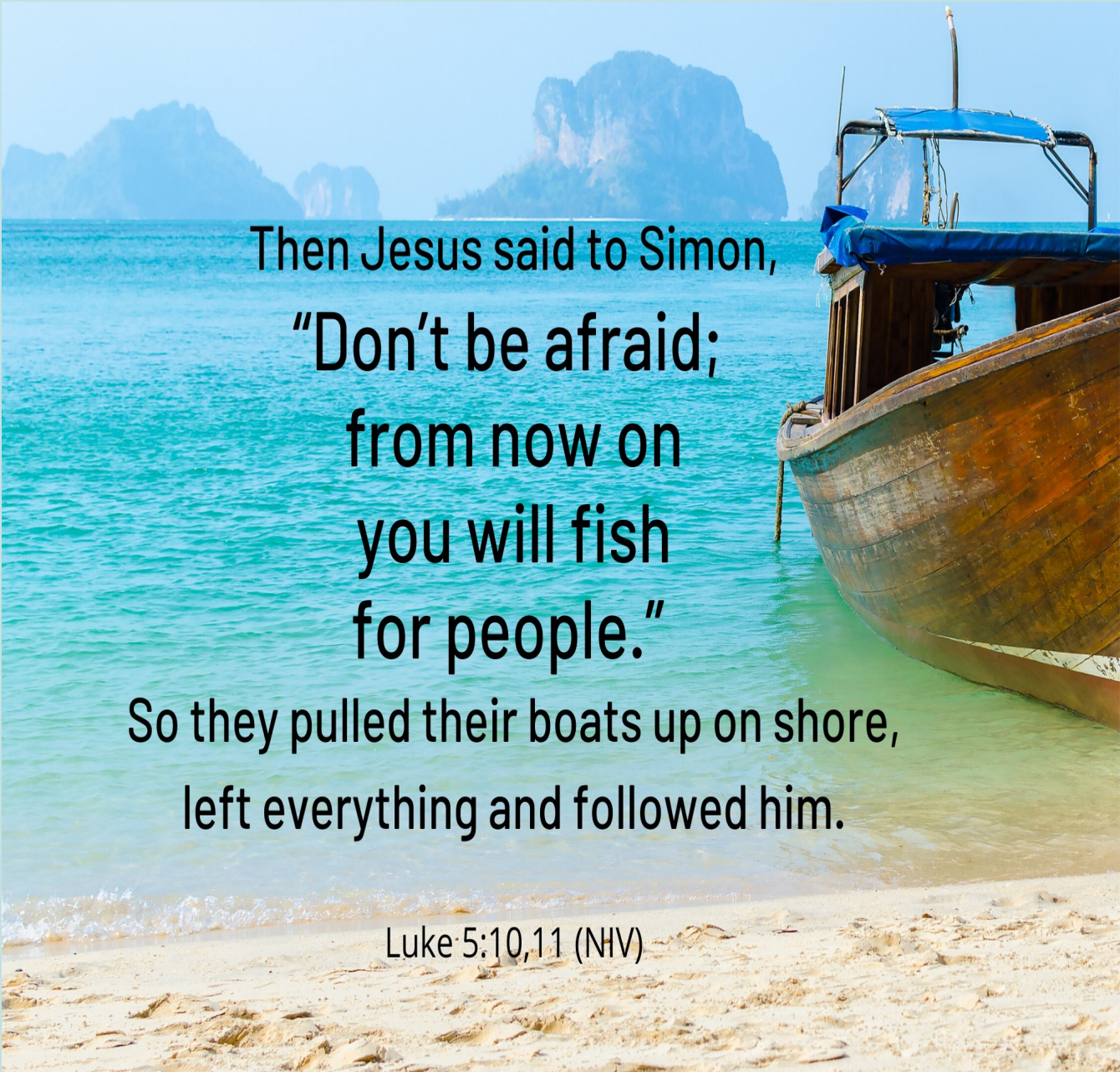


ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Rev. Tuan Van Nguyen, Pastor



Then Jesus said to Simon,
"Don't be afraid;
from now on
you will fish
for people."

So they pulled their boats up on shore,
left everything and followed him.

