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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2024

*1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19
1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20
Jn 1:35-42*

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Thursday at 5:05 pm

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am and 11:15 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday and Thursday - 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
or by appointment

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Congratulations!

Please call the office at least 4 months before
your planned wedding date.

WANT TO BE CATHOLIC?

Please contact Fr. Rich at
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Thoughts on Today's Readings

Andrew (a brother of Peter the fisherman) and a friend were disciples of John. They had been standing around with the Baptist when Jesus walked by. He didn't stop or speak to them, but the Baptist knew how special Jesus was. When John called him the "Lamb of God" the two decided to follow Jesus. They never returned to the Baptist becoming Jesus' first disciples recruiting others to follow him. John himself later said that Jesus must increase, and he must decrease. The fact that there were now more followers of Jesus was a 'joy' for John.

We are in a new year. Our parish consists of a younger college-age generation following the call of Jesus, and an older generation trying to do their best responding to that same call. Customs, styles, devotions, and ways of expressing love for Jesus differ. We are all members of a church displaying shining witness, and troubled by glaring errors. Trying to keep a worldwide church together, Pope Francis has convened a synod which stresses deep listening to God's Spirit before making decision. May that same spirit of listening keep our parish together in 2024, full of love and courage to face change with zeal in the tradition of Pope St. John XXIII.

Rethinking Justice

Fr. Dan Noll,

Vicar General of the Catholic Diocese of Lexington Kentucky,
will give a presentation on Biblical Justice and our Catholic teachings.
You are invited to attend and bring others as we explore our prophetic call to
do justice in our community.

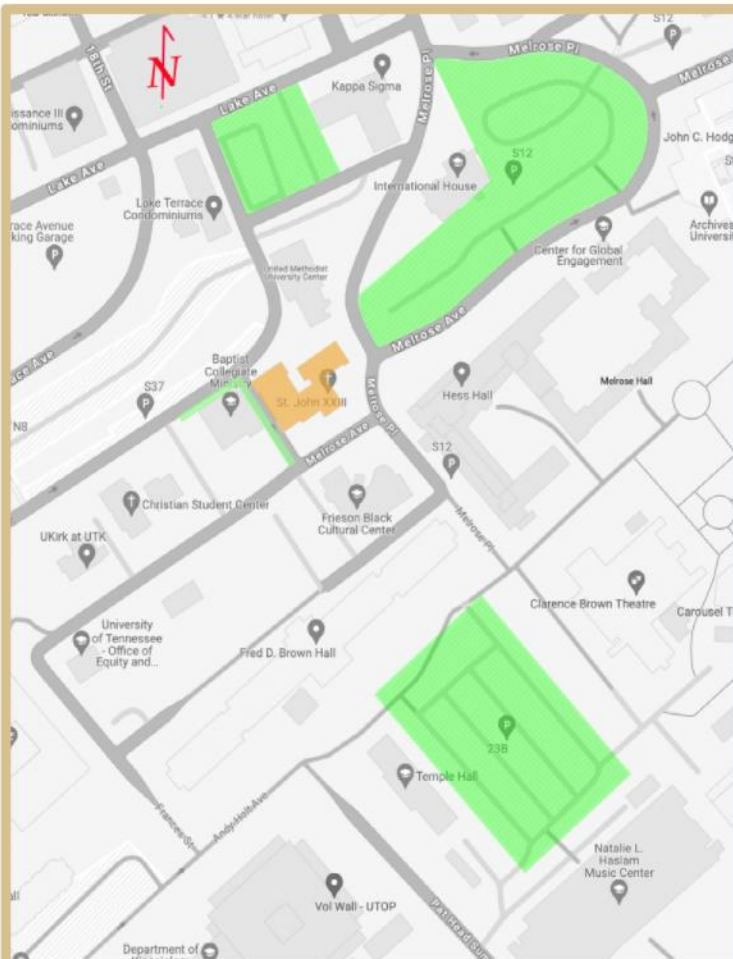
Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2024 6:30- 8:00 pm

Place: All Saints Catholic Parish

Sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee
and Justice Knox Team at St. John XXIII.

