

# St. William

January 23, 2022

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**Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 pm**

People of the Parish

**Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

+Bill Ross

by Bill & Sue Britton



## Weekly Contributions January 15, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$	775.00
Loose.....	\$	5.00
Online Giving.....	\$	60.00
Candles.....	\$	16.00

*Thank you to all of our parishioners who continue to support our parish at Mass, online or by mail.*



**Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm**

Reader Janie Fouts

## Pray for Their Health and Welfare

Krista Hudacek Lambert	Mary Kuntz
Julia Dalbec	Maryann Grymala
Fr. Ron Olson	Erma Harty
Judy Ross	Wendy Johnson
Carolyn Ward	Carl Schulz
Kim Hart	Mary Lu Gallagher



## Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

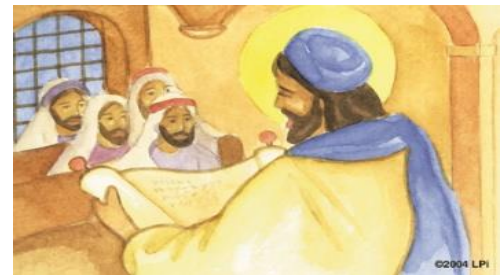
Nathaniel Grymala	Joe Austin
Nathan Blair	Brandon Anderson

## ST. WILLIAM CSA January 4, 2022

2021-2022 Goal 5157.00  
 Payments and Pledges 3,411.05  
 Remaining to Raise 1,745.95  
 Thank you for your continued support  
 of the Catholic Services Appeal.

**CHRIST  
HAS NO  
BODY  
BUT  
YOURS**

There will be an All Cluster Leadership Meeting on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in Cathedral Kress Hall.



## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor... and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.” - Lk 4:18a, 19*



Fr. Joji is available to hear confessions on Saturdays at 5:30 pm before Mass.



## WEEKLY MEDITATION

Here are some of the central themes in the readings for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Year.

### 1st Reading - Nehemiah 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10

- After the Babylonian captivity, the people together to hear Ezra read God's holy law in the scriptures.
- Ezra and Nehemiah instruct the people to make the day holy, rejoicing in the Lord for their strength.

### Psalm - 19:8-10,15

- "Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life."
- The precepts and law of the Lord give wisdom, joy and enlightenment.

### 2nd Reading - 1st Corinthians 12:12-30

- Paul uses the example of the body to illustrate how many different parts work together as one.
- As the Body of Christ we recognize the unique contributions of all people and unite together for the glory of God.

### Gospel - Luke 1:1-4; 4:4-21

- Luke introduces his Gospel as a way to offer an orderly sequence of the events of Jesus.
- In the synagogue at Nazareth, the Lord reads from the scroll of Isaiah and proclaims that this prophecy is fulfilled.

Fr. Andrew

**Question for Children:** Jesus is present to each of us in a different way. Tell about a time that you knew Jesus was with you.

**Question for Youth:** Name a moment or situation in your life where Jesus was present. What are some situations or places where you wish that Jesus was more visible?

**Question for Adults:** Jesus came to bring glad tidings to the poor and set free the enslaved. How has this mission of Christ in the world affected you personally?



January 30 – February 5

"Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service."

## WELCOME ABOARD NATE!

We are happy to welcome Nathan Arens to the staff at Holy Assumption as our new maintenance man. We are blessed to have him.

## WHAT GOES UP MUST COME DOWN

We are taking down the Christmas decorations this Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> after Mass. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

### Readings for the week of January 23, 2022

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21  
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18  
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20  
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2,3-5,11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25  
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34  
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41  
Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### HELP WANTED

Our Society needs volunteers willing to assist in sorting donations. We also are in need of other volunteers who are willing to deliver donations to those in need. Are you able to offer a couple of hours a week on a weekday afternoon? Leave a message for Lynn Brice at 715-600-2591 for more information.

Everyone is welcome to join us at our next meeting on Tues. January 25 at 6pm. If you are in need of assistance or would like to join us at our meeting, please leave a message at 715-398-4039.

## SUPERIOR CATHOLICS YOUTH GROUP

As we roll into 2022, your Youth Group leaders would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Extreme Faith Camp registration is upon us. Reserve your spot for this summer's week June 20-24, 2022. We have been fundraising, and, thanks to private donors, the cost is still being reduced. RSVP no later than February 13, 2022.

Dinner & Mass w/Fr Mike Schmitz Sunday February 27, 2022. Dinner will be held at St Williams, then we will bus over to UMD for 8pm mass. RSVP no later than February 13, 2022.