Luke 5:10,11 (NIV)

Sunday, February 6, 2022

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Weekend Masses-

Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am, 9am Livestream and 11am

Weekday Masses-

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri- 8:30am

Communion Service- Confession-

Wed- 8:30am

Saturday's 4pm-4:45pm in the Church

Anointing of the Sick-

Fr. Tuan is available for personal anointing at home, nursing home, hospice etc. Please call the rectory 815-467-2233.

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MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MASS INTENTION</u>	<u>FROM</u>
The Rosary will not be prayed before 8:30am morning Mass starting January 1st for the winter months.			
Saturday, February 5	5:00pm	Raymond Noel Bill Stafford Ryan Reed Anne McEvilly	Noel Family Knights of Columbus McEvilly & Reed Families
Sunday, February 6	7:30am 9:00am	Dan Caruso Lorraine Davidson Sanctity of Life	Sestak Family Joe & Carol Schmitz
Monday, February 7	11:00am 8:30am	Clementina Jimenez Lorraine Davidson	Maria Atilano Peg & Jim Furto
Tuesday, February 8	8:30am	Bill Stafford	Chuck & Carolyn Bruno
Wednesday, February 9	8:30am	Communion Service	
Thursday, February 10	8:30am	Parishioners	
Friday, February 11	8:30am	Anita Chiovatero	Lori McClintock
Saturday, February 12	10:00am 5:00pm	Anointing of the Sick Mass Bill Stafford	Bob & Robin White
Sunday, February 13	7:30am 9:00am	Dan Caruso Jerry Hannon Sanctity of Life	Sestak Family Cathy Glover
	11:00am	Larry Nelson	Cheryl Nelson & Family

This week candles were lit for :

- Leonard Bols
- Scott Tezak
- Police & Firefighters
- An end to the Corona Virus
- Sanctity of Life from Conception until Natural Death

If you would like a candle lit outside for a special intention, please call the Parish Office at 815-467-2233.



Parish Sick List

Denise Tonarelli
Kimberly Gaydula
Dylan Pickett
Paul Thien Phu
Fr. Jim Lennon
Deidra Hogan
Lonnie Barutello
Jerry Davidson
Kevin McEvilly
Lorenzo Benitez
Marlena Benitez
Kelly McCormick
Rosalie Jostes
Gerald Boucher
Matt Wehrley

Our Thoughts & Prayers are with...

Taryn Schrader
Dominic Boblak
Robyn Bumgarner
Pat Olsen
Judy Stafford
Special Intentions
Sara Lovell
Elaine Troutman
Roger Dollinger

From Fr. Tuan

Dear Parishioners,

Here is a reflection for this weekend's readings written by St. Joseph Sr. Mary M. McGlone, she serves on the congregational leadership team of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

Luke throws us into the middle of contrasts in today's Gospel. Having been roundly rejected at home in the hills of Nazareth, Jesus went down to Capernaum, about 20 miles away and with an "elevation" of about 560 feet below sea level. There, as the crowds thronged around him, Jesus must have been at least a little disconcerted that the people with whom he grew up had tried to throw him off a cliff, while he was celebrated among folks who had only recently met him.

Although Luke skips the details, we know that this was not Jesus' first appearance in Capernaum. His Nazarene relatives and neighbors knew what he'd done there and wanted him to do at least as much among them as he had in the fishing village.

But now the circumstances were all different. Instead of being in the limited space of a synagogue, Jesus was outdoors near a lake with a jostling crowd gathered to listen to him. In a move that was at least as symbolic as practical, Jesus decided to embark on Simon's boat and teach from there.

What did Jesus preach or teach? Luke only tells us that it was "the word of God." Although that may sound ordinary enough to us who regularly hear similar phrases in our liturgy, no other evangelist uses that expression to describe Jesus' teaching. For Luke, "word of God" described the originality of Jesus' teaching; it was the seed planted among the people who were uniquely blessed when they received it. (See [Luke 8:11](#) and [11:28](#).)

The seaside setting where Jesus began teaching the word of God was independent of traditional prayer spaces, outside the confines of a predefined or exclusive community, larger than his cultural/professional circle as a hill-country son of a carpenter. Perhaps that made it easier to invite fishermen to abandon the water for a life of walking from town to city and through the countryside. That invitation is the centerpiece of today's liturgy.

