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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2021

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?"

John 1: 35-38

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Blessings in Jesus,
Fr. David R. Wagner, Pastor
Fr. Rafal A. Duda, Parochial Vicar





MESSAGE FROM FR. DAVID

Behold the Lamb of God

This Sunday's reading from the Gospel of John includes five different names or titles for Our Lord, besides Jesus. First we have "Lamb of God", "Rabbi", "Teacher", "Messiah", and Christ.

Names were very important in the Hebrew life and culture, as was genealogy. As you read the Old Testament, you'll notice that whenever a man is named, it is almost always in the form of (his name), son of (his father's name). Genealogy and ancestry were very important to the Israelites because they wanted to emphasize and stress the importance of connection to the Beginning. Before the Fall of Adam, humanity enjoyed an uninterrupted and unimpeded relationship with God the Father, and the ancient Jews wanted to preserve that memory.

But why is Jesus named or referred to in the New Testament in so many different ways? The answer to that is because there are so many different aspects about Him and how He is the fulfillment of prophesy.

One in particular is "Lamb of God". The name Lamb of God as applied to Jesus is rooted in ancient Hebrew history. God had sent plagues to Egypt in order to persuade Pharaoh to release the Israelites from bondage, yet Pharaoh resisted. So God sent one final plague to break Pharaoh's will. Those who belonged to God were to be spared if they took a male lamb, slaughtered it and placed some of its blood on their doorposts. When God visited the land to take the firstborn of each household, including Pharaoh's, He would pass over those houses that had the blood of the lamb on them. This of course became the Feast of Passover.

The Passover and the slaughter of the lamb is a reminder that God is faithful and powerful to rescue His people from bondage and death. Yet, the annual slaughtering of the lamb is just that: annual. It must be continually repeated because although it signifies God's cleansing and renewal, the sacrifice of an ordinary lamb in and of itself has no power to take away all sin.

Jesus is referred to as the Lamb of God in the New Testament because He takes away the sin of the world once and for all. Now that Jesus has come and sacrificed Himself to atone for the sins of all humanity, there is no need to repeat His sacrifice ever.

In the Mass, we do not *repeat* the sacrifice of Jesus. We do not sacrifice Him again. In the Mass, we make His one, unique sacrifice *present* and in thanksgiving, we receive, sustain and apply its effectiveness in our lives.

This is the greatest of all the gifts God gives us, and it is our life, our faith and our hope. Alleluia!

Blessings In Jesus, Fr. David

He aquí el Cordero de Dios

La lectura de este domingo del Evangelio de San Juan incluye cinco nombres o títulos diferentes para Nuestro Señor, además de Jesús. Primero tenemos "Cordero de Dios", "Rabí", "Maestro", "Mesías" y Cristo.

Los nombres eran muy importantes en la vida y la cultura Hebreas, al igual que la genealogía. Al leer el Antiguo Testamento, notarán que cada vez que se nombra a un hombre, casi siempre es en la forma de (su nombre), hijo de (el nombre de su padre). La genealogía y la ascendencia eran muy importantes para los Israelitas porque querían enfatizar la importancia de la conexión con el Principio. Antes de la Caída de Adán, la humanidad disfrutaba de una relación ininterrumpida y sin obstáculos con Dios el Padre, y los Judíos antiguos querían preservar ese recuerdo.

Pero, ¿por qué se menciona a Jesús en el Nuevo Testamento de tantas diferentes formas? La respuesta a eso es porque hay muchos aspectos diferentes acerca de Él y cómo Él es el cumplimiento de la profecía.

Uno en particular es el "Cordero de Dios". El nombre Cordero de Dios aplicado a Jesús tiene sus raíces en la historia Hebrea antigua. Dios había enviado plagas a Egipto para persuadir al Faraón de que liberara a los Israelitas de la esclavitud, pero el Faraón resistió. Entonces Dios envió una última plaga para quebrantar la voluntad de Faraón. Los que pertenecían a Dios debían ser perdonados si tomaban un cordero macho, lo sacrificaban y colocaban un poco de su sangre en los postes de sus puertas. Cuando Dios visitaba la tierra para llevarse al primogénito de cada hogar, incluido el de Faraón, pasaba de largo por las casas que tenían la sangre del cordero, lo que por supuesto se convirtió en la Fiesta de la Pascua.