Family Movie Night Saturday, March 5, 2022. Dinner and a movie to help raise funds for Extreme Faith Camp. Volunteers need to sign up by March 1, 2022.

RSVP for these or any other events with Virginia Kovaleski at 952.300.1671 or [vrkovy@gmail.com](mailto:vrkovy@gmail.com).

## CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

The fifth graders of Cathedral School are asking for your help! Our students, with the help of Halvor Lines, are embarking on a service learning project to help aid those who lost everything from the recent tornado in Gilbertsville, Kentucky and surrounding areas. During the month of January, if you have any items listed below that you would like to donate, please bring them to Cathedral School entryway during school hours or Cathedral of Christ the King during Sunday/Wednesday masses (there is a spot designated right by the stairway to the basement of the church). Collections will be taken until January 28th.

**Items being collected:** fall/winter clothing of all sizes (please no summer clothing), hygiene items, cleaning products, diapers, wipes, stuffed animals, shoes.

**Items most in need of:** coats, AA batteries, and D batteries.

**\*\*Please make sure that clothing, shoes, coats, and stuffed animals are gently used and free of stains/tears/holes and are washed prior to donation. All other products must be new and unopened.**

### Help your Cathedral School Community

Please remember that CHASA (Cathedral Home and School Association) still collect Box Tops for Education, Coke Rewards, and pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House of Duluth and Superior. You are now also able to support Cathedral School through Amazon Smile.

We thank you for your continued support for the school and community!



CHASA is an organization for the purpose of enhancing and supporting the educational experience of Cathedral School, to develop a closer connection between school and home encouraging parent involvement, and to improve the environment at Cathedral School through volunteer and financial support. Our members are parents and guardians of students, principal, teachers, teacher's aides and other staff of Cathedral School and have voting rights. No membership fee is required and is open to anyone who would like to participate.

Grow in love for God  
this New Year.

## RCIA

**RCIA – the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** – will begin Thursday, January 20. RCIA is for

- Those who have never been part of a faith denomination and are trying to find a spiritual home.
- Those who have been baptized in another faith denomination but are feeling the pull towards the Catholic Church.
- Those who are Catholic and are seeking to receive all the Sacraments of Initiation.
- Catholics who are looking for a renewal of their faith and a chance to enhance their knowledge and understanding of the Church.

RCIA sessions run from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. every Thursday. Some sessions will be in-person in Cathedral Kress Hall and some sessions will be via Zoom during the same time frame. Masks and social distancing is required for the in-person sessions.

The January 20, 27, and February 3 sessions will be in-person. Materials will be distributed and we will have a chance to get to know one another better. The sessions will be filled with lots of learning and information.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Kathy Drinkwine at 715 394 3005 or via [Kathy.rcia@gmail.com](mailto:Kathy.rcia@gmail.com).

## CLUSTER NEWS

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES AT CATHEDRAL

**Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

5:30pm - 6:30pm – Grades **1-6**

7:00pm - 8:00pm – Grades **7-11**

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursdays at Cathedral from 1:00-3:00pm

### BOOK CLUB

February 10<sup>th</sup> Bound For The Promise Land  
Kate Larson

March 10<sup>th</sup> HomeFront Kristin Hannah

May 12<sup>th</sup> Cider House Rules John Irving

The Cathedral Book Club meet at 6:30 pm in the Cathedral Parish Office Meeting Room for a one hour conversation.

All are welcome to join us.



**PRAYER GROUP MEETING**  
 Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup>  
 6:30 PM Cathedral Kress Hall  
 All are welcome!  
 Any questions please call Anna Marie  
 715-392-1673  
 (Meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month)

**Watch Mass live on the myParish app!**

Look for the Mass Videos button to watch Mass live right from the myParish app. The app has lots of great features. You can set a prayer reminder, walk through the Examination of Conscience prior to confession, read the readings of the day, or listen to homilies. The myParish app can be downloaded free on your mobile device in the iTunes or Google Play store.

**ANOINTING**

On the second Sunday of each month Father will be anointing anyone that wishes to receive the sacrament. Anointings are available for sickness, preparation for a doctor's visit etc. They are

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

On the first Sunday of each month a blessing will be given to every person present who has a birthday during that month.


**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

Did you know CSA Funding makes it possible to continue promoting vocations to the priesthood that are so vital to the future of our local Church? The indispensable role that our seminarians will serve in the life of the Church necessitates that they receive an unparalleled formation in the spiritual, pastoral, and academic disciplines. With the high cost of education, your gift will help underwrite this worthwhile investment and help promote and foster vocations to the priesthood throughout our diocese.

