



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 31, 2021

SUNDAY READINGS

† Deuteronomy 18:15-20 † 1 Corinthians 7:32-35
† Mark 1:21-28 † Responsorial Psalm 95

SCHEDULE

RECONCILIATIONS — Saturday, 4 to 4:30 PM

MASS — Saturday Vigil — 5 PM
Sunday — 8 AM and 11 AM
Daily — Tues Thurs & Fri — 8:30 AM
Wed— 12 Noon — Monday— No Mass

5684 Groveport Road, Groveport, OH 43125

Parish Office Hours: Tues thru Fri—9:30am-3:00pm

Sat, Sun, Mon — Closed

Please visit any of our Social Media Sites

Website—<https://groveportstmary.org>

Facebook—<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryGroveportOhio/>

YouTube—<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Alk5hY8EUAs&t=39s>

Pastoral Urgent Care

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(Please use the number above for urgent needs while Father Ike is on temporary assignment.)

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Fr. Ike's Office Hours: Sat, Sun, Mon — Closed

Wed & Fri—9:30-3:00 —Parish

Tues & Thu— Diocesan Tribunal

STATEMENT FROM BISHOP BRENNAN ON
RESPECT LIFE MASS PROTEST
January 22, 2021

Today during our Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, a group of protesters entered this sacred space in an attempt to disrupt our worship. I am deeply thankful to the Columbus Police, assisted by Diocesan staff, for the quick response without injury to anyone present. I want to express my great admiration and thanks to all those attending the Mass whose respectful and prayerful response reflects the joy, hope, and mercy that marks our pro-life witness. I also apologize to the families present whose children were exposed to this. On this day, in remembrance of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision, I ask all to continue to pray for the unborn who died, for all those who have experienced the pain of abortion, and for those who cannot understand our divine and steadfast calling to champion this cause.

Source: <https://columbuscatholic.org/statements-1>

WORSHIP **

MASSES

Sat—Jan 30	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5 pm	Parish Family
Sun—Jan 31	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am	IMO Carrie Billiter by her parents
11:00 am	IMO Virginia Whittemore by ARS
Mon—Feb 1	No Mass on Mondays
11 AM Rosary	Rosary - Novena—11 AM — NO MASS
Tues—Feb 2	Weekday
8:30 am	MO Lucinda Taylor Stann by Riggs Family
Wed—Feb 3	St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr
Noon	IMO Elizabeth Johnson by Mary Ann
Thu—Feb 4	Weekday
8:30 am	For the souls of abortion victims
Fri—Feb 5	St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
8:30 am	That people hear the Lord's call and say yes.
Sat—Feb 6	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5 pm	A swift return to normal from COVID-19
Sun—Feb 7	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 am	Parish Family
11:00 am	IMO Evelyn Frank by the Nardi family

**This schedule is subject to change.



February 2nd

The Presentation of Jesus in the temple shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. Jesus is recognized as the long-expected Messiah, the “light of the nations” and the “glory of Israel.” (CCC, no. 529)

Announcements

ST. MARY PRAYER MINISTRY: Participation is encouraged. Contact, Pam Scott (map1492@yahoo.com) for details.

ROSARY/NOVENA: Mondays, 11 AM to about Noon in the Miriam Chapel. All are welcome.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS 2020: Summary statements are now available. To request a printed copy please contact the office by email, phone or note dropped in the offertory basket. Addressed to Pushkar Baum. Push works Wednesday and Friday.

FRIENDLY REMINDER: :

To request mass intentions, call The Parish Office 614-497-1324, drop a note in the offertory basket, email dlesko@groveportstmary.org. A \$10 stipend is suggested (not required) per Mass.

FOOD PANTRY: The Greater Groveport Food Pantry needs the following Items: Peanut butter & Jelly, canned pasta. Drop items in the “Food Pantry” wicker basket located in the entryway. Updated needs can be found by visiting: <https://www.facebook.com/ggfoodpantry/>

*A Prayer for You
in your Ministry*



Holy Lord,
we ask that you
shine your loving light
on your faithful minister.
Guide, support and strengthen
your servant in fulfilling your will
and in carrying out this service of love
to your people.
Amen.

