

**THIS WEEK AT CHRIST OUR REDEEMER**

**Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> Vigil of Sunday of the Word of God**

5:30 P.M. Jacob Anthony Liette (RIP)

**Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Word of God**

7:30 A.M. People of God

10:30 A.M. Carlota Garcia

**Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> The Conversion of St. Paul, The Apostle**

Pray for Sophia Lima

*Happy Birthday*

**Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops**

8:30 A.M. Mirta Singh

*Happy Birthday*

**Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> St. Angela Merici, Virgin**

Pray for Residents of American House

**Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

8:30 A.M. Lloyd Losinger (RIP)

**Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> Weekday**

**Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 P.M. Amanda Safford

**Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 A.M. People of God

10:30 A.M. Paul Hunter (RIP)

**TAX STATEMENTS**

**2020 Tax Statements**

**Available by Request Only**

Will be sent to you in 5 days after request is received

Call Gretchen in the Parish Office at 897-7797 or email her at: [admin@cor.ptdiocese.org](mailto:admin@cor.ptdiocese.org)

Female parishioner looking for a room to rent while searching for a house in Niceville. Needs to find a room by 15 Feb. 2021. Please ask for further details at COR office.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Mary Agostinelli, Luis Aubert, Cecile and David Bell, Jim and Karen Boswell, Pat & Jack Brennan, Roger & Susie Campbell, Donna, Michael Focas, Mae Jarzabek, Kathy Krivesti, Louise Ksobiech, Ann Liberatori, Julene Marks, James McBride, Kevyn Mengis, Steve Murawski, Norma Rethlake, Ina Santos, Suzy Strittmatter, Kay Thompson, Brenda Tutin, Barb V., Alysea Velasquez, Glenn Voigt, Darryl Warren,

*Pray for all first responders and health care workers.*

*For all Souls in Purgatory.*

*Grant eternal rest unto them, O Lord.*

E-Mail Prayer Request to: [MCDonald9999@cox.net](mailto:MCDonald9999@cox.net)

**FLOWERS & ALTAR MEMORIAL CANDLES**

Blessed Mother flowers were donated by: Bob & Sharon Hargreaves in Memory of The Hargreaves Family

Memorial candles were donated by: Rita & Jim Thennes in Memory of Shirley Freund

Envelopes for flowers, altar memorial candles and NCO are located in the Narthex Kiosk.

**BLOOD DRIVE**



It's time once again for our next Blood Drive. The Big Red Bus will be on our parking lot on Jan.31<sup>st</sup>, 8 am to 1 pm. You can

schedule an appointment at: [https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/1046025](https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1046025)

**NOTARY PUBLIC**

We have a Notary Public on staff. If you need this service, please call the office at 897-7797 to make an appointment. A \$10 donation to COR is requested.

**SHARING AND CARING**

On behalf of Fr. Bob, thank you for your continued contributions in support of Sharing and Caring of Okaloosa County. Your contributions help struggling families put food on their tables, freeing their scarce resources so they may pay their rents and utilities. Any non-perishable food you can donate is appreciated; however, if you need suggestions, Sharing and Caring has identified that their pantry is currently in most need of the following items: canned tuna, Chicken Helper, mixed vegetables, canned chicken, beans (dry or canned), mac & cheese, canned ham, corn, syrup, cereal, Tuna Helper, canned fruit or fruit cups. We will continue to have the gray boxes in the Narthex where you may place your donations throughout the week. Of course, they also accept monetary donations so they can procure perishable items as well.

**THANK YOU**

Thank you so much for everything you and your church were able to donate to the Cans for Kids food drive we did this holiday season of 2020. Your donation was very much appreciated. Christ Our Redeemer was able to donate 318 cans for the food drive and as a result we were able to raise 3,691 cans total. Again, thank you for your donation because without it we wouldn't be able to help out those who really need it. I look forward to working with Christ Our Redeemer again in the near future. Have a blessed and Happy New Year!  
 Nicholas Hutchinson- Food Pantry Coordinator, Catholic Charities

**VICTIMS OF ABUSE** "We are committed to healing the hurting hearts" - Victim Assistance Coordinators are an additional way that the Diocese of Pensacola-Tallahassee has dedicated itself to addressing sexual abuse by clergy or other church personnel. Louis M. Makarowski Ph.D.; P.A. at 850-477-7181-Coordinator for the Pensacola/Ft. Walton Beach. Deacon Santiago Molina for Spanish Speakers En Espanol: 850-627-2350 Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline: 850-435-3536

**STEWARDSHIP**

**Collections for the week of January 17, 2020**

Mass and Office Offertory	\$13,101.00
Online Offertory Donations	\$5,340.00
Total	\$18,441.00
Engage, Re-Engage & Commit	\$2,945.00



