

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

5:15 PM OPEN INTENTION

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Albert J. Marchetti, Sr., and Flora & Alfred DeSimone (Rem.),
By daughter and grandchildren

11:30 AM Leo Bonisese (Rem.),
By family
Rose and Albert Scorpio (Rem.),
By family

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

9:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

9:00 AM Albert Cournoyer (Birth.),
By Claire and Lillian
Joseph D'Ercole (Birth.),
By Lucille

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

9:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 AM NO SCHEDULED MASS TODAY

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

9:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

5:15 PM David and Ann Narciso (Rem.),
By Liz Januskiewicz

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

8:00 AM Alexander Gonsalves Veiga (Birth.),
By family

10:00 AM Louise Simonson (3rd Ann.),
By family

11:30 AM John and Matilda Mancini (Ann.),
By family

Meditation for the Day

We are so made that we can only carry the weight of twenty-four hours, no more. If we weigh our self down with the years behind and the days ahead, our back breaks. God has promised to help with the burdens of the day only.

If we are foolish enough to gather again that burden of the past and carry it, then indeed we cannot expect God to help us bear it.

So forget what lies behind and breathe in the blessing of each new day.

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

January 19, 2020

**How precious is the Chalice
that quenches my thirst!**

Borrowed from Paul Turner

A Light to the Nations

Imagine God telling you, "Job well done! Congratulations!" How proud we would be to know that God's favor had rested on us.

Imagine God saying next, "Because you did so well with this task, I want to give you something more to do." Would you gulp in apprehension? Would you calmly accept the new directions? Or would you take on the new task with excitement?

In Isaiah's prophecy, God tells Israel, "You are my servant." These words comforted the chosen people because it reminded them that God proudly kept their friendship. But God went on. "It is too little for you to be my servant. ... I will make you a light to the nations." Ancient Israel would show not just their own people but also other nations how to walk in the light of God.

For Christians, this prophecy points ahead to Jesus, who became known as God's servant at his baptism. Jesus won God's pleasure as the longed-for Messiah. But God asked for something more—for Jesus to save all the nations. Jesus opened wide God's doors of salvation. He accepted God's task.

What about you? What task have you done that makes God proud? Is God asking you for something more? What might that be?



MASS INTENTIONS

(Call for additional Mass availability)

The following dates and times are available

MONDAY	JANUARY 27	9:00 AM
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 2	8:00 & 11:30 AM
TUESDAY	FEBRUARY 4	9:00 AM

A FAMILY OF Faith

Phone: 232-9321 E-mail: srbccd2020@gmail.com

Monday 1/20/2020 9th and 10th grade no class

Tuesday 1/21/2020 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade

Wednesday 1/22/2020 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade



The ministry of John the Baptist prepared for and pointed to the ministry of Jesus. In a similar way, our lives are to offer testimony to who we know Jesus to be for us and for the world. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. How does the witness of our lives give testimony to the reconciling presence of Christ?

As a family, identify as many titles for Jesus as possible, such as Lamb of God, Son of God, Prince of Peace, and so on. Talk together about what these different titles mean and what they tell you about Jesus. Then read together today's Gospel, John 1:29-34.

Consider how John the Baptist gives testimony to who Jesus is. Talk about what people might come to know about Jesus by observing your family life. Pray together that your family life will show others that Jesus is the Son of God, the lamb who takes away the sins of the world. Pray the Lord's Prayer. – Loyola Press

OUTREACH and EVANGELIZATION

Because the term ordinary in English most often means something that's not special or distinctive, many people think that Ordinary Time refers to parts of the calendar of the Catholic Church that are unimportant. Even though the season of Ordinary Time makes up most of the liturgical year in the Catholic Church, the fact that Ordinary Time refers to those periods that fall outside of the major liturgical seasons reinforces this impression. Yet Ordinary Time is far from unimportant or uninteresting.



Ordinary Time is called "ordinary" not because it is common but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word ordinalis, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word ordo, from which we get the English word order. Thus, the numbered

weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

It's appropriate, therefore, that the Gospel for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (which is actually the first Sunday celebrated in Ordinary Time) always features either John the Baptist's acknowledgment of Christ as the Lamb of God or Christ's first miracle—the transformation of water into wine at the wedding at Cana.

Thus for Catholics, Ordinary Time is the part of the year in which Christ, the Lamb of God, walks among us and transforms our lives. There's nothing "ordinary" about that! - ThoughtCo. "What Ordinary Time Means in the Catholic Church." Learn Religions, Sep. 21, 2019, learnreligions.com/ordinary-time-in-the-catholic-church-542442.

