

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2024

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
2010 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
[www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org](http://www.ourladyoffatimaaltoona.org)

**Rectory Office Hours:**  
Tuesdays and Thursdays  
11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

**Parish Office:** 814-942-0371  
or call the Cathedral Office at 944-4603.

**Our Lady of Fatima Parish**  
Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator

**Parish Secretary**  
Paula Hall

**Director of Music Ministry**  
Cathy McFee

**Eucharist: Sunday: 11:30 AM**

**Holy Days: 5:30 PM**

Holy Communion for the home bound - weekly:  
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is open Sunday through Saturday: 7:30 AM - 5PM for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

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

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

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Parishioners wishing to receive the sacrament of healing may call the Cathedral Parish Office to make arrangements. 814-944-4603

**Cathedral Church Office: 814-944-4603**  
One Cathedral Square

**Most Reverend Mark L. Bartchak, Bishop**

**Rev. Msgr. Stanley B. Carson, Administrator**  
**Paula Clemens, Secretary**  
**PH: 814-944-4603**

**Christian Initiation Team: 944-4603**  
**Catholics returning Home: 944-4603**  
**Mail Ministry to Elderly, Homebound, Seriously Sick and Grieving - 944-4603**

## HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**Web: [www.holytrinitycatholic.school](http://www.holytrinitycatholic.school)**

**Holy Trinity Eldorado (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-942-7835**

**Holy Trinity Fairview (Pre-K thru Grade 5) 814-381-7011**

**Director of Religious Education:**  
**Chris Laraia – Pre-K thru 8 - 312-7317**

**Religious Education Office: Sundays – 943-7424**

**Director of Music Ministry**  
**Leslie C. Thayer, MM, CAGO**  
**Music Ministry Office - 944-2044**  
**E-Mail: [lthayer@dioceseaj.org](mailto:lthayer@dioceseaj.org)**

**Reconciliation @ Cathedral: 7:00 PM Wednesday**  
**12:30 PM Saturday**

**Religious Education @ Cathedral: Pre-K through 11**  
**Sacramental Formation @ Cathedral: First Reconciliation**  
**First Communion**  
**Confirmation**

**Sacramental Formation @ the Cathedral: Baptismal Prep**  
**Marriage Prep**  
**Christian Initiation**

**Hospital Visitation: Call the Cathedral: 944-4603**

**Cathedral Eucharist:**

<b>Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil)</b>	<b>Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil)</b>	<b>Weekdays: 12:00 PM</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Saturday: 12:00 PM</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>12:00 Noon</b>	
<b>5:00 PM</b>		

THE FATIMA TOWERS

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS**

**11:30 A.M.**

**Today, January 21, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Robert W. Massaro (Danielle Massaro)

**Next Sunday, January 28, 2024, 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Denise Keagy, Anniv. (Family)

**Cathedral Mass Intentions**

**January 21, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM +Patrick Duffy (Mary Lysinger)

10:00 AM +Steve Pellegrine (Maureen Aquadro)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is an 11:30 AM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Church.

**January 22, Monday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection  
Of Unborn Babies**

12:00 PM +Paul & Geraldine Rose (Tom & Patricia Forr)

**January 23, Tuesday, St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr**

12:00 PM +Bev Woodring (Tom Byrne)

**January 24, Wednesday, St. Francis deSales, Bishop,  
Religious Founder, & Doctor**

12:00 PM +Harry Smith, Birth. (Mary Lysinger)

**January 25, Thursday, The Conversion of St. Paul,  
Apostle**

12:00 PM Special Intentions of Rosemarie Fedeli  
(Anonymous)

**January 26, Friday, Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops**

12:00 PM +Michael Ratzesberger, Birth. (Family)

**January 27, Saturday, Weekday**

12:00 PM +Bob Eger (Nancy & Steve St. John Family)

**Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM +Edgar A. Johnston (Family)

**January 28, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM +Miriam Jacobs (Dave Taddy)

10:00 AM +Brian McCaulley, Anniv. (Family)

5:00 PM Pro Popolo/For the People

There is Mass at 11:30 A.M. at Our Lady of Fatima Parish.



