

January 17 & 24, 2021
St. John the Baptist Church, Osgood

The Catholic Communities of Osgood and Napoleon, Indiana

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Sacrament of Baptism is scheduled by appointment.

Please call the parish office about sacramental preparation and to schedule your celebration.

Preparation for the Sacrament of **Marriage** requires at least six months.

Call the parish office before setting the date for your wedding.

Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2021

“They saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with Him all day.”

Jesus asked, “What are you looking for?” Something... They weren’t sure what.

So, they answered with a question: “Where are you staying?” “Come and see.” They came and stayed with him in his ordinary place. And they found what they had been seeking.



Christ, take us to your space. We want to spend our time with you. Let us find your radiance, right here, right now, always, in our everyday lives.



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Here I am Lord, I Come to do Your Will. – *First reading from the first Book of Samuel*

In today’s readings we are given two similar prayers with which to ponder the life of discipleship. The psalm refrain “Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will” is very similar to Samuel’s response to the divine voice calling him by name: “Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.” Both express an awareness of God’s presence and also complete trust in God’s plan and action in their lives. As the psalmist recounts, however, the life of discipleship is not always straightforward and can require a good deal of patience.

This week take time to pray with the words from the psalm response. What does it mean to show up each day in your relationship with God and to be eager to do God’s will?

Sunday Readings

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

So Eli said to Samuel, “Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, ‘Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.’”

1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the holy Spirit within you?

John 1:35-42

Jesus said, “You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas (which is translated Peter).”

Jesus’ call is simple: Follow me.

Our response should be simple, too: yes or no.

Reflection Questions:

In baptism and confirmation, we take new names that come with our new, deeper calls. It is a meaningful Catholic tradition that parents name their children after a saint who becomes a model for their lives.

- Are you named after a saint or someone in particular?
- If so, how does that saint or person inspire you?

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Service

This week perform an act of service for yourself – exercise to the best of our ability. In today’s second reading, we hear that our body is a temple of the Holy Spirit. Keep that temple healthy and in order.

For Pope Francis, all bishops and priests.

We pray to the Lord....

PRAYER Lord, draw me close to your heart that I may come to know and love you more deeply.

*From Joyful Meditations for Every Day
In Ordinary Time.*

Rev Warren J Savage & Mary Ann McSweeney

A WORD from POPE FRANCIS

Jesus does not want disciples who are merely able to repeat memorized formulas. He wants witnesses: people who spread hope, with their way of welcoming, smiling and loving; above all loving because the power of the resurrection makes Christians capable of loving even when love seems to have lost its motivation.

General Audience, October 4, 2017



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 24, 2021

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

At a moment when “time was running out” for evil Nineveh, God did something extraordinary: he raised up Jonah to preach repentance to “the great city.” When “Jesus came proclaiming the Gospel of God,” Christ’s first action was to call men from the sea to preach to the world. The compassion, the love, the kindness and the goodness of God shine forth in the witness of these humble believers who leave nets, boats and father to follow Jesus. When we pray to God, “Teach me your paths,” Jesus responds, “Come after me.”

Sunday Readings

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

The people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on sackcloth.

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

I tell you, brothers, the time is running out...For the world in its present form is passing away.

Mark 1:14-20

Jesus said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Then they abandoned their nets and followed him.

Bulletin Reflections

We can be slow to respond to the invitation of God in our soul, whether in big or small things.

- What has God been calling me to do?
- Do I understand that putting off His voice is also putting off God’s joy and goodness?

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Formation

Simon, Andrew, James and John leave everything behind them and follow the call of Jesus. This week, open yourself to the Lord in prayer. Allow Him to speak to you and call to you as you sit in silence.

For recent converts to the Catholic Faith.

We pray to the Lord....

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

In these, our troubles times, rent by the tragedies of war and menaced by the baneful tendency to accentuate differences and to incite conflict, may the Good News that in Jesus forgiveness triumphs over sin, life defeats death and love conquers fear, but proclaimed to the world with renewed fervor.