La Pascua y la matanza del cordero es un recordatorio de que Dios es fiel y poderoso para rescatar a su pueblo de la esclavitud y la muerte. Sin embargo, la matanza anual del cordero es solo eso: anual. Debe repetirse continuamente porque, aunque significa la limpieza y renovación de Dios, el sacrificio de un cordero ordinario en sí mismo no tiene poder para quitar todo pecado.

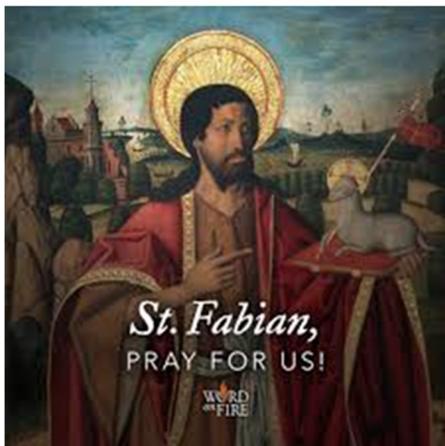
A Jesús se le conoce como el Cordero de Dios en el Nuevo Testamento porque Él quita el pecado del mundo de una vez por todas. Ahora que Jesús ha venido y se sacrificó para expiar los pecados de toda la humanidad, no hay necesidad de repetir Su sacrificio nunca más.

En la Santa Misa, no repetimos el sacrificio de Jesús. No lo sacrificamos de nuevo. En la Santa Misa, hacemos presente Su único sacrificio y en acción de gracias, recibimos, sostenemos y aplicamos su efectividad en nuestra vida.

Este es el mayor de todos los dones que Dios nos da, y es nuestra vida, nuestra fe y nuestra esperanza. ¡Aleluya!

¡Bendiciones en Jesús! Padre David

SPIRITUAL GROWTH



**Pope Fabian (Latin: *Fabianus*)
Memorial: January 20**

According to the *Liber Pontificalis*, Fabian was a noble Roman by birth, and his father's name was Fabius. He was the bishop of Rome from **10 January 236** to his death on **20 January 250**. After the short reign of Pope Anterus, Fabian had come to Rome from the countryside when the new papal election began. "Although present", says Eusebius, Fabian "was in the mind of none". While the names of several illustrious and noble churchmen were being considered over the course of thirteen days, a dove suddenly descended upon the head of Fabian. To the assembled electors, this strange sight recalled the gospel scene of the descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at the time of his baptism by John the Baptist. The congregation took this as a sign that he was marked out for this dignity, and Fabian was at once proclaimed bishop by acclamation.

During Fabian's reign of 14 years, there was a lull in the storm of persecution. The *Liber Pontificalis* says that Fabian divided the Christian communities of Rome into seven districts, each supervised by a deacon. Eusebius (VI §43) adds that he appointed seven subdeacons to help collect the *acta* of the martyrs—the reports of the court proceedings on the occasion of their trials. There is also a tradition that he instituted the four minor clerical orders: porter, lector, exorcist, and acolyte.

The *Liberian Catalogue* of the popes also reports that Fabian initiated considerable work on the catacombs, where honored Christians were buried, and where he also caused the body of Pontian to be entombed at the catacomb of Callixtus.

With the advent of Emperor Decius, the Roman government's tolerant policy toward Christianity temporarily ended. Decius ordered everyone in the Empire, with the exception of Jews, to demonstrate their loyalty to Rome by offering incense to the cult images of deities which represented the Roman state. This was unacceptable to many Christians, who, while no longer holding most of the laws of the Old Testament to apply to them, took the commandment against idolatry with deadly seriousness. Fabian was one of the earliest victims of Emperor Decius, dying as a martyr on 20 January 250, at the beginning of the Decian persecution. Fabian was buried in the catacomb of Callixtus in Rome. The Greek inscription on his tomb has survived and bears the words: "Fabian, Bishop, Martyr". Fabian's feast day is commemorated on 20.

Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 17, 2021—Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19, 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20, Jn 1:35-42(65)

7:45 am (<i>Fr. David</i>)	†Jerry Bolen
9:15 am (<i>Fr. David</i>)	†Janet Melendez
11:00 am (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	†Francisca Pruneda Bill
5:00 pm (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	People of the Parish

Monday, January 18, 2021—Heb 5:1-10, Mk 2:18-22 (311)

12:00 pm (<i>Fr. David</i>)	†Felipe & Lilia Castillo
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Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Heb 6:10-20, Mk 2:23-28(312)

7:00 am (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	†Hector Javier Ortega
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Wednesday, January 20, 2021—Saint Fabian, Pope & Martyr,
Saint Sebastian, Martyr

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17, Mk 3:1-6(313)

12:00 pm (<i>Fr. David</i>)	All Souls in Purgatory
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Thursday, January 21, 2021—Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Heb 7:25—8:6, Mk 3:7-12(314)

12:00 pm (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	†Salvador Monroy
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Friday, January 22, 2021

USA: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Lectionary for Ritual Masses, vol. IV "Mass for Peace & Justice".
Nos. 887-891

8:00 am (<i>Fr. David</i>)	†Hans Lorange
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Saturday, January 23, 2021—BVM, Saint Marianne Cope,

Virgin, USA: Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

Jon 3:1-5,10, 1 Cor 7:29-31, Mk 1:14-20(68)

5:00 pm (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	†Reymunda De La Cruz
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Sunday, January 24, 2021—Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

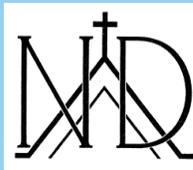
Jon 3:1-5, 10, 1 Cor 7:29-31, Mk 1:14-20(68)

7:45 am (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	People of the Parish
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9:15 am (<i>Fr. Rafal</i>)	†Antonio Olivares
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11:00 am (<i>Fr. David</i>)	†Raymond Yarton
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5:00 pm (<i>Fr. David</i>)	Mass offered for Fr. Gustavo Montañez
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 18, 2021—GOOD SHEPHERD, 5:00 p.m. in Kemper Hall.

Monday, January 18, 2021—BOY SCOUTS, 7:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium. All are Welcome!

Monday, January 18, 2021—CURSILLOS/ULTREYA, 7:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium. All are Welcome!

Lunes, 18 de enero—CURSILLOS/ULTREYA a las 7:00 p.m. en el Gymnasio. ¡Todos Bienvenidos!

Tuesday, January 19, 2021—RCIA—6:00 p.m. in the Fireplace RM.

Wednesday, January 20, 2021—INGLES TAMBIÉN, 5:00 p.m. in the Fireplace RM. ¡Todos Bienvenidos!

Wednesday, January 20, 2021—GOOD SHEPHERD, 5:00 p.m. in Kemper Hall.

Wednesday, January 20, 2021—EDGE, 5:30 p.m. in Kemper Hall Youth RM.

Thursday, January 21, 2021—CATHOLIC WAY BIBLE STUDY, 8:30 a.m. in the Fireplace RM.

Thursday, January 21, 2021—FIRST EUCHARIST RECONCILIATION SERVICE, 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

Thursday, January 21, 2021—M.O.S.T. (Ministerio Oracion Santisimo Trinidad), 7:00 p.m. in the Fireplace RM.

Friday, January 22, 2021—THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET, 3:00 p.m. in the Church

Saturday, January 23, 2021—Reconciliation, 3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m. in the Church. All are Welcome!



FIRST SATURDAY PRO-LIFE ROSARY

led by the Knights of Columbus

Saturday, February 6, 2021

at 4:15 p.m.

at Notre Dame Catholic Church
Kerrville, Texas

Come and pray the rosary and satisfy the request of Our Lady of Fatima to honor Her Immaculate Heart and help bring about peace in the world and to also pray for the end of abortion and the culture of death.