Peace, Dina

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, ROSARY FOLLOWING 8:00 **AM** MASS
IN THE UPPER CHURCH

WEDNESDAY, AAGROUP MEETING AT 7:00 **AM**
IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY WEDNESDAY)

FRIDAY, AA AT 8:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL
(EVERY FRIDAY)

FRIDAY, NA GROUP MEETING AT 10:00 **PM** IN
THE CHURCH HALL

DAILY READINGS

Sunday Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Monday 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

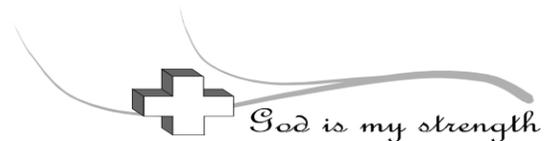
Wednesday Lectionary for Ritual Masses, vol. IV
"Mass for Peace & Justice", nos. 887-891

Thursday 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

PRAYER CHAIN
Call: Jan Zarrella (274-6576) or
Charon Souza (231-3962)



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT
OF OUR
FOOD SHELF!**
We are in need of the following items:
Canned Ravioli
Jelly
Jarred Pasta Sauce
Boxed Pasta
\$10.00 STOP & SHOP OR PRICE RITE
GIFT CARDS ARE ALWAYS
WELCOME
Thank you for your generosity!

40-WEEK CLUB 2020



OUR MAJOR FUND RAISER

Tickets are available starting this weekend. Call
Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603
All payments must be Up-To-Date to be eligible – Thank you for your support!



Community Outreach Ministry

Our outreach ministry has been successful this year because of your generosity

Since the need for warm clothing is great, we will continue to collect them during the winter months. We have distributed all of our prayer shawls, lap blankets, hats, scarfs and gloves so please continue making them. All the hand crafted items we have received have been beautifully made. We continue to count on your support of this ministry.

With grateful hearts, Carolyn & Marge

Volunteer as an Usher at McVinney The commitment may be small, but the impact is great! Our ushers are integral in providing a welcoming experience to everyone who comes through the doors of McVinney! And: ushers get to enjoy events at McVinney for FREE! Bring a friend (or more!), volunteer together and enjoy the show!

Please note that you must be 18 years or older to volunteer at McVinney and every McVinney volunteer requires a BCI through the Diocese of Providence. McVinney will assist in expediting all BCI's. More at www.mcvinneyauditorium.com.

THE SIGN OF PEACE

During this season of Colds and Flu we should be mindful of each other's well-being and during the Sign of Peace at Mass nod or smile at our neighbor rather than shaking hands.

SAVE THE DATE!!! Saint Philip School will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 26th, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Please join us for a special Catholic Schools Week Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Saint Philip Church in Greenville, followed by the opportunity to visit and tour our school campus. We empower students, 3 years old through 8th grade, to use their God-given gifts to help others as we teach truth, build community, and inspire service. We welcome you to come, enjoy refreshments, and chat with the parents, faculty and staff of Saint Philip, to find out for yourself how we strive to make a *DIFFERENCE* for your child!

Bone Builders is an innovative program designed to promote bone health and overall well being for both men and women. Classes are operating on a donation of \$2 per class. Classes are held in the church basement on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:30. All are welcome!!

You are invited to to serve as Christ did by joining fellow parishioners at MaryHouse meal kitchen, housed at St. Patrick's church and school in Providence. Please contact Terry Novak if you are able to serve on any of the following dates. Email is preferred--terrynovak57@msn.com--but you may also call 331-7075. (Volunteers must be at least 14.)
January 20 (MLK Day; 3:30-6:00 p.m.)

- February 24 (3:30-6:00 p.m.)

Grateful for God's Providence St. Robert Bellarmine CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

We are still making progress toward reaching our goal. To all the families who made their commitment, we want to extend a special "Thank You!" for joining the other members of our parish family who have committed to this campaign. **This brings our total participation to 220 families. Our current pledge total is \$374,184!!**

Thank you for your support!

If you have not participated to date, please help us build on this success and reach our goal!

Our goal of \$423,714 is within reach!

The Rectory and CCD Offices will be closed on Monday, January 20th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Things to Give

Today, I pray I may give:
To my enemy: Forgiveness.
To my opponent: Tolerance.
To my customer: Service.
To a friend: Kindness.
To all people: Charity.
To my family: My heart.
To every child: A good example.
To myself: Respect.
To GOD: LOVE
With all my heart,
With all my soul,
With all my mind.

Believe more deeply. Hold your face up to the Light, even though for the moment you do not see.

— Bill Wilson co-founder of

A.A.

At times, we go through pain and hardship. At times, we all have doubts. At times, we get angry and think we just don't care anymore. These things can spiritually blind us. But this is normal. Hopefully, we'll be ready for those times. Hopefully, we will have friends who will be there for us.

Thank God for these moments! Yes, hard times can make our spirits deep and strong. ...These moments help us grow and change. Spirituality is about choice. To be spiritual, we must turn ourselves over to the care of the One Alone who has all Power.

Prayer for the Day

O God, help me find You in my moments of blindness. This is when I really need You the most.

Today's Action

Today I'll get ready for the hard times ahead by listing friends who will be there for me.

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The schedule for Weekday Masses beginning in January will be as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 9AM. Mass will be cancelled whenever Johnston Schools has a cancellation or delay of classes due to inclement weather. Any intention scheduled will be added to Fr. Richard's daily prayers.