SECOND SUNDAY IN O.T.

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İsaiah 62:2

<u>Our Lady of Fatima</u> Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary before Sunday Mass and privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily. January 26th

Our Lady of Fatima Parish 2010 12th Avenue www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org Rectory Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM Parish Office: 814-942-0371

<u>Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule</u> Sunday:10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00PM Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator

Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur

Parish Secretary Carol Z. Smith

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Our Lady of Fatima Church is open Monday through Friday: 9AM - 5PM Winter 9AM - 6PM Summer for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals will be held at Our Lady of Fatima.

<u>Preparation</u> for Baptism, and Weddings will be held at the Cathedral. 944-4603

<u>Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick</u> Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to make arrangements. 944-4603

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Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil)	Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil)	Weekdays.	6:45 AM
8:00 AM	8:00 AM		8:00 AM
10:00 AM	12:00 Noon		12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday :	8:00 AM
5:00 PM			12:00 Noon

Jan 26 – Saints Timothy and Titus (1st century AD)

Timothy and Titus were two of Paul's most loyal disciples and helpers. Since the revision of the Roman Calendar in 1970, they share a feast on the day (26th Jan) following the feast of the Conversion of St Paul (25th

Jan).

Patrick Duffy traces what is known about them.

At the council of Jerusalem

Titus appears again in Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians (2 Cor 2:13, 7:13 and 8:6): he was probably the bearer of an angry letter from Paul to the Corinthians, but he acted quite successfully as Paul's ambassador in Corinth in rather difficult circumstances, sorting out disputes in the Corinthian church and organizing a collection for Jerusalem.

Crete and Dalmatia

Paul sent a letter to Titus whom he left in Crete (Tit 1:5; See Acts 24:7-12). The letter gives him instructions to ordain "elders" and control the Cretans, of whom Paul did not have a very high opinion (Tit 1:12). In 2 Tim 4:10 Paul says Titus had gone on a mission to Dalmatia and he is especially venerated in Croatia.

Influence

Later tradition venerated Titus as the first bishop of the Cretan city of Gortyna. In 1966 the head of Titus was returned from Venice where it had been venerated at St Mark's since the 9th century to the church of St Titus at Heraklion in Crete.

From Lystra in Asia Minor

Paul took Timothy on as an apostolic travelling companion probably on the occasion of his second visit to Timothy's home town of Lystra. The Christian community spoke well of him. His mother was a Jewess, who had converted to Christianity, but his father was a Greek. Contrary to his stance in the case of Titus, Paul had Timothy circumcised "on account of the Jews in the locality".

Paul's companion to Macedonia and Greece

Timothy travelled with Paul and Silas to Macedonia and through Greece to Corinth, working with Paul and Silas to set up the churches in Corinth, Thessalonica and Philippi. Writing to the Corinthians, Paul commends Timothy to them as a faithful co-worker (1 Cor 4:17; 16:10).

At Ephesus

Timothy later accompanied Paul to Ephesus in Asia Minor (Acts 19:2, 1 Cor 16:10-11). As the presence of his name in the first verses of various epistles indicates (2 Corinthians, Colossians, Philemon and Philippians), he was closely associated with Paul in all his work and probably with his imprisonment in Ephesus.

In charge at Ephesus

In the Pastoral Letters Timothy is the one in charge of the church at Ephesus. Paul calls him "my true son in the faith" (1 Tim 1:2). Paul is concerned about his health and writes: "You should give up drinking only water and have a little wine for the sake of your digestion and the frequent bouts of illness that you have."

Last letter

In his last letter probably written just before his death, Paul reminisces about Timothy's grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice whom Paul would have met when he first took on Timothy as a companion at Lystra (2 Tim 1:5).

Relics

In the 4th century, Timothy's relics were transferred to the Church of the Holy Apostles in Constantinople, which since 1461 has been replaced by the Faith Mosque.

