St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule:

English: Weekdays - 8:30 a.m. (M-Sat.)
Saturday - 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday - 7:00, 8:00 & 9:30 a.m.
Polish: Saturday - 6:30 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday - 10:45 a.m., 5:15 p.m.
Spanish: Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
Sunday - 12:30 p.m.

Holy Day of Obligation:

See the bulletin for the schedule of Masses

Civic Holidays

English: 9:00 a.m. Mass

First Fridays:

English: 8:30 a.m. Mass
Polish: 7:00 p.m. Reconciliation;
8:00 p.m. Mass

Reconciliation

English: Saturday: 11:00 a.m.
Polish: Saturday: 6:00 pm;
Sunday: 4:45 pm
Spanish: Thursday: 6:30 p.m.
Friday: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Holy Hour:

Polish: Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.
Spanish: Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration Chapel
(Blessed Sacrament Exposed):

Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Saturday - Sunday: 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Office Hours

E-mail: contact@stjosephworker.com
Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 am - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 am - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday CLOSED

Religious Education

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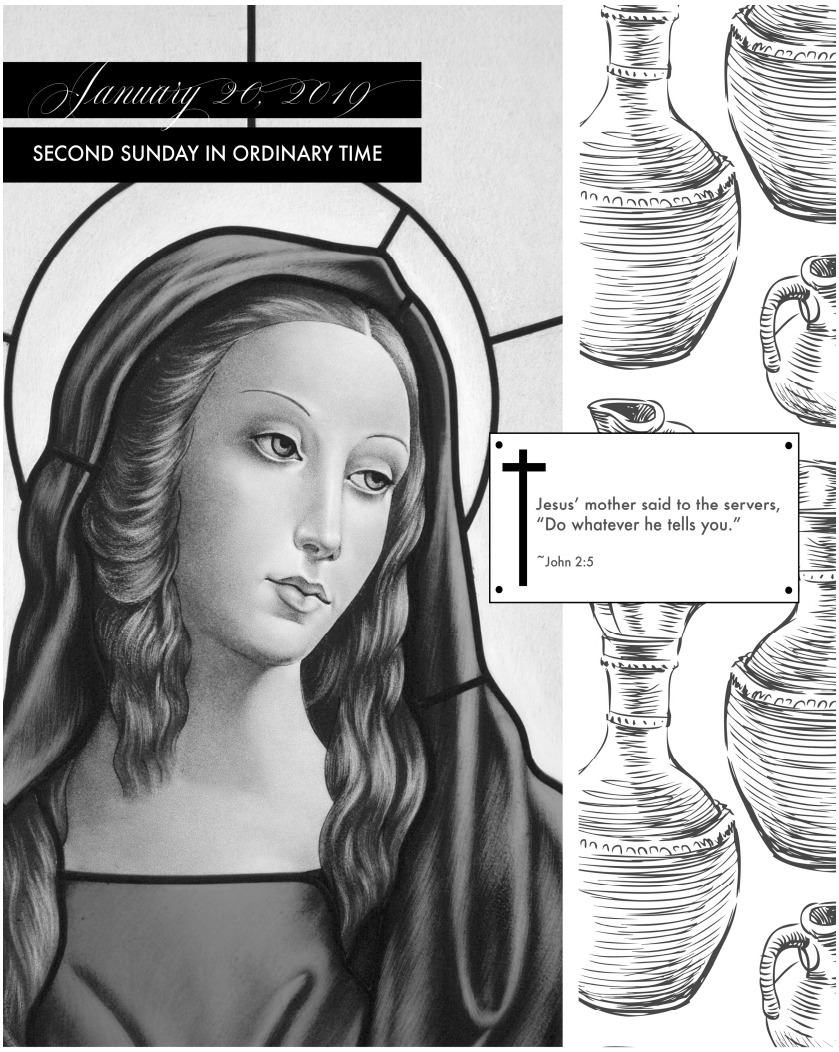

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen ones (Isaiah 62:1-5).
Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).
Second Reading — All the varied gifts in the Christian community are from one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).
Gospel — Rejoicing at a wedding celebration in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply (John 2:1-11).

