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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 15, 2023

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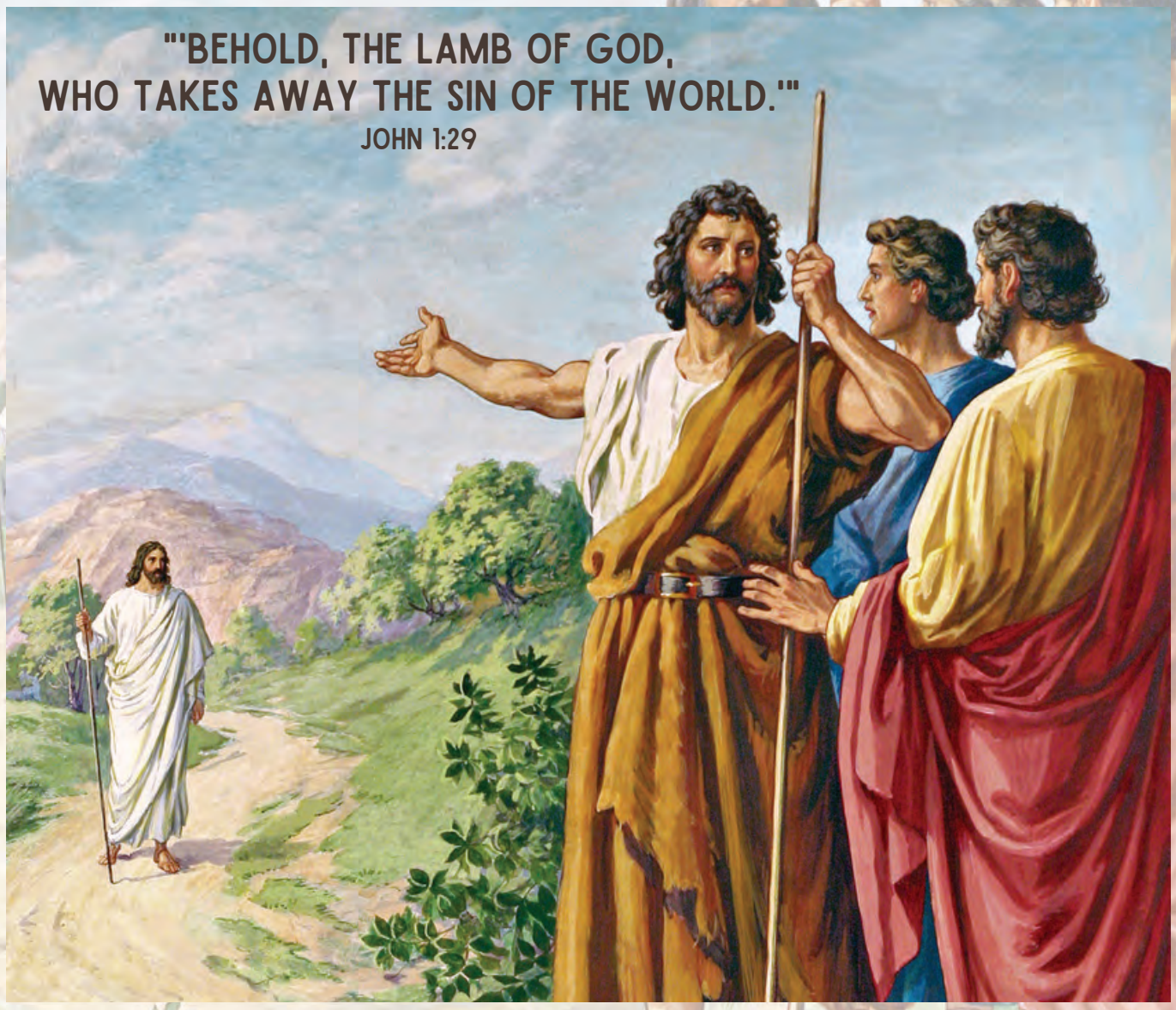

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday (Vigil) 5pm
Sunday 7, 9, 11am, 5:30pm*
**Labor Day - Memorial Day*

Weekdays
Monday - Saturday 9am

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PARISH DEVOTIONS & MINISTRIES

DEVOTIONS
Rosary
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday after the 9:00am Mass

Reconciliation (Individual Confession)
Every Saturday, 9:30 -10:00 AM and by Appointment.

