



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 17, 2021**

Sat.	Jan. 23 rd	4:00pm	St. John
Sun.	Jan. 24 th	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	Jan. 24 th	10:30am	St. Columbkille

Readings for the Week

Monday, Jan. 18th

Hebrews 5:1-10 Mark 2:18-22

Tuesday, Jan 19th

Hebrews 6:10-20 Mark 2:23-28

Wednesday, Jan. 20th

Hebrews 7:13, 15-17 Mark 3:1-6

Thursday, Jan. 21st

Hebrews 7:25, 8:6 Mark 3:7-12

Friday, Jan. 22nd

Hebrews 4:1-5, 11 Mark 3:13-19

Saturday, Jan. 23rd

Hebrews 9:2-3, 11-14 Mark 3:20-21

Sunday, Jan. 24th

John 3:1-5 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20



We will be having a rosary on Wednesday's at 7:00pm
in the Parish Center.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$5719.00

Loose - \$110.00

Building Fund - \$80.00

650 Parish Families

(297 Family envelope holders)

84 Envelopes used

Mass Intentions for Weekend of Jan 9 & 10

Saturday St. John: + Judy Baranski

**Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd
Parishioners**

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Joseph Cimillucca

Donations:

In memory of John Cieslinski by Beatrice Pichla

In memory of Earl Roberts by Beatrice Pichla

In this Sunday's Reading

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" - John 1:38
Jesus could ask the same question of us every day - "What are you looking for?" The answer can be made clearer if you talk to God about it. Spending time in silence with God can help you better realize what you seek deeply and spiritually.



We would like to wish a Happy 69 year
Anniversary to Larry & Marlene Bukoski they were
married on Dec. 27th. Hope you had a
great anniversary!!

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Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Tuesday & Wednesday program includes:

Kindergarten through 6th grade.

Argyle: 6-7:30pm Tuesday (Jan. 19, 26)

Ubyly 3-4:30pm Wednesday (Feb. 3, 10, 17)

Sheridan Corners: Wednesday (Jan. 20, 27)

Youth Group

Youth Group will be meeting again in Feb. 2021.

Youth group is for all 7th thru 12th graders.

All are welcome and there is no charge.

Christian Initiation

Christian Initiation RCIA Meeting will be held Sunday, Jan. 31 at 6:30 pm at St. Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please call

Dana Irion at 989-553-0585 or

Fr. Nate at 989-658-8145.

Christ's Mission Appeal 2020

Our Parish is conducting the annual Christ's Mission Appeal. Our goal for this year is \$56,548 as of this week our Parish has pledged \$42,508. Please be generous to the Christ's Mission Appeal by sharing your gifts and blessings. Your contribution to Christ's Mission Appeal is a way of serving our brothers & sisters throughout the diocese and continuing the saving work begun by Jesus.

Virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Get your new year off to a great start! Enrich your marriage and your faith by attending a weekend from the comfort of your own home Jan. 29-31 or Feb. 12-14, 2021. Apply today at wwme.org. For questions or more info, contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 269-953-8287.

Please Join Us In Remembering!!

Huron County Right to Life is holding its annual Memorial Service on Sunday January 24, 2021 1:30p.m

Court House steps in Bad Axe, to remember all the innocent lives lost to the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision. Any questions, please contact Jeanne @ 989-658-8701

VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULE:

Counters:

Tuesday Jan. 19: Rose Maikrzek, Luci Kubacki, Ann Ypma

Jan. 25: Evelyn Peruski, Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski

Feb. 1: Del Czewski, Judy Messing, Barb Roggenbuck

4:00pm Saturday Jan. 23rd St. John

Lector: Alger Lemke

EMHC: Alger Lemke

Ushers: Bob Brahmer, John Guigar, Richard Trepkowski

8:30pm Sunday Mass Jan. 24th St. Joseph

Lector: Paul Guza

EMHC: Edie Izydorek

Ushers: Bill Izydorek, Chuck Izydorek, Bruce Uhl

10:30am Sunday Mass Jan. 24th St Columbkille

Lector: Kevin Romzek

EMHC: Kevin Romzek

Ushers: Ray Maurer, Don McDonald

MARRIAGE PREPARATION WORKSHOP

WHEN: Saturday, March 13, 2021; 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

WHERE: Virtual-online

The Diocesan Marriage Preparation Workshop helps engaged couples understand what it means to get married in the Catholic Church. Among the topics covered are: Marriage as a Sacrament, Marital Intimacy, Natural Family Planning, Communication, Conflict Resolution, and Family of Origin.

COST & CONTACT/REGISTRATION INFO:

Registration fee is \$50 per couple. Registration deadline is Monday, March 8 2022

To register: call 989-797-6660 or register online



I Heard God Laugh by Matthew Kelly

If you did not get a book that was given out at Christmas mass you can pick them up at the entries of all the churches.

