

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JANUARY 14, 2024

Let us prepare our hearts to hear the voice of the Lord  
and give a faithful answer.

Mass Intentions for the Week  
Saturday January 13th  
NO MASS  
Sunday January 14th  
8:00 AM Ernest & Lucille Stoeger † Req by: Carol Kerscher  
1:00 PM Spanish Mass  
Thursday January 18th  
8:00 AM Rosary  
8:30 AM Doris Stoeger † Req by: Karen Schartner  
9:00-10:00 AM Adoration/Confession  
Saturday January 20th  
NO MASS  
Sunday January 21st  
8:00 AM Darrell DeMeuse † Req by: Rachel DeMeuse  
1:00 PM Spanish Mass

Serving in Christ  
January 21st  
Lector: Richard Johnson  
Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Ed  
Ushers: Dick Smith & Dale Peterson  
Sacristan: Tom Ploor

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS  
MONDAY: 1 Sm 15:16-23 / Mk 2:18-22  
TUESDAY: 1 Sm 16:1-13 / Mk 2:23-28  
WEDNESDAY: 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51 / Mk 3:1-6  
THURSDAY: 1 Sm 18:6-9,19:1-7 / Mk 3:7-12  
FRIDAY: 1 Sm 24:3-21 / Mk 3:13-19  
SATURDAY: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19-23-27 / Mk 3:20-21  
SUNDAY: Jon 3:1-5,10 1 Cor7:29-31 / Mk 1:14-20

Summary of Contributions Received  
(Treasures)  
Parish Support \$ 3,481.31  
Visitors \$ 25.00  
Online \$ 897.00



This week's spotlight  
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**COME SAY THE ROSARY WITH US!** Every Thursday at 8:00 AM. Stay and Join us for Mass at 8:30 AM



UPCOMING EVENTS  
Next Choir practice is Jan22nd, Feb 5th, & 19th, Mar 4th, & 18th, Apr 8, & 22nd. at 6:30 pm.  
All are welcome!  
“That Man Is You”  
TMIY at St Joseph Parish Hall. Call Ron White with any questions at 715-820-1704

Suffering In Christ  
If you know of anyone that is homebound and would like one of our Deacons or Father to visit and bring communion please call the office at 920-743-4842 Father and the Deacon will visit parishioners on the last Friday of the month.

A perpetual candle burns in the sanctuary by the tabernacle representing the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist at all times. The tabernacle candle is available to parishioners who wish to donate. The candle cost of \$30 a month in honor of a loved one



The **JANUARY** Tabernacle Candle  
is lit in Loving Memory of  
**JIM KERSCHER**  
Requested by: Carol Kerscher

Funeral Note  
When we have a Funeral during the week on a Mass day the Mass will be cancelled due to the Funeral.  
Funeral Masses will ordinarily be celebrated at Saints Peter & Paul Parish on Tuesdays—Fridays at 11am.

Deacon's Corner  
By Deacon Mark Bortle  
“You may have noticed that during the past weeks the church has been using different colors for our altar cloth, clergy vestments, and other church decorations. There are four liturgical colors used that were coded by Saint Pope Paul VI in the Roman rite in 1969” white, green, red and purple. In addition to these, there are other colors, such as pink and black, used in liturgical vestments for specific days or masses.

White symbolizes purity, light, glory, and joy resulting from Faith. It is particularly related to the worship of Jesus and Mary for **Easter and Christmas**. It also symbolizes the resurrection, Christ rising in exaltation of the Faith.

During **Ordinary Time** the liturgical color is green, a symbol of life, hope, perseverance and anticipation. It accompanies the daily path of clergy and the faithful.

The color purple is linked to penance, sacrifice and preparation and also mourning. It is used during **Advent and Lent**. Purple liturgical vestments can also be used at a funeral Mass where it can be replaced by black vestments.

Red symbolizes the passion of Christ and the Blood spilled in martyrdom by Him and Saints. This color is used on **Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Pentecost**.

Pink, which indicated joy and solemnity for the Third Sunday of Advent (**Gaudete Sunday**) and the fourth Sunday of Lent (**Laetare Sunday**).”