Continuing the contrasts, Jesus, the carpenter who worked with solid, earthy materials, finished his preaching by telling the boatmen to put out for a catch.

Trusting Jesus' person more than his expertise, Simon did so and came up with bursting nets that remind us of a resurrection story ([John 21](#)). Seeing that, Peter fell to his knees. What Jesus said and did was too much for him to deal with.

Peter's protest was one of the most self-aware things he ever said in the Gospels — and only Luke records it. Peter's awe at Jesus and his recognition of his own inadequacies gave Jesus the opening necessary to invite Peter to more.

Unlike the wealthy man of [Luke 18](#) who approached Jesus to let him know how well he had kept all of the commandments, Peter acknowledged that he had lots of room for improvement. That attitude prepared him for Jesus' invitation to transformation, to lure people with the Gospel, not just sell them the catch of the day.

In today's selection from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul tells his people to remember the power of the Gospel he preached. To explain that, he could well have cited our selection from Isaiah in which the prophet recounts being completely overwhelmed by the holiness and greatness of God.

Like Peter, Isaiah says, "Woe is me! I am a person of unclean lips!" And like Peter's, Isaiah's admission was enough to

These Gospel contrasts offer a prism through which to contemplate our Christian vocation. Luke tells us that Jesus preached the word of God: a radical, revolutionary, renovating message that communicates the seeds of unimaginable transformation.

Peter and Isaiah remind us that on our own, we are incapable of comprehending, much less spreading what we are offered. Yet, that very realization provides the opening for the grace of listening and obeying the invitation to receive and become more than we would ever hope for.

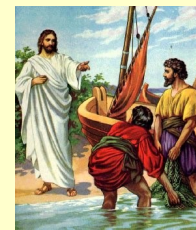
Today's Gospel reminds of what Isaiah says: The Lord of hosts calls us, not because we are like the glorious seraphim, but because we recognize our inadequacies. Let us pray for the blessing to acknowledge the great contrast between our hopes and our behavior. Then, like Peter, we can humbly appreciate the fact that we are invited into a love that will transform us into all that we can be — as long as we are willing to abandon whatever prevents us from walking humbly with our God.

As we move toward that, we will be able to say with Paul, "I am what I am by the grace of God that is with me." What a contrast!

Love and Prayers,



Fr. Tuan



February 12 & 13

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Server</u>
Saturday, Feb 12 at 5:00pm	Kathy Sabuco	Mike Healy	Jada Akroush
Sunday, Feb 13 at 7:30am	Ric Offerman	Carole Fremarek	Antonio Esquivel
Sunday, Feb 13 at 9:00am	Vic DelMastro	Erica Schramm Sydney Yunker	Molly Schramm
Sunday, Feb 13 at 11:00am	Child Lector	Jessica Folsom Jane Spray	Sarah Folsom

February 19 & 20

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Server</u>
Saturday, Feb. 19 at 5:00pm	Kathy Sabuco	Mike Healy	Brooklyn Lehner
Sunday, Feb. 20 at 7:30am	Terry Danek	Deb Bols	Bridget Phillips
Sunday, Feb 20 at 9:00am	Sue Gregory	Alice Mayr Sydney Yunker	Keighera Fleming
Sunday, Feb 20 at 11:00am	Benda Rittof	Cheryl Nelson Glenda Smith	Sarah Folsom

RE NEWS

Good Morning RE Families,

Upcoming happenings in RE!!

This week the children will attend Mass with Fr. Tuan. He will be celebrating the Second half of the Mass of Explanation. For the Second half Fr. Tuan will be focusing on the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This Mass sometimes runs a bit long so please be patient with us as we bring the children back to the parish center for dismissal.

Our 8th graders are rapidly approaching their Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to learn about their faith and what it means to be an adult in the church and future leader of the church.

Have a Blessed week,

Deacon Fred Ban
Director of Faith Formation
St. Mary's Minooka



Saint of the Week - Saint Josephine Bakhita:

For many years, Josephine Bakhita was a slave but her spirit was always free and eventually that spirit prevailed.

Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped at the age of 7, sold into slavery and given the name Bakhita, which means *fortunate*. She was resold several times, finally in 1883 to Callisto Legnani, Italian consul in Khartoum, Sudan.

