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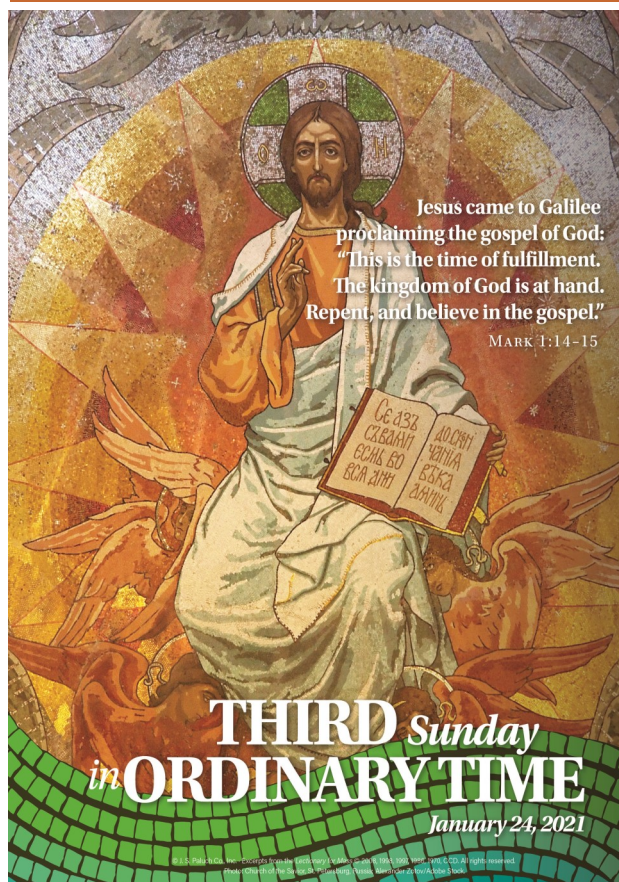


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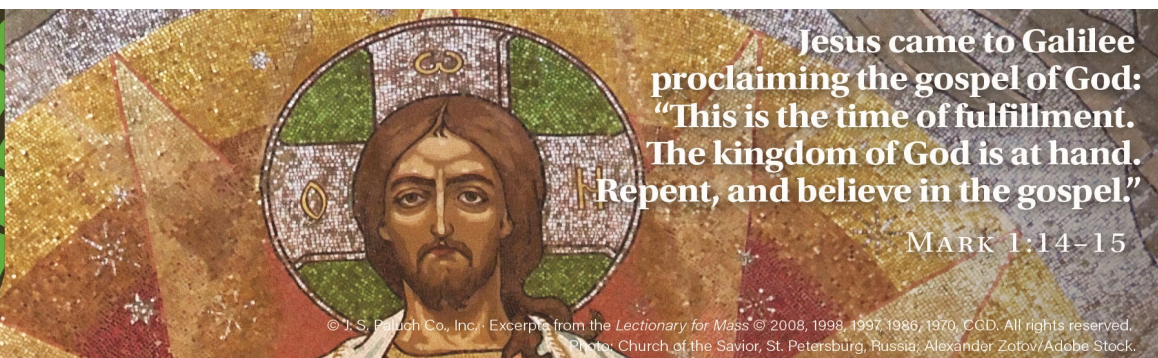
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January 24, 2021



THIRD Sunday January 24, 2021 in ORDINARY TIME



“KAIROS” MOMENTS

Our readings today speak of “Kairos” times, of God proclaiming new moments of opportunity of encounter with the Divine. From Jonah, we hear of God’s summons to the people of Nineveh to turn from evil. We hear Paul tell the church in Corinth that those who live in Christ must avoid clinging to anything transient, as all is secondary to God. And we hear of the beginning of Jesus’ ministry in Mark, as Jesus proclaims a moment of both opportunity and crisis. In these passages, there are no delaying tactics, no getting caught up in life’s distractions. Just a simple moment of choice. Perhaps we have had “Kairos” moments like these, or we may be facing one now. Sometimes, amid the complexities and uncertainties of our lives, clear choices emerge, and God asks us to choose. And our always patient and merciful God will accompany us in our choices.