**OTHER NEWS**

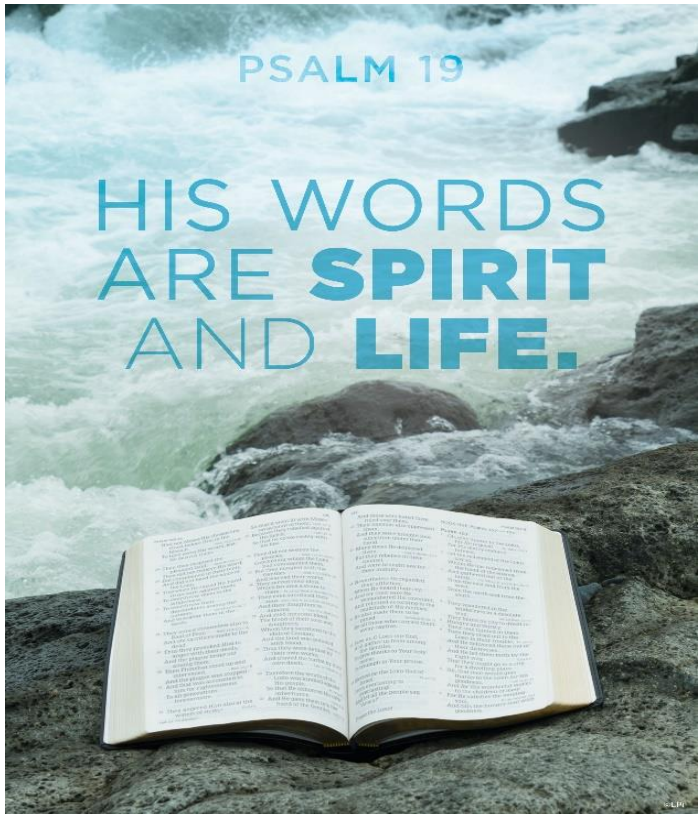
**"CALLED TO PRAY THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS"**

Single Catholic Women 20-35 "Called to Pray The Liturgy of the Hours". Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity offer you a free Zoom Event on February 26. More Info and Register at <https://fsccl-calledtobe.org>. Or Call or text Sr. Julie Ann 920-323-9632

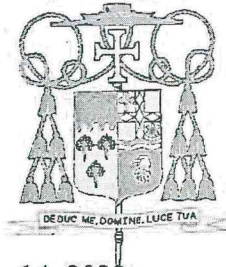
 **Senior Congregate Meals at Holy Assumption Parish**

Mondays through Thursdays at 11:15 am  
 Please reserve your meal at least 24 hours in advance with your Site Operator, Shelley, or by calling Senior Connections at 715-394-3611.  
 Suggested Donation \$4.00 per meal

Hamb. Gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Dinner Roll Yog. Parfait/Fruit Milk & Coffee	<b>Tue Jan 25</b>	Beef Hotdog/Bun Relish & Onions Mac n Cheese Baked Beans Blondie Brownie Milk & Coffee	<b>Wed Jan 26</b>
Split Pea w/ Ham Soup Egg Salad Sandwich Lettuce & Tomato Pudding Cup Milk & Coffee	<b>Thurs Jan 27</b>	Ham Slice Baked Potato Broccoli Dinner Roll Mandarin Oranges Milk & Coffee	<b>Mon Jan 31</b>



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January 14, 2022

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I hope and pray that you and your loved ones have enjoyed blessings in this new year. May our loving God continue to shower us with many blessings throughout the year. One blessing we need to continue to pray for is the end of COVID-19.

As we enter this new year, we find ourselves still trying to navigate our way through new variants, rising numbers of new cases and changing guidelines. I want to thank our Priests, Parish Director, Parish Life Coordinators, and other parish leaders who so diligently continue to follow our Diocesan COVID Protocols. Through your efforts we are working together to keep those who attend Mass and other parish activities safe.

With the rising number of cases of the Omicron variant, I want to once again, encourage everyone to do your part to help prevent the spread of COVID.

In particular I strongly recommend:

1. the wearing of face masks, especially if you are singing or serving as a Deacon, Extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, usher, or greeter. As they become available N-95 or KN-95 rated masks should be procured.
2. the practice of social distancing as space allows;
3. hand sanitizer readily available.