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This Week at St. Joe's

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 19
Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 — Earl R. Martin—Death anniversary † *(by the Family)*
Deceased members of the Martinez Family †
5:00 — For the soul of Robert Brown † *(by Mary Silvca)*
6:30 — (Polish) Special intentions

Sunday, January 20
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 — In loving memory of Rafael Zacarias Acevedo †
8:00 — In loving memory of Antonio Cardenas † *(by the Cardenas Family)*
9:30 — In memory of Bill Simpson †
10:45 — (Polish) Special intentions
12:30 — Salvador Huerta—Descanso eterno † *(by the Huerta Family)*
Sara Banda Araujo—4th Death anniversary †
5:15 — For the souls of Teodora, Edward and Jan Nowak †

Monday, January 21
St. Agnes
8:30 — In memory of Alice Wargo † *(by the Wargo Family)*
For the soul of Angie O'Connor † *(by Don Brayer)*

Tuesday, January 22
8:30 — John and Helen Rusch—Rest in peace † *(by the Family)*
Maria Pato—For health
7:00 — (Polish) Special intentions

Wednesday, January 23
St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
8:30 — In memory of Adeline Winiecki † *(by her children)*
In loving memory of Gus Lockefeer † *(by the Family)*

Thursday, January 24
St. Francis de Sales
8:30 — In loving memory of Peter Hanh Ngo † *(by Julia Raymond)*
Maria Pato—For health
7:00 — Alondra Gutierrez—Descanso eterno †

Friday, January 25
The Conversion of St. Paul
8:30 — In loving memory of Teresa Thanh Ngo † *(by Julia Raymond)*

Saturday, January 26
St. Timothy and St. Titus
8:30 — In loving memory of Loretta Luecker † *(by Dolores Steffens)*
Deceased members of the Martinez Family †
5:00 — Gary Layden—Memorial birthday † *(by Sue Layden)*
6:30 — (Polish) Special intentions

Sunday, January 27
The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00 — Fr. Francis—Health and safe travel
8:00 — Maria Pato—For health
9:30 — For the soul of Randy Ramirez † *(by Virginia Abarca)*
10:45 — (Polish) Special intentions
12:30 — (Spanish) Special intentions
5:15 — For the souls of Edward, Nagauz, and Dawid Kaspizyk †

Calendar of Events

Sunday, January 20
No Spanish Religious Classes
2:30 pm - (English) Baptisms—Church
4:00 pm - (Polish) Baptisms—Church
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall

Monday, January 21—*Martin Luther King Day*
No Religious Classes
6:00 pm - Emmaus Group—House
8:00 pm - Cross School—Rm 9

Tuesday, January 22
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn Children
9:00 am - Tuesdays with Father videos—Mulcahey Hall
5:00 pm - (Polish) Dance—Rm 9
6:00 pm - (Polish) Music Group—Rm 7
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana—Rm 11
6:00 pm - Angeles de Dios Coro—Rm 8
6:30 pm - (Spanish) Youth Group—Rm 3
7:00 pm - (Polish) Holy Hour—Church
7:00 pm - Emaus (Men) - Rm 12
7:00 pm - Catechism/Apologetics—Rm 5
7:00 pm - (English) Choir—Rm 10

Wednesday, January 23
6:00 pm - Meeting Bodas de Cana—Rm 1
6:00 pm - Alegria Mexicana—Rm 11
6:30 pm - Infancia Misionera—Rm 2
6:30 pm - Emmaus (Women) - Rm 12
7:00 pm - Legion of Mary—Rm 3
7:00 pm - Bible Study—Rm 5

Thursday, January 24
4:45 pm - (Polish) School—Rm 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Mass/Liturgy of the Word—Church
7:00 pm - (Polish) Choir—Rm 10
8:00 pm - Guadalupanos Ministry—Rm 5

Friday, January 25
4:30 pm - (Polish) School—Classrooms/ Mulcahey Hall/Kitchen
7:00 pm - (Spanish) Holy Hour—Church
8:30 pm - Jesus Choir—Rm 11

Saturday, January 26
8:00 am - (Polish) School—Classrooms/ Mulcahey Hall/Kitchen
10:00 am - (Spanish) Youth Ministry—House

Sunday, January 27
7:30 am - (Spanish) Religious Classes
7:30 pm - AA Group—Hall

PARISH WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY
January 13th Collection
Sunday Collection: $ 8,964.00
Online Collection: (1/3-9) $ 335.00
Budget for Collection: $ 10,200.00
Thank you for your generous support of our parish. Please consider donating online. Visit www.stjosephworker.com or contact the parish office.

"You have kept the good wine until now."

