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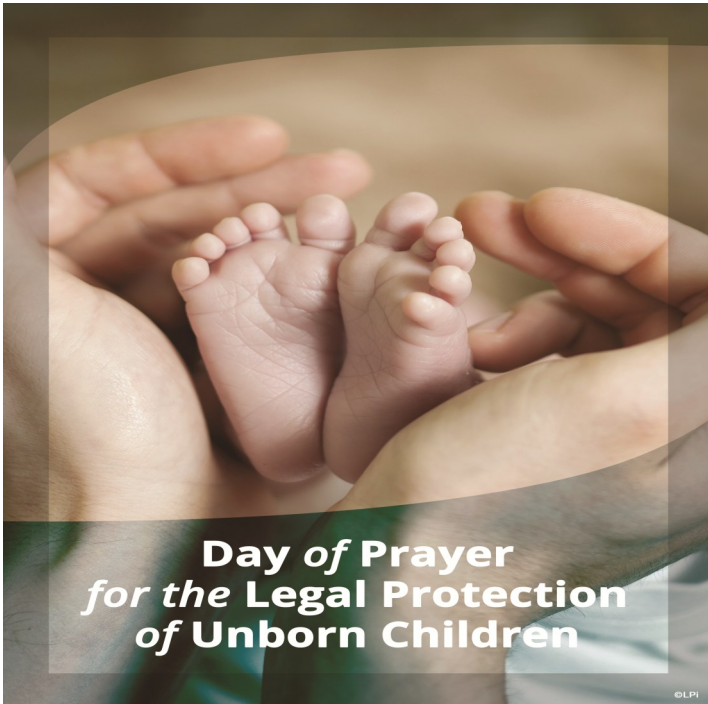
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Our Mission Is To Go and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ ~ January 19, 2025



The Word of the Laird



This year, during Ordinary Time, the Gospel readings are from the Gospel of Luke. Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. Luke himself was from Antioch, the third largest city in the Roman empire of that time. It is thought that he wrote his Gospel between the years 80 and 85.

Luke sees Jesus as the fulfillment of the hopes of Judaism. Even though Jesus is rejected by the priests and leaders, His attention to the poor, the outcasts, the women and tax collectors supplies an insight into the love God has for all people. It is this that then leads to the preaching of the Gospel to the Gentiles and their being welcomed into fellowship with all who put their faith in Jesus.

It may be noted that Luke's Gospel contains the canticle of Simeon (1:68-79), the canticle of Mary (1:46-55), the canticle of Simeon (2:29-32). These three canticles are used in the daily prayer of the Church, the Liturgy of the Hours. The canticle of Simeon is part of morning prayer (lauds), the canticle of Mary is part of evening prayer (vespers) and the canticle of Simeon is part of night prayer (compline).

Luke clearly portrays Jesus as inaugurating a new people of God. As the Jewish people were based on the twelve tribes (sons of Jacob), Jesus chooses twelve to be apostles, and even when one of them turns into a betrayer (Judas), the community elects Matthias to take his place (Acts 1:21-26).

I hope that as we work our way through the Gospel of Luke that we may all gain insight into his special perspective on the ministry of Jesus and the life of the apostolic church.

Thanks be to God.

Readings and Hymns

Readings 858

Hymns:

St. Mary's:

Entrance	364
Offertory	487
Recessional	254

St. Matthew:

4:30 Mass

Entrance	712
Offertory	705
Recessional	538

Folk Mass

Entrance	725
Offertory	656
Recessional	619



Saturday, January 18

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—For the People of this Faith Community

Sunday, January 19—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's 8:30 am — Betty Schrader (Jim & Andrea Parshall)

St. Matthew 10:30 am— Deceased Members of Enright & Yatteau Families (Bob & Margie Enright)

Monday, January 20

St. Matthew 9:00 am—Mary Villone (Ken Villone)

Tuesday, January 21

St. Mary's 9:00

Wednesday—January 22

St. Matthew 9:00 am—Thomas Villone (Ken Villone)

Thursday—January 23

St. Mary's 9:00 am—Bishop Matthew Clark (Stefano Family)

Saturday, January 25

St. Matthew 4:30 pm—Joseph Finnochario (Barb West)

Sunday, January 26—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's 8:30 am — For the People of this Faith Community

St. Matthew 10:30 am— Frank West (Marcia Rausch)



MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

Monday, January 20

BOTH PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

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JANUARY 25 & 26

4:30 pm—Communion Ministers: J. Patel, P. Rodman; **Lector:** B. Woodruff; **Sacristan:** B. Woodruff

8:30 am—Altar Server: P. Gotham, J. Parshall; **Communion Ministers:** H. Hawes, N. Andres; **Lector:** C. Andres; **Greeter/Ushers:** A. Parshall, D. Horning, B. Missell; **Sacristan:** H. Hawes; **Announcer:** D. Hawes; **Live Stream:** C. Gotham

10:30 am—Altar Servers: David & John West; **Communion Ministers:** J. Kahn, B. Dougherty; **Lector:** J. Kahn; **Sacristan:** J. Kahn

Attendance— 1/12/2025

St. Matthew—4:30 pm	98
St. Mary's—8:30 am	88
St. Matthew—10:30 am	158

In Memory of Loved Ones

Contact your Parish Office to remember a loved one. A donation of \$50/year is requested.

