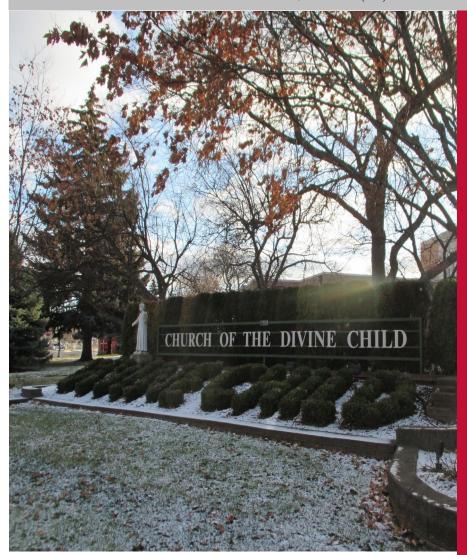


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JANUARY 17, 2021 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Rev. Paul Graney
Rev. David Pellican

PERMANENT DEACON
Rev. Mr. Robert Calleja

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM Saturday: 8:30 AM Saturday: Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30, 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM And after the 4:30pm Mass

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Church is the work of God initiated by Christ and held together by the Holy Spirit.

Divine Child is a Catholic Parish entrusted with the responsibility of bringing people to the Lord and answering the call to holiness.

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021

8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021

6:30am Fr. Stanislaw Flis, by Divine Child Parish

8:30am Henry Drabicki, by The Pirronello Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021

6:30am Gertrude Stretke, by Renée Day

8:30am Michael Faiola, by The Faiola Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

6:30am Kevin Riley, by Colleen Riley Circle

8:30am Elaine O'Connor, by The Hermann Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2021 6:30am Anthony Vink, by Wife

8:30am Helen Lukuc, by Dennis & Linda Caratelli

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021

6:30am (8th Anniv.) Helen Kuspa, by Daughter

8:30am Catherine Odom, by The Edgell Family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021

8:30am Antonio Musolino, by Family

4:30pm Vocations to the Priesthood

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021

8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish

MASSES TO THE MISSIONS

Jan 17: Giuliana Montebelli, by Graziano Canini

Jan 19: Rose Szymusiak, by Family

Jan 20: (Spec. Int.) Msgr. Todd Lajiness, by Parishioners for Priests

Jan 20: Giuliana Montebelli, by Graziano Canini

Jan 21: Gemma Borg, by Family

Jan 22: (Spec. Int.) Fr. Paul Graney, by Parishioners for Priests

Jan 23: Giuliana Montebelli, by Graziano Canini



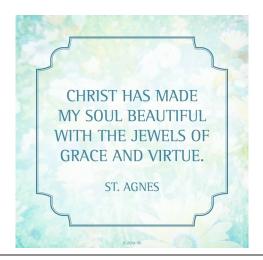
Please Pray For Our Sick

Jerry & Irene Dewicki

Rest in Peace

Sister-in-law of Janet & Larry Laliberte
Faith Caruana Bennett
Thomas Skelly
Jeanette Stachnik
Brian Bowser
Irene Reppenhagen







Mass: Sundays at 10:00am United in Prayer: Thursdays at 7pm

The live stream events can be viewed by visiting the parish website at **DivineChild.org** (click on Live Masses and/or Prayer Service).

Note: Dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is granted to all the faithful until Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Weekdays - 6:00am to 7:00pm Saturday - 7:00am to 6:00pm Sunday - 6:00am to 3:00pm

ADORATION CHAPEL IS REOPENED!

The Adoration Chapel is now open for private prayer, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

There is a limit of 4 people and masks are required.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND NOVENA

Eucharistic Adoration is on Tuesdays from 6pm - 7pm followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena at 7pm.

To receive real-time text messages regarding when the church reaches its maximum capacity. simply text the keyword **DivineChild to 84576.**

Rectory Office Remains Closed to Visitors

The Rectory Office is closed to visitors, until further notice. If you need to contact us, please call the Rectory at 313-277-3110. The phones are being monitored and messages are retrieved and returned as promptly as possible.

In the case of an emergency, such as anointing of the sick or funeral preparations, please call the rectory and select the appropriate prompt. Your message will be given first priority and returned promptly.

The Big Picture With Fr. Bob

Dear Friends,

This coming Friday, January 22, marks the 48th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade that legalized abortion. Since that time, there have been over 62 million abortions that have taken place in our country.