In the July 13, 1917 apparition at Fatima, Our Lady said, "I shall come to ask for...the Communion of Reparation on the first Saturdays." She came expressly to request this devotion when she appeared to Sister Lucia on December 10, 1925, in Pontevedra, Spain, where she was preparing to start her religious life.

With the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate Heart for these five offenses, we are asked to:

1. Go to confession (Can be within 8 days before or after the First Saturday).
2. Receive Holy Communion
3. Pray five decades of the Rosary
4. Keep Our Lady company for 15 minutes while meditating on the mysteries of the Rosary.

"Do not allow yourselves to be disheartened by any failure as long as you have done your best."

Mother Teresa



*The Sanctuary Lamp
will burn this week
in memory
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PRAY THE ROSARY

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE —Saturday, February 27, 2021

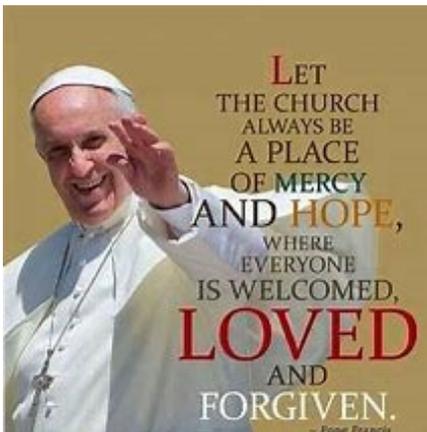
"Master, I want to see." - Mark 10:51

Participate in Person or Virtually
Pray among Brothers
Mass celebrated by

Most Rev. Gustavo Garcia-Siller, MSpS
Eucharistic Adoration—Time with the Divine Healer

Venue will take place at:
St. Matthew's Athletic Center
10703 Wurzbach Rd.
San Antonio, TX.

Register now! go online to CMCSanAntonio.com.
Payments can be mailed to Pilgrim Center of Hope,
7680 Joe Newton, San Antonio, TX. 78251; (210)521-
3377. Some scholarships are available.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Intention for Evangelization:
Human Fraternity

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.



CATHOLIC LIFE INSURANCE: RAFFLE TICKETS

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Notre Dame
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Contact the School Office: 830-257-6707 and/or Notre
Dame Parish Office: 830-257-5961.

Blessings,

Sandi Killo, Principal

The Sanctuary Lamp 2021 is available for your
intentions. Please come by the Pastoral Center or call
the Office at (830)257-5961.

The Pastoral Center will be **CLOSED**, Monday,
January 18, 2021 in observance of the Martin
Luther King Holiday.

The office will re-open Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at
8:00 a.m. Have a safe holiday!



Roy Ybarra, William Etchison, Ariana
Lambdin, Bill Gibson, Steve Erick-
son, MaKenna Erickson, Maria
Acosta, Marissa Hernandez, Marci
Denton, Deacon Sonny Kauffhold,
Olan Mahlmann, Regina Kelly,
Mauricio Reyes, Tom Miller, George
& Ginny Saip, Mary Ellen Wheeler,
Sam Rodriguez.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 2-3, 2021

CHURCH

Envelopes/Checks	\$ 19,021.50
Currency/Coin	1,788.00
Capital Improvement	<u>430.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 21,239.50

Dec. 28, 2020—Jan 3, 2021
On-line Giving

Church	\$ 4,751.00
ND School	150.00
Bldg. Maintenance	<u>55.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,956.00

Faith Formation (2nd Collection)	\$ 1,124.79
St. Vincent de Paul	12.50
Assumption Seminary	<u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,187.29

SCHOOL

School Support Envelopes	\$ <u>50.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 50.00

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 9-10, 2021

CHURCH

Envelopes/Checks	\$ 11,246.00
Currency/Coin	<u>744.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 11,990.00

January 4—10, 2021
On-line Giving

Church	\$ 5,740.00
ND School	525.00
Bldg. Maintenance	<u>410.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 6,675.00

Notre Dame Bldg. Repair (2nd Collection)	\$ <u>957.55</u>
TOTAL	\$ 957.55

SCHOOL

School Support Envelopes	\$ <u>1,305.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 1,305.00

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