John 2:10

January 20, 2019
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

To change wine into water

St John in his Gospel mentions Mary, the mother of Jesus two times: at the marriage feast at Cana, the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus, and at the crucifixion, the end of it. If this was Jesus' very first miracle, how then did Mary know that Jesus could do it? Good mothers know their children. They know the hidden talents and potentialities of their children. There are many young men and women who have gone on to accomplish great things in life because their mothers believed in them and encouraged them. A more fascinating question arising from the story is this: Did Mary know all those thirty years she lived with Jesus that she was living with a wonder-worker and yet never she ask him to multiply her bread, turn the water on the dining table into wine, or double her money to make ends meet? How come she never asked Jesus to use his miraculous power to help her out but she was quick to ask him to use it and help others? After all, one would argue, charity begins at home. But for Mary and for Jesus the needs of others come first.

Once we invite Jesus in our home or in our life, we can expect something special to happen. He will not make life for us completely free of sufferings but he will bless our marriage, our home, transforming what's imperfect, like our mistakes, our heartaches, our sins into the best of wine, giving us new hope, new efforts, healing, forgiveness, faith amidst our problems**.**

Peter was one of those people who could say "Thank God, I'm an atheist," and never see the contradiction. He was always attacking Andrew about his religious beliefs and practices. Andrew took it all in good spirits, because he had his own quiet conviction in his own beliefs, and what he knew of Jesus, and he considered that such attacks were part for the course for those who took Jesus seriously. Peter was really annoyed that he failed to get a rise out of Andrew, and his intellectual arguments were getting him nowhere. One day, in desperation, he tackled Andrew about Jesus, asking him if he had ever seen one single sign or evidence of Jesus' presence in his life. He scornfully referred to Cana, and asked Andrew about the chances of Jesus turning a glass of water into wine, if Andrew asked him. Andrew smiled. He himself had been a chronic alcoholic earlier in life, before he met Peter, and Peter was unaware of that. Andrew simply said :"I don't want Jesus to turn that water into wine. When I really needed him, I fell on my knees and asked for help, and he turned wine back into water for me. That was miracle enough for me, because it certainly was something I myself could never have done. There was a time when I would have died for wine, and I would have killed for wine, but, thanks to Jesus, all of that hell and misery is completely in the past. The miracle continues, because, today, I'd prefer one drop of water to a whole barrel of wine. No, Peter, you can laugh all your like, and it doesn't bother me, because I know that Jesus is with me, and is looking after me."

Fr. George

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Cud na weselu

Jezus dokonał pierwszego cudu na wesele w Kanie Galilejskiej. Jest to bardzo nietypowy cud w stosunku do innych, znanych z kart Ewangelii. Nie ma tu prostego związku, uwierzyłeś, jesteś uleczony. Jest natomiast prośba Maryi, pewnej tego, że Jej Syn ją wysłucha. Po tym cudzie uczniowie uwierzyli w Jezusa. Dzisiaj wielu odmawia Jezusowi Bóstwa. Nie wierzą, że może nadal czynić cuda. My natomiast stajemy razem z uczniami, aby wierzyć w moc, która płynie od Jezusa. Tajemnica Objawienia się Jezusa na godach w Kanie Galilejskiej jest dla nas spotkaniem z Jezusem Bogiem, a dla Boga nie ma rzeczy niemożliwych. On wysłuchuje naszych próśb i daje nam wszystko, czego potrzebujemy, jeśli tylko zechcemy żyć według Jego wskazań.

Możemy sobie wyobrazić, jak wyglądałaby dalsza część wesela w Kanie, gdyby słudzy nie napełnili stągwi wodą. To był niemały wysiłek napełnić te stagwie wodą. Nie wiedzieli również, dlaczego ktoś obcy wydaje im polecenia, a oni mają go słuchać. Jednak ich posłuszeństwo zaowocowało. Istotne znaczenie ma fakt, że św. Jan zwraca naszą uwagę nie tylko na przeznaczenie stągwi, ale również na ich pojemność. Każda z nich mogła pomieścić dwie lub trzy miary. Miara to około 40 litrów. Zatem Jezus przemienia w wino ponad 500 litrów wody. Jest to dużo. O wiele za dużo jak na potrzebę jednego wesela. Można powiedzieć, że podczas wesela w Kanie Galilejskiej do pewnego stopnia role się zmieniają: to Jezus podejmuje zebranych i raczy ich obfitością dobrego wina zachowanego aż do tej pory. Ewangelista kończy swój opis zdaniem: *Jezus... objawił swoją chwałę i uwierzyli w Niego Jego uczniowie.* Oto obietnice mesjańskie się spełniają. Kana Galilejska uczy nas konsekwencji w słuchaniu i wypełnianiu słów Chrystusa. Warto zauważyć, że cud tej przemiany dokonuje się bez żadnych gestów czy słów Jezusa. Każe on tylko napełnić stągwie i następnie z nich zaczerpnąć. O skutkach tej czynności informuje starosta weselny, zachwycając się smakiem wina. Kilka osób wiedziało o tym, że nie powstało ono z owocu winnego krzewu w procesie fermentacji. Tylko Bóg może obejść prawa natury.

