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JANUARY 18, 2026 | 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY MASSES

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10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM**

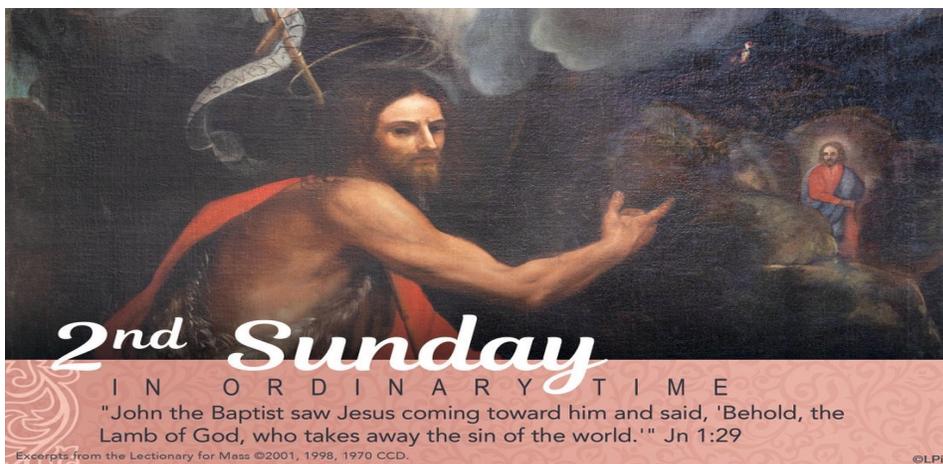
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4:00PM Vita Longo 7:30AM Joseph and Theresa Capobianco 9:00AM For the People of Our Parish 10:30AM Charles Muzii 12:30PM Rosario Alaimo 5:00PM Arielle Newman		4:00PM Jack Dugo 7:30AM Viola Pistilli, Rose Mannmino, Rosemary Cusimano and Camille Luciano 9:00AM Maryanne and Joseph Granello 10:30AM For the People of Our Parish 12:30PM Jeff Doss 5:00PM Olivia Brennan
MONDAY, JANUARY 19	TUESDAY, JANUARY 20	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21
8:30AM Donald Knapp	8:30AM Sal Morreale 12NOON Giovaana Costa	8:30AM St. Teresa Rosary Group 12NOON Tito Volanzo
THURSDAY, JANUARY 22	FRIDAY, JANUARY 23	SATURDAY, JANUARY 24
8:30AM Manuel Mallo 12:00NOON Mr. Jeremy Claudio	8:30AM Nicholas and Katherine Whalen 12NOON John Bertone	8:30AM Grace Ward

IT IS A DEVOUT AND LOVING PRACTICE TO COME TO MASS AND PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially: **Grace Agalo-os, Bethany Armstrong, Bernadette, Karen Bertuzzi, Michael Borik, Vincent Borzumato, Rosemary Callenberg, Eileen Carroll, Libby Cugini, Carina DeGiulio, Kevin Dunne, Patricia Dunne, Joanie Edwards, Augustine Ferrer, Mark & Arlene Fileccia, Michael G., Josephine Greco, Edward Gross, Elaine Guarlino, Ricky Gundacker, David Hall, Barbara Harris, Vincent Hicks, Barbara Hicks, Buddy Jarrel, Pat Jarrell, Jennifer Johnson, Fred Kabat, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Josephine Linton, Lomando, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Janet Massa, Judy C. Mc., Marie McMillen, Christine Momole Susan Morris, Josephine Nastasi, Joseph Pastore, Ryan Pizzaro, Joanny Pizzuti, Sal Prestigiacomo, Gerry Pye, Edwin Rodriguez, Marty Rose, Ronald Rothmund, Jerry Scattaglia, Cheryl Spinelli, David Valle, Tita Valonzo, Michael Walsh, Jerry Yannaci Sr., Margaret White**

Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military

Staff Sergeant Michael R. Mazzuki, Jr. U.S. Army, Fort Stewart, GA

Staff Sergeant Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp., Camp Lejeune, NC

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR PRIESTS

Monsignor Belford 4pm, 9am, 10:30am,

Father Kallattil 7:30am, 12:30pm, Clove Lakes Home

Father Challman 5pm

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church,

The early days of January help focus our attention on three North American saints who made a big difference in the development and growth of our Catholic Church and its ministries in the nations of United States and Canada.

* One of these saints was born here on Staten Island. SAINT ELIZABETH ANN BAYLEY SETON was baptized and raised Episcopalian. She married William Seton, became a wife and mother, and then a widow with five children to feed and educate. William had become very sick, and she took him to Italy in search of a cure. There was no cure. But she was inspired by the Catholic people she met there. Becoming a Catholic herself, in 1812 she began the first religious order for women in the United States: the Sisters of Charity. The Sisters of Charity grew in numbers, and they educated and nursed many people (e.g., St. Peter's Girls High School and St. Vincent's Hospital here on S.I.). Dying in 1821, Elizabeth Seton was the first American-born citizen to be canonized. Her feastday is January 4.

* SAINT JOHN NEUMANN came to America from Bohemia (Czech Republic). He had completed his studies for priesthood in his home country, but no parish needed him. So his bishop advised him to go west to America. With proper credentials from his bishop, he was ordained a priest here in New York City. He travelled far into the interior of our country to preach and offer sacraments in many languages. He joined the Redemptorists, and was chosen to be Bishop of Philadelphia. Effective and charitable, he wrote catechisms. He saw the need for Catholic schools, and for parishes for immigrants. He died on a Philadelphia street in 1860. We celebrate his apostolic life on January 5.

