

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 21, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 20 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM
August D. Barbuti Jr. & Sr.

Sunday, January 21 ~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM
Frank Schmaus, John Ennis

Monday, January 22 9:00 AM

Michael Jackman

Wednesday, January 24 9:00 AM T

The People of the Parish

Friday, January 26 9:00 AM

Saturday, January 27 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:30 PM Krystyna Grzybek

Sunday, January 28 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 AM Nicholas Joseph, Ernest Arsenault

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, January 27 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:30 PM Ted Wall

Sunday, January 28 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 AM Sam Osborne

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, January 27 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:30 PM Connie Pollos (a) Brandon Kennedy (c)
Sunday, January 28 ~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM Denise Turner (a), Lisa Dyer (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Joseph Ruize (Navy)
Robert Pape-Laucella (Marines)
Pashko Shkreli (Army) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Nicholas Turner (Army) Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Barbara Ceriale, Gina Lempka, Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius, Elissa Zahn

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marion Andersen, Pat Arlotta, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Barbara Ceriale, Brad Ceriale, Lois Chanofsky, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, John & Lorraine DiCicco, Anna DiMare, Marie DiMare, Maria Elena DiMare, Michael DiMare, David Felter, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Margaret Hale, Mike Hurd, Julie Oparski, Marianna Oparski, Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando Kerry Roberson, Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Sue Schmaus, Chris Strobl, Joanne Trumball, Terry Waterson

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry

Every Other Saturday by Appointment. 845-733-1477

AA Meetings

Sundays 3:00 PM ~ Thursdays 6:00 PM

Tuesday, January 23

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Thursday, January 25 ~ 5:30 PM (pizza start)
Meeting About Church Outreach

Food Pantry/Thanksgiving Boxes/Bells & Stars

Tuesday, January 30

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, February 2

First Friday Holy Hour immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass

Saturday, February 3 ~ Food Pantry by appt

Monday, February 5

Lent Liturgy Committee Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, February 6

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Saturday, February 10

Movie Night ~ "Heaven Is For Real" Light Supper at 6:30. Movie Begins at 7:15 PM (must sign up on sheet in Gathering Area)

Tuesday, February 13

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 ~ LENT BEGINS

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS with the

Distribution of Ashes at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

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Today's Scripture 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

ABOUT THE LITURGY:

All is Passing

All things are passing. Nothing is forever, except the faithful love of God. Scripture passages, like the ones we hear this weekend, can evoke a sense of urgency about all that we hold dear and how fragile it all is. "Time is running out," as the second reading reminds us. It's normal to feel a knee jerk reaction to hold on tighter, to cling to the familiar and beloved things of this current time and place.

Of course, the gospel invites us to leave all behind, to quite literally drop what is in our hands in favor of the more excellent way of Christ. Jesus came to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and began changing lives and livelihoods for some of the people there. He comes to us today as well, and in telling us to "Follow Me," he challenges us to see things as God sees them.

- ♦ How do you respond to disruptions to your plans?
- ♦ How could an interruption or inconvenience really be an invitation to you from God?
- What are you willing to do now to show that you are a disciple of Jesus?



Weather-Related Closings

If bad weather is in the forecast, there is always the possi-

bility that Mass and/or Church activities (such as Religious Education) may be canceled. If Pine Bush Schools are on a morning delay, the 9 AM Mass on Monday, Wednesday or Friday is canceled. If Pine Bush Schools close early, any remaining Church Masses or activities will be canceled. If Pine Bush Schools close for the day, any Church Mass and/or activity is canceled. To find out this information you may: (1) check the Church website: ourladyoftheassumptionchurch.org;

(2) check the Pine Bush Schools website (pinebushschools.org);

(3) call the Church office and the announcement on the answering machine will affirm our closing(s).

Mass Attendance/Collection At Mass on January 13 & 14: 114

At Mass on January 13 & 14: **11** Weekend Collection: \$3,868

Preparing for Lent

Lent is a period of penitential preparation for Easter, and it is observed by many Christians around the world. It is a time to reflect on one's faith and make a commitment to spiritual growth. Here are some tips to help you prepare for Lent, which begins with Ash Wednesday on February 14th (continued from last week)

Alms Giving: Depending on your financial situation, Lent is a good time to make donations to your favorite charities. If you cannot make a financial gift, try cooking for the local soup kitchen or parting with old clothes and items around the house and donating to your local thrift shop that gives back to the community.

Prayer: Another easy way to add to your Lenten journey is to include prayer intentions at the end of your daily prayers. Ask friends and family if they have any particular intentions and always remember to include the poor souls in purgatory.

Spiritual Reading: If you have time, incorporate some spiritual reading into your days. You can listen to the <u>Bible in a year podcast</u>, another religious podcast, audiobook, etc if you are on the go a lot. Pick a Saint that you want to learn more about or read about a vice that you wish to stop.

Series completes next week

"LENT IS A TIME OF RENEWAL FOR THE WHOLE CHURCH, FOR EACH COMMUNITY AND EVERY BELIEVER. ABOVE ALL IT IS A TIME OF GRACE."

- POPE FRANCIS



SCORING CONTEST

Buy a box and be eligible to win a CASH PRIZE! 100 chances to win by matching the score at end of the 1st quarter (\$50 prize), at halftime (\$100 prize), at the end of the 3rd quarter (\$50 prize), and the final score (\$200 prize). Boxes are \$10 each, and are available to purchase after the weekend Masses. Questions? Talk with Sam Osborne.