

SS John and James Parish

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BAPTISM

Parents must be participating members of the parish for at least three months. Godparents must be participating members of their parish. For more information and registration please contact our Baptismal Coordinator, Jeanne Gereau at 828-4711.

PENANCE

Confessions are on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm and by appointment.



SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish (821-7661) when you are admitted to the hospital, suffering from a serious illness, home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Communion on a regular basis.

MARRIAGE

Contact the priest at least one year in advance to set a date and make arrangements for marriage preparation.

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL READING:

John 2:1-11

January 17, 2016

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Thursday: 7:30 am
First Friday: 8:00 am
Civil Holiday Mass: 9:00 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 am
Spanish Mass: 11:30 am



*The Sanctuary Candle is burning for the parishioners
& benefactors*

SATURDAY, January 16, Vigil

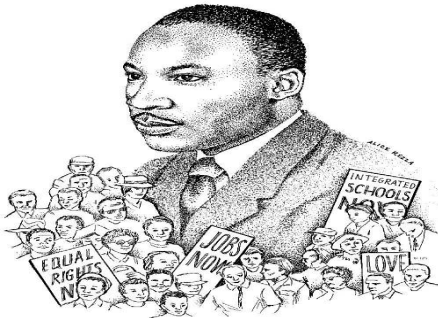
5:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

SUNDAY, January 17, The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM †ESTELLE LEVEILLEE (27th anniversary remembrance)
by Rene & Louise

9:30 AM †PATRICK CHRISTIAN BARBOSA by mom;
BENVINDA MONTEIRO (6th anniversary remembrance)
by Gisele

11:30 AM SEE SPANISH BULLETIN



MONDAY, January 18, Martin Luther King, Jr. (Holiday)

9:00 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS
(MASS IN MAIN CHURCH; PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED)

TUESDAY, January 19

7:30 AM †MARIE McNEILIS (birthday remembrance) by family

WEDNESDAY, January 20, St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

7:30 AM †RITA LAVALLEE & CLAIRE LAVALLEE
by Leonard Lavallee

THURSDAY, January 21, St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

7:30 AM †CHARLES PARKER by Jack Cotter

SATURDAY, January 23, Vigil

5:00 PM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

SUNDAY, January 24, The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM FOR THE PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS

9:30 AM †RICHARD LACHANCE by family

11:30 AM SEE SPANISH BULLETIN

LITURGICAL † ROLES

Daily Mass—January 18 thru January 21

LECTOR— Tim Coughlin

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER— Francis Caplette

Weekend of January 23 and January 24

LECTORS EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

5:00 PM S. Gourd P. Gourd, D. Lefebvre

7:30 AM Deb Champagne D. Champagne, A. Simas

9:30 AM Dan Sylvester J. Gereau, D. Sylvester

PARISH SUPPORT/WEEKEND COLLECTIONS

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 9 & JANUARY 10, 2016

Weekly Collection: \$4123.00

No Second Collection This Week

ANNUAL APPEAL COLLECTION

To date: \$9269.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Second Collection this week: Catholic University

Second Collection next week: No Second Collection

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

COME HOLY SPIRIT!

In my Homily this past Sunday I asked every parishioner to help me pray for the Holy Spirit to come and renew our parish. Therefore, I want to ask everyone to use this prayer which is one of the oldest prayers in the church invoking the help of the Holy Spirit. Use this prayer daily, use it before or after you pray the rosary, use it before or after mass, or simply use it any time during the day. Please use it and in your intention ask for a renewal at our parish, SS John and James.

I want to thank everyone for helping. If we all do this, we will see renewal.

God Bless you all. Fr. EL



PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.

And kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And you will renew the face of the earth.

Lord,

by the light of the Holy Spirit

you have taught the hearts of your faithful.

In the same Spirit

help us to relish what is right

and always rejoice in your consolation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Jan. 18—Holiday; Parish Office closed
 Jan. 24—10/10 club meeting (drawing) in rectory at 10:30am
 Jan. 25—Prayer Shawl Meeting in rectory at 10:00am
 Feb. 3—Knights of Columbus meeting in cafeteria at 7:00pm

2016 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL
“Faith and Good Works”

The start of the 2016 Catholic Charity Appeal is fast approaching. Many of our parishioners will be receiving a mailing from Bishop Tobin asking for your support of the 2016 Appeal. For your convenience, a pledge card has been enclosed within this mailing. **Please be assured that your parish will receive credit for the gift that you make through the mail.**

Your gift to the 2016 Appeal reaches out to countless people in need throughout our diocese. No matter where you turn, you find someone who will benefit from your kindness.

Please give generously to the 2016 Catholic Charity Appeal.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA
SECOND COLLECTION

Today’s second collection is for The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every. *More than 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese.* Please be generous.

MASS SIGN IN

The Mass Sign In book for Confirmation I & II and first year First Communion will be located in the side chapel near the handicapped ramp. The book will be available following the masses as of January 9-10.

†REMEMBER OUR LOVED ONES!

†Let us remember in our prayers **HELENA HUNT** who has passed away. Let us also remember her family during this time.

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 ☆ Dear Ss. John & James Parishioners, ☆
 ☆ Thank you for your overwhelming response to the Christmas ☆
 ☆ Giving Tree this year! Through your generosity, the St. Vin- ☆
 ☆ cent DePaul Society provided gifts to more than 25 fami- ☆
 ☆ lies. Every family that called our parish asking for Christmas ☆
 ☆ gifts for their children received at least two gifts for each ☆
 ☆ child. The ages of the children ranged from infants through 16 ☆
 ☆ years old. **You** were responsible for the children’s ☆
 ☆ smiles and happiness Christmas morning! May God ☆
 ☆ bless you for the good that you have done! ☆
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BAPTIZED INTO GOD’S FAMILY!
 Congratulations to the proud family and godparents of **EMMA JEAN STERN** who was recently baptized into God’s family. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 "Jesus told them, 'Fill the jars with water.' So they filled them to the brim." And then look what happened! The water became wine! And not only that, but it became "the good wine." **Jesus transformed plain water into the very best wine served at that wedding feast in Cana. And he can do the same with our lives.**

Sometimes, we come to Jesus with empty jars. We feel we have nothing to offer, that our efforts have failed and our energy has run dry. It may seem impossible that anything good could come out of our situation. Even our hope has often disappeared in these moments. But today's Gospel should restore our confidence; we don't need to work the miracle. **We just need to "do whatever he tells" us.**

In many cases, this will mean doing something that doesn't make sense on the surface. The servers were probably skeptical that filling their jugs with water would have any benefit. But they did it anyway. And they did it wholeheartedly, filling them up "to the brim." **In our moments of emptiness, we too need to do what Jesus asks of us, all the way, without reservation.** We need to continue to pray (even when we don't hear an answer). We need to continue to participate in the sacraments (even when they don't seem to help). We need to continue to follow the commandments (even when they strike us as difficult or irrelevant). We need to continue to love our neighbors (even when they don't love us back). All of this is like pouring water into those jars. **We simply need to do what Jesus asks of us and then allow him to do the rest. Only when we are willing to follow his directions can he transform our emptiness into an overabundance of joy.**

TO LOVE AND TO CHERISH
 The Office of Life and Family is offering the To Love and To Cherish program for married Catholics. This free program provides topics/discussions designed to enrich and strengthen marriage in a sharing group environment. It will be offered Mondays, February 22 through March 21, 7-8:30 p.m. at Saint Joseph Church (Rectory), 854 Providence St., W. Warwick. For information, contact: Peter Magnotta at 421-7833, ext. 217. (Please note, this program is not for marriage counseling.)

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