Uczta weselna w Kanie prowadzi nas do sakramentu małżeństwa. Jezus, rozpoczynając swoją misję, idzie na wesele. Pokazuje swoją decyzją, że małżeństwo, czyli związek kobiety i mężczyzny, zawarte przed Bogiem, jest czymś pięknym i świętym. Chrystus uświęca małżeństwo swoją obecnością. Jezus będąc na weselu niczego nie narzuca młodym małżonkom, nie poucza ich jak mają żyć. On po prostu dzieli ich radość. Gdy jednak pojawia się niezręczna sytuacja, bez wahania wkracza i działa. Jezus pragnie być obecny w każdej rodzinie i w każdym domu. Również w tych, które przeżywają problemy lub trudności. Można powiedzieć, że czeka, aby Go poprosić o cud.

Ogłoszenia

Msze święte w języku polskim:
Sobota 6:30 wieczorem, 6:15 odmawiamy Koronkę do Miłosierdzia Bożego
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 6:00.
Niedziela 10:45 rano i 5:15 po południu.
Spowiedź święta: pół godziny przed Mszą świętą o 4:45.

Pierwszy Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta przez wstawiennctwo św. Jana Pawła II. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy nabożeństwo.

Pierwszy Piątek Miesiąca: 7:00 wieczorem wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu i adoracja. O 7:30 nabożeństwo do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa. W tym czasie od 7:00 do 8:00 jest spowiedź święta. O godzienie 8:00 Msza święta ku czci Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa.

Pierwsza Sobota Miesiąca: Po Mszy świętej wieczornej o 7:30 odmawiamy różaniec wynagradzający za zniewagi wyrządzone Niepokalanemu Sercu Maryi.

Drugi Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Miłosierdziu Bożym. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Trzeci Wtorek Miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta o Duchu Świętym w intencji osób samotnych, małżonków i kapłanów. Po Mszy świętej odmawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Ostatni wtorek miesiąca: o godzinie 7:00 wieczorem Msza święta ku czci świętego Ojca Pio. Po Mszy świętej odprawiamy Nabożeństwo.

Kaplica Adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu (przy plebanii):
Otwarta od 7:00 rano do 10:00 wieczorem każdego dnia tygodnia.

Sakrament Chrztu Swiętego: w każdą pierwszą sobotę miesiąca o godzinie 10:30 rano oraz w każdą pierwszą i trzecią niedzielę miesiąca o godzinie 4:00 po południu.

Sakrament Małżeństwa: należy zgłosić się co najmniej cztery miesiące wcześniej.
Biuro Parafialne: od 9:00 rano do 5:00 wieczorem
od 9:00 rano do 7 wieczorem - środa
od 9:00 rano do 2:00 po południu – sobota
zamknięte - niedziela

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Godzina Święta we wtorki – 7PM

Queridos hermanos y hermanas, ¡buenos días!

El Evangelio de este domingo presenta el evento prodigioso sucedido en Caná, un pueblo de Galilea, durante la fiesta de una boda en la que también participaron María y Jesús, con sus primeros discípulos (cf. *Jn* 2, 1-11). La Madre dice al Hijo que falta vino y Jesús, después de responder que todavía no ha llegado su hora, sin embargo, acoge su petición y da a los novios el mejor vino de toda la fiesta. El evangelista subraya que «este fue el primero de los signos que Jesús realizó; así manifestó su gloria y sus discípulos creyeron en él» (v. 11).