*Letter recognizing missionary work
October 22, 2017*

PRAYER

Lord, you call me to do the work of God in the world. Help me to say yes to your work of peace and reconciliation.

*From Peaceful Meditations for
Every Day In Ordinary Time*

Rev Warren J Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney



CHRIST-LIKE - Still searching for a New Year’s resolution? None is more worthy than becoming Christ-like. In fact, 19th century evangelist Henry Drummond calls it “the only thing in the whole world worth caring for.”

Two modern-day authors offer more insights. Stormie Omartian points out that we’re either making progress or backsliding on this goal. “There is no neutral position in the Lord,” she writes. “You are either becoming more like Christ every day or you’re becoming less like him.” And followers of Jesus must keep the goal always in focus. Christ-like is our “eventual destination,” writes Rick Warren, but the “journey will last a lifetime.”

Mass Intentions  *For the Month of January*

Jan 16	Emily Mathes
Jan 23	Paul Meister
Jan 30	Michelle Sloan

SANCTUARY LIGHT

Week of January 17 & 24 Nic Meister



PARISH SUPPORT

January 2	\$ 3,105.00
January 9	\$ 2,495.00
Christmas	\$ 140.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 50.00
Prop of Faith	\$ 30.00
Latin America	\$ 35.00
Criterion	\$ 20.00
Votive Candles	\$ 55.00

God Keep You Healthy!

**WORDS OF GRATITUDE
FROM THE SISTERS**

“Thank you so much for ALL the items you donated to our Sisters here at the Motherhouse. We certainly appreciate each and every gift and will use them well. This was so thoughtful and generous of you. It will save us much money, too. May God bless you abundantly now and always. Know we hold you in mind, heart and prayer.”



Another Sister wrote: “To all the generous, gift-giving, loving and wonderful people of your parishes – WOW – they are awesome! I saw the many beautiful gift bags sent to our Sisters, all I can say is you all are amazing. I pray Jesus bless you all abundantly, as you have blessed us.”

**REI GIOUS
EDUCATION**

Pre-School through Grade 5 will meet on Wednesday, January 20 and 27, 6:45 PM.

Junior High/High School Classes will meet on Sunday, January 17 and 24, 8:30 AM

PARISH COUNCIL The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday, January 26, 6:00pm.

ST. MARY’S PRESCHOOL - Greensburg

If you are interested in the preschool program at St. Mary’s, Greensburg, see the flyer on the bulletin board in the vestibule of church.

JOB OPENING Housekeeper for the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg - Day Shift: Part time; 29 hours per week: every 9th Saturday; PTO benefits; Vision and Dental Benefits available.

For Information: Contact: S. Carolyn Hoff at 812/933-6465; choff@oldenburgosf.com

On 2-27-2021 the E6 Catholic Men’s Conference



will be held at the All Saints Parish – St Joseph campus in St Leon Indiana. COVID-Compliance will limit attendance but more significantly there is unlimited live-streaming of the conference wherein individuals or groups (families, men’s groups or entire parishes) can witness and participate with a single enrollment. Live or Streaming registration begins January 4th (<https://www.e6catholicmensconference.com/registration>)

Feature speakers are [Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers](#), [Jason Evert](#) and [Patrick Coffin](#).

<https://www.e6catholicmensconference.com/>



Amy Castner	Randal Simon
Paul Fullenkamp	Katie Spreckelson
Jeff Haaft	Glenna Ward
Marlene Jones	Joe Peske

If you have someone you would like to include please contact me (Sharon) Call or text: 513-505-8884 Email: saavoegeli@gmail.com.

The Lighter Side

From the Mouths of Babes

A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked it up and looked at it carefully.

What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed between the pages.

“Mama, look what I found,” the boy called out to his mother, who was busy cooking dinner.

“What have you got there, dear?” she replied without turning to look at him.

Imagine her surprise when the young boy answered, “I think it is Adam’s underwear!”



When a six-year-old was asked where his grandmother lived, he responded confidently, “she lives at the airport. When we want her to visit, we go get her! Then, when her visit is done, we take her back to the airport!”