St. Paul tells us in his letter to the Romans 12:2 "Do not model

yourselves on the behavior of the world around you, but let your behavior change, modeled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do." St. Paul knows that it is by putting on the mind of Christ that we can make decisions that are truly wise. Prayer, Sacred Scripture, and two thousand years of Church teaching can help us put on the mind of Christ.

How can there be a debate as to whether a child in the womb is truly a human being? Psalm 139:13, 14 answers that question very clearly. "It was you who created my inmost self, and put me together in my mother's womb; for all these mysteries I thank you: for the wonder of myself, for the wonders of your work."

How could we have allowed this to happen? As a nation, how have we allowed our values to be formed? If our values are not shaped by Scripture and Church teachings, we will be way off course. Someone may be able to speak passionately and convincingly but still not be speaking with the mind of Christ.

We are all called to embrace the Gospel of Life. There are many chapters to the Gospel of Life. To be true to this Gospel, we need to be concerned for the unborn child and the child's mother. We need to be concerned for the well-being of all children. Caring for the poor and neglected in society is our responsibility and privilege. The list of life issues is enormous, spanning from conception to natural death

Today, let us stop and pray for an end to abortion. Let us also remember in our prayers the millions of women who have had abortions. Many do not want to face the truth of what they have done. Many are wracked with a sense of guilt and hopelessness. They feel they have committed an unforgivable sin. The truth is that every person who is sorry can experience God's forgiveness and healing. For Catholics, the Sacrament of Reconciliation plays a very important part in bringing the healing forgiveness of Christ into their lives at this time of brokenness.

On this day, may we appreciate anew the truth that every human being has infinite value.

God's Peace and Joy, Fr. Bob



To our homebound brothers and sisters, Please know that even though you're not in our pews right now, you remain in our thoughts and prayers! Please pray for us too!

Your Divine Child parish family



Spiritual Act of Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Adoration Chapel is Now Open!

We are happy to announce that the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is now open for private prayer, 24-hours a day, 7-days a week.

There is a limit of 4 people in the Chapel and masks are required.



From the PAULpit



We have all asked God what He wants us to do with our life as a whole and we have all asked Him what we should do in the countless situations we find ourselves in. This weekend

the first reading with Eli and Samuel is a great example of what discernment looks like, especially for the big decisions we must all make.

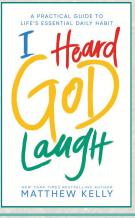
The story starts out with Samuel, who was just a boy, and he is sleeping in the Temple. The theme of sleeping in the bible signifies unawareness in the spiritual life, though not necessarily because of a lack of effort or goodness. Here we see that Samuel obviously loves God and wants to be near to Him because he is in the Temple. But as a young boy Samuel needs some help to know God's voice. He is inexperienced and unsure about spiritual things. God speaks to him 3 times and each time Samuel has no idea that it is God speaking to him. He thinks the voice is that of his mentor Eli.

I have been there. We all have been there. This story is a story that has happened countless times. God speaks to us but we do not even know that He is speaking to us. For example, look at the people that we love the most and know intimately well, even with them there is miscommunication at times. Even the best human communication can be misunderstood. And then there's God – a person we cannot see or hear. It's usually challenging to understand Him.

In this story of Eli and Samuel we learn that prayer is the beginning of all discernment. But also, there is no wrong way to pray. Samuel is just hanging out in the Temple and falls asleep! Samuel is also aware that he needs help from a teacher/mentor. He is with Eli to learn about the Lord. All of us are called to always be learning more about our faith. The more we learn, the better we can discern because it will open our eyes and ears to things beyond the world we perceive with our physical senses. We need to tune-up our spiritual senses to perceive the Person we cannot see and touch. Then we can live out our lives with greater peace and fulfillment.

Fr. Paul

A night of Prayer and Reflection on the book....



I Heard God Laugh

By Matthew Kelly

Thursday, January 28, 2021 7:00pm - 8:00pm In the Church or watch it livestreamed

Please join us in the church with Fr. Paul Graney, for a reflection on the transformative habit of daily prayer presented in the book, *I Heard God Laugh*.

This retreat will also be livestreamed at churchofthedivinechild.org, click on the *United In Prayer* box.