Los milagros, por tanto, son signos extraordinarios que acompañan la predicación de la Buena Noticia y tienen la finalidad de suscitar o reforzar la fe en Jesús. En el milagro realizado en Caná, podemos ver un acto de benevolencia por parte de Jesús hacia los novios, un signo de la bendición de Dios sobre el matrimonio. El amor entre el hombre y la mujer es por tanto una buena manera para vivir el Evangelio, es decir, para dirigirse con alegría por el camino de la santidad.

Pero el milagro de Caná no tiene que ver sólo con los esposos. Cada persona humana está llamada a encontrar al Señor en su vida. La fe cristiana es un don que recibimos con el Bautismo y que nos permite encontrar a Dios. La fe atraviesa tiempos de alegría y de dolor, de luz y de oscuridad, como en toda auténtica experiencia de amor. El relato de las bodas de Caná nos invita a redescubrir que Jesús no se presenta a nosotros como un juez preparado para condenar nuestras culpas, ni como un comandante que nos impone seguir ciegamente sus órdenes; se manifiesta como Salvador de la humanidad, como hermano, como nuestro hermano mayor, Hijo del Padre: se presenta como Aquel que responde a las esperanzas y a las promesas de alegría que habitan en el corazón de cada uno de nosotros.

Entonces podemos preguntarnos: ¿verdaderamente conozco de este modo al Señor? ¿Lo siento cercano a mí, a mi vida? ¿Le estoy respondiendo en la amplitud de ese amor esponsal que Él me manifiesta cada día a todos, a cada ser humano? Se trata de darse cuenta que Jesús nos busca y nos invita a hacerle espacio en lo íntimo de nuestro corazón. Y en este camino de fe con Él no estamos solos: hemos recibido el don de la Sangre de Cristo. Las grandes ánforas de piedra que Jesús hace rellena de agua para convertirlas en vino (v. 7) son signo del paso de la antigua a la nueva alianza: en vez del agua usada para la purificación ritual, hemos

recibido la Sangre de Jesús, derramada de forma sacramental en la Eucaristía y de modo cruento en la Pasión y en la Cruz. Los Sacramentos, que derivan del Misterio pascual, infunden en nosotros la fuerza sobrenatural y nos permiten saborear la misericordia infinita de Dios.

Que la Virgen María, modelo de meditación de las palabras y de los gestos del Señor, nos ayude a redescubrir con fe la belleza y la riqueza de la Eucaristía y de los otros Sacramentos, que hacen presente el amor fiel de Dios por nosotros. Así podremos enamorarnos cada vez más del Señor Jesús, nuestro Esposo, e ir a su encuentro con las lámparas encendidas de nuestra fe alegre, convirtiéndonos así en sus testigos en el mundo.

Papa Francisco

Fuente: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/es/angelus/2016/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20160117.html

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Como el esposo goza con su esposa, así Dios se regocija con su elegida Sión (Isaías 62:1 -5).

Salmo — Cantemos la grandeza del Señor (Salmo 96 [95]).

Segunda lectura — Todos los diferentes dones que se encuentran en la comunidad cristiana son obra del mismo Espíritu (1 Corintios 12:4-11).

Evangelio — Compartiendo el gozo de una boda en Caná, Jesús rellena la provisión de vino (Juan 2:1-11).

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LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes:	Heb 5:1-10; Sal 110 (109):1-4; Mc 2:18-22
Martes:	Heb 6:10-20; Sal 111 (110):1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mc 2:23-28, *o cualquiera de lecturas para el Día de Oración*
Miércoles:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Sal 110 (109):1-4; Mc 3:1-6
Jueves:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Sal 40 (39):7-10, 17; Mc 3:7-12
Viernes:	Hch 22:3-16 o 9:1-22; Sal 11 (116):1bc, 2; Mc 16:15-18
Sábado:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5; Sal 47 (46):2-3, 6-9 o Sal 96 (95):1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mc 3:20-21
Domingo:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lc 1:1-4; 4:14-2

UN DIOS VISIBLE

Nos resulta difícil transmitir ideas a la gente a menos que le mostremos algo, que le ilustremos lo que queremos decir. Dios, que es invisible y verdaderamente más allá del entendimiento humano, aparentemente tiene la misma dificultad. La gente quiere ver, no solamente quiere escuchar una idea. Por eso Dios nos dio a Jesucristo, Dios hecho visible en el mundo.