Sunday Supper

During the UT semester, after the 5:30 Mass, volunteers serve dinner to about 100 students and parishioners. The meal is funded by St. John XXIII Parish and the volunteers are generous enough to shop for and cook the meal. There is even someone else to clean up afterwards! Please consider volunteering for this valuable ministry; a poster for signups is in the lobby.



Parking

The university has started construction on the new dorms below Caledonia. They have blocked off the Staff parking area on Caledonia, and the lower commuter lot. This looks to be permanent. Going forward, we will have to use the parking lot across from Hess Hall (S-12) or the Clarence Brown Theater parking lot on the other side of Brown Hall (23-B). The lot down the hill behind the church and across the street from the construction site (also labeled S-12) is also available. And, of course, the alley way and small lots next to and behind St. John XXIII are available.

The university allows parking in all Staff lots on weekends (excluding football Saturdays).

We apologize for the inconvenience and hope this will not discourage you from joining us!

Martin Luther King Day

The building and office will be closed on **Monday, January 15th** in observance of Martin Luther King Day. There will be no mass or confessions. We hope you all have a safe and happy holiday!

Scripture Readings for the Week of January 14, 2024

Sunday	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42
Monday	1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Mass Times

Our spring semester mass schedule will resume next weekend! We will bring back the Sunday 5:30pm and 9:00pm masses, as well as our Friday 5:05pm daily mass, beginning Sunday, January 21.

Welcome back to our students! We hope you all had a wonderful Winter Break. We missed you!

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**Insights and Awareness
Topic 108 - At the Synod**



Cynthia Bailey Manns, one of the laypersons voting at the Synod, offers reflections on her experiences at the Synod in Rome.

You can view this topic at:

<https://www.john23rd.org/insights>

(Sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee)



NEXT WEEK'S EVENTS

January 15-21

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| Monday: | Office and Building Closed
No Daily Mass or Confessions |
| Tuesday: | 5:05 pm - Daily Mass
Justice Knox Invitational Gathering at All Saints Church |
| Wednesday: | 5:05 pm - Daily Mass |
| Thursday: | 4:00 pm - Confessions
5:05 pm - Daily Mass |
| Friday: | No Daily Mass |
| Saturday: | 5:30 pm - Mass |
| Sunday: | 9:00 am - Mass
11:15 am - Mass
12:30 pm - Social Concerns Meeting
5:30 pm - Mass
9:00 pm - Mass |

Prayer Requests

Let us pray for peace and justice throughout the world.

Other prayers are needed for Jo Andrews, Vic Kaminsky, Erin Kirkpatrick, Scott Hernandez, Kylie Hemphill, Dominic Mackey, Chance Adams, Jeyden, Peg Hart, John Fox, Karen Pearson Rich, Connie Beeler, Christine Wade, Jerry Carney, V. J. D'Innocenzo and his family, Beth Long, the family of Mufide Rende, Ellen Wavrek, Emilian, Charles, Brady Seymour, Christopher Clarke, Betty Ann Daniell, Donald, the Hoffstetler family, Jane Snenski, Patty Murphy, Carlos, Michel, Fernando, Esteban, Sebastian, Margaret Dusichka, Diane Dusichka, Ray Bieniek, Geneva Stewart, Anna Platfoot, Brendan Barry, Ernst Edel, displaced tenants of Walker Springs Apartments, the Acheampong family, the Odoi family, the Bentil family, the Thompson family, the Deku family, Tom Mulligan, Tom Walsh, residents of Serene Manor, those serving in the military, and for any too reserved to let us know.



Pope Francis' 2024 Peace Day Message

For his 2024 World Day of Peace message, Pope Francis has chosen to reflect on the theme "Artificial Intelligence and Peace".

"New digital tools are even now changing the face of communications, public administration, education, consumption, personal interactions, and countless other aspects of our daily lives," he notes.

The Pope also urges world leaders to put in place policies that ensure AI development will "ultimately serve the cause of human fraternity and peace."

"It is my prayer at the start of the New Year that the rapid development of forms of artificial intelligence will not increase cases of inequality and injustice all too present in today's world, but will help put an end to wars and conflicts, and alleviate many forms of suffering that afflict our human family," he said.

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