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Third 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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Artwork: Jesus Unrolls the Book
in the Synagogue (Jésus dans la
synagogue déroule le livre)

By James Tissot (1836-1902)

<https://www.jamestissot.org>

GOSPEL MEDITATION: TURNING SADNESS TO JOY

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We must allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. Every day is a time when

fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy.

The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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JAN. 22	SATURDAY
4:00 p.m.	Frank & Gen Cicholski† <i>Gina & Dean Hoops</i>
JAN. 23	SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.	Theresa Avitable† <i>Veronica & Paul Avitable</i>
10:00 a.m.	Mary Jura† <i>Carl A. Jura</i>
JAN. 24	MONDAY
8:00 a.m.	Jayne Ross† <i>Cathy & Roger Frame</i>
JAN. 25	TUESDAY
8:00 a.m.	Mary Patrello† <i>Cathy & Roger Frame</i>
JAN. 26	WEDNESDAY
8:00 a.m.	Philip Patrello† <i>Cathy & Roger Frame</i>
JAN. 27	THURSDAY
8:00 a.m.	Christopher Remke† <i>Loretta Remke</i>
JAN. 28	FRIDAY
8:00 a.m.	Helen M. Rodriguez† <i>Doug & Helen Zacherl</i>
JAN. 29	SATURDAY (VIGIL)
4:00 p.m.	Semon Prado† <i>Chuck & Mary Taskalines</i>
JAN. 30	SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.	Roman & Veronica Komorowski† <i>Gina & Dean Hoops</i>
10:00 a.m.	Sara Walters† <i>God's Children of Love prayer group</i>

We have many weekday Mass intentions available in 2022. Mass forms are in the vestibule, on our website, or visit Sr. Agatha in the parish office any Wednesday through Friday.



Ordinary Time Ideal for Meeting Saints

Most of us know how to observe four major seasons of the Church year—Lent, Easter, Advent, and Christmas. For example, we all know that during the 40 days of Lent, we pray, fast, and give alms. But how do we observe Ordinary Time? We sometimes erroneously think that Ordinary Time is less important (ordinary) than those aforementioned seasons (extraordinary). We need to remember that the word “ordinary” is used in this context in relation to the word “ordinal” or “counted” time, meaning that during Ordinary Time, we focus on how all time belongs to Christ.

FEASTS FOR JAN. 23 - 30

- St. Francis de Sales
- Sts. Timothy and Titus
- St. Angela Merici
- St. Thomas Aquinas

Find more saints here: <https://tinyurl.com/mvkretk2>

Ordinary Time means “God’s Time.” One of the ways that we observe Ordinary Time is by focusing on the feasts and memorials of the saints and how they serve as models for us when it comes to discipleship. By getting to know the saints a little better, we grow closer to Jesus Christ. There is a wonderful harmony between the mystery of Christ and the celebration of the Saints. Ordinary Time is a great time to explore the lives of the saints on their feast days. As we follow the saints’ feast days, we can find significance in their lives that can be related to our own.

A Broken Clock, Wayward Youth, and Prayers

Some of you might have noticed the clock given to our parish by Fr. Al Driesch is no longer outside Xavier Hall. We are sad to report the clock was destroyed last week by a young adult who cuts through the lot daily on the way home from school. This person was welcomed to walk through our lot and did so for more than a year without any issues. Please say the following prayer for this young person and all who are like him that God may help them in their struggles to find purpose and usefulness in this world:

Hear this humble prayer, O God, for our troubled children, for at-risk youth that are abused, misguided and vulnerable; for children who yearn for nothing more than encouraging words and a loving touch; for any that have broken society's laws and are lost and frightened. We entreat for them Thy mercy, grace and forgiveness, and for those responsible for their care we ask hearts of compassion, gentle hands and kind words. Make us, ourselves, to be true friends to these young men and women, and so to share the blessings of the merciful. Amen.

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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
Wednesday Jan. 26 5:30 p.m.	UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE Church Hall
Monday Jan. 31 6 p.m.	BEREAVEMENT GROUP Fellowship Hall St. John's Benwood
FINAL SYNODAL LISTENING SESSION 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. 29 & 30

LECTORS / EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. D. Evans / M. Taskalines
8:00 a.m. R. Hess / J. Hess
10:00 a.m. C. King / J. Klug

ALTAR SERVERS
Please Volunteer

SACRISTY
Ruth Bertrand / Julie Anderson

OFFERING JAN. 9, 2022

Envelopes	\$2,675.00
Loose Offering	\$376.00
Church Repair	\$575.00
Xavier Hall	\$45.00
Diocesan	\$5.00
Tornado Relief	\$60.00
Christmas	\$25.00
Pennies for God	\$11.25
Solemnity of Mary	\$30.00
Online Giving	\$65.15
Attendance	193

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THANK YOU

Report suspected child sexual abuse to law enforcement or Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513.

Foundation Helps Buy Gear for County Youth

Marshall County youth who cannot afford sports equipment can now turn to a new foundation that wants to make sure every child who wants to play can. The goal of Stephanie's All-Stars is to ensure Marshall County youth who need some help get the necessary equipment. Foundation namesake Stephanie Phillips Eddy was excellent at softball and spent many days on the field with family and friends. The foundation memorializes her by working to help all youth in our county enjoy the same experience as Stephanie. Anyone can discreetly request equipment for themselves or someone else through the organization website stephaniesallstars.weebly.com. Information is there also for making monetary donations.

Stephanie's parents, Dennis and Denise Phillips, and grandparents Norman and Barb Vilkoski are members of our parish and hope everyone will spread the word!

THE DIOCESE IS COORDINATING a group to attend World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal, July 31 - Aug. 9 of 2023. Recommended ages for the trip is 18 - 35, and the cost per person will be \$3,500, which includes all expenses. Keep an eye out here for more information coming soon about this opportunity to experience the 38th year of World Youth Day!

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.

DIG THIS!

Siblings Chaz and Josie Frizzell came out on their snow day from school this week to clear



off the church parking lot. These are two young people who joyfully give service in their lives and to our parish, and we are especially grateful for it this week as we dig out from the recent storm. Many thanks to Chaz and Josie for making sure parishioners and visitors will have an easier time getting from their cars to church and other places on our campus.

Do you want a life of Heroic Sacrifice?

Is God Calling YOU to be a Priest of Jesus Christ?

Come join us for a weekend of prayer and discernment

March 5-6
Priest Field Pastoral Center
4030 Middleway Pike, Kearneysville, WV 25430

To complete an application visit WVPriests.org

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.