En las semanas recientes hemos visto cómo al nacer Jesús es mostrado a los pastores y a los Reyes Magos, y luego empezó su "vida pública" en su bautismo con Juan. El Evangelio de hoy nos habla de su "primer signo", que es proveer vino para los invitados a la boda en Caná.

Por supuesto, hasta a Jesús, que es Dios hecho visible, no siempre se le entendía en su tiempo y ni siquiera ahora. Por lo tanto, tenemos que considerar lo que vemos: la pobreza y simplicidad de su nacimiento, su humildad y franqueza ante Juan Bautista, su amabilidad y compasión hacia las personas en sus problemas ordinarios, como la falta de vino en una boda. Pero al conocer a Jesús conocemos a Dios.

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TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En 1502 el Fraile Nicolás de Ovando y doce franciscanos dieron inicio a la evangelización de América en la República Dominicana. Ellos fueron enviados por los reyes españoles con el mandato de convertir a los nativos "sin les hacer fuerza alguna".

Con los misioneros llegaron Alfonso y Antonio Trejo quienes traían con ellos un cuadro de la Virgen María bajo la advocación de Nuestra Señora de la Altagracia. Ellos la llevaron a Higuey, donde en 1572 se le construyó su primer santuario. Poco a poco esta pequeña imagen se convirtió en la Reina del corazón de los dominicanos.

María observa dulcemente a su recién nacido quien yace sobres las pajas. Está coronada y lleva puesto un manto azul rociado de estrellas y un escapulario blanco. Lleva una aureola hecha de doce estrellas. En una esquina de la imagen san José también observa al niño por encima del hombro derecho de María.

El 25 de enero del 1979 Juan Pablo II la coronó por ser la primera evangelizadora del continente Americano. Con ella los doce misioneros trajeron la Alta Gracia de Jesucristo a nuestras tierras.

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Pray For the Sick ...

John Becker
The Benz Family
Regina Berman
Jack & Jim Bonner
Winifred Boyack
Dan Brackett
Yolanda Burch
Andrea Fanella
Stephen Field
Joseph Flanagan
Michelangelo Gondolfi
Pat Hembd
Tim Kickel
Tim Koller
Ruth Lance
Joan Lutz
William T. Lyman
Angeline Mabeley
Doris Malicki
Bonnie Miley
Kristi Mogley
Javier Monroy & Family
Brian Moore
Ethan Moore
Thomas Mueller
Cheryl Murray
Kathleen O'Rourke
Noah Palzet
Pedro Perez
Michael Perrela
Amanda Rakers
Beth Ramos
Ava Rodriguez
Chester Salzmann
Chris Scanlon
Denis Siena
Deana Skulemowski
Carol Spiller
Rick Stolfa
Jean Storey
Melissa Stoutamire
Dave & Mark Sykes
Anna Marie Tarsitano
Fran Theriault
Dale Thuet
Evelyn Torres
Bill Trnka
Jerry Vanderberg
Ed Witecha
Matt Wzerick
Rose Mary Zambuto
Kathy Zeivel
Virginia Zink

Keep Our Dear Lord company in the Adoration Chapel
Weekdays: 7 am - 10 pm
Weekend: 8 am - 10 pm

John McCormack
Joan Early
Rosemary Bartlett
Tom Dworzak
Sharon Sylester
Thuy & Bob Schuster
Ken Brady
Antonio & Ester Carmona
Amy Fletcher
Kristen Oliver
Dorothy Pach
Eileen, Michael & Patrick Peluso
Tom Lueders
Marion Taicsich
Bill Hein
Dora Sumner
Eleanor Buerger
Gustavo Novoa Otilia
Maddie Adamicka
Maria & Stanislaw Lichaj
Mieczysław & Danuta Kowalik
Sr. Louanna Orth
Arthur Galvan
Art Stemp
Barbara Forke
Virginia Malalis
Maria Tumilowicz

The names on the Prayer List will appear for 6 weeks unless otherwise noted. Please call the office if you would like to add/remove someone.

Please pray for peace and for the Men and Women serving in the military.

- LCPL DeShaun Richard, USMC
- Staff Sergeant Christopher Olszewski, USAF
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8:00 am
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Servers: V. Villalobos

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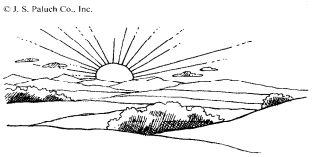
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Saturday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9 or Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



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2019 SPRING CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS IN VICARIATE I

Are you an adult who has missed the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to be confirmed in 2019? Vicariate I of the Archdiocese of Chicago will offer preparation sessions for Confirmation, two in English and one in Spanish. Information and the registration forms may be found at vic1chicago.org/adult-confirmation.

