

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 January 24, 2021
 The kingdom of God is at hand.
 Repent, and believe in the gospel.
 — Mark 1:15

A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing “by their actions” how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns. Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, “The world in its present form is passing away” (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live “as though” they aren’t doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned. Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, “The kingdom of God is at hand!” (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned. Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn’t a new day dawn today for us as well?

Mass Intentions



Sat., Jan. 23, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Huval Family, Louis Perschall Sr., Nick Sita, Ruthi Olson, Clayton Hotard, Virgil and Ethel Baham, Sandra English, Althea Rita Gernard **and for the living:** Special Intention, Karge Family, Joy Guidry, Theresa Wilfert, Kelly Constanza, Wayne Penney, Stephanie Penney, Drew Penney, and Sydney Penney

Sun. Jan. 24, 7:30 a.m. Frank Minyard, Margaret Mary Mule’, Eddie Arndt, Ralph Carlin, Gloria Fabre, Arthur Ory, Marlya White, Carol Pieri, Maude Dietrich, Laurie Lee Kent **and for the living:** Janice Roussel, Barry Groomer, Jason Stein, Edward Carlin, Sal Mule’ and Matthew Carlin

Sun., Jan. 24, 9:15 a.m. Fr. Vincent Phan (L)
 Sun., Jan. 24, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners
 Mon., Jan. 25, 8:00 a.m. Tom & Louise Cashmere (L)
 Tues., Jan. 26 NO MASS
 Wed., Jan. 27, 8:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon
 Thurs., Jan. 28, 8:00 a.m. Julia Reed
 Fri., Jan. 29, 8:00 a.m. Betty Jane Guidry (L)

AYER LIST

Rosalind Baham	Ryan Ware
Fred Kopfler	Louise Cashmere
Kenneth Vicari	Yolanda Bourgeois
Roy M. Piazza	LeLe Kopfler
Catherine Atkins	Roxanne Troxclair
Debra Vandendorre	Walter Boroughs

Weekly Collections

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THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary:	Jason Stein
Blessed Mother:	Ethel Baham
St. Joseph:	Virgil Baham
St. Anne:	Janelle Armstrong

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7-day candle please call 796-3806.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS ARE IN MEMORY OF

Virgil and Ethel Baham



Please Pray for **Gene Grabbe**, husband of Mary Helen Grabbe and **Patrick Marchand**, father of Belinda Schoendorf, who entered peacefully into eternal rest. Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. [John 11:26]

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS LET US PRAY,

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power, and we are dependent on you. We place ourselves in your loving hands. Give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Place your healing hand on those who are ill and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Calm our fears and help us to trust you as our faithful God. Enlighten our government and Church leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give blessing to those in health care and protect them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor hasten to help us. Blessed Francis Seelos, pray for us. **AMEN**

100TH ANNIVERSARY

Our 100th Anniversary as a parish is quickly approaching. Flowers will be placed on the altar next week to commemorate kickoff of this event. Next week a commemorative banner will be placed on the front of St. John's Church. Planning for this event has been going on for quite some time prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Early planning had to be put on the back burner due to State and Archdiocesan restrictions on large gatherings. Currently planned for June 13, 2021. The Archbishop scheduled to say mass at 11 a.m. with a reception following. Covid 19 may alter or eliminate these plans altogether. More to come.

PSR NEWS

Public OR private school students currently in the 10th or 11th grades seeking to make the Sacrament of Confirmation this coming fall need to register for Confirmation prep class no later than May 1, 2021. There will be two classes held in May and June. Any questions, please email Amanda.stjohnfolsom@gmail.com or call the office.

FISH FRIES ARE BACK!

The Knights of Columbus Fish Fries are on for each Friday in lent. Because of Covid19 the fish fries will be **DRIVE THRU TAKE OUT ONLY.** More information to come.

January 31st, after 7:30 a.m. mass, the Knights of Columbus will lead The Rosary in Jonathan Hall.

POPE FRANCIS'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

Human Fraternity: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

FEAST OF FAITH The Penitential Rite

Standing together in the presence of the Lord, we acknowledge our weakness, our sins and faults and failings. But the penitential rite is really less about our sins than it is about God's mercy. It is not a time for individual confession, like a mini-sacrament of reconciliation. It is, rather, a preparatory rite, preparing us to praise the mercy of Christ as we acknowledge our own weakness. When Simon Peter witnesses the miraculous catch of fish—when he realizes who is in the boat with him—he falls at Jesus' feet with the words, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8). We are like Peter. The more aware of the Lord's presence we become, the more awareness we also have of our sinfulness, our weakness.

The penitential rite of the Mass takes several forms, from the traditional Confiteor or "I confess" to a litany, spoken or sung by the deacon or cantor with responses by the entire assembly. The penitential rite always includes the words Kyrie, eleison; Christe, eleison—Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy. This ancient Greek prayer came to the Roman liturgy from the East, and still echoes in many of the litanies of the Eastern Rite Churches. These words turn our gaze from our own weakness to the gentleness, the kindness, the forgiving love of Christ.

REMINDERS

PSR Classes, Wednesdays, 6:15 – 7:30 a.m., Jonathan Hall and Office Classrooms

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

First Friday Adoration Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus meeting, Thurs, Feb 11th 7 p.m.

Weekly Wednesday Evening Adoration, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday night Adoration, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Church.

Biblical Walk through the Mass DVD, Tues., 7-8:15 p.m. or Wed., 9:30-10:45 a.m. in Odilo Hall

On Monday, January 25th at 9:00 a.m. in Odilo Hall, our Church history class will continue our study of the time period, Protestors and Defenders, focusing on the relationship between Pope Julius II and Michelangelo. We will do this by viewing the classic movie, "The Agony and the Ecstasy." The movie is 2 hrs. and 20 mins. long so there will be no discussion afterward.