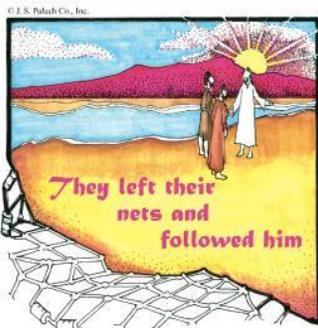


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January 22, 2023

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Today's Scripture Readings

**FIRST READING:** The burdens that were once laid upon the people have been vanquished  
(Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

**PSALM:** The Lord guides and saves me (Psalm 27).

**SECOND READING:** Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you. (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

**GOSPEL:** After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee teaching, proclaiming the gospel, and curing the people (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

### **LITURGICAL REFLECTION: OUR STRATEGIC GOAL**

As a Church, we now move into Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" comes from the Latin root for "order," which is why we line the Sundays up on the calendar and count them—with "ordinal" numbers—one by one. The orderly way we proceed through the liturgical year reminds us that our faith offers a strategic goal for our lives: eternal happiness with God, who is love. Today's readings share stories of believers who order their daily activities toward the goal of sharing God's love. Isaiah embraces his role as God's servant and works to bring glory not only to Israel, but to the entire world. In a similar way, Saint Paul identifies himself as Christ's witness in the world and reminds the Corinthians of their life goal: "to be holy." The Gospel shows us John the Baptist, servant and witness, attentive to God's loving orders, the divine plan for salvation.

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### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Saturday, Jan 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday, Jan 29<sup>th</sup></b>
Lector:	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Linda Lopez

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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> - Jan 29<sup>th</sup>)

MON	01/23	7:00AM . . . .	Sr. Mary Elizabeth of the Trinity O.C.D
TUES	01/24	7:00AM . . . .	Intention Dantis
WED	01/25	7:00AM. . . +.	Anna Christian - (Husband, Bob)
THURS	01/26		NO MASS
FRI	01/27	7:00AM. . . +.	(B) Archie Labarko - (Trish & Mike)
SAT	01/28	5:30PM . . . +.	Mary Jane Zupan - (Ardel Milko & Deborah White)
SUN	01/29	9:00AM . . . +.	Theresa Ryba - (Bernadine Mishler)

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**Stewardship Reflections:**

We are reminded through the Gospel of Matthew that by virtue of our Baptism, we, who were once in the darkness of original sin, have been reborn into the great light that is God's grace in us. We are cherished members of God's family. What a privilege! Yet, with this privilege comes the responsibility to actually live for God and to bring His Good News to all those we meet; in other words, to live as His good stewards. There is a certain urgency that comes with this call. The very first disciples give us examples of a good steward's prompt "yes" when the Lord called to them. Our Lord invites them to "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." They did not hesitate but "at once they left their nets and followed him." This is the essence of a stewardship way of life. We must always be ready for the ways that our Lord is calling us to bring His light to others. It's more than something we do, it's who we are. Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2019/7/05)

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS  
Jan 14<sup>th</sup> & Jan 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Collection:**

<b>Weekly</b>	<b>\$ 1,406.40</b>
<b>Monthly</b>	<b>\$ 12.00</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Offer</b>	<b>\$ 15.00</b>
<b>Solemnity of Mary</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
<b>Building Fund</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>Pro-Life</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>Fuel</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>

*Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish!  
Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners  
and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!*



**Coffee and Cake**...will be served in the Church Basement after both Masses **THIS weekend, Jan 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>** for all parishioners celebrating their birthday this month!

**Please stop down for a delicious treat and to enjoy friendly conversation and fellowship.**

**The Christian Mother's Annual Basket Party** will be held in **April this year**. Anyone wishing to donate a basket, new basket items of money for items should contact Denise at 814-915-0470. Baskets can be dropped off at any Mass beginning in March.

**St Anne's  
2022 Catholic Ministries Drive  
Updated Final Total**

We received the final total for our parish pledges and payments from the Diocese as of Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. Our final total is \$7,858. A payment from our church funds in the amount of \$788 was sent to meet our goal. **We exceeded our goal by \$160 which will be returned to St. Anne's.**

We are thankful to everyone who pledged and may God bless your generosity.

