

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021
 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 5:00PM Francesco & Josephine
 Olmo
 10:00AM John Piccinich
 12:00PM Culleton & Kindelan
 Families

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

ST. JEROME EMILIANI &
 ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

11:00AM John Caruso

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

11:00AM Dennis Franin

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

ST. SCHOLASTICA

11:00AM Dinko & Antonia Busanic

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

11:00AM Vincent Libero

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

11:00AM Alicia Velez Claudio &
 Alfredo Bravo

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

11:00AM Beniamino Mattessich

5:00PM Margaret Carrol Donnelly

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:00AM Martin Picinic

12:00PM Donato Dasua



ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Garritano, Martire, Stancato &
 Abbate Families

SANCTUARY LAMP

For the Intentions of

Rebecca Pajar

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for this Sunday are:

Job 7:1-4, 6-7

Our time on earth is limited and
 should be well spent.

Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Praise the Lord who heals the broken
 hearted.

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Paul explains that he must preach the
 gospel in order to save some people.

Mk 1:29-39

Jesus cured Simon and Andrew's
 mother of a fever, and also cast out the
 demons of the others.

HEALING COMES AT THE END OF CHALLENGES!

Life is not always fair on us. Sometimes we go through
 challenges like Job or through sicknesses like the mother-in-law of
 Simon Peter.

Once upon a time, a ship carrying a lot of merchants got
 wrecked on the high sea. All the passengers and the entire crew
 drowned and died except one man who was luckily thrown onto an
 uninhabited island by the sea waves. After some time, he managed to
 build himself a hut by the seaside where he got minimal protection from
 the elements and wild animals. He kept praying to God for help, and
 anxiously scanned the horizon each day, hoping to see a passing ship.
 But no help came to him, and he was becoming weak and was
 gradually giving up hope for survival.

One day, on returning from his usual hunt for food where he got
 nothing, something terrible happened. He saw his hut going up in
 flames! Where the fire emanated, he could not say. "The worst has
 happened!" He cried. He was heartbroken and thought of ending his life
 instead of dying out of frustration. But again, something happened!
 Behold, a ferry emerged from a distance and started heading in his
 direction. He was shocked and overjoyed at the same time.

When the ferry finally came, the captain confirmed that they
 were seeking out bodies and properties from the wreck ago, and they
 were about to leave with the bodies and properties they recovered
 when they saw smoke from a distance and decided to come to see if
 someone was safe in the island. That was how the man was saved.
 When he lost hope and was even about to end his life, the misfortune
 of his hut that got burnt became his saving grace.

As we reflect on the word of God today, let us be conscious of
 the fact that life may be full of crossroads, but God will always make
 uncommon ways for us (Isaiah 43:19). That moment when all hope is
 lost, remember that someone truly cares about you, and that is God.
 Storms are real, but they do not last forever. Like Job, do not quit; hold
 onto God and His words, and you will win at last. Surely, Jesus would
 show up as he did in the Gospel to heal the mother-in-law of Peter and
 all who were sick.

Have a great Sunday and a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Bonnie

PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.

January 31, 2021

Sunday Collection

\$4,105.00

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'" – Mark 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes – healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Appeal directly supports various ministries and programs throughout the Archdiocese, such as evangelization efforts, Catholic education, Catholic Charities, youth and young adult ministries, retired priests, etc. **Your participation in this Campaign is vitally important. Our goal this year is \$31,700. We recently received a check for \$1,808 which represents our overage last year.** Complete a pledge envelope, located on the table at the elevator entrance, and return it to the rectory or in the collection basket. Thank you for your consideration to this Appeal.

CHRIST THE TEACHER SCHOOL

Christ the Teacher School is registering students for the 2021-2022 school year. A Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, we offer a full academic program from Pre-K to 8th grade with many additional specials such as Spanish, art, music, computers, library and physical education. We have an award-winning STEM program and a one-to-one technology initiative for grades 4-8. Students enjoy a number of clubs, activities and sports, even virtual ones this year.

We are very happy to announce a Madonna Scholarship for new students entering our school. Based on financial need and scholarship, families are encouraged to apply.

