

January 21, 2018
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Spiritually and Physically since 1848"*

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:45 am

Holy Day - 5:15 pm



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Sacraments

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made with priest at least 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required.

Sick and Communion Call

Please keep the Church Office informed of the sick and homebound, particularly when there is serious illness.

Baptism

For details please call the Church Office.

Baptismal Preparation is required for parents.

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:00am-10:30am OR

Anytime by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Call Parish Office for information.

Parish Pastoral Council

Nov, Jan, Mar, May, 1st Sunday, after Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 pm

Call or email submissions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Believing in faith in action, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church strives to reach out to others through the joyful celebration of Word and Sacrament, embracing diversity, and working for peace, justice, and non-violence."

Parish Membership Welcome

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. *We thank God for you.* If you wish to register, please call the parish office, pick up a registration form in the pew, or complete below and place in collection basket.

Name _____ Phone No _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one:

New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Moving, remove from list

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"So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him." What did Zebedee think about all of this? His sons and his partners, James and John, suddenly left their post and followed Jesus. So there he stood in the boat with a crew of employees, but not one of his sons. We can't help but wonder whether Zebedee was in favor of this promise that his heirs would become "fishers of men." Most likely, this event was the cause of some familial tension.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus instructs us to love and serve others for the love of God. But the Lord also makes it clear that our devotion to him is meant to trump our devotion to anything-or anyone-else. For our part, we are called to allow this divine allegiance to exist in those we love, even when it means a sacrifice for us as well. Parents for example, like Zebedee, are called to encourage their children to follow the Lord's call. A son or daughter's vocation to religious life certainly exemplifies this kind of sacri-

fice for a parent who might have had a different plan in mind. But in truth every son and daughter has a vocation from God and parents have the opportunity to support and assist their children as they seek to hear and follow God's special plan for their lives.

We don't know for sure how Zebedee responded to the vocation of his sons, but we know that James and John were counted among the Twelve Apostles and that their devotion and dedication helped to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth. Regardless of what he might have thought as he stood in that boat, we can be quite sure that looking back now, Zebedee can rejoice heartily in the choice of his sons to leave their nets and follow Christ.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Teach me your ways, O Lord.

**Sunday, January 21****Sacristan:** Chuck Luther**Commentator/Petitions:** Rena Zirille**Servers:** Nathan Johnson, Noah Johnson, Brock Randolph**First Reading:** Maxine Stovall**Second Reading:** Andrea Thomas**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Chuck Luther, Jennifer Hayes, Jane Wick, Angela Greven, Alex Andorfer, Rosemary Mausser, Kate Brogan, Joanne Miller**Ushers:** Gayle Randolph, Andy Johnson, Katrina Johnson, Megan Horrell**Greeters:** Liz & John Peterson**Sunday, January 28****Sacristan:** Sue Koester**Commentator/Petitions:** Dottie Carpenter**Servers:** Michele Obioma, Michael Obioma, Nicole Obioma**First Reading:** Patrick Mitoraj**Second Reading:** Ben Clemmer**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Sue Koester, Barb Chmiel, Pat McBride, Theresa Spencer, Judy Wagoner, Maureen McCon, Maxine Stovall, Louise Yahne**Ushers:** Ken Yahne, Greg Gemperline, Angela Spencer, Joe Spencer**Greeters:** Scott & Rita Zehr

"to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven"

"a time to be born..."

"a time to love..."

"a time to be healed..."

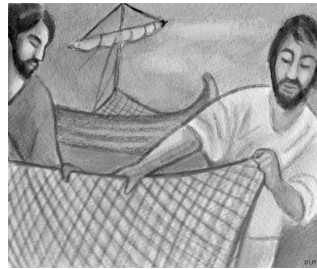
Please pray for the sick

"a time to die"

"and a time for peace."

And in our world, all people, both military and civilian who are in the midst of war, or natural disasters.

Ecclesiastes 3:1f



As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Mk 1:16-17

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

Readings for the Week of January 21, 2018

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/
Mk 1:14-20

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 [25a]/
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 [29a]/
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2
[Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17

ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM - St. Mary Mother of God Church offers this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking or savings account. To obtain the necessary form, please contact Julie Crouch at the Parish Office (jcrouch@stmarysfw.org, or 260-424-8231). You may also go to www.stmarysfw.org, click the "Donate" link, and complete the Authorization Agreement for Direct Payment form. Mail or put the form in the Collection Basket. Thank you!