JANUARY 20, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS

Readings: Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11 Today's Intention-Fr. James D. Zatalava

Readings: Neh 8:2-4; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4; 14-21 Sun., January 27th, Denise Keagy, (The Keagy Family)

10:30 AM Cathedral Mass Intentions

January 21, Monday: Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr Readings: Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22 6:45 AM Kevin Sheets (Crouse Family)

8:00 AM Irene Kelly Wood Anniversary (Son, Matt Wood) 12:00 PM Joyce McNeal (Doug and Jan Stoehr)

January 22, Tuesday: Mass for Peace and Justice

Readings: Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28 6:45 AM Julianne Seidel (Don Sgro) 8:00 AM Billy R. Geis, Anniversary (Family) 12:00 PM Ron Hoover (Dot Oberneder)

January 23, Wednesday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr Readings: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6 6:45 AM Janet Tomlinson (Tom and Patricia Forr) 8:00 AM Stephen Flanagan (Colleen Dillon/Boyd) 12:00 PM Jim Davidson, Birthday (Family)

January 24, Thursday: Saint Francis de Sales, Bp. & Dr. Readings: Heb 7:25-8:6; Mk 3:7-12 6:45 AM Mary Letrich (Cathedral Parish) 8:00 AM Harry Smith (Mary Lysinger) 12:00 PM Irene Schlecht (Pete and Kathy Starr)

January 25, Friday: The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle Readings: Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18 6:45 AM BeBe Milliron (Adam, Paige, Hannel, Watchey) 8:00 AM Joe Wiedemer (Murphy and Patty Montler) 12:00 PM Tom and Mary Irwin (Irwin Family)

January 26, Saturday: St. Timothy, and St. Titus Bishops Readings: 2 Tm 1:1-8; Mk 3:20-21 8:00 AM Brian McCaulley, Anniversary (Family) 12:00 PM Barbara Byers, Birth. (Joan & Jim Swansiger)

Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Neh 8:2-4; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4; 4; 14-21 5:00 PM Edgar Alan Johnston, Birth. (Wife, Family & Mother)

> Jesus, Son of the Living Father, Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.

Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially for those who have illnesses great and small and our seniors who are lonely and need comfort and care.

JANUARY 20, 2019 Scripture Reflection

In today's Gospel, we learn how Jesus saves the day by miraculously providing choice wine for a poorly planned wedding feast. Jesus' ministry began because a friend needed help with a wedding. The miracle at Cana is also a lesson in discipleship. This is why the church proclaims it near the beginning of the season of Ordinary Time. In this narrative. Christians can find a lesson for their own lives as they continue Jesus' mission, which, according to John, began at this feast. John's understanding of Jesus is as simple as it ls profound. God loves humanity and acted to save it from destruction.

Everything that the Son learned from the Father he taught to the disciples. This teaching can be summed up in the washing of the feet and the commandment to love one another as Jesus loved us. All who believe in the Son and pattern their lives according to his example and commandment will share in the same Spirit of divine love that Jesus knew.

God's love hits a dead end in those who do not share it. Jesus experienced that love perfectly and shared it especially through the miracles he performed for others, but it was not only in these acts of healing and deliverance that Jesus shared God's gifts. Divine love drew Jesus' attention even to commonplace needs. A shortage of wine for a wedding does not symbolize the human condition as vividly as demonic possession or fatal illness. Nonetheless, his friends' predicament gave him an opportunity to share the love that God had first shared with him.

Jesus' disciples today must seek similar opportunities to share the divine love they have received. It is not enough to place one's faith in the Son and enjoy personal confidence in the Spirit that comes from belief. Believers must let that love draw their attention to other's needs, so that through service, the divine love they have received can grow ever stronger.

- How have you loved others the way God has loved you?
- How can you share God's love more fully?

AT HOME with the W ORD 2019, Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training Publications, pg. 39. AMERICA MAGAZINE, "What can we do to share the love of God?" Michael R. Simone, S.J., December 28, 2018.

Relic Pilgrimage of Saint John Vianney's Incorrupt Heart

The Shrine of Ars, France, has entrusted to the Knights of Columbus the major relic of Saint Jean Vianney's incorrupt heart for a national tour of the United States from November 2018 through June 2019. The Knights of Columbus will provide this special opportunity to venerate a major relic of the patron of parish priests, whose holiness and integrity is a model for clergy and laity alike.