Our website is: www.christtheteacherschool.org. Tours are by appointment only. Please call 201-944-0421.

MISSALETTES FOR ORDINARY TIME-LENT

New Missalettes for Ordinary Time through Lent are on sale at the rectory for \$3.00 each. We will not be able to put the books into the pews during this pandemic. If you wish to have a book to follow along with the mass, please purchase your own. All books contain weekday and Sunday readings.

SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday Masses will be at 5:00PM on Saturday and on Sunday at 10:00AM and 12 Noon. We can now accommodate up to 150 persons at each mass. When you attend mass, you must wear a mask before you enter the Church and leave it on for the whole mass. Also, please sanitize your hands when entering the Church with the hand sanitizers found at the elevator entrance. Please do not take off or lower your mask when you approach the priest for Holy Communion. Take the Communion in your hand and step aside and lift your mask as you return to your seat.

Once again, please consider whether you are “at risk” and make a good choice about whether or not to attend mass. I remind you that the Archbishop has indefinitely dispensed all Catholics from their “Sunday obligation” so do NOT feel compelled to attend mass out of fear. If any of you is feeling “under the weather” or running a fever, we ask you please DO NOT come to the church. You may be jeopardizing the life and health of others.

CORONA VIRUS PRAYER

**Keep us good Lord,
Under the shadow of your mercy,
In this time of uncertainty and distress.
Sustain and support the anxious and
fearful,
And lift up all who are brought low;
That we may rejoice in your comfort
Knowing that nothing can separate us
from Your love.
In Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen**

MASS CANDLES, SANCTUARY LAMPS & ALTAR BREAD & WINE

Mass Candles, Sanctuary Lamps and Altar Bread and Wine are available for the year 2021. Please come to the rectory between the hours of 10:00AM-3:00PM to book any of the above items in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

MASS BOOK FOR 2021

Parishioners and non-parishioners may now book **only three more masses** for 2021. Please come to the Rectory Office between 10:00AM-3:00PM, Monday-Friday.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

If you're too busy to have a weekly date with your spouse, you may be too busy. Tonight, choose several hours next weekend that you can devote just to each other. This time the wife plans what to do, next time it is the husband's turn.

PARENTING POINTERS

February is Black History month. So how are we to understand the scripture, “Although I am free in regard to all, I have made myself a slave to all (1 Cor 9:19)? Who wants to be a slave? Isn't parenting a form of being a slave to the needs of your child?

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Ann Callagher, Caroline Craven, Felicia Martello, Arianna Cappola, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Cora Shaffer, Baby Michael, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Doris Portillo, Teresita Zafra-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate, Tatiana Flores, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Sean O'Connor, Vladimir Drobikov, Louanne Mitchell, Colleen Meyers, Domenick Deodino, Rosemarie Liversidge, Christine Caruso, Patrick Bove, Camille Moglia, John Keegan, Kay O'Connor, Anthony Martini, Pantaleon Domingo, Conrado Trinidad, Joanne Kaiser, Patricia Warren, Ramon Villavicencio, Danilo Bonifacio, Daniel Johnson, Ryan Cariddi, Laura Cipullo, Richard Allen, Anthony Martello, Jr., Miguel Madera, Joe Villani, Lisa Mutchler, Elizabeth Chan, Benjamin Yap, Henry Yap, Anthony McCluskey, Jane Kim Estantino, Mike Hromin, Nancy Manto, Roy Regaspi, Gloria Marquez, David Barmore, Drew Johnson, Kunaim Emelyanesko, Kathy Santiago, Vinny Franco, Baby Grayson DiNatale, Kathie Gumb, Michael O'Connor, Patrick Shanley, Rev. John Renard, Louise O'Connor, Cathleen McLaughlin, Fran Barbato, Jared Lanzaloto, Joel Rivera, Angelina Cozzitorto, Joseph Kirincich, Lucy D'Ambrosio, Steven Skific, Baby Luca, Eileen Palazzo, Rosalind Yap, Barbara Curran, Dorothy Waldy.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Cynthia Killen.

**“THE ACTIVITY YOU'RE
MOST AVOIDING CONTAINS
YOUR BIGGEST
OPPORTUNITY!”**

