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The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time– January 24, 2021

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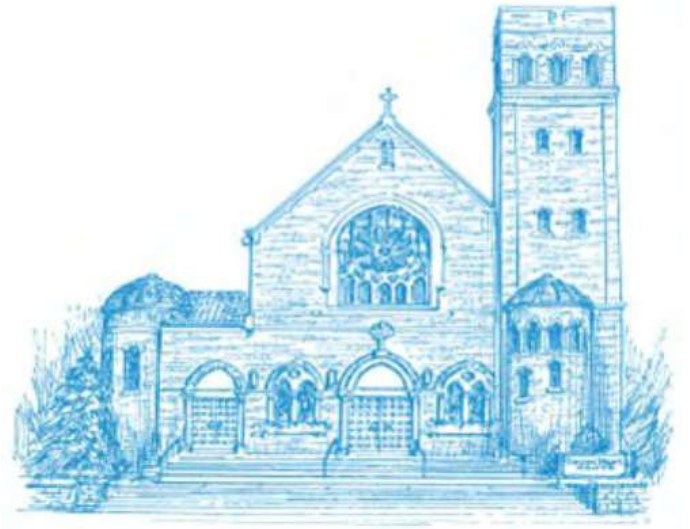
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The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

Sundays 7:00, 9:00, 11:00AM (Choir), 1:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

Rosary 9 AM (Monday-Saturday)

Confessions

Saturdays - 4:00 to 4:45 PM, Any time upon request

Parish Registration

Please formalize your membership in our parish community by registering at the parish office. We sincerely welcome all new parishioners!

Handicapped Accessible

Office Hours - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

Monday–Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 6 PM

Church open daily until 5 PM (Sundays until 3 PM)

Novena Devotions : Mon & Wed (after daily Mass)

Pro Life Rosary: Tuesday 9 AM

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sick Calls

Anytime, please contact one of the priests at (718) 442-0058.

Baptism

Please contact the pastor for an appointment to arrange the Baptism.

Marriages

Couples should contact the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding to arrange the time, banns, and Pre-Cana Conference.

Sponsor Certificate

If you have been asked to be a godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation attend the 9 AM Mass on Sunday and see Sister Barbara immediately after in the church vestibule. Please see the parish website under the Worship/Sacraments link for godparent guidelines.

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JANUARY 24, 2021

**THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME**

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

READING 1 JON 3:1-5,10

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying: "Set out for the great city of Nineveh, and announce to it the message that I will tell you." So Jonah made ready and went to Nineveh, according to the LORD'S bidding. Now Nineveh was an enormously large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single day's walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed," when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil way, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out.

Responsorial Psalm PS 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths,
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my savior.

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old.
In your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.
Good and upright is the LORD;
thus he shows sinners the way.
He guides the humble to justice and
teaches the humble his way.

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.



READING 2 1 COR 7:29-31

I tell you, brothers and sisters, the time is running out. From now on, let those having wives act as not having them, those weeping as not weeping, those rejoicing as not rejoicing, those buying as not owning, those using the world as not using it fully. For the world in its present form is passing away.

ALLELUIA MK 1:15

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The kingdom of God is at hand.
Repent and believe in the Gospel.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL MK 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him.

St. Peter's Basilica, Italy



PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This past week Joe Biden was sworn in as the new president of the United States, following a time of resentful division in our land. As Christians, we do well to accept him as our leader, even if we did not vote for him, because we trust in Divine Providence. St. Peter the Apostle tells us: *Be subject to every human institution for the Lord's sake, whether it be to the king as supreme or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the approval of those who do good. Give honor to all, love the community, fear God, honor the king.* (1 Peter 2:13-14, 17).

Second, the Word of God spurs us to pray for the new president. St. Paul the Apostle tells us: *First of all, then, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity.* (2 Timothy 2:1-2). Although the party in power is quite influential, ultimately, neither the Democrats nor the Republicans are in charge. Christ is in charge. Christ is God. In God we trust.

Returning to the issue of resentful division, Jesus offers us a way out in the form of forgiveness. Pope St. John Paul II once said: "The only path to peace is forgiveness. Forgiveness given and received enables a new kind of relationship among people, breaking the spiral of hatred and revenge and shattering the chains of evil which bind the hearts of those in conflict with one another. For nations in search of reconciliation and for those who hope for peaceful co-existence between individuals and peoples, there is no other way than this: forgiveness given and received. How full of salutary lessons are the words of the Lord: *Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father who is in Heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the just and the unjust* (Mt 5:44-45)! To love those who have offended us is to disarm them and to turn even a battlefield into an arena of mutual support and cooperation." (John Paul II, *Message for Lent 2001*, 4.).