The reliquary holding Father Vianney's heart will be in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona, on Thursday, January 31st. Veneration will occur throughout the day from 7:30 A.M. through 7:30 P.M. The regular daily Mass schedule will be observed: Masses at 6:45 A.M., 8:00 A.M., and Noon. Bishop will be the main celebrant at a concelebrated Mass at 5:30 P.M.

Confessors will be available for confessions throughout the day. Father Vianney was renowned for his gift as a confessor in the Sacrament of Penance. This holy priest undertook a life of heroic penance and prayer to draw his people away from sin and closer to God. Known for his wise spiritual counsels and the gift of reading hearts, he soon became a "prisoner" of the confessional, hearing confessions for up to eighteen hours a day. Thousands came from across Europe and beyond to seek this holy confessor. Pilgrimage to the Altoona Cathedral on this day will allow all to seek sacramental forgiveness in Christ.

At Bishop Bartchak's request the Apostolic Penitentiary has granted permission to receive an Indulgence attached to the pilgrimage to the relic of Saint John Vianney. An indulgence is the remission of temporal punishment for sin, in response to prayers or good works. It is God, through the Church, who remits the temporal punishment. Receiving the indulgence requires; first, celebrating the Sacrament of Penance leading to a genuine conversion of heart; second, receiving Holy Communion while fully participating at Mass; third, venerating the holy relic of Saint John Vianney; and fourth, praying for the intentions of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, by reciting the Apostles' Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be.

Throughout the morning and afternoon, school children and adults will be able to venerate this first class relic of Saint John Vianney. The Knights of Columbus will stand as honor guards. Plan to be present this last day of January to venerate the relic of a holy parish priest. It will be an opportunity for grace and a special day to pray for vocations to the priesthood - a particular priority for the Knight of Columbus.

"GRASP" Priority Time

It's a New Year and you need to plan a variety of activities that you and your partner can look forward to for the rest of the year! Focus on being together.

<u>*G*</u> is for games. Each partner chooses one or more games to play—old favorites or new! Be creative and play games.

<u>R</u> is for romance. Each partner writes a scenario for what they consider a romantic evening. Plan two separate evenings—one for each scenario or combine both scenarios to meet the desires of both partners in one evening.

<u>A</u> is for academic. Take a course together or go to the library and research a new topic that interests both of you.

<u>S</u> is for spiritual. Plan to attend a retreat or a spiritual lecture together; attend church services together. Meditate together or hold hands and say a short prayer together to start your day. "Divine Spirit, grant us this day's portion of grace. Bring

us closer to You and closer to each other. Amen"

<u>*P*</u> is for physical. Join a gym or fitness center and work out together as often as possible. Take a yoga class together and practice the postures together several times a week. Learn a new sport together!

Our Lady of Fatima Notes...

ARISE

Our Lady of Fatima will begin a journey of prayer and reflection during the season of Lent. For six weeks you will be invited to gather in small groups to break open scripture and discuss how to live the faith in our daily lives. If you were unable to join the ARISE process in the fall, give some serious thought to joining a small group this Lent.

Additional Dates for Sacrament Preparation...

First Communion sessions are scheduled for Wednesdays, January 23, February 27 and March 27, 2019. All sessions are held in the Seton Suite from 6:30 PM until 8:00 PM. All students <u>MUST</u> be accompanied by an adult. Please contact Chris Laraia at 312-7317 if you will not be able to attend a session. First Communion for Our Lady of Fatima Parish has not been scheduled to date.

F.I.R.E. Classes...

F.I.R.E. Next class is January 27, from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM in the Cathedral Hall.

Week of Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins Friday, January 18, and concludes on Friday, January 25. You are encouraged to participate in the two opportunities for ecumenical prayer.

Dates for Ecumenical Services

On Sunday, January 20, 2019, Bishop Michael Rhyne of the Lutheran tradition will host an ecumenical service at Saint James Lutheran Church, 525 Mifflin Street, Huntingdon, Pennsylvania. The service begins at 3:00 PM. Bishop Mark Bartchak will be in attendance. All are invited to participate in this prayer.