**TABERNACLE  
CANDLE**

During the month of January,  
the sanctuary candle is being lit in  
memory of Tom Byrne  
by his Family.



**Readings for the week of January 21, 2024**

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/  
Mk 1:14-20

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30  
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk  
16:15-18

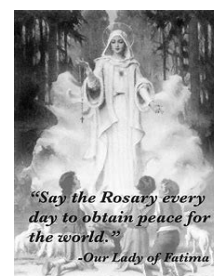
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk  
4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/  
Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32  
-35/Mk 1:21-28

**Thank You Very Much**

Your prayers, volunteerism, and financial support are deeply appreciated. The contributions for Sunday, January 14, were \$1,066.18. Thank you. Thank you.



## Confirmation Preparation



There is a 10th grade session on Sunday, January 28, in the cathedral hall from 2:30-4:30 PM. A sponsor or parent must attend with the student. Please bring your red folder.

There is a 9th grade session on Sunday, February 18, in the cathedral hall from 2:30-4:30 PM. A sponsor or parent must attend with the student. Please bring your red folder.

The Final Session and Interview for 11th grade confirmation candidates will be on Sunday, March 17, from 2:30-4:30 PM. A parent or sponsor must attend with the student. All make-up work must be turned in.

## FIRST COMMUNION PREP

There will be a 1st Communion Meeting on Tuesday, February 6, in the cathedral hall from 6:30-8:00 PM. Parents and students must attend. If you haven't already turned done so, please bring your completed Reconciliation text and Family Crest activity.

There will be another meeting on Tuesday, March 5, in the cathedral hall from 6:30-8:00 PM. Parents and students must attend.



## Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes & Discovery of Barcelona

Msgr. Carson will be leading a pilgrimage from September 15-24, 2024.

Pilgrimage information is available in the brochures available in the vestibule, at the Cathedral's Facebook page, and at <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1213040>.



The Missionary Images of Our Lady of Guadalupe are the only four images in the world commissioned by the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City to journey as Missionary Images on a Mission in the New Evangelization to bring conversions and a Culture of Life and Civilization of Love, for which St. John Paul II prayed. He also named Our Lady of Guadalupe as the Star of The New Evangelization.

One of the images will be available for veneration at the Cathedral from after the noon Mass on Friday, January 26, until after the 5:00 P.M. on Sunday, January 28. There will be a devotional service (rosary, talk, and Litany in Response to Abortion) on Sunday at 2:00 P.M.

## **(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

### **A Good Time for Fulfillment**

There are some things that always come at the worst time. I've never gotten a telemarketing call and thought, "This is a really convenient moment for me to listen to a sales pitch." I've never seen the compulsory software update notice flash on my computer screen when I didn't have a deadline I was struggling to meet. My kids never come down with the flu unless it's the weekend and the line at Urgent Care is stretching out the door.

And I never, ever feel the calm, persistent shoulder-tap of the Holy Spirit without thinking, "Now? Now is not a good time. Can you try again when I'm..."

But then I stop and think: when I am what? When I am stronger? When I am happier? When I am smarter? When I am a different person?

When God calls us, He calls the person He sees in front of Him. "Come on," He says, and He doesn't mean "When you're finished" or "When it's convenient" or "Think about it." He means now. This moment.

This is what Paul is saying when he writes that "the world in its present form is passing away." He is saying that your plans mean nothing, the kingdom of God is at hand. Abandon your nets, let your catch escape into the sea. You're not who you thought you were, and you don't need what you thought you needed.

Your sins do not define you. Your fears are not fate. Your inclinations do not govern you. Your life can be changed. We live in the time of fulfillment, and fulfillment is coming for you — ready or not.

"Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: 'This is the time of fulfillment.'" — Mark 1:14

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## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Give Until It Hurts

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed — to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God. I know, I know. Easier said than done. Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him."

There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man. I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy.

But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine. Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts."

"You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS (LPi)