Please consider online donations. Visit the parish website to set up online giving. You can contribute to Offertory, Engage, Re-Engage & Commit Capital Campaign, and

Flowers. **We are so grateful to all those who donated this week online and through envelopes.**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



On Saturday 30 January 2021 at 4:00 pm the Niceville Bluewater Bay KofC Assembly 3236 will be praying the Patriotic Rosary in the COR

sanctuary. The Patriotic Rosary is for unity under God throughout the United States of America at all levels and in all branches of the government. Rosaries and prayer booklets will be provided if needed. Please wear a face covering. For those unable to attend in person, the event will be live streamed on corcatholic.org

**COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

CCW will be collecting donations after each Mass on Jan. 30/31 and Feb. 6/7 for their "Hugs for the Homeless" project. Members will be outside the church by the bell tower to collect the donations. Thank you for your help for the homeless.

GIVING BEGINS WITH ME.

# DONATE BLOOD



**Sunday, January 31, 2021**

**8:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**Christ Our Redeemer Church**

*All donors will receive a \$10 eGift card, Long Sleeve T-Shirt, a Free Appetizer coupon courtesy of Carrabba's Italian Grill and a wellness checkup including COVID-19 antibody test!*

*Appointments are encouraged, please visit [www.oneblood.org/donate-now](http://www.oneblood.org/donate-now) and use sponsor code #16435*



**LIMITED TIME: DONATING TWICE IS EXTRA NICE!**

**The challenge is on for whole blood donors!** OneBlood has partnered with Carrabba's Italian Grill® to offer all donors who **give two times** between January and April a \$25 Carrabba's eGift Card as a thank you! <http://givelife.io/twice>



ID required. Donors must be at least 16 years old. Those who are 16 years old need parental permission. See website for more details. \*One offer per donor, per donation. No cash value. Not-transferable. If you have recently donated, thank you. Please visit us when you are eligible to donate again. Not responsible for lost or stolen gift card. Donor must have successful donation to obtain results. If donor does not have account created in donor portal already, they must provide email address to phlebotomist at the time of registration so account can be created. Donor will receive email post donation with instructions. The same email provided at registration is used to activate donor portal account. Do not present to donate if you have a fever. You must wait at least 14 days before donating if you have been exposed to someone who has or may have COVID-19, have recently been tested and are pending test results for COVID-19 or if you have a confirmed active case of COVID-19.

**oneblood.org 1-888-9-DONATE**

**ID REQUIRED**

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Knights of Columbus Co. 13527  
**Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest**  
**2020 WINNERS**



Our annual contest is an opportunity for our young people to engage their creative talents & imaginations toward understanding the true meaning of Christmas. 26 of our kids submitted beautiful posters this year -- congratulations to our six winners below!



**AGE GROUP**  
**5-7**



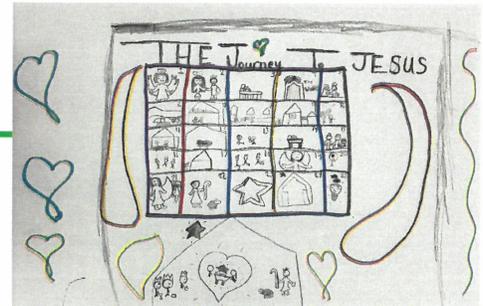
**1st Place: Nora Schnurbusch, Age 6**  
**Theme: "Jesus is the gift from our Father"**

**2nd Place: Daniel Kodnovich, Age 6**  
**Theme: "Jesus is Born"**

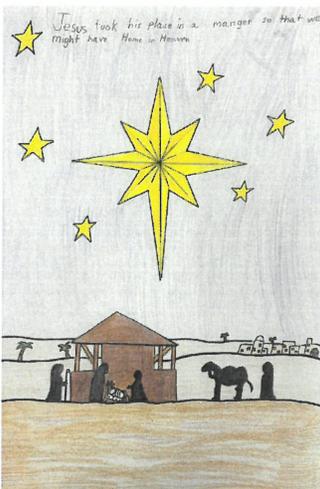


**AGE GROUP**  
**8-10**

**1st Place: Gisella Lastrom, Age 10,**  
**Theme: "We should embrace Jesus and celebrate Him"**

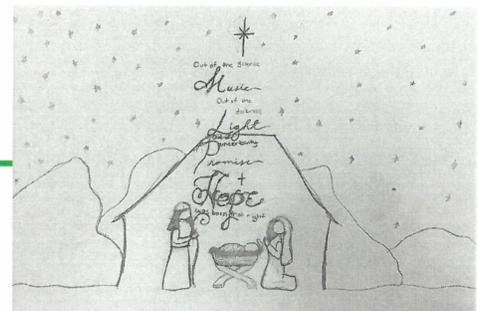


**2nd Place: Elizabeth Rodriguez, Age 9,**  
**Theme: "The Journey to Jesus"**



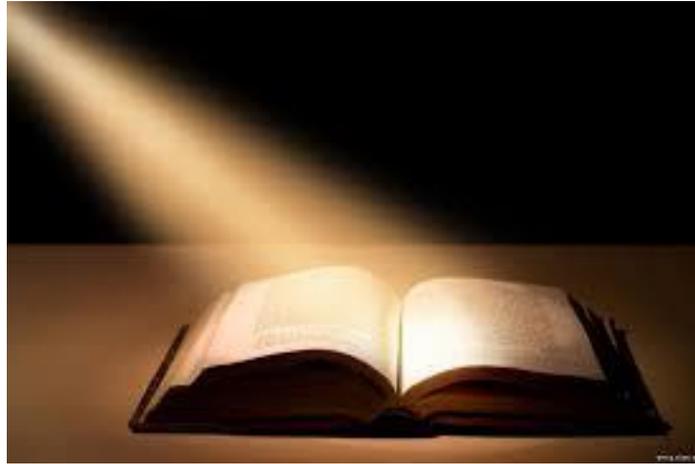
**AGE GROUP**  
**11-14**

**1st Place: Dominic Cabantan, Age 13,**  
**Theme: "Jesus took His place in a manger so that we might have a home in Heaven"**



**2nd Place: Jenna Rodriguez, Age 12**  
**Theme: "Promise and Hope were born that night"**

## SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD



On September 30, 2019, on the liturgical memorial of St. Jerome, Pope Francis announced that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time would be celebrated as the Sunday of the Word of God. The inspiring full text of his Apostolic Letter, “Aperuit illis: Instituting the Sunday of the Word of God” is contained herein. This year it will fall on Sunday, January 24, 2021. In the Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass, we are reminded of the role of the Word of God in the life of the Church: In the hearing of God's word the Church is built up and grows, and in the signs of the liturgical celebration God's wonderful, past works in the history of salvation are presented anew as mysterious realities. God in turn makes use of the congregation of the faithful that celebrates the Liturgy in order that his word may speed on and be glorified and that his name be exalted among the nations. Whenever, therefore, the Church, gathered by the Holy Spirit for liturgical celebration, announces and proclaims the word of God, she is aware of being a new people in whom the covenant made in the past is perfected and fulfilled. Baptism and confirmation in the Spirit have made all Christ's faithful into messengers of God's word because of the grace of hearing they have received. They must therefore be the bearers of the same word in the Church and in the world, at least by the witness of their lives. The word of God proclaimed in the celebration of God's mysteries does not only address present conditions but looks back to past events and forward to what is yet to come. Thus God's word shows us what we should hope for with such a longing that in this changing world our hearts will be set on the place where our true joys lie (Preamble,7)

January 24, 2021

## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1-5, 10 | 1 Cor 7:29-31 | Mk 1:14-20

### **GROW** AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

On first hearing, Jonah's warning to the city of Nineveh seems a bit extreme for my modern ears: Get your act together in 40 days or your city will be destroyed! Yet, rather than panic or rail against him, the people believed and turned away from evil. We hear a similar theme in Mark's Gospel: "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Listening to the readings today, I hear these words not as a threat but as an invitation to get our lives back on track. We may not don sackcloth like the people of Nineveh, but we may need to fast from the distractions and skewed priorities that prevent us from loving God and one another. With the psalmist, we pray, "Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior."

### **GO** EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I never understood why the middle-school track coach had my son, the shortest kid on the team, run hurdles. I'd shut my eyes and cringe a bit when he'd approach each one, occasionally catching his toe but fearlessly pressing forward. Sometimes the Christian life can feel that way - while I've never tried hurdles, I'm known to trip on the slightest crack in a sidewalk. Likewise, I often trip up on the path to becoming a better person - blurting out unkind words, spending more time online shopping than praying ... well, I won't make *you* cringe by oversharing my "sin list." In today's readings, the Lord invites us to repent - to turn away from bad habits and choices. By turning to the Lord, we can overcome the obstacles that hold us back from living our Gospel values and sharing them with others through the witness of our lives.

**INVITE** Through the sacrament of reconciliation, the Church offers us a standing invitation to experience God's unconditional love and mercy. Whether you go regularly or it's been awhile, consider participating in the sacrament and inviting others to do the same.