BAPTISMS
Sundays at 12 noon, schedule permitting. Please call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements for a Baptismal Preparation Session.

MARRIAGES
Please contact the Parish Office a year prior to the requested wedding date so the proper marriage preparation can be completed. Pre Cana takes place in the spring and fall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Family Based Model
Grade 5 may select FBRE or Jr. High option
Families with children Grade K-5
Thursday 4-6pm or Friday 6-8pm (monthly as scheduled)

Junior High Model
Grades 5-8 (meet twice a month)
Sundays 4:30-6:30pm (including 5:30pm Mass)

YOUTH MINISTRY
Confirmation
Grades 9 & 10 (Typically)

BOLD Youth Ministry
Becoming Our Lord's Disciples
Grades 9 - 12

BOLD Middle
Grades 6 - 8

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)
September—May
Adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic Christians or completing their sacraments of initiation should contact Jonathan Camiolo at 973-539-4955 ext. 153

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND
Priests and Ministers of Communion are available to visit the sick and homebound. Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

NEW PARISHIONERS
We welcome new parishioners to register at any time. Please call the Parish Office.

eBulletin *(weekly)*
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Behold, the Lamb of God.

It is common practice in the entertainment world to have an opening act before a big event. Lesser-known or up-and-coming celebrities are used to get the crowd in the mood and ready for the moment when the main event comes on stage.

In an imperfectly analogous way, John the Baptist performs this role in the drama of our salvation. His task was to prepare the people for the coming of the Messiah, that great moment when God would fulfill his covenant with Israel. From the beginning of John's Gospel, the Baptist plays a central role in revealing Jesus as both the Word of God and the Messiah.

As we encounter John today, he is entering the apex of his mission: Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, he says. This is not just someone talking about the Messiah, this is a public, well-known figure confirming all that he has been saying up to this point: He is the one about whom I have been speaking. John sees with his eyes, and with his spirit, to know this truth. His declaration is meant for all to hear, and heed.

Where does John's authority come from? From his own role as the one who will "open the floor" for the main actor, per God's divine design; but also from what he himself has seen: I did not know him [Jesus] but the one who sent me … told me that "I would see the Spirit come down and remain upon the one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit, and this I did see." This foresight, this insight, gives him the authority to proclaim this truth. And without fear he tells all who hear, now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.

Only that which comes from God can be proclaimed as truth, and John had the knowledge from God even before birth – leaping as he did in Elizabeth's womb at the sound of Mary's voice, Mary the mother of [our] Lord (cf. Luke 1:43-44). He was destined to be the one who would come on stage first, as it were, gaining the attention not for himself but in order to point to the main act to come.

As John did, so can we. Although we are not on that original stage, we are the ones who continue telling the story and continue pointing to the One whose life, death, and resurrection has transformed the world.

Jesus Christ who is the real story and it is only in a personal, intimate knowledge of Christ, found in the life of an active faith, that we truly experience God's presence. As John the Baptist tells us later: He must increase, I must decrease (cf. John 3:30). For John knows he must ultimately leave the stage and allow Jesus to take his rightful place. May our hearts be open to this great act of God's loving presence in our lives.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 16
9am John P. Toolan
Tuesday, January 17
9am Christine Prendergast
Wednesday, January 18
9am Bernard Lavelle
Thursday, January 19
9am Katherine Gallagher
Daniel P. Nugent, Sr.
Friday, January 20
9am Marie O'Neil
Saturday, January 21
9am Mary Louise O'Connor Wilson
5pm George Darche
Sunday, January 22
7am Lottie Martin
Msgr. John F. Corr
9am John Yingling, Jr.
11am Frank Husek
5:30pm Katherine Gallagher