Copies of the book are still available in the Gathering Space.





Consecration to St. Joseph

Our parish will be participating in a 33-day consecration to St. Joseph as we prepare to kick off the Lenten season.

From Monday, February 15 through St. Joseph's Feast Day on Friday, March 19, we are inviting you to join us for short daily reflections and prayers asking for St. Joseph's intercession in our lives. Want to learn more?

We compiled a short FAQ below!

Q: What is a consecration?

A: The word consecration technically means setting aside something for a holy purpose – this can mean *things*, like an altar or chalice that we use for Mass, or even people! In this case, we are consecrating *ourselves* to St. Joseph.

Q: Most people have heard of a consecration to our Blessed Mother, but why should you also do one to St. Joseph?

A: By consecrating ourselves to St. Joseph, we are entrusting ourselves to his spiritual care and asking him to lovingly help us acquire his virtues and become *holy*. Our prayer is that St. Joseph will in turn give those consecrated to him his loving attention, protection and guidance. Plus, the first person to entrust himself to the spiritual care of both Mary and Joseph was Jesus Himself! Let us follow the Divine Child's example.

Q: How does the consecration work?

A: For 33 consecutive days, we will review daily reflections to unpack some of the titles and honors of St. Joseph and pray for the spiritual gifts we receive through a close relationship with St. Joseph. We conclude with a special prayer called a *litany*. It will take less than 10 minutes a day!

Q: How do I participate in the consecration to St. Joseph?

A: Everyone is invited to participate in the consecration to St. Joseph by following along with a series of daily videos published to our parish website and Facebook pages from February 15 – March 19, 2021.

Q: Do I need a special book?

A: While not required, we will make available the new book, Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father by Fr. Joseph Calloway, so that you may follow along with the daily reflections and enjoy even more reflective material to lead you on this spiritual journey, such as: miraculous places and events attributed to St. Joseph's intercession, prayers from saints and popes dedicated to St. Joseph, and guides for those leading small groups with the consecration.

Q: When and where will the book be available?

A: Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father will be sold for \$8 each in the Gathering Space after Masses February 6/7 and February 13/14 while supplies last.

Q: How can I prepare for the consecration?

A: Our DC priests will be discussing St. Joseph in their bulletin columns and weekly videos in the coming weeks. As we learn more through their teachings, we encourage all parishioners to open their hearts to our spiritual father and to pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit! St. Joseph, pray for us!



25 children from Divine Child, submitted a drawing for the Christmas bulletin! What a beautiful display of our Lord's Nativity. Three other drawings were also used for 3 feast days during the Christmas Season.

A big THANK-YOU to Cristina Hancock for displaying the drawings in the Gathering Space of the Church, during the Christmas Season.

Please join us for our next ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, February 20 12:00pm

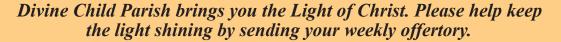
Divine Child Marian Shrine

(outside in front of the high

school)

Future Dates: March 20, 2021 Please join us as we all come together, while keeping socially distant, and pray the Rosary in public to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother. Rain or shine!

If you have questions, please contact Virginia May at 734-748-4442 or Linda Wielkopolan at 313-563-2427.



- Mail your offertory to the Parish at 1055 N. Silvery Lane, Dearborn, MI 48128
- Drop it off through the mail slot at the Rectory Office
- Make a donation online via FaithDirect.net

Thank you for your continued support! We are so grateful for your generosity!



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Make checks payable to: Archdiocese of Detroit - CSA

3. Drop off your donation to the rectory.

Parishioners are asked to indicate "Divine Child Parish" as your home parish on your check's memo line. If you received a CSA donor card in the mail, please use it to accompany your donation.

DC Parishioner Makes a Promise





St. Teresa of Avila, Carmelite.

Christine with her artwork.

On January 2, DC Parishioner, Christine Panyard made her First Promise in the Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites

Inspired by the Holy Spirit, in response to God's call, I sincerely promise to the Superiors of the Order of the Teresian Carmel, and to you my brothers and sisters, to tend toward evangelical perfection in the spirit of the evangelical counsels of chastity, poverty, obedience, and of the Beatitudes, according to the Rule of St. Albert and the **Constitutions of the Secular Order of discalced Carmelites** for three years. I confidently entrust this, my Promise, to the Virgin Mary, Mother, and Queen of Carmel."