On Sunday, January 27, 2019, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa of the Orthodox tradition will host an ecumenical service at Christ the Saviour Cathedral, 300 Garfield Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania. The service begins at 3:00 PM. Bishop Mark Bartchak will be in attendance. All are invited to participate in this prayer.

Liturgical Reflection...

Eucharistic

Adoration

This liturgical year the weekly inserts will review the practice of Eucharistic Adoration in the life of the church. Many clergy and laity have found this devotion to be strengthening in their spiritual lives. Parishes are encouraged to set regular hours for the solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament allowing time for quiet prayer and reflection. Reverence before the Blessed Sacrament is a clear and practiced tradition in our Catholic faith. In the hectic, busy schedules of life, Eucharistic Adoration gives an opportunity to pause and be still before the divine Presence. Believers take time to make visits to the Blessed Sacrament in a church and to attend scheduled times of Eucharistic Adoration.

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OUR LADY URGES US TO PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY

FOR

PEACE AND OFFER

SACRIFICES BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!

January 20

John 2:1-11

At Cana, we get a good insight into Mary's parenting style. She did not plead, argue, demand or manipulate. She merely pointed out the situation and trusted her son would make the best decision.

Prayer on January 22 - RESPECT for LIFE...

God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Ha Bird to I	ppu nday	January 13th Collection— \$1886.50	Prayer for Stomach Disorders to St. Timothy
	al sustained and a second	The Feast of Saint Bridgid Dance	Dear Saint, well known for your gentleness,
01/17	Joe Summers	There will be a dance Saturday, January 26, from 7:00 PM until	you were a most faithful disciple of St. Paul and like him traveled much to bring the
01/19	Chris Keagy	11:00 PM at the Knights of	Good News to all people. The Letters Paul
01/22	Karen Conrad	Columbus 1508 12th Avenue. Food and drink will be provided. The Full Kilt Band will perform.	wrote to you reveal your zeal and inspire us with confidence in you. You too were cast
01/24	Joe Ianniello		
01/25	Steve Kasun	Doors open at 6:30 PM. There	into prison and you too gave your life for
01/25	Lisa Smith	is a \$25.00 donation per person. Call 814-280-7661 for tickets,	Christ. So with confidence we dare to ask: please obtain relief for (NAME) if it be God's
01/28	Dana Smith	which are sold in advance only.	will. Amen.
01/31	Ron Smith		

Guidance Through the Year

By Lois Snelling

In faith, O Lord, you guided me Through every day of the year; Come blinding storm, come doubt or pain, Your hand was always near. The year was long, till I had trod it through; But I walked secure because you walked there too. That year is past and all its days Now finished, lie behind; But reaching out ahead of me A strange new year I find. So strange, untried, these newer days— But Lord, I have no fear— For I know well that every hour Your presence will be near.

A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to see, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world.

During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult "public life" at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana.

Of course, even Jesus, God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The cause of church unity is commended to Christians for prayer and action every year around this time. This week is not so much to focus on the many divisions within the Christian family, but on bonds of faith and mission. Even though Christians have always shown an inclination to fracture, spin off, and mutate into new expressions, recent history shows some new points of convergence and agreement. Catholics are more firmly rooted in the word of God, for example, and many Protestants are more likely to celebrate Communion than in years past. Some denominations are merging and pooling resources, and people from various traditions are collaborating on projects.

The call of this week is to be mindful of the diversity of our traditions and customs while treasuring what we hold in common. The old advice to "lighten up" is good medicine, because sometimes our differences are delightful and amusing. If someone says, "Let us pray," a Catholic might close the eyes, bow the head and fold hands; a Protestant reach out and clasp hands with the person in the next chair; and someone belonging to an Orthodox tradition might stand up with eyes wide open. Each has taken a different path, but the goal is always the same. This is a week not for focusing on the well-worn paths of divergence, but for mutual delight in a common goal.

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LOOKING GOOD

The best mirror is a friend's eyes.

-Gaelic proverb



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