To my knowledge there has been no outbreak of COVID -19 due to Mass attendance. I pray that through the exercise of our communal and personal responsibility we can continue to keep each other healthy and safe. With that in mind I want to remind anyone who feels sick, or has high risk health factors, or who is taking care of someone who falls in one of the above groups to stay home. As explained in the past, these would be issues and circumstances that would allow you a personal dispensation to not attend Mass without incurring serious sin. Although we know it is not the same as gathering in person to celebrate the gift of the Holy Mass and receive the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord in the Eucharist, those unable to attend Mass in person can receive the blessing of a Spiritual Communion by participating in the celebration of the Mass virtually via Facebook, television or some other means.

In closing I ask that you continue to pray daily for an end to COVID-19. Let us also pray for those who have or are struggling with COVID and for all the medical personnel who so selflessly put their lives on the line to minister to the sick. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers daily.

May God Bless and Protect you,

Most Rev. James P. Powers

Bishop of the Diocese of Superior

## Fulfilled in Your Hearing

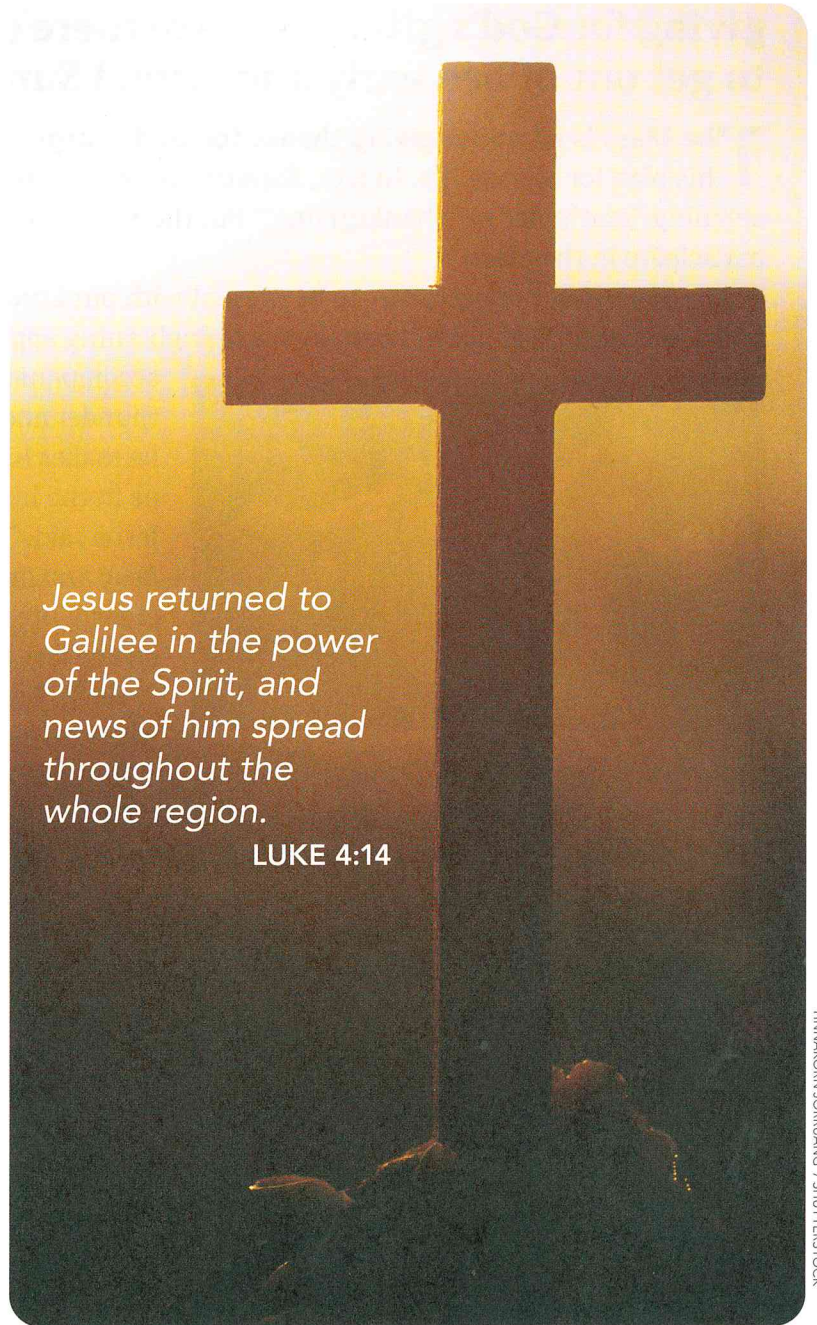
**W**hen we hear that phrase, we might be inclined to think of prophecy.