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Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 | 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20 | Jn 1:35-42

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Have you ever seen *The Good Place*? While clearly not theologically accurate, it is a thought-provoking Netflix comedy that focuses on four good but flawed characters who meet in the afterlife. I can relate to the character of Chidi, who strives to live a moral life but is crippled by indecisiveness. Do I buy the brown shoes or the black ones? Should I order the salad or the salmon? And I still can't decide on a career! So I'm amazed at John and the disciples in today's Gospel. John immediately recognizes Jesus as the Lamb of God. Hearing this, do the disciples ask for a second opinion or draw up a pros and cons list? Nope. They follow him. They recognize the Messiah and act. Their response of faith challenges me to think less and do more, to worry less and pray more. We may not see Jesus in his human form walking by, but we can see his image in others, and hear him through the Scriptures and at Mass. Let us pray for the grace to respond wholeheartedly.

GO EVANGELIZE

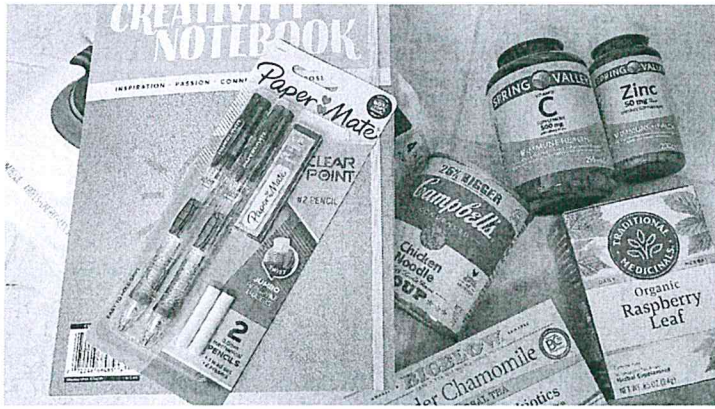
PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Everyone loves an invitation, though perhaps we've forgotten what those are like during these months of pandemic. Today's readings remind me that, pandemic notwithstanding, we all have a standing invitation from God; it's up to us to respond. When Samuel heard God's voice in the night, he listened. In today's responsorial psalm, we hear, "Here I am Lord; I come to do your will." And the Gospel tells us how the disciples dropped everything to follow Jesus. Through prayer, we, too can listen for God's voice and respond. And, just as Eli realized God was calling Samuel and John encouraged the disciples, we can accompany others. By sharing our experience and inviting others to share the way Jesus has spoken to them, we can encourage one another as we seek to turn our lives over to God.

STUDY Many of us slow down a bit during these wintry months after the holidays. Why not use our "down time" to listen to God's word, not only by attending Mass in-person or online, but through popular apps like iMissal and Word on Fire. Invite friends to do the same and then hold each other accountable by initiating an online group to discuss each week's readings.

SPEAK, LORD,
FOR YOUR
SERVANT
IS

listening



Jesus Thirsts for Your Love! *Will you quench His thirst?*

Fr. Nate's Update

(Left: Thank you to MANY parishioners who brought me homemade food, soup, tea, vitamins, supplies, and sent me cards during my Covid Isolation)

Dear Reader, fellow **Saint-in-the-Making**,
Happy 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time!

First, some humor: As the pastor's wife was checking on their eight-year-old son who was sick in bed, he asked to see his father, who was in his study working on an important sermon. "He's busy, honey, and can't come right now," his mother replied. "But I REALLY REALLY want to see him," the boy persisted. "Sorry, but he's tied up right now and can't be disturbed." "Well then," the boy said, "tell him I'm sick and want my pastor to visit me!"

ANOTHER ROSARY REQUEST: I request that this week, you offer a Rosary for this intention: for a peaceful transition of power in our capital this week and for the conversion of any who might be contemplating violence in our nation. Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

"I Heard God Laugh": I hope you are enjoying the challenge of developing a daily prayer habit of at least 10 minutes a day with the Prayer Process. Soon, you will have the process memorized!

Covid Recovery: Thank you to all who prayed for my recovery. I had only minor symptoms, likely thanks to your prayers. Please continue to pray for those with more serious symptoms. I will still wear a mask at Mass to set an example of obedience to our bishop, and for people's peace of mind, who may not know I am immune at this time (remember, those with medical exemptions do not need to wear masks). Recently, our diocese offered the vaccine to the priests and many received it; I was not able to take it because I currently am recovering from Covid.

Saint in the Making: A friend Teresa recently said to me, expressing their frustration at the difficulties of life, "I am not Saint Therese", so I replied, "God doesn't want you to be Saint Therese of Lisieux, He wants you to be St. Teresa of X (town where she lives)!" And as for you, dear reader, God wants to make you Saint [insert your name] of [insert your town], if you allow Him to!

Novena: "9 Days for Life" is a Novena for the protection of human life, especially the unborn, sponsored by the US bishops. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Go to www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life

Let Us Pray...

**(Pope's JANUARY Intention):* May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all (Lord, hear our prayer!)

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg