

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 15, 2023

We enter the new calendar year 2023 with optimism for a better year with the upcoming response for a mental health conference on February 18, 2023. A couple of hour gathering that will kick off our response to challenges of these days affecting our parish and school communities after the covid 19 pandemic.

We know that these collateral mental stress/effects are complicated but we need to start somewhere. We thank the catholic charities of the Diocese of Rockford for making us part of this diocesan response. I invite those who are interested not only to attend this gathering but to be open to be ministers of hope & love.

We also implore God's blessings to our "Five-Person Coordinators" that will jump start our parish 75th Foundation Celebrations comes 2024. They initially established the theme "We celebrate because we remember & believed." Let us pray for these persons who are known by most of us as hard working members of the parish but they believe as well to Jesus as their King & sheperd.

May the witnessing of John the Baptist of who Jesus IS compel us to these two noble ways to volunteer around our King & Savior Jesus Christ.

Fr. Caloy