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## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Today's Scripture Readings

**FIRST READING:** You humble of the land, seek justice and humility, and the Lord will be your protection (Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13).

**PSALM:** The Lord blesses the humble and gives them the heavenly kingdom (Psalm 146).

**SECOND READING:** God chose the weak of the world, those who count for nothing, so that whoever boasts should boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:26-31)

**GOSPEL:** Jesus taught from the mountain: Blessed are the poor in spirit (Matthew 5:1-12a).

### **LITURGICAL REFLECTION: THE PEOPLE OF GOD'S KINGDOM**

In our Gospel reading from Matthew, we hear the Beatitudes, the stirring opening to the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus is proclaiming the coming of the kingdom of God, and begins by considering what kind of people will enter and participate in this kingdom. They are the poor in spirit, the meek, the clean of heart, the peacemakers. We hear both Zephaniah and Paul echo this, as God specifically chooses the weak and the lowly to be God's agents in ushering in the reign of God. By living with humility and integrity, their hearts are open to being transformed by the grace of God. We too are called to live in this way. Jesus invites us to be people with open hearts, to receive God's blessing. And working through us, God may bless all of creation.

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### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR LECTORS AND ALTAR SERVERS

<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>Saturday, Feb 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday, Feb 5<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Kevin Houghton</b>

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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK -- (Jan 30<sup>th</sup> - Feb 5<sup>th</sup>)

<b>MON</b>	01/30	7:00AM . . +.Rich Poplinski (One Month Mind) – (Wife & Son)
<b>TUES</b>	01/31	7:00AM. . +. Anna Mary Myers – (Dad)
<b>WED</b>	02/01	7:00AM . . . .For Living & Deceased Members of the Kamnikar/Gardill Family – (Family)
<b>THURS</b>	02/02	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>FRI</b>	02/03	7:00AM . . . . Intention Dantis)
<b>SAT</b>	02/04	5:30PM . . +.Jack & Esther Sloan – (Family)
<b>SUN</b>	02/05	9:00AM . . . .Christian Mothers

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**Stewardship Reflections:**

Many think the Sermon on the Mount is the absolute epitome of Jesus' teachings. It tells us how we are to live our lives and the attitudes we are to have. Jesus gives a more accurate perspective of Who He is. He begins the Beatitudes (meaning "blessings") with "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." In a sense we are all "poor in spirit." We must have the guidance and strength provided to us by the Lord to live in the poverty of spirit, a spirituality of simplicity

Living God-centered lives is at the very core of stewardship. Being a disciple of Christ is being a steward of our many gifts and blessings. Some scholars believe that Jesus may have given this sermon often during His ministry. The first Christians were fond of quoting and referring to what the Lord said on this occasion. Jesus provides us with the secret of living a good life. If we rely on Him and follow Him, we will be blessed. Are you truly living with His message in your heart? Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc. 2022/12/28)

**LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**  
**Jan 21<sup>st</sup> & Jan 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

**Collection:**

<b>Weekly</b>	<b>\$ 1,074.00</b>
<b>Fuel</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</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!*

**Christian Mothers Mass & Meeting** – will be held **next Sunday, Feb 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please mark your calendars.

**Everyone is welcome to stop down and join in the meeting.**

**The Knights of Columbus** will hold their meeting this Tuesday, **Feb 7<sup>th</sup>** at 7PM in the St Therese Church hall.

**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.

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

The following class is open to all!

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

**Pittsburgh Pirates great Neil Walker will be visiting Holy Name Parish.**

Ebensburg on Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 12:00PM-2:00PM. He will be giving a talk about his Catholic Faith and will be available for a meet and greet. There is no registration or tickets to be purchased. No cost to attend; donations will be taken to help support Holy Name School. All are welcome to attend; pray for good weather.

## 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 5: 1-12)

It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

### Open your hearts to life!



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

### Support Pro-Life

**ABORTION:** "If we become insensitive to the beginning of life and condone abortion (and we have become so) or if we become careless about the end of life and justify euthanasia, we have NO reason to believe that there will be much respect for the life in between."

**\*\*Cardinal Joseph Bernardin\*\***



### The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

### Happy Groundhog Day



**No matter how long the winter, Spring is sure to follow**



## February 2023

### THINK SPRING



**2/03 Jason Lopez**

**2/13 James Shustrick, Jr.  
Nicholas Sycz**

**2/04 Matthew Kamnikar**

**2/05 Matthew Wilks**

**2/09 Barbara Shovestull**



**2/10 Patrick Wess**

**2/20 Rick Maser**

**2/11 Carmella Macy**

**2/21 John Loushe**

**2/28 Susan Langerholc  
Donald C. Shovestull  
Charles Mishler**