

ST. LAMBERT PARISH
Proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord

*He approached, grasped her hand,
and helped her up.*

Mark 1:31

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
February 7, 2021

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8am, 10am, 12pm

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3:30 pm

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 St. Lambert Parish - Skokie, IL

Baptisms: Third Sundays of the month at 1:30 pm. For guidelines and more information please speak to Deacon Chick after mass.

To Register as a Parishioner:
Go to stlambert.org under %about Us+

Have you heard the GREAT news?

Chicago has one less abortion clinic!

Our friends at the Pro-Life Action League confirmed Friday that the Milwaukee Ave. Family Planning Associates is CLOSED.

For the past few years, our staff and volunteers have taken part in 40 Days for Life Chicago at this location. Our ultrasound van would park in front and prayer warriors, including Joe and Ann Scheidler, would pray on the sidewalk.

This was the closest abortion clinic to The Women's Centers' Cicero Avenue office location. This is the second abortion clinic this office has outlasted!

This news encourages us to remain vigilant in our efforts to intercede to help women and save lives.

As Joe Scheidler often said, *Oratio et Labora!* - Pray and work!+

Thanks to all of you who have prayed, fasted and provided sidewalk counseling over the years to help women choose life.



The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland
5116 N Cicero Ave
Chicago, IL 60630-2425



Offertory envelopes will be available for pick up after mass next weekend in Roberts hall.

We ask for your patience as we need to keep social distancing.

END OF YEAR GIVING STATEMENTS

ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT FOR 2020

Parishioners may request a year end statement for their contributions to St. Lambert for the calendar year 2020. Please call the parish office or email Debbie at debbie.stlambert@aol.com.

Leave your name, envelope number and address and your statements will be mailed to you.

Please note: no statements will be sent automatically, so we request that you contact us if you would like to receive yours!



The Retrouvaille Program is for Married Couples Facing Difficult Challenges in their Relationship

- A Marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship.
- A Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend.
- Primarily a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect.

Presenters are not trained marriage counselors, but rather couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.

The Challenge of Marriage in Today's Society

This program is for couples with marital problems that want marriage help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille Program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship.

Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program.

Many lawyers and judges send couples to Retrouvaille as a prerequisite to filing for a divorce or rendering final decisions.

Many marriage counselors and family therapists send their clients to Retrouvaille as a prerequisite to counseling. These professionals know that the tools of communication in marriage taught in the program are often what couples need.

The Retrouvaille program is for husbands and wives and is not designed nor intended for couples in a co-habiting relationship.

See the Retrouvaille website for future retreat opportunities <https://www.helpourmarriage.org/>



Sunday Offertory Collection

January 30—February 5, 2021

Sunday Envelopes:	\$1,708.00
Loose:	169.00
Sunday Mail In:	300.00
GiveCentral:	<u>745.00</u>
Total:	\$2,922.00



Thank you for your continued support!

For other ways to have your donation come directly to the parish please email or call Debbie.

Saint of the Day for February 10

Saint Scholastica

(c. 480 . February 10, 542)

Saint Scholastica's Story

Twins often share the same interests and ideas with an equal intensity. Therefore, it is no surprise that Scholastica and her twin brother, Benedict, established religious communities within a few miles from each other.



Born in 480 of wealthy parents, Scholastica and Benedict were brought up together until he left central Italy for Rome to continue his studies.

Little is known of Scholastica's early life. She founded a religious community for women near Monte Cassino at Plombariola, five miles from where her brother governed a monastery.

The twins visited each other once a year in a farmhouse because Scholastica was not permitted inside the monastery. They spent these times discussing spiritual matters.

According to the *Dialogues of St. Gregory the Great*, the brother and sister spent their last day together in prayer and conversation. Scholastica sensed her death was close at hand and she begged Benedict to stay with her until the next day.

He refused her request because he did not want to spend a night outside the monastery, thus breaking his own Rule. Scholastica asked God to let her brother remain and a severe thunderstorm broke out, preventing Benedict and his monks from returning to the abbey.

Benedict cried out, "God forgive you, Sister. What have you done?" Scholastica replied, "I asked a favor of you and you refused. I asked it of God and he granted it."

Brother and sister parted the next morning after their long discussion. Three days later, Benedict was praying in his monastery and saw the soul of his sister rising heavenward in the form of a white dove. Benedict then announced the death of his sister to the monks and later buried her in the tomb he had prepared for himself.

Reflection

Scholastica and Benedict gave themselves totally to God and gave top priority to deepening their friendship with him through prayer. They sacrificed some of the opportunities they would have had to be together as brother and sister in order better to fulfill their vocation to the religious life. In coming closer to Christ, however, they found they were also closer to each other. In joining a religious community, they did not forget or forsake their family but rather found more brothers and sisters.

Saint Scholastica is the Patron Saint of: Nuns



Please Make Your Gift to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to "Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world." This is especially important during these trying and challenging times. Many in our parishes are affected financially by the pandemic, and we encourage giving at all levels to support this initiative.

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Annual Catholic Appeal funds services in our own parish. For example, Appeal funds support St. Lambert.

When we financially support the work of our parish, our archdiocese and the Catholic Church throughout the world, we experience a feeling of deep gratitude, especially when we contemplate God's many gifts to us personally. By sharing our wealth through gifts to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal, we demonstrate our commitment to the Church and each other.

- Ways to Donate are ...
- Envelope (pre-addressed) . available in back of churches
- Online at annualcatholicappeal.com

~ Telephone . Annual Catholic Appeal . 312.534.7959

~ Mail to . Annual Catholic Appeal, 835 North Rush St. Chicago, Illinois 60611-2030

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Spending Time with God



In today's Gospel reading, Our Lord went to Simon and Andrew's house, where He spent the evening healing the sick and casting out demons.

But early the next morning before the sun came up He went away into the wilderness to pray.

At first we wonder why Jesus would have to pray- He is God, after all! But He was also human so He needed to take some time to be with His Heavenly Father. And that is what real praying is- it's being with God and talking to Him and listening to Him.



Like Jesus, we also need to spend time with God. Even if we are always doing His work, like helping people or studying His truths, we still need to take some time to talk with Our Father in Heaven. Starting today, take a few minutes every day to go to a quiet place and talk with God.

www.thekidsbulletin.com



Jesus healed Peter's Mother-in-law

Matthew 8:14-15, Mark 1:30-31, Luke 4:38-39

When Jesus came into Peter's house, he saw Peter's mother-in-law lying in bed with a fever. He touched her hand and the fever left her, and she got up and began to wait on him.

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