MASS MINUTES  
By Deacon Ed Winter  
We have previously noted that, at the Offertory, the celebrant or deacon will pour a drop or two of water into the wine that will be offered to God, praying, “Through the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.” We have also noted that when God said, “Let there be light” there was light and when Jesus said, “This is my Body,” and the bread became this Body. Bishop Robert Barron wrote that “...many of the Church fathers characterized the Eucharist as food that effectively immortalized those who consume it.”  
“The Eucharist, they concluded, Christifies and hence, eternalizes.” What does it mean? “It implies that the whole of one's life—body, psyche, emotions, and spirit—become ordered to ...the realm of God.” “The Christifies person knows that his life is finally not about him but about God...her treasure is to be found above not below.”  
Since the life of the risen Christ is eternal, the life which we share is eternal. St. Paul said, “It is no longer I who live but it is Christ who lives in me” (Heb. 13;14) Thanks to Bishop Robert Barron  
Next The Holy Name of Jesus.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
In the Gospel today, Jesus asks “What are you looking for?” Often, we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

When you support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust. The Society reaches out to those in need in many different ways. Through prayer, guidance, and short term financial aid we are able to extend God's love and offer hope.

**The past month your St. Joseph Conference assisted with rent, utilities, temporary lodging, auto repairs, gasoline and groceries in the amount of \$7,745. Our Vincentians also gave out many donated Christmas gifts to families in need.**

We currently are in possession of a gas stove, refrigerator and small chest freezer. If anyone knows a “friend in need” who could use any of these items please contact St. Vincent de Paul at **920-388-9644**.

**“Those who serve the poor-”our brothers and sisters”- are following God. “(Mother Teresa)**

Blessing Box  
Located on the side of Church  
We are in need of mittens, hats and gloves, & boots any cold weather items **Please no Perishable items.**  
Nancy Anderson 920-743-0216,  
Cathy Gerdmann 920-823-2934,  
Rae Ann Gosser 920-743-2781,  
Karen Haen 920-495-3197  
Pat Ploor 920-559-0352

Edge and life Teen Middle and High School Religious Education and Youth Ministry  
A big shout out to all of those who made last weekend's Confirmation Mass so beautiful! Please keep praying for the newly confirmed...their journey is just beginning. We had many discussions on what it means to be a practicing Catholic after Confirmation and many of them that were not attending Mass weekly really want to make it a priority. Please pray for them.

Edge and Life Teen this week: January 17th

We have a very special night planned: our middle and high school students will have 2 representatives from the Diocese join at Edge and Life Teen for a listening session. Our young people have a lot to say and deserve to be heard. How cool that the Diocese is coming to hear their voice?

We will meet at the same times/places. HNM will join the Edges at St. Joseph via FaceTime or Zoom!

Genesis  
Facebook Page: **GENESIS/Tri Parish Elementary Religious Education Program**

Reconciliation parent meeting  
Genesis Second Grade  
**Date:** Wednesday, January 24th  
**Time:** 5:30pm in the Faith Formation Building  
**Speaker:** Tommy Nelson—Green Bay Diocese Youth Evangelization Coordinator

**The Catholic Mass is an** amazing and rich aspect of tour faith, but it is difficult for children to engage with its language, symbolism, and miraculous nature. You can find a Catholic Kids bulletin at the entrance to church. These bulletins will help children to learn about the Sunday Mass with different activities while they grow up in our amazing faith.

**\*There is a wonderful Bible Study** every Tuesday at 10:00am at St. Joseph's Faith Formation Center. Come join Penny Biwer as she leads a reviving bible study on the weekly readings that will stir your spirit.

Option of the Poor Projects:  
Our third Genesis Service Project! Is to help St. Vincent de Paul

Wednesday, January 10th  
Bars of soap and/or Body wash

Wednesday, January 17th  
Toothpaste, toothbrushes, and mouth wash

Wednesday, January 24th  
Deodorant and Shampoo

Wednesday, January 31st  
Laundry Detergent

Wednesday, February 7th  
Toilet paper