THE INAUGURATION

Mark describes the beginning of Jesus’ ministry with his proclamation that the “kingdom of God is at hand.” The rest of Mark’s Gospel—all of Jesus’ preaching and healing, his death and resurrection—describes the inauguration of this kingdom of God. For Mark, the life of Jesus is the center point of history, where everything leads up to Jesus, and everything follows from Jesus. Mark then tells us that the first disciples follow Jesus immediately and wholeheartedly. They leave their work and family, all for Jesus. Because compared to Jesus and the life he offers, everything else is secondary.

Perhaps our invitations from God do not entail such dramatic life changes. But all who follow Jesus are called to align our life and values with his ways of love. As we continue to mature in love and in faith, we might ask: What needs to be renewed, re-oriented, or discarded in light of our life in Christ?

JONAH AND NINEVEH

Jonah makes a rare appearance this week. The book of Jonah is a fascinating tale of God, stubborn Jonah, surprising Nineveh, and the famous fish (or whale). Please consider reading the whole book, just 48 verses, together with a good commentary. The book is read at Jewish services at Yom Kippur, as a profound reflection about God and about all of us.

Today’s passage takes place shortly after Jonah’s time in the fish’s belly. Jonah finally performs the task that God asks of him, to call the people of Nineveh to repentance. (Nineveh was notorious for its brutality.) Their sudden repentance is bitterly accepted by Jonah, as he resents God’s mercy for Nineveh. God reminds Jonah that the people of Nineveh are God’s beloved too. Like the parable of the Prodigal Son, the story hints at the vastness of God’s mercy, especially forgiveness of those who seem least deserving. We are reminded that all of us are sinners, and we are all in need of God’s mercy.

TODAY’S READINGS

Jonah 3:1–5, 10
Psalm 25:4–5, 6–7, 8–9
1 Corinthians 7:29–31
Mark 1:14–20

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



Please Make Your Gift to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world.

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries, parishes and schools who receive funding from the Appeal, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to "Come, follow me ... and bring hope to the world." This is especially important during these trying and challenging times. Many in our parishes are affected financially by the pandemic, and we encourage giving at all levels to support this initiative.

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the archdiocese, the Annual Catholic Appeal funds services in our own parish.

When we financially support the work of our parish, our archdiocese and the Catholic Church throughout the world, we experience a feeling of deep gratitude, especially when we contemplate God's many gifts to us personally. By sharing our wealth through gifts to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal, we demonstrate our commitment to the Church and each other.



PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Please pray for all the Sick, Shut-ins, and the
Convalescents of the Parish,
our relatives and friends, especially:**

George Alex, Judy Allen, Phil Anselmini, William Avorywoskie, Pamela Banks, Ted Bauer, Cathy Behof, Virginia Bentley, Paul Bilyeu, James Booth, Jessica Butler, Chuck Conn, Sue Crimmins, Patricia Dineen, Dawn Donovan, Charles Farley, Ed Galus, Mark Goldman, Rose Groya, Laura Hartman, Catherine Henehan, Walter Hoendervoogt, Robert Johnson, Tom Johnson, Eleanor Jura, Ann Kaleneasa, Edward Kocal, Eleanor Kost, Patricia Leck, Patrick & Nora Lynch, Paul Masciopinto, Nan Nash, Diane Ockerlund, Judy Ordonez, Roberta Paulson, Elaine Pettersen, Carol Piorek, Louis Rangel, Leonard Rizzo, Elsie Robello, Gertrude Rollinson, Michael Rowland, Carmele Sarno, Barbara Schuler, Gloria Sedlacek, Richard Sieracki, Norb Sliwa, John & Ann Sobun, Rita Stahl, Katherine Snow, Rosetta Taylor, Frances Turner, Ed Watkowski, Barbara White, Theresa Zavacki.

Please remember in your prayers all the faithful departed family and friends of Our Lady of Victory, especially for Audrey Graziano, Dominick Clemente, Barbara Magaha, John Magaha, Dolores Cantacessi, Joseph Ejnik Jr., Chester Dymek, Agnes Brown, Nanette Meyer, Patricia DiPrizio, William Dab Jr., Debbi Schiavo, John Jakubosky, and Edward Schoewe, who have recently passed during the time we have been unable to celebrate as in the past, may they rest in peace.