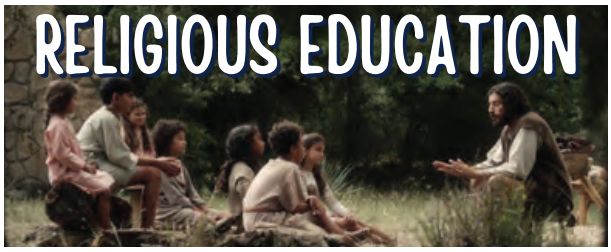
Collection
January 7 & 8: $18,988*

**Included in this number is Faith Direct, electronic giving. The weekly average for electronic giving is $7,354.00. For an easier more consistent way of supporting Christ the King, please consider using Faith Direct at www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is NJ658.*

Pray for the Sick

Gemma and Richard Lury, Shira Cahn, Joan Dagostino, Mary Lopez, John Cox, Helen Orrico and all those listed in Our Lady's Chapel prayer book of intentions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Family-Based Religious Education

Next Thursday Session* – January 19
4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall
Next Friday Session* – January 20
6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall

**Pizza will be served at 5:45pm*

Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8)

Parent/Student Session
Sunday, January 22 – 4:30 - 6:30pm**
Parish Hall

***(includes the 5:30pm Mass)*

Monthly Kindergarten Class

Sunday, February 12
10am in the Parish Library
For families whose oldest child(ren) is in Kindergarten – only Kindergarten age child(ren) are to attend with a parent

Sacramental Preparation

Sacramental Prep Liturgy
Sunday, February 12 - 9am Mass

BOLD & MIDDLE

SNOW TUBING

BOLD Middle Tubing Trip
Friday, February 3rd
Campgaw Mountain

Meet at CTK at 7:00pm
Pick up at CTK at 10:30

RSVP to Miranda by Jan 30th
Cost $30 | Forms Required

CTK Breakfast Club

Tuesday, January 17

Join us for a socially connected morning that starts with 9am Mass followed by a hot home cooked breakfast, fun trivia and great friendship in Parish Hall! Bring a friend!

Come on Up to the Choir loft

Winter Choir schedule is the perfect time to sing. New or returning members just come on up at 10:30 AM Sundays ages 10-100

Winter Choir Schedule: Sunday 10:30
Mass at 11:00
Practice 12 Noon until 12:30
No Tuesday night practice until Lent

Women's Lenten Retreat Day 2023

Saturday, February 25th
2-9PM at Christ the King

"Fully Herself - The Richness of Femininity"

Guest Speaker:
Joan Watson

All women welcome!
Cost: $50
Register online at link below

https://churchofchristtheking.org/womens-events

2023 Men's Retreat

Friday, February 10 -
Sunday, February 12
Loyola Retreat House,
Morristown

All men welcome!

"Being on Mission with the Jesuits"

Retreat Leader:
Fr. Joe Costantino, S.J.

REGISTER ONLINE:
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Christmas Blessings 2022

We are grateful to the following parishioners who have donated our beautiful wreaths, trees, flowers and garland.

Mrs. Jean Barry in memory of John A. Barry

Mr. & Mrs. Joel Branosky in memory of Bernard & Nancy Ulissi, Bernard Fecteau, Mercer & Marie Bunta

Mrs. Rosemary Burns in memory of Patrick J. Burns

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Castronovo in memory of Don & Barbara Castronono, William F. Frantz, Maria Sconzo and Carolyn Smith

Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Camiolo in honor of The Amazing & Selfless Ministry Volunteers of CTK

Mr. & Mrs. David Conti in memory of Migliore Family, Conti Family, Tim Callahan, Nicholas Migliore, Filomena Conti

Mrs. Marybeth Daras in memory of Chris Daras, Anne & Frank Galdieri

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Demeter in memory of Burke Family, Demeter Family

Mr. Armando D'Errico & Ms. Beatrice Sangosse in memory of Genevieve Lesniak, Walter Lesniak, Peter Crincoli, Jr.