Bishop Mark Bartchak and Fr. Alan Thomas the vicar general, will be at St Therese to speak with the staff and any concerned parishioners regarding Fr Bernard's Sabbatical on **Thursday Jan 26 at 6PM**, in the St: Therese Social Hall.

We will have **Blessing of the Throats** in honor of **St. Blasé** before and after all Masses next weekend, January 28 & 29



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**Diocesan News & Events**

**JOIN US FOR ZOOM CLASSES THIS NEW YEAR!**

The following classes are open to all!

-- **Sacraments** taught by Deacon Michael Russo, Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 PM (8 weeks) beginning Feb 7<sup>th</sup>

-- **Christian Prayer and Spirituality** taught by Deacon Michael Russo, Thursdays from 6:30—8:30 PM (10 weeks) beginning Jan 26<sup>th</sup>. For registration please visit [www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry](http://www.dioceseaj.org/lay-ecclesial-ministry) or contact Jessica, Office of Adult Enrichment and Lay Ecclesial Ministry at (814) 361-2000 or [jgramling@dioceseaj.org](mailto:jgramling@dioceseaj.org) All are welcome.

**Have you ever wondered about the difference between love and lust, and how to find true love in a world that only seems to offer the counterfeit?** Then don't miss PURIFIED! These questions will be answered on **Feb. 5th from 6-8pm (people will begin being seated at 5:15pm)** in the church by **world renowned chastity speaker: Jason Evert at Our Lady of Victory Church in State College, PA.** Get straight answers to tough questions about God's plan for human love. **Don't wait! Tickets are selling fast! General Admission is \$20/ticket. This price is well worth the talk and free resources all attendees will receive.** Tickets are available online at: [chastity.com/purified](http://chastity.com/purified)

**Class on Southern Italian Folk Customs –**

All Saints Parish in Boswell (Somerset County) will offer a one session class on southern Italian folk customs on Monday February 6th at 7:00 PM in their parish hall. The presenter will be Melissa Marinaro, curator of the Italian American Program at the Heinz History Center in Pittsburgh. The presentation will cover topics such as crafts, food, and agricultural practices and will showcase many objects from the history center that speak to the customs and traditions of southern Italians in Western Pennsylvania. The class is free but those interested are asked to please register by calling the parish office at 814-629-5551. All are welcome.

## Community News & Events



### **Choosing Catholic Education...Why?**

As we celebrate Catholic Schools Week January 29 - February 5, you may be asking yourself, why. Why choose a Catholic Education for my children? There are many reasons ... choosing to educate in a faith-based environment where daily prayer is embraced, small class sizes in a welcoming atmosphere with dedicated instructors who go beyond the norm for their students are just a few. Give your child the opportunity that will last a lifetime, schedule a tour today by calling Bishop McCort Catholic High School (814) 248-3869. Divine Mercy Catholic Academy (814) 961-3622 or St. Peter Catholic School (814) 445-6662.

#### **Open House dates and times:**

**Bishop McCort Catholic High School – February 1, 2023 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Divine Mercy East and West – January 31, 2023 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

**St. Peter Catholic School Somerset – January 30, 2023 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.**

For something to believe in, choose Catholic education! Please support our Catholic Schools by donating today.



### **Families and the Gospel (Matthew 4: 12-17)**

When Jesus called his disciples, they came “immediately.” Parents wish their children would respond as quickly, but they don’t. Children grow slowly into responsibility. It is a process like walking, not done “immediately”, but in small steps. Parenting demands patient encouragement.

### **Open your hearts to life!**



**“Babies are bits of stardust,  
blown down from the hand of God”**

**ABORTION:** It’s easy to love life when it’s beautiful and perfect. But the real test of our love is to love, respect, and defend ALL human life from beginning to end; young and old, born and unborn.

### **Support Pro-Life**

#### **Monday, January 23, 2023 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

O Blessed Mother,  
you received the good news of the incarnation of  
Christ, your Son, with faith and trust.  
Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers  
facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish  
communities places of welcome and assistance  
for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of God’s love and  
compassion. Mary, Mother of the Church,  
graciously help us build a culture of life and a  
civilization of love, together with all people of good  
will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator  
and lover of life.

Amen.

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