Two years later, he took Josephine to Italy and gave her to his friend Augusto Michieli. Bakhita became babysitter to Mimmina Michieli, whom she accompanied to Venice's Institute of the Catechumens, run by the Canossian Sisters. While Mimmina was being instructed, Josephine felt drawn to the Catholic Church. She was baptized and confirmed in 1890, taking the name Josephine.

The first steps toward her beatification began in 1959. She was beatified in 1992 and canonized eight years later.



Anointing of the Sick and Mass – February 12th at 10 AM

Fr. Tuan will offer Anointing of the Sick and healing Mass on Saturday, February 12th. The sacrament of Anointing is not limited to those who are dying. According to the Catechism *"The anointing of the sick is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as anyone of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for him to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived"* (CCC 1514)

If you or a loved one feels the need for healing and anointing, please join us to receive the special graces offered by the sacrament, including : *the uniting of the sick person to the passion of Christ, for his own good and that of the whole Church; the strengthening, peace, and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of illness or old age; the forgiveness of sins, if the sick person was not able to obtain it through the sacrament of penance; the restoration of health, if it is conducive to the salvation of his soul; the preparation for passing over to eternal life"* (CCC 1532).



Question of the week

Question:

I'm seriously thinking about becoming a Catholic. However, I keep wondering if my time at my Protestant church was false because it's not the Catholic Church. The other day I heard a priest on the radio say that the Holy Spirit does reside in Protestant churches but that the fullness of truth is in the Catholic Church. Can you help me better understand this?

Answer:

The priest is correct. Your time at your church wasn't false. The [Holy Spirit](#) was there. All Christian truths are found in the Catholic Church—no Christian truth is missing from the Catholic Church—but the Church acknowledges that many truths are found in other “ecclesial communions.” God uses these separated churches as a means of salvation (*Dominus Jesus*). The destination of every convert's journey is “home.” That's why when a non-Catholic becomes Catholic, you'll usually hear the cheer of “Welcome home!” In the Catholic Church, there's true [Christian unity](#), one flock under one shepherd (John 10:16).



Teen Group

Hello Teen Group,

Our next meeting will be Tuesday February 8 at 7:30 pm in the Parish center. Coming soon this Summer is our trip to Steubenville. Details coming soon!!

Deacon Fred Ban
Director of Faith Formation
St. Mary's Minooka



Steubenville STL Mid-America is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. Our conference is an outreach of Franciscan University in partnership with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Office of Youth Ministry. Two conferences are held every year in July and take place on the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, MO.

Conference Dates

July 8-10 & July 15-17, 2022

Parish News



Spaghetti Dinner

**St. Mary's Knights of
Columbus
and the Youth Group**

**are sponsoring a
Spaghetti Dinner
on
Friday, February 18th,
from 5pm-7pm.
Please join us.**

St. Mary's Adult Faith Formation

The Mass
Where Heaven and Earth Meet



AFF (Adult Faith Formation) begins meeting on
Monday, January 31!

We'll meet from 4:30 to 5:30 in the evening each Monday
in St. Mary's Parish Center.

We'll meet on Zoom each Monday from 7 to 8 pm.

Check St. Mary's website for videos and the
Zoom invitation.

Join us whenever you can!
Join us, even if you've never come before!

Each session, you'll learn something new and exciting
about the sacrifice and the celebration
of the Mass!

Thank you for your blood donations

Thank you to everyone who has given blood!
St. Mary's Parish had an average of 61 donors per
Blood Drive in 2021 and had 183 products collect-
ed. Because of St. Mary's blood donations, 451 lives
were saved! Channahon just had their drive on
January 22 and they had 110 donors. 70 people
have already signed up for the next blood drive in
March. For the last 5 years, Minooka and Channahon
have been number one and number two in the
state of Illinois for Council Blood Drives!

Thank you again.



Children's Mass at 11:00am in Church



and

Donut Sunday
February 13th
from 8:00am-Noon
In the Parish Center
Please join us!