VIGIL LIGHTS

FOR THE LIVING

Michelle Albanese, Leilani Anderson, Ed Belsan, Mary Berens, Nick Buccola, Audrey Butler, Mary Campanolo, Jocelyn V. M. Chan, George S. Domaszek, Mary Ann M. Domaszek, Martha Francico, Elyse Harwick, Michael Hassett, Bob Jones, Vicki Kost, Cecelia LaPorta, Josephine Lentino, Patricia Natale, Ostling Family, Gloria Paglini, Richard Palasik, Helen Pobat, Paul E. Posch, Stacy Posch, Ann Marie Posch, Ediwn & Natalie Radwanski, Jake Reed, Janet Santicola, Diane Schick, Michelle Schmidt, Gertrude Skiba, Skowronski Family, Josephine Sproch, Mary Tomczak, Jim Warner, Special Intention, Halina, Andrzej, Victoria.



FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS

Marie & Carmen Ambroggio, Adele Anselmini, John & Ann Anselmini, Gloria Austria, Nicholas & Muriel Buccola, Charles & Carmela Buccola, Rose & Placio Buccola, Michael & Robert Buccola, Audrey Butler, Joseph & Anna Catanzaro, Carol Conn, Rosemary Colby, Gerald Crowley, Ellen C. DePouw, Leo Dineen, George P. & Cecelia V. Domaszek, Jaime Figueroa, Wanda Jones, Theresa Juda, Gayle Small-Kopera, Herbert Kost, Wayne Larsen, Dolores Levar, Marie & Mikie Lomascolo, Helen Mueller, Gregory Paglini, Alex Pobat, Paul L. & Anne Posch, Lillian Rymko, Skowronski Family, George Sproch, Ron Szatkowski, Martha Todd, Henry & Agnes Tush, Frances & Ignatius Wycislo, Nicolina & Edwin J. Wycislo, Bob Zavacki, Special Intention for the Souls in Purgatory.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY - MASS INTENTIONS



SATURDAY - January 23

4:30pm † Patricia DiPrizio *req. by Parish Family of OLV*

SUNDAY - January 24

8:00am † Frances Turner *req. by Dolores Schoewe*

10:30am † William Daly Jr. *req. by Annie Ffrench*

MONDAY - January 25

8:00am † Sophie Iwaniuk *req. by Lagunas Family*

TUESDAY - January 26

8:00am † Shirley Patt *req. by Whiteside Family*

WEDNESDAY - January 27

Open Intention

THURSDAY - January 28

8:00am Open Intention

FRIDAY - January 29

Open Intention

SATURDAY - January 30

4:30pm † Edward Schoewe *req. by Whiteside Family*

SUNDAY - January 31

8:00am † Karen Edens *req. by Rosemary & Ron Zaccardi*

10:30am † Jim, John & Sam Taylor *req. by Family*

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Tuesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus

Wednesday: St. Angela Merici;

Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas

Mass Time

Lector

Jan. 30
4:30pm

Stan Banasik

Jan. 31
8:00am

Sandro Valdez

Jan. 31
10:30am

Liz Heinrich

Offer the gift of Holy Mass
for your loved ones.

Mass intentions can
be requested by calling our office.

Ushers Needed!

If you are an usher and would like
to assist with Confirmation
or First Communion
please let me know.
Ushers are needed
for the following dates:

Confirmation Practice- March 2nd at 7
p.m. in the upper church.

Confirmation- March 12th at 7 p.m. in
the upper church.

First Communion practice- April 27th
at 7 p.m. in the upper church.

First Communion- May 2nd at 1 p.m.

Your help is appreciated!

Thank You!
M.B. Frystak

This is the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

We remember the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle, St. Timothy, St. Titus, St. Angela Merici and St. Thomas Aquinas.

Our next in-person class for REP is January 27th at 6 p.m.

Until then please continue with all studies at home.



Please mark February 17th on your calendars. This is Ash Wednesday.

You must register for Mass, if you are attending. We will not be in class on that evening.

Please see the Banner for details.