In Memory Of

Richard O'Connor	Dan & Shirley Mulvaney
Pat Conlon	Jay Nowakowski
Lucille DeClerck	Robert & Mary Oelwang
Jule DeClerck	Paul & Martha Pfuntner
Joseph & Betty Eberwein	Joe Rausch
Mary Iten	Patrick L Guenther
Leo Iten	Frank & Estelle Rodman
Paul Jones	Nan Ryan
Beverly Luther	John Scherberger
Ralph & Rocco Messura	Michelle Stefano
Betty West	Kathie Regelsberger
Leo & Mary Ann Morsch	Lois Cicero
Lenny & Marie Shumway	Debra Czudak
Linda Murphy	James Sheehan
Patrick Argentieri	Anita Stefano
Ofc. Anthony P. Mazurkiewicz	Joan Shattuck
Jean Marie Dellies	Betty Schrader
Joseph Carusotti	Leigh Ann Hockey
Kay C. Gordon	Larry & Eleanor Milligan
Thomas Linehan	

Deceased Members of the following:

Chuck and Cathy Schwalenstocker Family
 Helinski and Ellison Families
 Giuliani Family
 Jones Family
 Muscato Family
 Enright & Yatteau Families
 Kurtz, Martin & O'Neil Families
 Kucich & Juriaco Families
 Quinn, Donato & Lewis Families
 Gilbert & Somers Families
 Paul & Martha Pfuntner
 Baier, Root and Shaw Families
 Mazurkiewicz and Rumfola Families
 Moeller & Fritzen Families
 Cicero and Lyeth Families
 Hockey and McGinnis Families
 Koch Family



Church Chuckle

Flowers for Sunday's services were donated by Smith Chrysler Plymouth. Mrs. Smith will also be the choir's guest soloist, singing "A Mighty Fortress Is Our Dodge."

Praying for Those Who Are Ill

Florence Ahl, Gary Anderson, Diane Backus, William Beeley, Katey Boldt-Norton, Teresa Burritt, Catherine Couture, Kevin DeCillis, Hazel Delaney, Crystal DeMay, Joseph Dispenza, Larry Ebersold, Dave Fulton, Mary Sarah Hanna, Joan Harvey, John Henry, Mary Ann Hipp, Debbie Holtz, Dan Jones, Peggy Knight, Jean Long, Mark (Whitmore) Maltese, Shoshana Margolin, Rose Mazurkiewicz, Steve Milligan, Nina Monteleone, Christina Palella, Mia Rafanelli, Ann Marie Redman, Kathy Reynolds, Mary Sheehan, Bill Sidlauskas, Alan Siracusa, Erin Siracusa, Kathleen Smith, Helen Stefano, Jim Stefano Sr., Kathy Stewart, Ed Wendelgass

Would You Help Us Out?

Please review the list. If you requested a name to be added and the person no longer needs to be on the list, let us know so we can take the name off to add others. **As a reminder**, we need the permission of an **immediate** family member or the person themselves to place a name on the prayer list.

This Week in Our Faith Community

Monday, January 20

BOTH OFFICES CLOSED

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

Tuesday, January 21

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass

St. Mary's—9:30 am Euchre

Wednesday, January 22

St. Matthew—9:00 am Mass

St. Mary's—9:30 am Comfort Quilters

St. Matthew—9:30—11:30 am Eucharistic Adoration

St. Matthew—12:30 pm Hearts & Hands

Thursday, January 23

St. Mary's—9:00 am Mass

Friday, January 24

St. Mary's—10:00 am Noon Clothing Closet
Open

Saturday, January 25

St. Mary's—10:00 am Noon Clothing Closet
Open

St. Matthew—3:30—4:00 pm Reconciliation

St. Matthew—4:30 pm Folk Mass

Sunday, January 26

St. Mary's—8:30 am Mass

St. Matthew—10:30 am Mass

St. Matthew—Give Warmth, Give Hope Coffee
Hour after Mass

A NOTE FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY:

Dear Church Family,

This week we celebrate the **2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time**. Yes, we are back to the ordinary that is until March 4th when Lent begins. We did just finish the Christmas season, right? How quickly time goes, so let's *MAKE* the time to focus on what this season is all about. The USCCB tells us, "**Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ.**" The color green that represents this season is itself a color that defines growth and new life. We as Christians are called to continual growth in our faith lives, as this season exemplifies.