Rehearsal and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be Thursday, May 16, location to be announced. Bishop Alberto Rojas will preside at the adult Confirmation Mass on Thursday, May 23, location to be announced.

A candidate must

- be 18 years old AND out of high school;
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Preparations session locations:

- St. Francis de Sales Parish School, 11 S Buesching Road, Lake Zurich, IL 60047. Sessions are Sundays, 6:30pm to 8:00pm on January 27, February 10 & 24, March 10 & 24, April 7 & 28, May 5. Contact Chris Deprez, cdeprez@cornerstonenb.com.
- St. Edna Church Doherty Center, 2525 N Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Sessions are Mondays, 7:00pm to 9:00pm on March 11, 18 & 25, April 1, 8, 15 & 29, May 6. Contact Lorie Crepeau, lcrepeau@stedna.org.
- Rectoría de Santa Maria del Popolo, 116 N. Lake St. Mundelein, IL 60060. Clases en español empiezan el 6 de Febrero a las 7:00 pm en el cuarto Sta. Teresa (en el edificio donde esta la Capilla). Para mas información, llame a la Oficina de Educación Religiosa al (847) 990-6865 o (847) 990-6857.

A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to *see,* not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult "public life" at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Confirmation

The Sacrament of Spiritual Strengthening - Part 2

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Spreading the Faith

Confirmation develops our sense of mission and inflames our desire to share with others what others had so generously shared with us.

According to St. John Chrysostom, on the Last Day, we shall be judged mainly on our practice of charity in spreading the faith. The number of ways of spreading the faith is beyond human reckoning. But the one way that has been most effective from the dawn of Christian history has been by living a life of selfless charity. The charity of which we are speaking is not only, or even mainly, the charity of the corporal works of mercy. Certainly, as Christ tells us, we are to do everything we can to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit the sick, and care for those who are in physical need. However, the principal form of charity, which is nothing less than a miraculous means of spreading the faith, is the interior charity of selfless love for others. No one has improved on the description of charity of Pope Clement I, writing in 90 AD. “Charity,” he says, “bears all things. Charity is longsuffering in all things. There is nothing mean in charity, nothing arrogant. Charity knows no schism, does not rebel, does all things in concord. In charity, all the elect of God have been made perfect.”

Is it any wonder that by the end of the first century of Christianity, over one hundred dioceses were established along the shores of the Mediterranean Sea? Without exception, the Church spread because Christians were confirmed by the Holy Spirit to love others with heroic charity. They loved those who hated them. They loved those who persecuted them. Like Jesus, they even loved those who crucified them.

We are talking about spreading the Faith as one of the gifts of the sacrament of Confirmation. It is especially by our love of others that we communicate our Faith to them. This spreading of the Faith is not only evangelizing unbelievers or converting sinners estranged from God. Confirmation so deepens the faith of a sincerely believing Catholic that he is the conduit for deepening and strengthening the faith of others in the measure of his own practice of self-sacrificing love.

How misguided we can be! We see all around us millions who either do not believe in Christ at all, or whose Christianity is confused, or whose faith in the Church’s teaching is shallow at best and make-believe at worst.

How to bring to this ocean of souls the fullness of the true faith? Surely, our understanding of the faith is important. Our ability to prove the truth of our faith is imperative. But, the infallible talisman for spreading the faith, far beyond our wildest dreams, is living a life of loving surrender to the will of God and of selfless generosity in our dealings with everyone who enters our lives.

In one sentence, the key to putting the gift of our Confirmation into practice is to share with others the treasure of our Catholic Faith.

Defend the Faith

Here we could begin all over again. The Sacrament of Confirmation provides us with nothing less than miraculous power to defend the faith that we profess.

We cannot defend what we do not understand. Nor can we defend what we are not ourselves convinced is true. On this basic level of defending the Catholic Faith, there is no substitute for knowing what we believe.

But, to know what we believe means more than just understanding what God has revealed. Strange to say, we must also know how to cope with the prevalence of so much erroneous teaching that pervades our society like the air we breathe.

In an age like our own, when heresy is so pervasive and error has been elevated as master of human thought, we confirmed Catholics had better know why God permits heresy in the first place and how we are to benefit from the prevalent errors in faith and morals.