IN APPRECIATION

Because of You we celebrated Mass together. Thank you for filling in at Saint Mary, Groveport, in Father Ike’s absence. You are now an honorary member of our small country Parish.

THANK YOU!!



ALTAR FLOWERS: This weeks flowers are through the generosity of the Criswell family in loving memory on the Birthday of a husband, father & grandfather.

FRIENDLIER REMINDER: February 7 is the last day before Lent that altar flowers can be offered by a parishioner as the Church remains simple and unadorned during the Lenten Season. Then on Easter weekend the Church is covered with flowers from the Easter Flower collection. After Easter we return to weekend Altar Flowers offered by YOU! So check your dates — birthdays, anniversaries, memorials and so much more—lock in your date—Sign up on the sheet posted on bulletin board in entryway.



**SUNDAY OFFERINGS
January 17, 2021**



Online Offerings	\$ 682	
Regular Envelopes	<u>2,109</u>	
Total Regular		\$ 2,791

DESIGNATED

Parking Lot	\$ 1,660
St Vincent de Paul	50
Total Designated Offering	<u>\$ 1,710</u>

GRAND TOTAL **\$ 4,501**



Kids Corner

READ THE
GOSPEL &
COLOR



Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks. When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.

PRAYER

God, you are much stronger than evil. Nothing is too hard for you to clean.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Make a new label for your family's stain pretreatment bottle. Trace around the bottle, write Mark 1:21-28 in big letters, and decorate your label with a picture of Jesus. Tape your new label to the bottle so you and your parents remember how strong Jesus is.

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Note From The Pastor



Dear friends in Christ,

I am happy to get the opportunity to put down few sentences to you. Fort Jackson has been quite an experience and we are just beginning the journey. It is a challenging one, going through the routines of military training, but everyone is staying motivated. People from different faith traditions, Rabbi, Hindu priest, Presbyterians, Pentecostals, Episcopalians, and Roman Catholic priests are all gathered here. This past Sunday, the Hindu priest participated in our Mass and later shared the story of his Roman Catholic heritage as an Italian with us. *There is a lot of rapport and interfaith sharing to the extent that each person's faith practices permits.*

The determination to answer the call of service is the common factor among us all. US Army Chaplain Corps boasts of highly qualified men and women of God from various religions. There is so much to learn, both from the instructors and fellow trainees. I continue to ask for your prayers that I may fulfill the requirements of the program.

We thank God again for the priests of our diocese who are celebrating the Masses in my absence out of fraternal love. I will keep sending you brief notes as long as my training permits. You are all in my daily prayers.

Very respectfully,

Father Hilary

PARISH PARKING LOT

This spring we will patch and reseal our parking lot! St. Mary has been “kicking the can down the road” for a very long time. Now is the time to act...so... St. Mary, after discussion with and approval from the Finance Council, this project has been scheduled. The contractor will grind down (level) the problem sections and then repave, reseal & restripe... all for **\$17,561**,



You CAN help! Let's meet the challenge presented by an anonymous parishioner to *match—dollar for dollar—the first \$5,000 collected*. Please prayerfully consider how you can financially participate. If unable to give money, please remember to pray for our success. Call Push in the Parish Office (on Wednesday or Friday) if you have questions (614-497-1324.)



Convenient ways to give:

- **Online** — <https://www.osvhub.com/groveport-st-mary/funds>
One contribution or scheduled weekly, monthly, quarterly payments. Convenient, safe and secure. A separate fund is set up for Parking Lot project for your convenience.
- **Offertory Basket** at Mass — Clearly label checks, envelopes, etc as “Parking Lot.”
- **USPO Mail** — Send to the Parish Office, 5684 Groveport Road, Groveport, OH 43125. Clearly label the envelope as ATTN: ‘Push’ or ‘Parking Lot’ **Heads up for future detailed announcements.**

