

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

-- ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD --

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 5, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Masses are currently being held in the St. Dominic Savio Center to the right of the school.

MASS TIMES

Saturday		(Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday	. 8:30am,	10:30am	7:00pm
		(Spanish)	3:00pm

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

CONFESSIONS

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

CHAPEL - Currently open every day 9:00am - 9:00pm.

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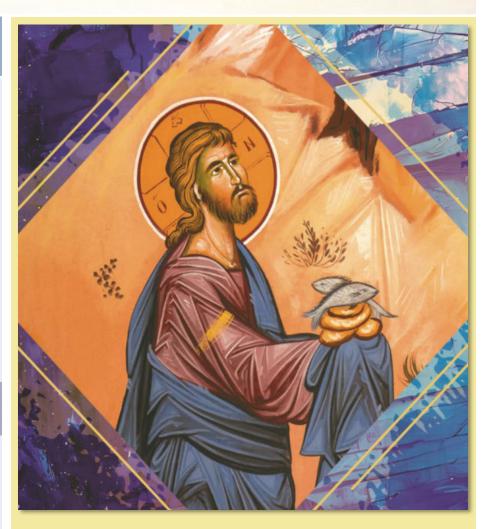
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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It's hard to shine the light of truth in a world that so often prefers darkness. But God has built his city on a hill, not a valley. His glory, by definition, exists to be proclaimed, as salt exists to give flavor. ©LPi

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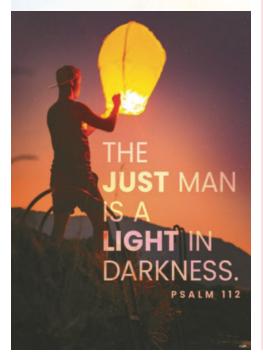
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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 6 • St. Paul Miki and Companions

8:30 am Ken & Mary Claire Fisher

Tuesday, February 7

8:30 am Zulma Williams

Wednesday, February 8 • St. Jerome Emiliani • St. Josephine Bakhita

8:30 am Special Intention

Thursday, February 9

8:30 am Special Intentions **Friday, February 10 • St. Scholastica**8:30 am Special Intention

Saturday, February 11 • Our Lady of Lourdes

4:00 pm Melancon & Fisher Families, Marilyn Torres, Grady Duff, Jr.,

Scott Duff, Barbara Tucker, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, E.J. & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Deacon Paul & Philip Dupuy, Edith Layton, Special Intentions for Addiction & Mental Health, In Thanksgiving, Melvin & Nellie Powell

Sunday, February 12 • 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time • World Marriage Day

8:30 am Jimmy Daigre, Special Intention, Karen Angelo, Tracey

Marchetta, Forencio Lainez, Souls in Purgatory, Peter Pham

Quang, Rev. William Benson

10:30 am Terry Collins

3:00 pm (en espanol) Our Parishioners

7:00 pm In Thanksgiving

VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

In memory of deceased Englert, Laizer, & Schneller Family members

CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR

Complete healthy recovery of Paulette McGill

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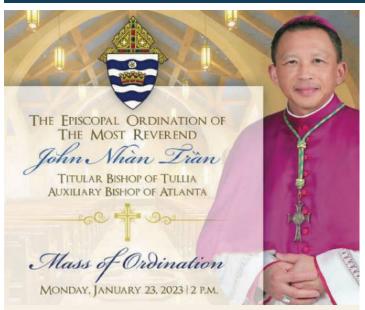
St. Josephine Bakhita | February 8

The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. ©LPi

AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



Ascension of Our Lord Church Parish congratulates the **Most Reverend John Nhan Tran** on his Episcopal Ordination as the new Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. May God's blessings be upon you as you shepherd the flock of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, Bishop Tran.

Assistance Needed!

One of our new school teachers who recently moved to LaPlace is in need of the following items for her family:

- 1 full sized bed frame
- 2 bunk bed mattresses
- bedroom furniture for a small bedroom



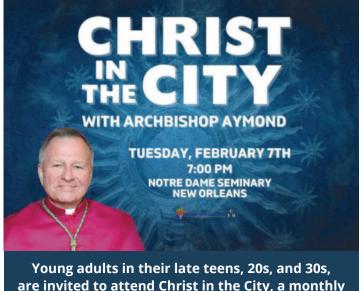
If anyone can assist our new teacher, please contact Mike Abbate at 504-388-2452.

St. Joseph Cookies are Back and the Altar Society Needs Your Help!