The First Communion retreat is scheduled for February 27th .

The material for the First Communion banners will come home with the children on February 10th.

All parents should look for the Banners when your child is dismissed on the 10th.

Please pray for our 2021 Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Communion classes as the children prepare for these important sacraments.

Take time with your family to share stories, eat as a family, pray, and be thankful for all that God has given you. We all have much to be thankful for.

Thank you to all REP families for the donations of food for our food pantry.

Your donations are needed and appreciated.

In Closing.....January is almost over; hard to believe! It is a longer month, but time flies by. My grandmother used to tell me that as you get older the days go by quicker. Now I know what she meant!

There is a lot you can do outdoors with children, even in the cold; make a snowman, take a walk with your dog, go ice skating, go sledding, or just walk around and explore your neighborhood.

And as Dolly Parton once said, "If you don't like the road you're walking, start paving another one"!

M.B. Frystak

DRE/Pastoral Associate

M.B. Frystak

Religious Education News and Information

***PLEASE NOTE! WE HAVE ADDED CLASSES TO OUR SCHEDULE AS OF JANUARY. PLEASE FOLLOW THIS SHEET FOR ALL CURRENT INFORMATION!**

The REP classes for the remainder of this year will be as follows:

In person sessions will be on:

2/10/21, 2/24/21, 3/10/21, 3/24/21, 4/14/21, 4/21/21 and 5/5/21.

Please note: ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE CLASSES FOLLOWING THEIR CEREMONY IN MARCH.

2/27/21 First Communion retreat @ OLV 9:30- 11:30 a.m. in the school hall.

No lunch will be served!

3/6/21 Reconciliation at 1 p.m. for our First Communion class.

3/10/21 Lenten Reconciliation Service during REP class time.

4/27/21 First Communion practice at 7 p.m. in the upper church.

5/2/21 First Communion @ 1 p.m.

The Confirmation retreat will be on 1/23/21 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the school hall.

No lunch will be served!

Confirmation practice will be on 3/2/21 at 7 p.m. for all candidates and sponsors.

Confirmation will be @ OLV on 3/12/21 at 7 p.m.

***PLEASE NOTE:**

ALL FAMILIES MUST REGISTER TO ENTER CHURCH FOR THE RECONCILIATION SERVICE ON 3/6/21 AT 1P.M.

YOU MUST ALSO REGISTER FOR FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE ON 4/27/21 AT 7 P.M.

AND FOR THE CONFIRMATION PRACTICE ON 3/2/21 AT 7 P.M. AS WELL AS THE CONFIRMATION VIGIL ON 3/11/21 AT 7 P.M.

AND FINALLY, CONFIRMATION ON 3/12/21 AT 7 P.M.

M.B. Frystak

DRE/Pastoral Associate

Our temporary schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8 AM Mass

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday

7PM - 8PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass celebrated by Fr. Michael without presence of faithful.

Friday

7PM - 8PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mass celebrated by Fr. Michael without presence of faithful.

Saturday

3 PM – 4 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30PM Vigil Mass

Sunday

8 AM Mass

10:30 AM Mass



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Mass reservation can be done by calling (312) 880-7790
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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.”

MARK 1:14-15





SCHOOL NEWS



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 6

Pope Francis Global Academy will kick off our annual Catholic Schools Week celebration on Sunday, January 31. This year, our celebration will look quite a bit different than normal, but we will celebrate in as many ways as are deemed safe, including a full day of personal private tours of our school for prospective parents (replacing our annual CSW Open House), an all-school service project, an all-school art project, all-school themed days, and some all-school fun and games done in creative, COVID-safe ways for our students and families!

Look for more information next week on how **YOU** can help us to celebrate all that is great about Catholic Schools!

Contact Jodi Thyen at jthyen@pfgacademy.org for more information!

APPLICATIONS FOR 2021-22 NOW BEING ACCEPTED...COME HAVE A LOOK!

1:1 IN-PERSON TOURS

Call now or visit our website to arrange a tour on any school day after 3:15.