It has brought me more peace than I have experienced in a long time.

> **Congratulations Christine!** May our Lord bless you abundantly!



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TWITTER @DivineChildSch Dear parishioners of Divine Child.

Thank you so much for your gracious hospitality over the last seven weeks. It was a great gift, and my only regret is that I was not able to be more involved or get to know you better because of Covid-19.

I returned to the Seminary on January 8th and am starting online classes for a few weeks. The Seminary faculty is going to assess the situation as time



goes on with the hope of returning to in-person classes come February.

I am looking forward to what the Lord has in store this semester as I come closer to receiving the great gift of Ordination, by the grace of God.

Please pray for me as I continue on and know of my prayers for you. Once again, I would like to say thank you for such a wonderful time that was truly blessed by the

Charlie Giroux Sacred Heart Major Seminarian





Join the Knights of Columbus for a 5th Sunday Rosary



For the intention of:

All those who have been affected by abortion & an increase for **Respect for** Life.

WHEN: Sunday, January 31st
WHERE: Inside Divine Child Church

by Marian Altar

TIME: 10:35 am (stay after 9:30am Mass

or come early to 11:00am Mass)

SVdP - Divine Child & Sacred Heart

St. Vincent de Paul SVdP and Capuchin's Chili Cha Cha Cancelled

Recently, Father Ken Chase met with Chili Cha Cha Chairwoman, Fran Helner, to discuss the Chili Cha Cha and the circumstances surrounding it. Erring on the side of caution, and observing and acknowledging the "uptick" of more contagious Covid-19, it was settled that the popular annual event be cancelled. Ordinarily, the event is scheduled the last Saturday of January. It would have been January 30th this year. Any monies and grants (targeted for Chili Cha Cha only) received in 2020 will remain in the dedicated bank account until the next Chili Cha Cha.

~ Mindy Delano, Treasurer of Sacred Heart/Divine Child SVdP





This year, due to COVID, we had a change in helping our sponsored people with Christmas Food Baskets, and Divine Child stepped-up to the challenge!

We were able to assist 42 families with gift cards and turkeys were donated by The Wolverine Packing Company. The response was overwhelming!

A thank-you to Sue D'Arcangelo, for picking up the turkeys! Sue does this every year for us. And Stephen Balash for helping unload the turkeys and he even stayed to help pass them out!

Also, a BIG Thank-You to Fr. Bob and Beth Stawasz-Donavan for working out an alternative way of continuing our Christmas Giving.

Without your generosity none of this would have happened so THANK YOU!

I am sure you will be blessed in the New Year!



Home Blessing Kits





Thank you to our high school Christian Service, Education & Worship Commissions for collaborating to distribute 500 home blessings kits on the Feast of the Epiphany.

Come, Holy Spirit! Jesus, protect our families!

DCHS Varsity Club - Wreaths Across America

On Saturday December 19,2020, Divine Child had over thirty students at St. Hedwig cemetery placing wreaths on Veteran gravesites. We are proud to have been one of the first schools that was asked to participate in this event and now the largest participating school. Our first year there were only two hundred wreaths this year there were a thousand! The kids are great. It always humbles me when I see a student one way in school and then I get the opportunity to witness them outside being so very kind, respectful, and genuine. -Regina Dunn, Varsity Club Moderator.













READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 17

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19

A reading from the first Book of Samuel

Samuel was sleeping in the temple of the LORD where the ark of God was. The LORD called to Samuel, who answered, "Here I am." Samuel ran to Eli and said, "Here I am. You called me." "I did not call you," Eli said. "Go back to sleep." So he went back to sleep.

Again the LORD called Samuel, who rose and went to Eli. "Here I am, "he said. "You called me." But Eli answered, "I did not call you, my son. Go back to sleep." At that time Samuel was not familiar with the LORD, because the LORD had not revealed anything to him as yet. The LORD called Samuel again, for the third time. Getting up and going to Eli, he said, "Here I am. You called me." Then Eli understood that the LORD was calling the youth. So he said to Samuel, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Samuel grew up, and the LORD was with him, not permitting any word of his to be without effect.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God. **R.**

Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come." R.

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, to do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!" R.

I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know. R.

SECOND READING

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

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:

The body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body;

God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. Avoid immorality.

Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the immoral person sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you,

whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been purchased at a price. Therefore glorify God in your body.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

John 1:41, 17b

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

GOSPEL

John 1:35-42

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John Glory to you, O Lord.

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" – which translated means Teacher –, "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see."

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah" – which is translated Christ.

Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas"—which is translated Peter.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ



St. Michael Prayer

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





In conjunction with the USCCB's Novena for Life, we invite you to join as Archbishop Vigneron celebrates Mass for Life from the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 23rd.

Watch the Livestream at <u>aod.org/livemasses</u>, or register at https://www.aod.org/events/645 to attend the Mass in person at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament (registration is required for in person Mass attendance).

Praying with the Mass Readings

Spiritual reading of Sacred Scripture is a form of prayer called lectio divina.

- 1. Begin... Come, Holy Spirit
- Read (lectio): Read the Mass Bible passage. Read it carefully, two or three times. Let it really soak in. Underline a word or sentence that stands out to you.
- 3. Meditation (meditatio). Ponder the words of the passage that stood out to you. Allow yourself to be moved by the Word of God to discover its meaning for your life.
- 4. Prayer (oratio). Speak to God about the passage. Be yourself. Allow time for silence to let God speak back to you. In this prayerful engagement with the Bible passage, you open yourself up to the possibility of contemplation.
- 5. Contemplation (contemplatio): Resting in silence ask, "God, show me the way."

Notes:	 	

Don't Forget Your Priest! Tell him... You're grateful for his prayers. You're keeping your faith. And you're including him in your prayers. Thank you and God bless you!

Priestly Vocations: Discernment Group

The Office of Priestly Vocations is starting a discernment group for men (18-55) considering the priesthood on Thursday, January 21, 2021 – 7:00-8:30pm.

It will led by Fr. Craig Giera, Director of Priestly Vocations, and will include prayer, a presentation on discernment, free discernment resources, and light refreshments and fellowship with other-like-minded men.

Please contact the vocation office for more info: https://detroitpriestlyvocations.com/discernment-groups/.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Mexican families share a special treat called a Kings' Cake on January 6th. Hidden inside the cake is one tiny little doll shaped like the baby Jesus. If you find Jesus in your piece of cake, you tell everyone. In today's Gospel, Andrew met Jesus for the first time. Andrew was so excited to find the Savior, he ran to tell his brother he had found Jesus.

PRAYER

Jesus, help me tell my family and friends about you.

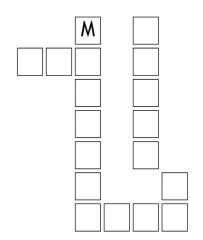
MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Ask your family if you could include Kings' Cake in your holiday celebrations next year.

KIDS CORNER

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares.

We have found the Messiah.







Foley's Forum

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NOVENA FOR LIFE: A Nine Day Journey with Three American Saints

It's not too late to join the Foley Knights in praying a Novena for Life. The Novena started on Wednesday, January 13th and will finish on Thursday, January 21st. Now more than ever we have witnessed how important life is and that every life is precious. Saints Elizabeth Seton, John Neumann, and Frances Cabrini are powerful witnesses to the Gospel of life, each in their own time. This novena suggests three days of prayer to each of these Saints for the promotion of Life in our country and our Church today. See page 13 for the Novena for Life prayers.



PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Please join the Foley Knights and fellow parishioners for a **Prayer Service for Life** on **Thursday, January 21st at 7:00 PM** in the Church or watch it Live Stream from your home as part of the Thursday night United in Prayer Program at https://www.churchofthedivinechild.org/live-masses. The Prayer Service will be held on the last day of our Novena for Life and on the eve of the 48th Anniversary of Roe versus Wade, where the Supreme Court legalized abortions by ruling on January 22, 1973 that a state law that banned abortions except to save the life of the mother was unconstitutional under the Fourteenth Amendment. This Prayer Service is for the lives of the unborn, the poor whose lives are made difficult, the men and women who are victims of brutal violence, the elderly and the sick.



SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON

Saint Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton, a prominent New York aristocrat, had five children with her husband, William, a shipping merchant. Before she turned 30, the Setons went bankrupt and William died. Within five years of his death, Elizabeth had converted to Catholicism, formed New York City's first charity (the Society for the Relief of Poor Widows with Small Children), established the first Catholic school and then founded the first religious community of women in the United States of America.