* The third saint is well known to those who have attended either Notre Dame Academy and/or Notre Dame Academy High School on Grymes Hill since 1903. SAINT MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS was born in Troyes, France in 1620. Her life has been a blessing for many people in Canada and in the United States who have been educated by members of the religious order that she began: Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame.

Marguerite was the sixth of twelve children. I can tell you about her from reading the latest edition of a very useful book called SAINTS OF THE ROMAN CALENDAR, published by St Pauls. (You might ask for it at the lovely new Alba House store with books and religious articles, now located across Victory Boulevard, opposite Beyar's Market.)

After the death of her parents, Marguerite was responsible for raising her younger siblings. Once they were on their own, Marguerite applied to the Carmelites and to the Poor Clares. She was not accepted by either one, but a priest made a good prediction: that God had other plans for Marguerite's life.

And so it happened. In 1653, the governor of a French settlement in Canada asked Marguerite to come and start a school, in a place now known as Montreal. She gave away her share of her family inheritance, and sailed for Canada. She found a colony of about two hundred people, with a hospital and a small chapel. She built a larger chapel to honor Our Lady of Good Help, and opened her first school in 1658. Wanting co-workers to teach more children, she invited other women to cross the ocean. They became the first Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame.

When she was 69, having established a school for Indian girls in Montreal, Marguerite walked from Montreal to Quebec to start a school there. In 1693 she handed over her congregational leadership to the first Canadian woman to join her order. Then on the last day of 1699, a young sister of the community lay dying. Mother Marguerite prayed for her, and asked the Lord to take her own life in exchange. By the morning of January 1, 1700, that sister was completely cured – and Marguerite had a raging fever. She suffered for 12 days, and died on January 12, 1700.

Marguerite was officially declared a Saint in 1982, with her feastday on January 12, the date of her death. Here is the Church's prayer which we offered at her Mass: *Lord God, you called Saint Mother Marguerite to serve you in the Church by teaching the young Christ's way to salvation. Inspire us by her example. Help us to follow Christ our Teacher, and lead us along with our brothers and sisters into heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Msgr. William Belford

On Friday January 23, many people will peacefully demonstrate in our nation's capital to defend the right of babies to be born without the threat and violence of an abortion. Others will pray and fast at home for people to have a change of heart and protect the unborn. But if you can, come join the positive people who MARCH FOR LIFE. Call our rectory 718 442 5412 or Blessed Sacrament 718 442 1581 to reserve your seat (\$20) on a bus leaving Blessed Sacrament parking lot at 5am on January 23. You have a chance to do a lot of good!



BABY BIN GIFTS WELCOMED TODAY

After Mass today in the vestibule, and every third Sunday of the month, donations for babies and their mothers will be collected. Thank you for helping families in need of assistance at a crucial time for their families to make a better start in life.

PARISH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR YOUR 2025 TAXES

* We are very grateful to everyone who contributes to the support of our parish, and are happy to provide you a statement of your donations to our Church for your tax purposes. **Contribution statements to parishioners who donated via WeShare have already been sent—another good reason to sign up for We Share.**

* If you asked for a contribution statement last year, you will receive your statement for 2025 by January 31.

* Other donors who want their statements are invited to write, or send an email to rectory@saintteresasi.org, or call 718 442 5412 during the week. Our Parish Manager Lisa Naughton will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your faithful weekly donations to God for our Parish Support.

*WeShare online amount was \$3,584.
Parishioners brought envelopes to Mass with contributions of \$12,930.*

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

For people among us who are worried about problems like sickness, loneliness, family fights, or financial troubles, to receive comfort and strength from their prayers and encouragement from friends, let us pray to God...



As they do on every third Sunday of the month, members of the **Legion of Mary** are receiving Holy Communion together at the 12:30 pm Mass today. If you would like to know more about the Legion of Mary, visit their pamphlet rack in the vestibule, or speak to one of the Legion Members after Mass.

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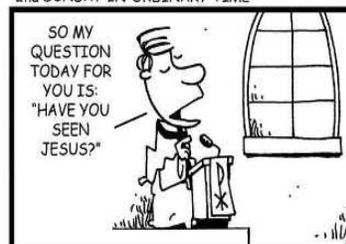


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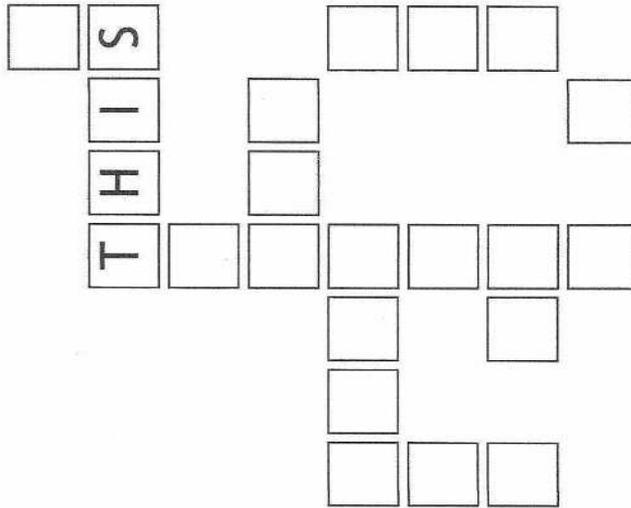
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PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

I testify that this is the Son of God.



MISSION

Read the story about the very first Passover, when God saved the Hebrews from the Angel of Death (Exodus 12).



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