Father Jacques Philippe adds to the analy-

sis, "Sometimes we think, consciously or subconsciously, that forgiving someone who has wronged us would mean pretending they had done nothing wrong—calling bad good, or condoning an act of injustice. But forgiving does not mean that. Truth mustn't be mocked. Forgiving means saying, 'This person has wronged me, but I don't want to condemn him; I don't want to identify him with his fault; I don't want to take justice into my own hands. God is the only one who *searches mind and heart* (Revelation 2:23) and *judges justly* (1 Peter 2:23), and I leave it to Him to weigh this person's actions and pronounce judgment. That is a difficult and delicate task that belongs to God, and I don't want to take the burden of it on myself. What's more, I don't want to pass a final judgment with no appeal on the person who has hurt me. I want to look at him with eyes of hope, because I believe something can grow and change in him, and I continue to want his good. I also believe that from the evil done to me, even if it seems irremediable from a human viewpoint, God can draw good...' Ultimately, we can really forgive people only because Christ rose from the dead. His Resurrection is the guarantee that God can cure every wrong and every hurt." (Jacques Philippe, *Interior Freedom*, 2007, p. 64-65.).

God bless you!

God bless President Biden!

God bless former President Trump!

God bless America!

Father Eric



**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

JANUARY 24, 2021



Saturday, January 30:

5:00 Bill Jones

Sunday, January 31:

7:00 AM Sister Barbara

9:00 AM John Mooney Jr.

11:00 AM Patricia Jezycki

1:00 PM Donald Maj

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 30:

5:00 Jacob Torres

Sunday, January 31:

7:00 Anthony Basile

9:00 Julia Ahern

11:00 Tara Murphy

1:00 Elijah Greene

COLLECTIONS:

January 17th.....\$8,387.00

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ATTENDANCE JANUARY 10TH: 436

CAPACITY FOR EACH MASS: 210

Saturday, January 23:

5:00 Joseph Stwanicz

Sunday, January 24:

7:00 Koula Triantis

9:00 Deceased Members of The Mello Family

11:00 Brendan Hoey

1:00 Jonathan Derbyshire

Monday, January 25:

9:30 John & Patricia Molloy

Tuesday, January 26:

9:30 Helen Kubasek

Wednesday, January 27:

9:30 George E. Brain III

Thursday, January 28:

9:30 Eileen McGarry

Friday, January 29:

9:30 George E. Brain III

Saturday, January 30:

9:30 Kathleen Coleman

5:00 Patrick Jordan

Sunday, January 31:

7:00 Peter Pellegrito

9:00 Alice Geraghty & Jack Graham

11:00 In Honor of St. Martha

1:00 Harold & Margaret Olive

St. Michael Prayer

Saint Michael The Archangel, Defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness & snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan & all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Giving Tree: We would like to thank all of our parishioners who generously gave to our annual Christmas Giving Tree. Despite the current pandemic this was our most successful turnout in recent years as 226 gifts were given. God bless you! Your generosity and kindness certainly is appreciated. Thanks to our Special Events Committee and The Scouts of Pack 74 who helped organize the gifts and their distribution.

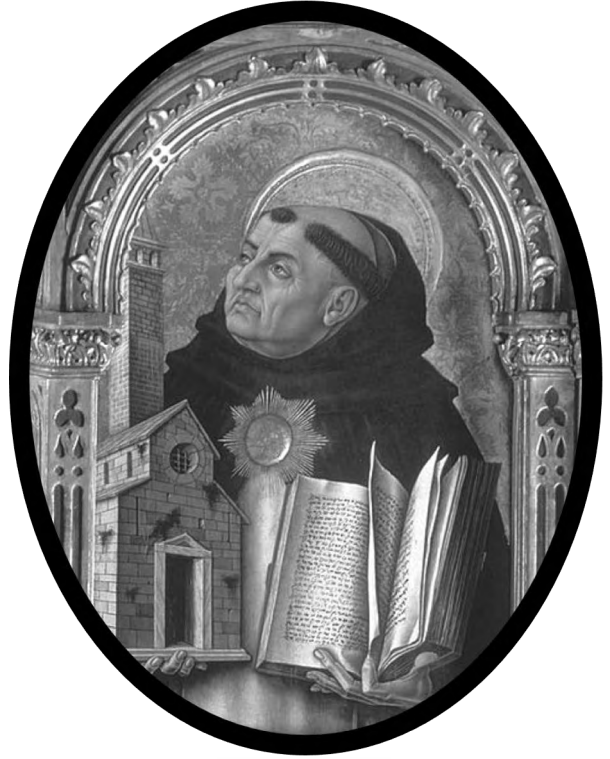
Holy Name: We would also like to thank the men of our Holy Name Society who were a huge help during The Christmas Season. They did a great job of setting up our Memorial Tree display on the front lawn of the Rectory. They also were able to arrange for some electrical work which allowed for the big tree in front of the Church to be decorated. As always they served as ushers and stayed to sanitize the pews and bathroom in between the Masses.

Rosary Altar Society: Thanks to Theresa Cunningham, Kathleen Malone, John Perry and the members of our Rosary Altar Society who decorated The Church with Christmas Wreaths and Poinsettia Plants. They always do a great job in making sure our Church is beautifully presented.

SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

FEAST DAY: JANUARY 28TH

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OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS**



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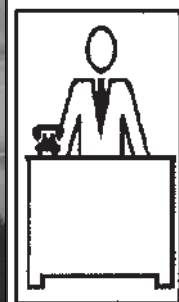
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