



ST. MARY of the SEVEN DOLORS

JANUARY 24, 2021 - 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will
make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:17

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SUNDAY
OF THE WORD OF GOD



MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday - January 26

5:30 p.m. † Geraldine Kutz
- By Ken Otte

Wednesday - January 27

8:00 a.m. † Geraldine Kutz
- By Lamb Family

Thursday - January 28

8:00 a.m. † George Reed
- By Ken Otte

Friday - January 29

8:00 a.m. † Jerry Springhetti
- By Mary Jean Springhetti

Saturday - January 30 - Vigil: 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 p.m. † Joanna Saari
- By Bill & Sue Mattson
† Geraldine Kutz
- By Lynn & Glen Kuklinski
† Mary Gentile Paoli
- By Jim & Therese Pawlak

Sunday - January 31 - 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00 a.m. † Joe Zylinski

11:00 a.m. † Theresa Doss
- By Kezia Packmayer & Family
† Geraldine Kutz
- By Vicki Musselman

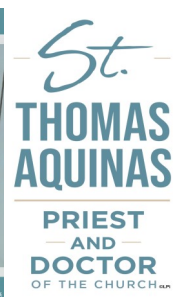
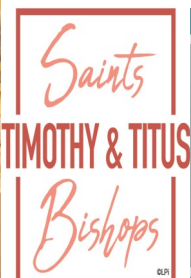
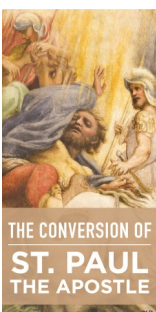
Lector Schedule for January

Saturdays @ 4:00 p.m. : 23 - Judy Haeger
30 - Roy Haeger

Sundays @ 11:00 a.m. : 24 - Irene Lardinois
31 - Kathleen Walesewicz

Public Mass Guidelines

- Anyone with flu like symptoms or a temperature of 100.4 or more, please stay home.
- Please, adults who attend Mass, **PLEASE WEAR A MASK.**
- Use hand sanitizer when entering and leaving.
- No congregating outside or inside the church to talk.
- We **must** maintain the proper 6 foot social distancing.
- Maximum capacity of 52 people allowed in for Mass at this time.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"I, and this nation, should be on the Lord's side."

A friend of Abraham Lincoln one day tried to console the President in his many problems by saying: "I hope that the Lord is on our side." Lincoln replied kindly but firmly that this was not his hope. Everyone was amazed! Then he went on to say: "I am not at all concerned about that, for we know that the Lord is always on the side of the right. But it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I, and this nation, should be on the Lord's side and for His Kingdom, we will use the countless gifts He has given to each of us to advance his Kingdom."

An epitaph to God's grace: In the small cemetery of a parish churchyard in Olney, England, stands a granite tombstone with this inscription: *"John Newton, clerk [pastor], once an infidel & Libertine, a servant of slavers in Africa, was, by the rich mercy of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ, preserved, restored, pardoned, and appointed to preach the Faith he had long labored to destroy."*

You may not remember his name, but all of us know the song, he wrote as a testimony of his life: **Amazing Grace.**

Pax et Bonum - Peace and all Good

Fr. Frank Kordek, O.F.M.

WORD OF LIFE

"Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? . . . Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Talk to a Friend who's Had an Abortion"

THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD - JANUARY 24, 2021

In his 2019 motu *proptio*, *Aperuit illis*, Pope Francis declared the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God. Both the USCCB Committee on Divine Worship (<https://www.fdlc.org/resources>) and the federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions (<https://www.usccb.org/committees/divine-worship/Sunday-word-god>) have parish resources for this celebration posted on their websites. Follow the above links to the content.

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

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

Observances for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
 Tuesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
 Wednesday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin
 Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 Friday:
 Saturday: BVM
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

PRAYER CHAIN

You are invited to join one of the following prayer

Chains : MaryAnn Levra 715-561-4023
 Ken Otte 715-561-2446



Year of St. Joseph (Dec. 8, 2020-Dec. 8, 2021)

On December 8, 2020 the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis released an Apostolic Letter about Saint Joseph and has declared a "Year of St. Joseph" which will be observed from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. The letter, *Patris corde* ("A Father's Heart"), was released on the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To view the letter, go to the following link: http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208-patris-corde.html.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph we Love You!
 Please Pray for Us

NEWLY BAPTIZED CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Kennedy Ann Mattson



Lord, bless her and her parents too. With your loving care grant them all the happiness a family can share.

"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Geraldine M. Kutz



We especially remember her family and friends in our prayers at this time. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace with Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." (Mark 1:17)
 Jesus' call to "Follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule and that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

Collection from January 16 - 17, 2021

Weekly Offering.....\$1,562.60	Postage..... \$4.60
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Catholic Herald..... \$40.00	Christmas..... \$5.00
Social Concern.....\$105.00	St. Ann's (shared exp.) . \$1,366.37

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

February: All Classes are on Sundays

7, 10:30 a.m. - 6,7 & 8th grade Class

14, 10:30 a.m. - 9,10, & 11th grade Confirmation Class

21, 10:30 a.m. - 1-5th.Family Class

Saturday, 27, 9:00 a.m. - First Communion Retreat

For more information, questions or concerns contact;

Leone Sobrack @ 715-561-3711 or by Facebook/website/Email

IRON COUNTY FOOD PANTRY

The volunteers at the Iron County Food Pantry and Treasure Room want to express their appreciation to everyone that has contributed to a very successful year. No one needs to go hungry or cold in Iron County!! Just come in on Monday's from 9 until 4, bring proof of current address, such as a utility bill, and the volunteers will be happy to serve you. We are very easy to locate at 72 Michigan Avenue, Montreal. For more information please call 715-561-4450 or contact Dorothy Walesewicz at 715-561-2459. Leave a message.

Hours are:

Food Pantry - Mondays - 9:00am.-4:00pm.

Treasure Room- Mondays - 9:00am.-4:00pm.

COVID GUIDELINES MUST BE FOLLOWED.

WEAR A MASK.

SANITIZE HANDS BEFORE ENTERING AND LEAVING.

BRING YOUR OWN BAGS.

1 FAMILY MEMBER ALLOWED (NO CHILDREN).

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DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

January 21, 2021

Dear Faithful of the Diocese of Superior,

As our country begins a new government administration term, I pray that we in the Diocese of Superior will join in prayer for God's divine intervention to help our country heal and unite as "One Nation under God." I offer for your prayerful reading and consideration the attached "Statement on the Inauguration" from Most Rev. Jose' Gomez, President of our United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

I echo Archbishop Gomez's prayers for President Biden. We pray that his Catholic heart will recognize the injustice of abortion and the intrinsic worth of all human life from the moment of conception to a natural death. We pray that President Biden and his administration will include Catholic Social Teaching principles in policy and legislation, especially in the areas of marriage, family and health care.

Inspired by Pope Francis, as we start this Year of St. Joseph, and following St. Joseph's example, we pray that President Biden will carry out the mission entrusted to him by God: Come Holy Spirit, lead President Biden, and all of us, ever closer to the Lord in 2021.

May Almighty God shower you, your loved ones and our nation with his abundant blessings.

Most Rev. James P. Powers
Bishop, Diocese of Superior