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 21

10:45 am *Ron Mausser*

Sunday, January 28

10:45 am *Lawrence Endress*



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

Please mark your grocery lists for our Soup Kitchen. This week we are asking for ...RICE.

Soup Kitchen Weekend volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 -1:00 pm

Saturday, January 20: Bob & Deb H & Jim Schmidt

Sunday, January 21: Brice H & R. Fairman

Saturday, January 27: Roterex & Jordan

AVE MARIA HOUSE PANTRY: SNACKS

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Do you feel a calling to minister to our shut-ins? Please call the church office at 424-8231 or Sue Koester at 493-4282 for more information, or if you know of a parishioner who may be homebound and in need of communion brought to them.

St. Martin de Porres Society would like to thank all who helped in any way with the Christmas Giving Tree Project. God Bless You.!



The Week Ahead

Sunday, January 21

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- Pick up Baby Bottles in Gathering Space from *Mary's Kids* Return Feb. 11
- St. Martin de Porres meeting following liturgy
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Sunday, January 28

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- Second Collection is for the Church in Latin America
- First Meeting of St. Mary's Ministries Fundraiser Committee. Let's get an early start! Anyone interested may join.

VISIT OUR CATHOLIC MUSEUM

Open 10am-2pm, Tuesday through Friday

Free parking—Free Admission

Located on the lower level of the Archbishop Noll Catholic Center in downtown Fort Wayne.

Parish Announcements

CATHOLIC RADIO SUNDAY

Bishop Rhoades has designated today, the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Catholic Radio Sunday in our diocese.

He writes:

I am grateful that we have Redeemer Radio, a lay apostolate that transmits quality Catholic programming across our diocese. I am also grateful for the support you and your parish already give to Redeemer Radio. Catholic Radio reaches people whom we might never encounter in our ministry: people who are searching, people who are hungry for the truth of the Gospel, the unchurched, and Catholics who are inactive in the practice of the faith.

I believe so strongly in Catholic radio's power to evangelize that I have devoted substantial time to do a weekly broadcast on Redeemer Radio called *Truth in Charity* that airs Wednesdays at noon and Saturdays and replays Saturdays at 11 am. The show not only provides another medium to teach, it also gives me an opportunity to connect with the faithful in an approachable way, even answering questions submitted by listeners.

The Fathers of the Second Vatican Council stated, "Ample encouragement should be given to Catholic transmissions which invite listeners to share in the life of the Church and which convey religious truths" (*Inter mirifica* 14). I encourage all the faithful to listen and support Redeemer Radio, our local Catholic Radio station.

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY BABY BOTTLE DRIVE

January 21 after mass the Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne will be distributing empty baby bottles asking for help to fund their many ministries in our local area by filling your baby bottle with loose change. CCSFW is an all-volunteer 501©3 organization dedicated to serving at-risk children in our community.

If you are unable to obtain a baby bottle or find it more convenient, please consider a donation made online at christchildsocie-tyfw.org or by mailing to Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne, PO Box 12708, Fort Wayne, IN 46864.

COME AND SEE -JANUARY 29

The Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend is looking for a few faith-filled men — up to 25 of them — willing to consider beginning formation for the permanent diaconate. Deacons are ordained members of the clergy who promise to obey their bishop. All are welcome to attend one of our many "Come and See" weekends. For the full schedule, visit www.diocesefwsb.org/deacon. Those who have further questions before one of the sessions may contact Deacon Stan LeMieux at slemieux@diocesefwsb.org.

Fort Wayne address: St. Jude, Cost: FREE

TRAVEL TO NEW ORLEANS

A motor-coach trip to New Orleans benefitting ST. VINCENT DE-PAUL SOCIETY of Fort Wayne has been planned for May 20-26. Bus departs from St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church Fort Wayne. The cost is \$689 per person, double occupancy. Trip includes 6 nights lodging and 10 meals as well as guided tours of New Orleans and a Louisiana plantation, admissions to the National World War II Museum and Mardi Gras World, riverboat cruise on the Mississippi River, the New Orleans French Quarter and much more. The \$75.00 deposit (per person) due by Feb. 3, 2018. Contact Neil or Kathy Coonrod (260) 623-6708 for more information. Final payment due 3-13-18