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Second Sunday Ordinary Time

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends:

Saturday - 4 p.m.

Sunday - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION: LISTEN TO HIM

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life

is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that

we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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JAN. 15	SATURDAY
8:00 a.m.	Mary Jura† Carl A. Jura
JAN. 16	SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.	Philip Patrello† Cindy Gunto
10:00 a.m.	Philip Salcines† Cecilia Salcines
JAN. 17	MONDAY
8:00 a.m.	Maria Goretti Bowora of Zimbabwe† Sr. Agatha Munyanyi
JAN. 18	TUESDAY
8:00 a.m.	Tom Moloney of Ireland† Sr. Agatha Munyanyi
JAN. 19	WEDNESDAY
8:00 a.m.	Semon Prado† Phil Skvarka Jr.
JAN. 20	THURSDAY
8:00 a.m.	Ronnie Warble† Patti Warble & grandchildren
JAN. 21	FRIDAY
8:00 a.m.	Paul Aquaro† Joe & Cindy Wiethe
JAN. 22	SATURDAY
8:00 a.m.	Frank & Gen Cicholski† Gina & Dean Hoops
JAN. 23	SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.	Theresa Auitable† Veronica & Paul Auitable
10:00 a.m.	Mary Jura† Carl A. Jura

MANY THANKS TO THESE PARISHIONERS WHO PUT UP AND TOOK DOWN DECORATIONS AND TOOK FLOWERS TO SHUT-INS THIS CHRISTMAS:

Mark Hedrick Gina Hedrick Dillon Mangino
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Thankful
 Sierra Taylor Eric Fecat Heidi Fecat Theresa Reynolds
 Tex Reynolds Suzanne Artimez Bruce Artimez
 Mary Taskalines Chuck Taskalines Joanne Ray
grateful
 Linda Miller Terri Porter Sr. Agatha Sue Church
 Cindy Gunto John Niemiec Cathy Frame Roger Frame
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blessed
 Ruth Bertrand Chris McDonald Terry McDonald
 Julie Anderson Barb Yost Rose Hess

Observance Seeks Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins Tuesday, Jan. 18, with a history of more than 100 years helping Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (John 17:21)

The Church Unity Octave was first observed in 1908 and celebrated in the chapel of a small Atonement Franciscan Convent of the Protestant Episcopal Church just outside New York City. The prayer movement

caught the attention of others beyond the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Atonement to

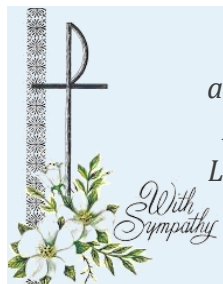
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY ECUMENICAL SERVICE
 Wednesday, Jan. 19
 12:00 p.m. Eastern (GMT-5)
 Online via Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/AtonementFriars/>

become a worldwide observance involving many nations and millions of people.

This year's theme is "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him." (cf. Mathew 2:2)

Learn more about the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity here:

usccb.org/committees/ecumenical-interreligious-affairs/international-week-prayer-christian-unity



To the family and loved ones of Alice Ralbusky, Linda Beck's mother, our heartfelt condolences.

Prayer REQUESTS

Homebound: Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Phyllis Prado.

Nursing Homes: Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Raymond Pennybacker, Mary Yanen.

Recently Sick: Joseph Grampa, Bobby Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Sami Wilson, Kathryn Ferrera, Danielle Wilson, Loretta Saporito, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Megan Freeland Roskovensky, Annalyn Liette, Mike Gardill, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Celeste Evans, Ted Scarbin, Debbie Hand, Georgia Pettit.

CALENDAR

Wednesdays 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	LINE DANCING WITH LOTTIE VFW Moundsville
Four Wednesdays Beginning Jan. 5 5:30 p.m.	UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE Church Hall
SYNODAL LISTENING SESSIONS Sunday, Jan. 16, after 10 a.m. Mass Wednesday, Jan. 19, at 7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at 2 p.m.	
Tuesday Feb. 8 6:30 p.m.	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Church Hall
BEAUTY IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER Virtual Lecture Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. RSVP to atroiani@csjoseph.org or call Anna Marie at 304 -232-8160, extension 112.	

SCHEDULES JAN. 22 & 23

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. **M. Hitt / J. Fecat**
8:00 a.m. **L. Remke / P. Remke**
10:00 a.m. **S. Taylor / L. Yoho**

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Attendance	179

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT

the diocese are preparing for the 2022-23 school year with their common application and re-enrollment period beginning in February. Schools also are preparing to welcome new students taking advantage of the HOPE Scholarship, with its application period open by March. The timeline for school application enrollment and re-enrollment is:

- Feb. 4 - Re-enrollment for current families begins.
- Feb. 11 - Application period opens for new parishioners.
- Feb. 18 - General public period begins.

Information about eligibility for The Hope Scholarship can be found at hopescholarshippwv.com.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW

could benefit from a gathering for those who are grieving, consider joining a group at St. John Fellowship Hall in Benwood Monday, Jan. 31, at 6 p.m. Facilitators are Deacon Doug Breiding and Tom and Michele McFadden. The gathering is sponsored by Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Learn more about Mt. Calvary's bereavement ministry at www.mountcalvarycemetery.org/ministries/bereavement-ministry/



THIS WEEKEND'S SPECIAL

collection benefits the Church in the Developing World, which includes work and missions throughout Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, and Africa.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.

Community Prayer

FOR THE INCARCERATED

Heavenly Father we ask you to be with the newly imprisoned, that they do not sink into despair and those who have been locked behind bars for a long time do not lose hope.

Strengthen the faith of those who struggle, that they may open their hearts and minds to your Holy Spirit. May each use this time wisely to take advantage of the opportunities provided to improve themselves, that they may be better prepared to re-enter society.

May their anxieties be calmed and they find a home and gainful employment to support themselves and family.

We ask this in the name of your Beloved Son Jesus. Amen.

THOSE WHO COLLECTED FOOD

during Advent along with our Parish School of Religion students are reminded to drop off their donations at the parish. The plan remains for PSR students to gather at the parish and sort donations for thoughtful delivery to the Feeding Body and Soul Community Kitchen. (Kitchen staff tell us they appreciate items being sorted.) Thank you, again, to everyone who participated in the Reverse Advent Food Drive. Your donations will help restock the pantry at the community kitchen after holiday demands. Please contact the office for any questions.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

REGISTRATION, CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the parish office. Please be sure to update your information when you move or change phone numbers.



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