Both our first reading and the gospel passage relate to weddings. Marriage imagery is often used in Scripture because it represents commitment. God, as we know, loves us from the very beginning of our existence. God walks beside us throughout our lives, guiding us and loving us unconditionally. Marriage is, or at least should be, an ideal representation of commitment, yet as someone who is divorced, this concept has always been a bit difficult for me. While I believe most people enter into marriage with the right intentions, there are times when it simply doesn't work. A true marriage continues even in the toughest of times, just as God's love for us is unconditional – even when we mess up or don't deserve it. God keeps his commitment – a true covenant with us.

The second reading from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians gives us a list of gifts given to us through the Spirit and reminds us that we all can benefit from the gifts we have – most especially when they are shared with others. We aren't meant to keep our gifts to ourselves, especially if they bring even a tiny bit of good into the world. "**There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.**" Discerning the gifts God gives us isn't always easy. For me, I've often felt that I'm pretty good at a lot of "stuff" but I don't really excel in any of it. So, discerning gifts can be tricky. I was honestly "thrown" into church work. It was not something I planned to do but I have to believe (after nearly 25 years of ministry) that I'm where I'm supposed to be and sharing my gifts with others.

The gospel passage this week brings us to the wedding in Cana where Jesus began his public ministry and performed his first miracle. Again, the wedding celebration is meant to be a time of love and celebration but when there was no wine left Mary implored Jesus to do something! His response is "**Woman, how does this concern me? My hour has not yet come.**" This is the first time I read this account and thought that maybe Jesus was just plain scared. He knew what was ahead of him if he performed this miracle. And like marriage, a new covenant would begin for Jesus. How perfect then that his first miracle be at a wedding – and how poignant that his love and commitment to his mother superseded whatever fear he may have had. That is what unconditional love is – and that is just another example of why we should follow Jesus in all we do. Jesus loves us – just like he loves his mother, and there is no greater love than the love of Christ.

Peace and Love, *Jeanette*

Our Sacramental Life Together:

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call either parish office for arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:00 pm at St. Matthew or call either parish office for an appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Please notify either parish office six months in advance of desired date.

Anointing of the Sick:

Please notify either parish office if someone is sick at home, in a nursing facility or the hospital.

Holy Orders:

If you're interested in serving the People of God as a priest, please visit ROCpriest.org.



We keep all those currently serving in our Military, as well as those who have previously served, in our prayers always.

Give Warmth Give Hope



Many thanks for your continued support for our Give Warmth Give Hope campaign. In 2024 Catholic Charities helped to prevent 28 households from having their heat shut off. Our campaign goes through the month of January. Envelopes are available at each church or you can make an on-line donation at: ccsteubenlivingston.org. Please choose the drop-down menu for Give Warmth, Give Hope.

Los Angeles Fire Disaster Donation Sites

If you would like to donate responsibly to sites available for the Los Angeles fire disaster, here are sanctioned sites:

The Archdiocese of Los Angeles has set up [a donation portal](#) to provide financial assistance to help victims with food, clothing, and other needs related to the fires.

Catholic Charities is taking donations to provide relief to families. Donate at catholiccharitiesusa.org.

California Wildfires Red Cross Response - January 2025 - www.redcross.org

Samaritan's Purse—Providing relief in Jesus' name—www.samaritanspurse.org

WE'RE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

St. Mary's **Dustbuster's** crew needs some help! Our 5 teams are responsible for cleaning the church every other week. The teams are scheduled only 2 or 3 times every 6 months. Cleaning the church ourselves helps to keep our overhead costs down and is a good way to contribute time and talent to the Parish. Right now, we're looking for one or two people (or families) to help us out. If you'd like to volunteer, please contact St. Mary's office at 585-229-5007.



you're invited

Please join us next Sunday, January 26, for our Give Warmth, Give Hope Coffee Hour after 10:30 Mass at St. Matthew. This coffee hour will complete our annual appeal to assist our friends in Livingston County by providing heat through Catholic Charities. This coffee hour also includes a silent auction where you can bid on fabulous items donated by our parishioners and friends.

Thank you for your participation!

Helping Our Neighbors Through our Food Pantries

Honeoye: The Honeoye Food Pantry runs out of the following quickly: **Pork & Beans, Crackers, Hamburger Helper, Granola Bars, other single serving foods/snacks for the backpack program. Also bar soap. Monetary donations are always appreciated: Honeoye Food Pantry, P.O. Box 112, Honeoye, NY 14471.**

Livonia: Livonia's local food cupboard, Sent by Ravens, continues to have specific needs. The current needs are: **Chunky soups, cereal, oatmeal packets, peanut butter, hot cocoa, pasta sauce, gluten free bread, canned fruit, turkey gravy. As always, many thanks for helping our neighbors.**