Donuts





Family Bowling

The St. Mary's Knights of Columbus is holding a bowling event on Sunday, February 27th at the Channahon Lanes. Pizza will be served at 1:30pm followed by bowling at 2:00pm. The Knights of Columbus are covering the cost for children 12 yrs. of age and under. The cost for anyone over 12 is \$10.00 per person. The \$10.00 fee includes 2 games of bowling, shoes and pizza. NO OUTSIDE DRINKS ARE ALLOWED.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2022

St. Mary's Parish Center

300 W. ST. MARY'S ST. MINOOKA, IL.

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**Hatfield Sisters
w/ Gavin Coyle & Max Dunne**

12:30pm - 3:00pm

Keigher Academy of Irish Dance

3pm - 4pm (In parish hall)

St. James Gate - Irish Rock Band

3:30pm - 6:30pm



*Live music tent on
ST. MARY'S ST.*

CCW Meeting

**Please Join Us for CCW Meeting
Thursday February 17th at 6:30pm
In The Parish Center
We will be having a presentation by
the Minooka Police Department
Followed by a brief meeting.
Hope to see you there**



Welcome to St. Mary's Church! Would you like to become a Registered Parishioner?

We are so blessed to have you with us today and every day! Our liturgies are made better by your presence and participation. We hope that you find the experience here at St. Mary's to be a warm and inspiring experience of the Eucharist and the faith that we profess.

If you are not registered and would like to be, please fill out the form below and mail it to the Parish office at St. Mary's, P.O. Box 456, Minooka IL 60447.

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____



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Mark Your Calendar
Guests are welcome

RSVP by Feb. 17th to: D. Thurman d21thurman@gmail.com or 630-642-2618

Serra February Dinner Meeting Program

Speaker: **Judy Cozzens**, Past President - United States Council of Serra International



Date: Monday February 21, 2022

Location: St. Michaels Catholic Church
310 S. Wheaton Ave, Wheaton, IL

**Enter Door # 8 of Wheaton Avenue Side of Church
Evening Program**

6:00 pm - Rosary
6:20 pm - Mass
7:00 pm - Fellowship in the Social Hall
7:20 pm - Dinner and Welcome
7:30 pm - Start of both in person & Zoom Meeting
8:00 pm - Guest speaker: Judy Cozzens

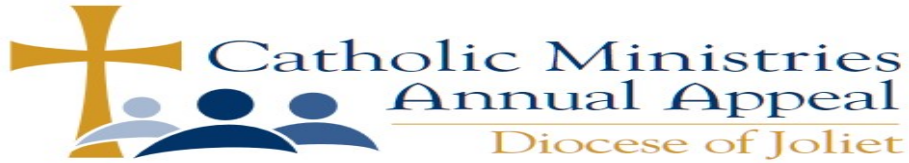
St. Mary's Music

HELP WANTED

St. Mary's is looking to hire some additional sub-musicians and sub-cantors. This is a paid professional opportunity.

Substitute musicians fill in when the music director is unavailable for weekly masses, holy days, funerals, and weddings. These masses would be scheduled with advance notice, unless there is a case of illness or emergency. Our music director works with you according to your needs and schedule.

If interested, please contact our music director, Kaleigh Mattson:
kaleigh.stmarymarysmusic@gmail.com
815-277-6363



Support the works of the Lord through the 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is now underway, and we are asking everyone to pledge their support to this important effort for our diocese, and our parish.

This year's CMAA theme, *Devoted to the Works of the Lord*, illustrates how the many ministries our annual appeal supports allow us to join together to do God's work throughout our diocese. From helping the poor and vulnerable to forming future priests and educating people of all ages in the faith, the ministries funded through your gifts are far more extensive than our parish could provide on its own.

Our parish's goal for the 2022 CMAA is \$44,600 and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office to request one.

Collection Totals for the Weekend of:		Jan 29/30, 2022		
		Collected	Online	Total
Weekly Offering		\$3,581.00	\$2,611.25	\$6,192.25
Foundation for Faith		\$5.00	\$77.50	\$82.50
Major Maintenance		\$165.00	\$168.00	\$333.00
Needy in Community		\$68.00	\$280.00	\$348.00
Latin America		\$163.00	\$10.00	\$173.00
Retired Religious		\$20.00	\$0.00	\$20.00
Solemnity of Mary		\$5.00	\$0.00	\$5.00
YTD Weekly Offering Collected		\$262,324.08		
YTD Weekly Offering Needed		\$261,372.47		

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