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Next Sunday's Readings

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2018

Sunday, January 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **TH** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **PF** Griffin Gearhart from Suzie Shafitz & Marianne Kluesener

12:00 **TM** Ray Pharo and Family

Monday, January 22

12:10 Leo Sunderman from Judy Dyer

Tuesday, January 23

12:10 James Michael Gangloff from the Family

Wednesday, January 24

Saint Francis deSales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:10 Poor Souls in Purgatory from the Sieber Family

Thursday, January 25

The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

12:10 Blanche Gerstner from Carol and Larry

Friday, January 26

Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops

12:10 Mark and Mimi London (Special Intention) from Rick and Beth Schimpf

Saturday, January 27

Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder

12:10 Thomas Arthur Loeffler from Patricia Loeffler

7:00 **BW** Robert Hollars from Carol and Larry

Sunday, January 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **BW** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **BW** Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams from Mike and Mary Clauder

12:00 **BW** Jim Kuszewski

January 28th we will have our annual collection for **Pregnancy Center East**. Since 1982, Pregnancy Center East has been assisting families in Greater Cincinnati through services such as pregnancy testing and ultrasounds, adoption information, mentoring for men, parenting education, post-abortion care, and material assistance. Ushers will be at the doors of church following Mass to collect donations. Thank you for your generosity.

Aiden Matthew Rinesmith, Harvey Williams Coates and Stella Elizabeth Ciotti were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community January 14th here at St. Rose Church.

You should have received your 2017 charitable contribution letter from St. Rose Church. If you find any discrepancies or have a change of address please call the office.

We feel it is important to celebrate anniversaries. If you and your spouse are celebrating your 25th, 50th or 60th anniversary in 2018 please call the office.

You are invited to join Fr. Barry for a **10-day trip to Italy** next fall, October 2-12, 2018 for five days in Florence and five days in Rome with side trips. The brochures are here and we will gladly send you one.

2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Today begins the annual Catholic Ministries Appeal throughout the archdiocese. The CMA provides vital funding to six local ministries. These ministries include:

- **St. Rita School for the Deaf**
- **Our Retired Archdiocesan Priests**
- **Campus, Hospital and Prison Ministries**
- **Our Seminary and Vocations work at the Athenaeum of Ohio**
- **Catholic Charities & Social Services; and**
- **New Evangelization programming**

More information about the CAM will be arriving in the mail over the next few days. We invite you to prayerfully consider making a gift to this year's CMA. Our goal this year is \$33,853.00. Thank you for your support.

Would you like to remember St. Rose in your will? It is one way to say thank you for the many things for which you have been given.



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,
direct our actions according to your good pleasure,
that in the name of your beloved Son
we may abound in good works.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Cycle B means we are reading primarily from the Gospel of Mark, even though last week we read from the Gospel of John, and heard about the call of the first disciples, Andrew, and an unnamed disciple. This week we have a different version, Mark's version, of the call of the first disciples. Though Andrew is still part of the story, we do not have the "unnamed disciple" from the Gospel of John. There are some significant differences between last week's story and this. For one, in last week's story Andrew and his companion were initially followers of John the Baptist. After the Baptist pointed out Jesus, they began to follow him. In Mark's story Jesus is walking along the Sea of Galilee when he calls the brothers Simon and Andrew. They abandon their nets and follow him. He then calls the brothers James and John, sons of Zebedee. All four become Jesus' followers that day, whereas Zebedee is left holding the net!

The story is certainly idealized for dramatic effect; we only need to look at the Gospel of John to see another version of Andrew and Peter being called by Jesus. But what is Mark telling us by narrating the story the way he does? Certainly that these first disciples left everything in a single-minded pursuit of Jesus. As such, they represent the ideal. Still, as we will learn throughout this gospel, the disciples did not often live up to that ideal. And perhaps this is another lesson of Mark's story. Our beginnings can be filled with such idealism, promise, and pure-hearted devotion. Only later will "reality" begin to sink in and our failings and shortcomings become apparent, as they no doubt will with the disciples.

Closing Prayer

Timeless and eternal God, help us to realize that your gift of time is not the end or limit of this life but the pathway to the complete and perfect life of the risen One, in whose name we pray. Amen.



For Reflection:

• Is the initial joy and devotion of giving my life to the Gospel still animating me today? Why or why not?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the opening prayer (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect");
2. One person read aloud the gospel;
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer;
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection";
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested,
Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the
gospel of God:

"This is the time of fulfillment.

The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent, and believe in the gospel."

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."

Then they abandoned their nets and
followed him.

He walked along a little farther
and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and
his brother John.

They too were in a boat mending their nets.
Then he called them.

So they left their father Zebedee in the
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along with the hired men and followed
him.

Readings for the week:

3rd Sunday in Ord. Time Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-6, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20	Monday 2 Sam 8:1-7, 10 Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 Mark 3:22-30	Tuesday 2 Sam 8:12b-15, 17-19 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 Mark 3:31-35	Wednesday 2 Sam 7:4-17 Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 Mark 4:1-20	Thursday Conversion of St. Paul Acts 22:9-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Mark 16:15-18	Friday 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 Mark 4:35-34	Saturday 2 Sam 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mark 4:35-41	4th Sunday in Ord. Time Deut 18:15-20 Ps 82:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mark 12:1-28
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