Good news! St. Joseph Cookies are back this year! The Altar Society is making their popular Italian cookies in Piovan Parish Hall every day Mon-Fri from 9am-noon. *All are invited to help out. No experience needed!* Order forms are available in Church, on our parish website, or at the Parish Office. <u>Please note that with the rising cost of ingredients, we have had to increase the price of our cookies.</u> Fig cookies are \$15 per 1-lb



bag. All other varieties are \$12 per 1-lb bag. Anyone wishing to donate flour, sugar, margarine, eggs, cocoa, and pecans, your donations are greatly appreciated. Donations may be brought to Piovan Parish Hall.



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5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday, February 6

6:00pm Parish School of Religion - School building #2 6:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet - Adoration Chapel

Tuesday, February 7

7:00pm Baptismal Seminar - Parish Office

Thursday, February 9

7:00pm Pastoral Council Meeting - Parish Office

Friday, February 10

Father Cyril's Birthday

8:30am School Mass - Savio Center

Saturday, February 11 • Team 2

Sunday, February 12 • Team 2

7:00pm Youth Mass

Keep in touch with us



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Kids Corner

Prayer

God, help me to make a difference in the world because I love you.

Mission for the Week

Do a taste-test with boiled eggs. Eat one bit plain. Eat the rest seasoned with salt. The salt makes a big difference. Your love for God should make a big difference in the world, too.

Sharing the Gospel

When you love God, and you follow his example, it will show. You will be loving, patient, and kind. You will be honest and always do your best. You will work hard and share what you have. When you live for God, you make the world a better place.

Now color the picture!

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

salt earth light	city hill lamp	shine good praise
satl	<u>salt</u>	
lpam		
hlil		
lithg		
godo		
erhat		-
perasi		
cyti		
sihen		_



PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



Come Let Us Adore!

Adoration has resumed in the Chapel every day from 9:00am to 9:00pm.

ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

Personal prayer time with
Jesus refreshes our lives
and feeds our souls.
Patience and love is necessary
during this rebuilding process.
Thank you for your
commitment.



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

EXAMPLES OF OUR FAITH

Ven. Samuel Charles Mazzuchelli

Venerable Samuel Charles Mazzuchelli O.P. was one of the very first Catholic missionary priests in the Midwestern

United States. Reverend John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul, called Mazzuchelli "the pathfinder in the wilderness." Mazzuchelli's work establishing relationships with the native peoples and new settlers as well as his continuous efforts to build church buildings and pastor the growing Catholic communities in the USA blazed a path for his peers.

Born Carlo Gaetano Samuel Mazzuchelli on November 4, 1806, in Milan, Italy, he was the 16th of 17 children in his family! When he was only 17 years old, he entered the Dominican order and changed his name to Friar Samuel. Answering a recruitment call by his order to serve in the new, missionary Diocese of Cincinnati in America, he was ordained a priest by Bishop Edward Fenwick, first Bishop of Cincinnati, in 1830.

After his first five years as a priest was spent at Sainte Anne Church on Mackinac Island in Lake Huron, Michigan, Bishop Fenewick assigned him to be the missionary priest of the whole of the Northwest Territory.

Father Mazzuchelli spent the rest of his years traveling this vast area on horseback, in native canoes, and on foot. He traveled and served communities from the Great Lakes region to the Mississippi and beyond. He encountered and worked alongside new immigrant settlers, miners, and farmers, as well as native tribes, political leaders, and other Christian denominations. He designed and built over 24 churches and other buildings, many local parishes remaining to this day! He started the Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa and was described by those that knew him as a sensitive warm man full of mercy, truth and virtue, boldness and zeal. On July 6, 1993, Pope John Paul II allowed Fr. Mazzuchelli's Cause for sainthood. His path toward Beatification and Canonization continues. ©LPi





Pope Francis' February Prayer Intention For Parishes



We pray that parishes,
placing communion at the center,
may increasingly become
communities of faith, fraternity,
and welcome towards
those most in need.

CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

If ..

It's a surprising little word — if. For such a short word, it holds an abundance of excuses.

Personally, I could buy a new car if I had a dollar for every time I used the word "if" to explain away my own flaws. "If I wasn't so tired. If we had more money. If the kids weren't always on my last nerve. If I had more talent. If life wasn't so hard."

If, if, if.

I don't always feel like being the salt of the earth. Can't someone else season the dish? Sometimes it's more than I want to give, more than I want to do, more than I want to be. Sharing my bread, sheltering the oppressed, clothing the naked, and accompanying my neighbor — doing these things in the literal or figurative sense can be completely exhausting. Mediocrity is so easy. It's so comfortable.

But if. It looms again, that short but powerful word.

"If" can be deep with excuses, but it can also be wide with possibility. If I bring it all to God. If I stop relying on my own abilities. If I prayed more than I talked. If I make my heart firm. If my faith does not rest on human wisdom.

If not me, who? If not now, when?

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." — Matthew 5:14



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt

5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c/

Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30/Mk

7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30 Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (1b)/1 Cor

2:6-10/ Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

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