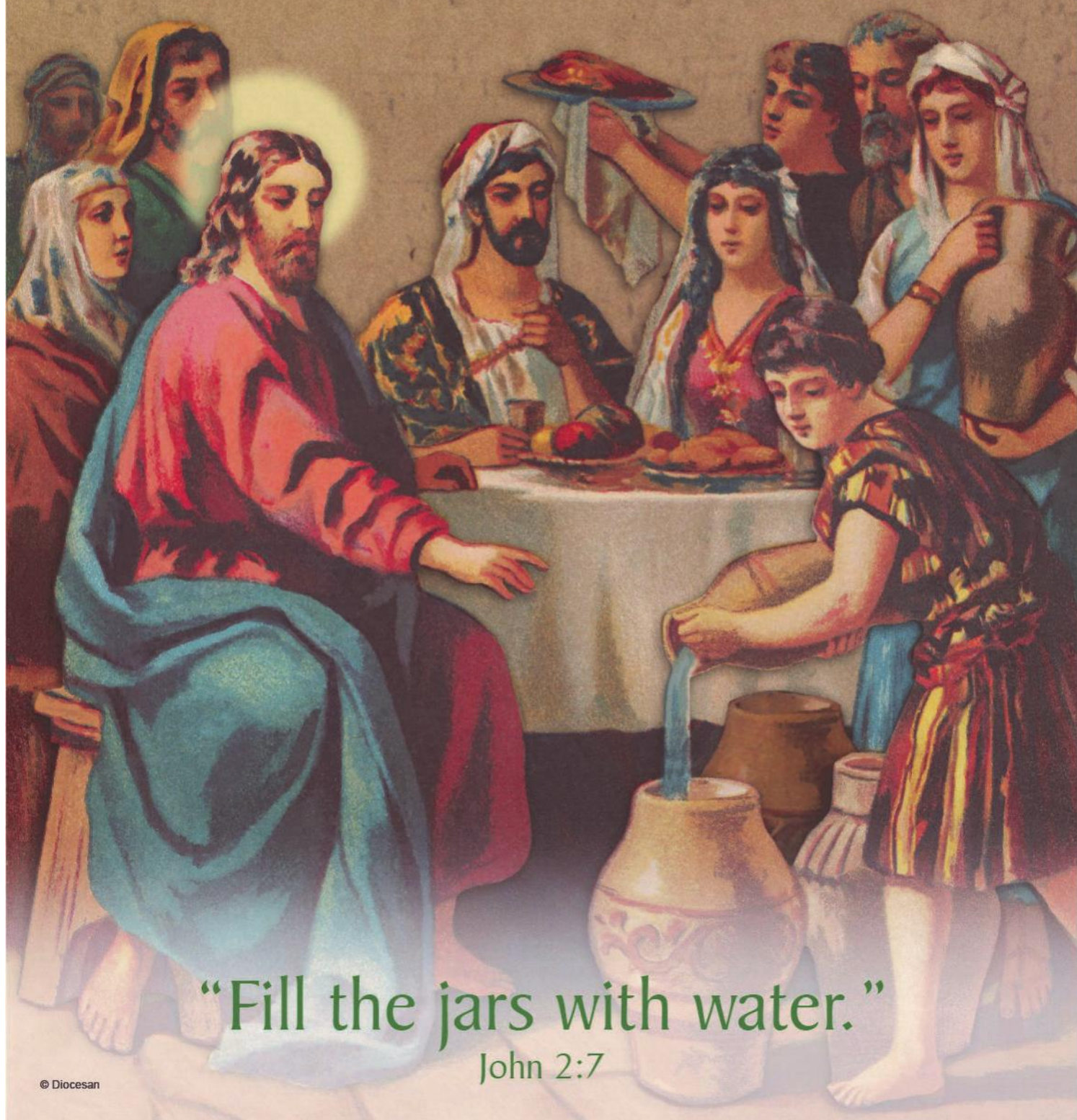


2nd Sunday

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“Fill the jars with water.”

