



January 31, 2021

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., January 30 ~ Vigil/4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM Leonarda Landro
 Sunday, January 31 ~ 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:30 AM Norma Halahan
 Monday, February 1
 9:00 AM Helen Abdinor
 Wednesday, February 3
 9:00 AM John Kiley
 Friday, February 5
 9:30 AM Susan Giardino
 Sat., February 6 ~ Vigil/5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM Bill Pitt, Evelyn Frost
 Sunday, February 7 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:30 AM Helen & Humphrey Brosnan

Mass Intentions—Having a Mass said for a deceased family member or friend is a way of saying they are not forgotten by their loved ones. Traditionally, a Mass is offered for a deceased person on the anniversary of their death. Masses can also be offered to honor birthdays and anniversaries, as well as special intentions for both living and deceased. To have a Mass said, please contact the Parish Office at 733-1477, or see Fr.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat., February 6 ~ Vigil/5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM Ted Wall
 Sunday, February 7 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:30 AM Frank Schmaus

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat., February 6 ~ Vigil/5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:30 PM
 Sunday, February 7 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:30 AM

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy)
 Dylan Bonitz (Navy) Chase Bowen (Navy)
 Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
 Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
 Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)
 Elliott Weidel (Marines)

We would like to pray for any of your loved ones who are serving our country in a branch of the military. Please call the office (733-1477) with their name and service branch, or e-mail the office at: assumptionchurch@frontiernet.net

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joanne Bach, Hank Bodendorf, Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C., Barbara Ceriale, Charles Clark, Bob Cross, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Lucy D'Amato, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Michael Gallo, Maggie Horne, Anthony Pagano, Sr., Kevin Reardon, Helen Ryan, Sadie, Frances Salewski, Pam Sibley, Chris Strobl, Gary Texter, Katylynn Auer Weidel

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Rosella McKane, Regina Parthesius, Virginia Steinbeck, Robert Wise

LOOKING AHEAD

FOOD PANTRY – 9:00 AM by appointment
 (Every Saturday Unless Announced)

Tuesday, February 2
 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM
 (Offered On Line)

Friday, February 5
 First Friday Holy Hour with
 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ~ 7:00 PM

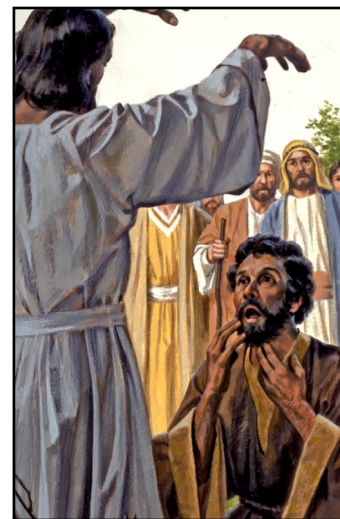
Monday, February 8
 Parish Council ~ 7:00 PM
 (Meeting in the Parish Center Lower Level)

Tuesday, February 9
 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Tuesday, February 16
 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM
 (Offered On Line)

February 17 ~ Ash Wednesday
 Mass at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Friday, February 19
 Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM



Christ is the light of the world, and it is he who will guide us through the darkness. His light is so powerful that it has even conquered the darkness of death, for when we die we will be invited into Christ's kingdom of light.

Today's Scripture

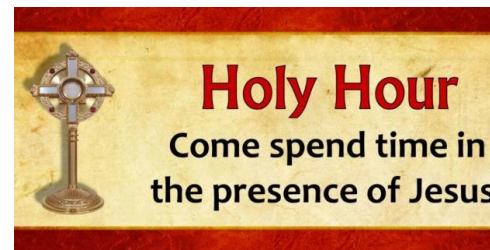
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Deuteronomy 18:15-20
 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
 Mark 1:21-28

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Mass Attendance/Collection

At Mass January 23 & 24: 80
 Weekend's Collection: \$1,203.00



Friday
 February 5
 7:00 PM
 In the Church
 Hosted by the Third
 Order Lay Carmelites

Lent '21 ~ Are You Ready?

The Season of Lent, our time of preparation for Holy Week culminating in the Passion of our Lord during Holy Week, begins with Ash Wednesday on February 17. Masses will be offered at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM on that day. **Stations of the Cross** will take place on most Friday evenings at 7:00 PM during Lent. On Friday, March 27, **Tenebrae** — a time of peace and prayerful reflection through readings and hymns based on an ancient tradi-



tion, is scheduled on Friday, February 12 at 7:00 PM. Holy Week begins with **Palm Sunday** on March 28, followed by the Easter Triduum — **Holy Thursday** (4/1/21), **Good Friday** (4/2/21), **The Easter Vigil** on Saturday (4/3/21), and **Easter** on Sunday, April 4.

Please mark your calendars with these important dates. We pray that this Easter will be the most meaningful you have ever experienced.

An Introspective Reflection

How do we know if what we have decided is truly coming from God (for being a prophet means to see things from God's perspective)?

We have to pray, fast, ask advice, etc. We must also discern our motivations. We often feel we are doing something from totally pure motivations, but there are frequently hidden levels of motivation (at times even hidden from ourselves). We must be brutally honest with ourselves as to why we want something. We must admit that a part of our motivation is almost always selfish. When we recognize these less than noble motives, we can purify them and unite our intentions more closely to those of God.

(Rev. Jude Winkler, OFM Conv.)

Attention to Inner Movements

How do we know what is life-giving and what is not? How do you privilege what is good? It is not always clear what has to do with God and what has not. It is as serious a misconception to think that everything that is pleasant, fine and gentle has to do with God, as it is to think that what is complicated, difficult and heavy cannot be good. Facing your weaknesses, for example, is often difficult and heavy, and yet in many cases self-acceptance brings God closer and comes with an increase in trust and charity.

(Excerpted from "The Art of Spiritual Direction" by Joe Moons, SJ)



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