However, today's readings suggest something a bit different. True, in today's Gospel, Jesus states that he is the fulfillment of the promise made by the prophet Isaiah. However, the way that passage was fulfilled by Jesus was not the way his hearers expected. The passage seems to promise a change in society where there will be no more poor or prisoners. The people expected a political change which would overthrow Roman control. Jesus' application was quite different. The fulfillment of that prophecy included a new and often radical way of understanding society. In other words, Jesus revealed the true meaning of the prophecy.

Such reapplication is even clearer in the first reading. Nehemiah, the Jewish leader of those who had returned from Babylonian exile, gathered all the community together, read the Law, and then reapplied it for them.

Reapplication is often necessary because what might have been a helpful way of understanding something in our faith under some circumstances might be impractical, even inappropriate, in others. For example, to pray for an end to war is important, but to do nothing to work for peace changes how we understand prayer. Circumstances often change as we go through life. Reapplication of our faith acknowledges this and searches for ways that faith can continue to address those changing circumstances. Faithful reapplication always keeps our religious tradition alive and meaningful.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*



*Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region.*

LUKE 4:14

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### FOR Reflection

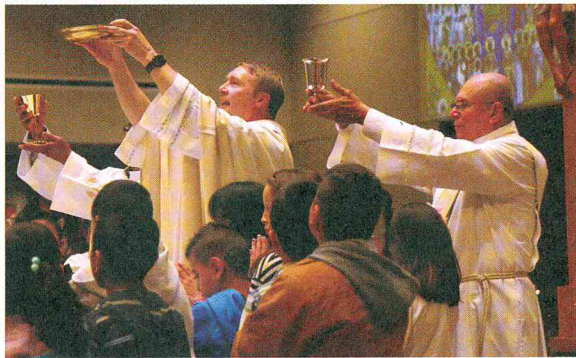
- ★ *In many ways the Second Vatican Council reapplied our faith. How has your understanding of how to apply our faith changed in your lifetime?*
- ★ *Is there anything that you think still should change? Why do you think this?*

# Dear Padre,

**In your previous column you wrote that the Mass commemorates Jesus' Last Supper and is a thanksgiving for God's gifts to us. Are there other reasons to get out of bed early and attend Sunday Mass?**

**T**he Mass is all about giving thanks for God's forgiveness of sins and His plan for eternal life. In fact, *Eucharist* is derived from the Greek word meaning "gratitude" or "thanksgiving." But there are many other reasons to participate in the Mass.

The Mass is our opportunity to be present with our Lord in the forms of bread and wine. God doesn't usually make frightening appearances to us



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accompanied by crashing thunder and lightning. Rather, he makes himself accessible to us in the humble form of food. Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:54).

As St. Augustine put it, when we receive Christ in

these forms, we become what we receive. We are the body of Christ, not as individuals but as his Church. His Church is his physical presence on earth today, the way people come into contact with Christ.

When we participate in the Mass, we become witnesses to all of this: our liberation from sin and death; our Lord's Real Presence to us in the forms of bread and wine; and we, as Church, becoming what we receive—the body of Christ. Can there be better reasons for waking up on a Sunday morning and attending Mass?

*Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org*

## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Without Christ we are condemned to be dominated by everyday weariness, with its worries, and by fear of the future. The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to experience the present with confidence and courage, and to go forth with hope. For this reason, we Christians go to encounter the Lord...in the Eucharistic celebration.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 13, 2017



## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 24

*St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church*

2 Sm 5:1–7, 10

Mk 3:22–30

### Tuesday

JANUARY 25

*The Conversion of  
St. Paul the Apostle*

Acts 22:3–16

or Acts 9:1–22

Mk 16:15–18

### Wednesday

JANUARY 26

*Sts. Timothy and Titus,  
Bishops*

2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5

Mk 4:1–20

### Thursday

JANUARY 27

*Weekday*

2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21–25

### Friday

JANUARY 28

*St. Thomas Aquinas,  
Priest and Doctor  
of the Church*

2 Sm 11:1–4a,

5–10a, 13–17

Mk 4:26–34

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### Saturday

JANUARY 29

*Weekday*

2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17

Mk 4:35–41

### Sunday

JANUARY 30

*Fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

Jer 1:4–5, 17–19

1 Cor 12:31–13:13

or 13:4–13

Lk 4:21–30