Miss Mary Ann Dickson in memory of Ann & Albert Dickson

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Dolecki in memory of Lawrence Martine, Edith Driessens, Robert Flaim, Daniel J. Dolecki, Joseph Dolecki

Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Donofrio in memory of John Donofrio, Dorothy Donofrio and Joseph Leone

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Fitzpatrick

Dr. Stephen Fletcher in memory of Justine Fletcher

Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Foley III

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Francis in memory of Georgine & Al Faville

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Francis in honor of Betty & Bruce Francis

Mr. Steven Fullenkamp in memory of Monica Fullenkamp

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Gargiulo in memory of Joan & Richar Gargiulo, Joseph Devaney, Stella & Jack Frante, Carmella & Frank Gargiulo

Mr. & Mrs. William Garland in memory of Larry O'Grady

Mrs. Francine Giarratana in memory of Thomas F. Giarratana

Mrs. Elizabeth Gilfillan in memory of Jack Gilfillan

The Paul Gisone Family in memory of Geraldine Ferraiuolo, Richard Ferraiuolo and Andrew Ferraiuolo,

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Graf in memory of The Graf Family, Kenney Family, O'Brien Family, McEntee Family

Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Grande in memory of Vito & Giusseppina Giuliano, Stefano Galasso, Teresa & Natale Grande, Gemma & Robert Riccardi, Erminia & Raffaele Vitola

Mr. Francis Grather in memory of JoMarie Grather, Frank & Mary Grather, Joseph & Mary Crines, Sally Joyce Rynd, Helen Grather Hanley

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gregor in memory of Elizabeth & Vincent De Forge, Dorothy & Robert Gregor, Diane & Paul Bongard

Mr. & Mrs. John Hanifin in memory of Hanifin, Kelley, Waldron Families

Mrs. Anne Heaney in memory of James & Sharon Heaney

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Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Leahy in memory of John & Julia O'Shea, Will & Edna Leahy

Ms. Cecelia Maher in memory of Martin & Cecelia Maher, Deceased of Maher Family, Deceased of O'Donnell Family

Mr. & Mrs. Darrin Marasco

Mr. Bernard Markey in memory of Richard A. Markey, Jr.

Mr. Richard Markey III in memory of Richard A. Markey, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Donato Maselli in memory of Francesco & Rosario Maselli and Loretta Schwartz

Dr. & Mrs. Richard Monti

Mr. & Mrs. James Morgan

Mrs. I. Leo Motiuk in memory of Josephine & Basil B urgess, Basil & Susan Burgess, John & Donald McMillin

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mowbray in memory of Mrs. Richard Mowbray, Mr & Mrs. John Mowbray, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. John Mowbray, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mowbray, Mr. William Mowbray, Mr. & Mrs. William Knoll, Mr. Robert Haupt

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Murphy

Mrs. Patricia O'Connor in memory of Jerry O'Connor, Tom & Doris Cooney, Jeanne & George Saunders

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Osborne in memory of Veronica Farmer, Walter Farmer, Margaret Osborne, Joseph Osborne

Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Pacchiano in memory of Dominick & Anne Cardillo, Frences & Felice Pacchiano, Vera & Charles Beck, Grace & Lucy Pacchiano, Rev. John A. McHale

Mrs. Kathleen Pandos in memory of Robert M. Pandos, McDevitt Family, Pandos Family

Mrs. Nancy Paris in memory of Dan, Brian & Rick Paris

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Rapp in memory of Benjamin Montenegro, Robert Rapp

Ms. Kathleen Shepherd in memory of Thomas R. Shepherd, Theodore R. Shepherd, Jr., Thomas R. Shepherd III, Cathleen Ann Kelley Shepherd, The Graham Macmillan Family, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Spellman

Ms. Kathleen Shepherd in honor of The Graham Macmillan Family

Mr. & Mrs. Brad Sigler in memory of Chris Daras, Haden Daras, Anne & Frank Galdieri, Jim & Dorothy Daras

Ms. Katie Simon in memory of Carol Simon, William Simon

Ms. Susan Simon in memory of Maxwell J. Simon, Barbara Flynn, Richard M. Simon, Daniel Arturo

Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Toia

Mrs. Tonianne Vanderveer in memory of James VanDerveer Frank & Anne Galdieri, Richard & Concetta VanDerveer

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Vovchansky in memory of Anna Abramovich and Robert Aidukas

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Waldele in memory of Virginia Campbell, Janet Waldele, Robert Waldele, Lola & Joseph Waldele, Josephine Debbs

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