John 2:7

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MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Jan 15 5:30p Mass †Thelma Stafinski
by Ken & Gail DeWolff
Jan 16 8:00a Mass For the people of St. Martin
9:30a **Religious Ed and Adult Study**
9:30a **Parish Cenacle**, in church till 10:30a
11:00a Mass †Elizabeth Sehy
by Ron & Janet Gingerich
Jan 17 7:00p **St. Vincent DePaul**
Jan 18 11:00a **HALOS**
Jan 19 9:00a Mass Special intentions of
Jason & Jayna Lee by S. Kim Lee
Jan 20 7:00p **RCIA**
Jan 21 8:00a **Friday Adoration**
9:00a Mass †Eric Gilbert
by Leo & Devon Swiat
Jan 22 7:30a **Men's Group**
Jan 22 5:30p Mass †Tom Kelley by Vickie Kelley
Jan 23 8:00a Mass For the people of St. Martin
11:00a Mass †Elizabeth Sehy
by Gary & Sandy Klein

THIS WEEKS NEWS INSIDE OUR PARISH AND OUR DIOCESE

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

First Wednesday's at St. Edward
Third Wednesday's at St. Martin.
Join us from 6:30p to 7:30p
January 19 at St. Martin's



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PRAYER FOR LIFE CELEBRATION AND RALLY, Sun, Jan. 23, 2022 at 3p on the grounds of Kalamazoo Christian High School, 2121 Stadium Dr., Kalamazoo. Join Bishop Bradley & Christians from around Kalamazoo for a 30 minute focused & interactive prayer. In unity, we seek God's blessing on all human life & protection for the unborn. Guest speaker: Dr. Robin Pierucci. Donations of diapers & wipes will be collected for Caring Network & Alternatives. This is an outdoor event so please dress for the weather. In the event of inclement weather we will move inside to Kal. Christian Gym. For more info contact Lisa Irwin at lisairwin@ccdok.org or 269-381-9800 x227.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN: Bishop Bradley will celebrate Mass at 11:30a on Sun, January 23 in observance of the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children at St. Augustine Cathedral.

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CELEBRATION & PRAYER FOR LIFE RALLY - Sunday January 23 at 3:00 pm: Please join us, middle and high school aged youth and parent, for this witness to life being held at Kalamazoo Christian High School. This prayer rally will feature local physician Dr. Robin Pierucci and a collection of diapers and wipes will be donated to Alternatives and Caring Network. We'll gather at St. Martin of Tours at 2p and ride up together. If interested in going, and would like more information, please reach out to Tim at dre@stmartinvicksburg.org.



PLEASE PRAY FOR Jody Cunningham, Kassidy Evans, Karen Garcea, Jeremy Howard, Maureen Simms, Jennifer Stocki, Leo Swiat & Aiden Woodard. To add names email bulltin@stmartinvicksburg.org or call the office at 649-1629.

FOR IMMEDIATE AND CONFIDENTIAL PRAYERS

Email
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or call our parish prayer line at 269-303-8016.

LECTOR/USHER SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

Jan 22 5:30p Lector: Mike C
Ushers: Leandro F, Jim & Monica R, volunteer
Jan 23 8:00a Lector: Kathleen W
Ushers: Ron & Janet G, Marv T, volunteer
Jan 23 11:00a Lector: Chad H
Ushers: Ellen & Sidney C, Jack & Lilli C

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM OUR BLESSED MOTHER SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5

This short and direct statement from our Blessed Mother says all we need to know. "Do whatever He tells you." What else do we need to know in life?

The hard part, of course, is following that advice. It's easy to believe it, to preach it and to commit ourselves to doing everything that our Lord says, but it's another thing to actually follow through and fulfill His divine will.

That short exhortation calls us to two things: 1) To discern what Jesus wants of us and, 2) To freely embrace that which we discern. How are you doing in these two areas?

First of all, discerning the will of God can be hard in the sense that it requires a wholehearted attentiveness to His gentle and subtle voice. God does not impose His will on us; rather, He respectfully and quietly invites us to listen. He waits until we give Him our full attention and then reveals His will one step at a time. Yes, some things have been made clear already through public revelation such as the avoidance of sin and the embrace of faith, hope and love. But when we are ready to let those general commands enter practically into our daily lives, we must be ready to give God our full attention.

Second, we should realize that God's will, when properly discerned, is not always easy to embrace. He requires everything of us. He is a "jealous God" in the sense that He wants our total surrender. The good news is that if we are willing to give Him everything in total obedience, we will discover that our lives are completely fulfilled.

Reflect, today, upon this twofold invitation spoken by our Blessed Mother. Reflect upon how ready you are to listen to God's will and how ready you are to do His will, no matter what it is. If you are ready for this, you are on the path toward holiness.

Dear Blessed Mother, thank you for your perfect words of wisdom. Help me to accept your advice in my life. Help me to know what your Son wills of me and then help me to embrace His holy and perfect will. Lord, I give You my life and choose to surrender all to You. Jesus, I trust in You.

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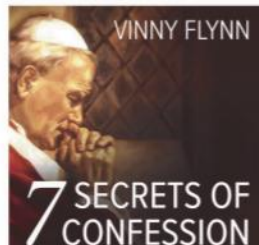
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January 16, 2022

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7 SECRETS OF CONFESSION BY VINNY FLYNN

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WORD OF LIFE

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