There are two statements of St. Cyprian, bishop and martyr of the third century, that deserve to be memorized. The first statement is his description of heretics. Says Cyprian: "Whoever has been separated from the Church is yoked with an adulteress, is separated from the promises made to the Church. Nor shall he who leaves Christ's Church arrive at Christ's rewards. He is a stranger, he is sacrilegious, he is an enemy. He who has not the Church for mother can no longer have God for his Father."

But then Cyprian goes on. "Nevertheless," he explains, "the Lord allows and suffers these (errors and evils) to be, while each man's will remains free. Why? So that while our minds and hearts are tested in the crucible of truth, the sound faith of those who are approved may shine forth more clear and undimmed" (On the Unity of the Catholic Church, 6, 10).

What are we being told? We are being told that heretics and enemies of the Church, dare I say it, are necessary. Strengthened by the Sacrament of Confirmation, we are enabled to become more convinced of the truth of our faith, because we have to defend what we believe against the errors among which we live.

Once again, what are we being told? We are being told that hostility to our faith convictions is God's mysterious way of making us more firm in holding on to what we believe, even though this perseverance may cost us our blood.

Confirmation is the Savior's great blessing for both our minds and wills. Our minds become more convinced that what we believe is really true. And our wills become more courageous in protecting this truth, even with our bodily lives.

The Church's literature is filled with statements that might be called aphorisms. In every language since the dawn of Christianity, believing Catholics are encouraged to imitate the saints whom we honor as martyrs. Let me just mention a few of these mottos: The ashes of martyrs drive away demons. The blood of martyrs is the seed of Christians. Heaven is opened to martyrs. All times are the age of martyrs. The martyrs were bound, imprisoned, scourged, burnt, rent, butchered — and they multiplied. The death of the martyrs blossoms in the faith of the living. The Lord has willed that we should rejoice even over persecutions because, when persecutions occur, then the faith is crowned.

So the litany of these proverbs could go on. They teach us one thing, the most important thing we need to believe in this valley of tears. Christ instituted the sacrament of spiritual strengthening so that His followers might follow Him on the road to Calvary. The Savior is now glorified, but only because He had been crucified. Our own glorious eternity depends on the courageous witness of our faith, made possible by our Confirmation by the Holy Spirit.

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Prayer for Vocations

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The cause of church unity is commended to Christians for prayer and action every year around this time. This week is not so much to focus on the many divisions within the Christian family, but on bonds of faith and mission. Even though Christians have always shown an inclination to fracture, spin off, and mutate into new expressions, recent history shows some new points of convergence and agreement. Catholics are more firmly rooted in the word of God, for example, and many Protestants are more likely to celebrate Communion than in years past. Some denominations are merging and pooling resources, and people from various traditions are collaborating on projects.

The call of this week is to be mindful of the diversity of our traditions and customs while treasuring what we hold in common. The old advice to "lighten up" is good medicine, because sometimes our differences are delightful and amusing. If someone says, "Let us pray," a Catholic might close the eyes, bow the head and fold hands; a Protestant reach out and clasp hands with the person in the next chair; and someone belonging to an Orthodox tradition might stand up with eyes wide open. Each has taken a different path, but the goal is always the same. This is a week not for focusing on the well□worn paths of divergence, but for mutual delight in a common goal.

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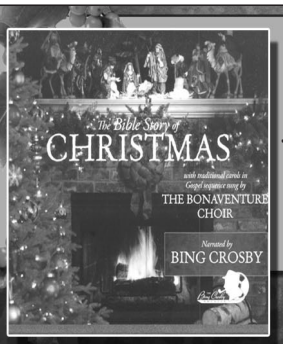

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Ministers of Care visit and bring the Eucharist to the sick, homebound or hospitalized. Please call the parish office to arrange a visit.

Bulletin articles: Submission deadline is Saturday before 2PM for the upcoming Sunday bulletin. Deliver copy to the parish office or email articles, comments or suggestions to vann@stjosephworker.com

Donate Clothes & Miscellaneous Household Items to AMVETS: Drop off behind Amvets building at 700 McHenry Road in Wheeling: M-Sat 8 am - 5 pm

Food Pantry is CLOSED: If you would like to donate or to receive assistance, please contact the Wheeling Township Food Pantry—1616 N. Arlington Heights in Arlington Heights, IL