ZOOM VIRTUAL TOURS

Tuesday, January 26 from 9-10 am
Thursday, January 28 from 8-9 pm

SATURDAY TOURS

RSVP for a one hour personal tour on Sunday, January 31 from 8 am - 4 pm

EARN A HUGE CREDIT ON YOUR ILLINOIS STATE TAX BILL

If you expect to owe any money at all to the State of Illinois on your 2021 tax return, **YOU** could make a **HUGE** impact on our school with relatively **LITTLE** pain to you!

Any donation toward scholarships for our students, when made specifically through the **Invest in Kids Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship program**, will earn you a tax credit for 75% of that donation! A tax Credit is way better than a tax exemption because it is a 1:1 credit against the amount that you owe when paying your tax bill, allowing you to essentially be able to redirect 75% of your donation **FROM** the state **TO** a Pope Francis Global Academy student by way of a **TCS Scholarship**.

Contact Jodi Thyen at jthyen@pfgacademy.org to find out more!

POPE FRANCIS GLOBAL ACADEMY GIMMICK ROAD RALLY

Save the Date! February 6 at 2 PM

Are you ready to get out of the house?
Are you ready to try something new?

Then come and participate in the first ever Pope Francis Gimmick Road Rally. This is a fun and COVID-safe outing for the whole family. This is a roughly 2-hour adventure in your car, but it is NOT a race!



Each participating car will receive a list of instructions which contain clues as to where to go next. The rally leads you throughout the neighborhood from clue to clue. You will also stop 4 times to take pictures and post them to our private Road Rally Facebook page. Pictures and answers will score you points. The car with the highest score will win \$100. Everyone wins by getting out of the house and having some fun.

The registration form can be found on our school website: www.pfgacademy.org, or call Linda Garret at the school office!



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FINANCIAL REPORTS

01/19/20	01/17/21
Stewardship.....\$ 4,166.....	\$ 2,723
Loose.....\$ 436.....	\$ 215
Total	\$ 4,602.....\$ 2,938
Envelopes Used.....110.....	64
Mass Attendance.....419.....	not given
<i>The weekly figures above do not include electronic giving.</i>	
Electronic giving for December 2020	\$ 5,055

Thank you for your generosity!

Please remember our lady of victory in your will.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2020

Parish Goal:	\$28,225
Total pledged:	\$26,012
% of Goal	92%
Total Collected thru 12/19/20	\$25,367



Parish Goal:	\$645,000
Total Pledged:.....	\$694,803
Percent of Goal:.....	108%
Total collected through 12/15	\$470,102
Parish portion collected:.....	\$284,009
Arch. portion collected:.....	\$188,041

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and 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, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



THEY ABANDONED THEIR NETS
AND FOLLOWED

Jesus.

MARK 1:18



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4:30pm

Sunday Masses

8:00am

10:30am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - Morning Mass

8:00am

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday – 8:30am – 9:00am

Wednesday, Friday - 7:00pm - 8:00 pm

Rosary

Thursday after the 8:00am Mass

All Fridays in Lent:

Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS*

M -F 9:00am-4:00pm

closed for lunch 12:00-1:00pm

SAT & SUN CLOSED

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www.pfgacademy.org**POPE FRANCIS**
GLOBAL ACADEMY**SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE****Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Friday 7:00pm – 8:00pm, and Saturday 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2:00pm. Parents will attend a Baptism Preparation Program prior to the Baptism.

Call the Rectory at 773-286-2950 for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Contact must be made with one of the priests at least 6 months in advance.

Call the Rectory at 773-286-2950 for more information.

Ministry of Care

is available to bring Communion to the homebound, to visit and pray for those hospitalized, and to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**R.E.P. Religious Education Program** for grade school children is held on Wednesday 6:00-7:30pm.**R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** - Religious Instruction and Formation for adults preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.**OLV for Me** is a program for 3-5-year olds. The classes meet in the school during the 10:30am Mass on Sunday mornings from September thru May. Registration forms are available in the rectory and the REP office. For more information on this or any of the other religious education programs, please contact Mary Beth Frystak at 773-283-2229 ext.29.**SPRED** provides faith information and inclusion for children and adults with developmental disabilities or learning problems. For information call the rectory at 773-286-2950.**The Society of St. Vincent DePaul**

Please call the rectory for more information.