fr. Andrew at 715-392-8511

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021

8:30 A.M. – Alice Stack-M
 Joe & Sherry Mackiewicz

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021

8:30 A.M. – John McLaughlin-M
 Butch DeMeyer

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021

8:30 A.M. – Joel Dee Parker-M
 Richard & Jennifer Robbins

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021

8:30 A.M. – James Sackett-M
 Joe & Sherry Mackiewicz



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021

4:00 P.M. – Carol Langley-M
 Patrick & Diane Ricci

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2021

7:30 A.M. – Charlotte Goettl-M
 Gayla Hansen

10:30 A.M. – Spiritual and Temporal Welfare of
 Cathedral Parishioners



In Loving Memory of...John Harty. May John be granted eternal rest and may the Lord's peace and comfort be with his family and loved ones.

VOCATIONS... Come after Me. Jesus called Andrew and Peter and James and John. He calls still in our day. Are you willing to drop your nets and follow? (Mark 1: 14-20)

CATHEDRAL CHURCH CALENDAR

Wed. Jan. 27 – 7:00-8:00 PM - Rel. Ed. Gr. 5-11 will be Virtual
 Thurs. Jan. 28 – 6:30-8:30 PM - RCIA (Virtual)
 Sat/Sun. Jan. 30/31 – Catholic Schools Week Collection
 Sun. Jan. 31 – 8:30 AM - Knights of Columbus 5th Sunday Rosary

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. 30 & 31

READERS:

4:00pm Joni Tazuell
 7:30am Sandy Frazier
 10:30am David Dusek



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

4:00pm Joni Tazuell
 7:30am Sue Collins
 10:30am David Dusek



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

There is a certain urgency in today's Gospel as Jesus calls His first disciples – Andrew and Simon, James and John. Each one follows Jesus *immediately*, unhesitatingly abandoning nets and boats and father and fellow-workers. To what is Jesus calling me – *at this* moment, in *these* circumstances? What will I need to abandon in order to follow Him?



	<u>Jan. 16/17</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes:	45	140
Collection:	\$ 3,682.55	\$ 5,168.00
On-Line Giving (48)	\$ 2,863.00	\$ 1,287.00
Loose Collection	\$ 362.55	\$ 508.00

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

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

Remember back in elementary school when we all learned long division? Perhaps you remember some of those really long problems that took a whole sheet of paper to write? I recall the excitement when I found the answers at the end of the book, only to have my hopes crushed when the dreaded words "show your work" were part of the instructions...

To demonstrate the exercise our 4th grade teacher, Mrs. Tempesta, would put a problem on the chalk board and demonstrate line by line, showing the work and how the process repeats until you made your way through the

entire problem. At the end you would have the answer, with all the work to prove it.

I remember asking Mrs. Tempesta what would happen if you made a mistake early on in the process. She smiled and repeated the problem along side the original - with one tiny mistake. The wrong answer at the end of the work glared at our class; when we asked what do you do if your answer doesn't match the solution in the book, she replied, **"You have to start at the beginning, find your mistake, and rework a new solution."**

Welcome to repentance.

We all make mistakes: we say things we can't take back; do things we regret; allow things to happen that we'd give anything to erase. And while we can't change the past our faith tells us that we have a process that can bring healing and restore relationships. Like long division, we find our mistakes, REPENT, and rework a solution that follows a new path of behavior.

The words "I'm sorry" and "I forgive you" are some of the most powerful in any language. The first reading and the Gospel today are especially adamant that we take them to heart - repenting of our sins and choosing a Godly path that brings healing to our lives. **Remember: God never gives up on us!** The process looks like this:

- We run through our own personal examination of conscience
- We admit it - perhaps directly or in the Sacrament of Confession
- We are sorry for the hurt we have done, acknowledging our sins/mistakes
- We do our part to make it right - doing what we can to fix and heal
- We call upon God's healing grace and strength

Perhaps it's been awhile since we stepped into a confessional. Perhaps it's been awhile since we have honestly looked into our hearts. Today we can take a moment to look inside, see what doesn't belong, and make the move to repent of our sins and turn to the Lord. May we see in the example of Jonah and Jesus today that we have hope; **God keeps calling - inviting us to turn away from sin and embrace the Good News.**

Fr. Andrew

Question for Children: What do you think it was like for the people in today's Gospel to be called by Jesus? What did they have to give up in order to follow him?

Question for Youth: At the start of Jesus' ministry, Jesus invites people to "believe in the Good News." What are some ways that you could be more open to the truth and challenge contained within the Gospels?

Question for Adults: If someone asked you, "To what work has Jesus called you?" how would you answer?

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]
Mk 16:15-18
Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3,7-8a,10 [3]
Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35
Mk 1:21-28

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, January 27th

Religious Education

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



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In the first quarter of our fiscal year (October thru December) we were contacted by 385 households (472 last year for the same period). With current government assistance for rent and utilities, stimulus monies, and a moratorium on evictions we are not receiving as many calls from those currently in housing - yet. The majority of our calls are from those who are homeless in this pandemic.

If you are in need or would like to volunteer, please contact us at 715-398-4039. You can join us virtually or in person at our next meeting at 6pm on Tuesday, January 26th.



THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to everyone who so generously donated to the diaper drive at our cluster parishes and also at Cathedral School. Cathedral School collected 1420 diapers!

We are still gathering up the diapers from the cluster and will announce our final number in next week's bulletin.

In the Midwest over 13,000 babies lose their lives due to abortion every year. As we remember the decision of Roe vs. Wade on January 22, 1973, we pray that mothers will choose life with the dedicated support of our communities

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 –