SAINT JOHN NEUMANN

Saint John Neumann came to the United States as one of 36 priests to serve the 200,000 Catholics of New York and New Jersey in 1836. As a priest in Buffalo, Pittsburgh, and Baltimore, and as Bishop of Philadelphia, he was tireless in his love for the people of the United States. He died in 1860, while on his way to mail a chalice to a missionary priest.



SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

Frances Cabrini was born in a little village in Lombardy in 1850, so fragile at birth that she was brought immediately to Church to be baptized. While from her youth she dreamed only of being a missionary, she was three times rejected when applying to a convent. Yet in her years of religious life she founded an order, 70 orphanages, schools and hospitals, scattered over eight countries in Europe North, South, and Central America.

DAY ONE: Wednesday, January 13th Saint Elizabeth Seton,

you knew the beauty of all human life when you carried a child in your womb and when, as a young widow, a teacher, and founder of the Sisters of Charity, you sought to live the Gospel of Life. Inspire us, intercede for us, and be with us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. You know the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony; Teach us to support all families with faith and truth. You know the love of a good spouse; Intercede for all newly married couples. You know the stirring of the child in your womb; Intercede for every unborn child. You know the miracle of giving birth; Pray for mothers tempted by abortion. Our Father ...

DAY TWO: Thursday, January 14th
Saint Elizabeth Seton, you knew the beauty of all human life when you carried a child in your womb and when, as a young widow, a teacher, and founder of the Sisters of Charity, you sought to live the Gospel of Life. Inspire us, intercede for us, and be with us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

You know the cry of a little child;
Inspire us to protect the littlest and most

vulnerable. You know the searching of the adolescent; Open our eyes to the wonder of their lives. You know the journey of the dying; Be with us as we journey toward death with those whom we love. You know the pain of the widow; Inspire to us to seek out those who are

most in need.
Our Father ...
Hail Mary ...
Glory be to The Father ...

DAY THREE: Friday, January 15th Saint Elizabeth Seton,

you knew the beauty of all human life when you carried a child in your womb and when, as a young widow, a teacher, and founder of the Sisters of Charity,

you sought to live the Gospel of Life.
Inspire us, intercede for us, and be with us.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
You know the loneliness of the orphan;
Consecrate us to the protection of children.
You know of the vocation of the teacher;
Inspire us to teach the Gospel of Life.
You know the vows of religious life;
Pray that we might be faithful to the Gospel

of Life.
Our Father ...
Hail Mary ...
Glory be to The Father ...

DAY FOUR: Saturday, January 16th Saint John Neumann, as a loyal son, a faithful priest, and a tireless Bishop,

Hail Mary ...

Glory be to The Father ...

you worked to support and defend life in all its wonder. Intercede for the Church you loved with all your heart that we may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel of Life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Faithful son of faithful parents;
Teach us to honor our parents when they grow old. Immigrant and stranger;

Inspire us to welcome the rejected of the world.

Protector of the young;
Inspire us to work for the safety of all children.

Our Father ...

Hail Mary ...

Glory be to The Father ...

DAY FIVE: Sunday, January 17th
Saint John Neumann, as a loyal son, a faithful
priest, and a tireless Bishop,

you worked to support and defend life in all its wonder. Intercede for the Church you loved with all your heart that we may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel of Life. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Missionary to America; Pray for the leaders of our country. Tireless servant of the cross; Make our hearts to love Christ suffering in those who have grown very old. Model of self-sacrifice; Help us not to count the cost in proclaiming the Gospel of Life. Faithful unto death; Guide unwed fathers, that they may be true to the Faith.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be to The Father ... DAY SIX: Monday, January 18th

Saint John Neumann, as a loyal son, a faithful priest, and a tireless Bishop, you worked to support and defend life in all its wonder. Intercede for the Church you loved with all your heart that we may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel of Life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Preacher of the truth;

Teach our nation to protect the lives of all its citizens. Friend of the sick;
Inspire doctors to cherish the lives of all.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be to The Father ...

DAY SEVEN: Tuesday, January 19th

Saint Frances Cabrini, In every corner of the hemisphere you sought out those whom everyone had forgotten.

Mother of immigrants, friend of orphans, protector of the poor, intercede for us who seek to follow your example.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Mother of immigrants;

Give us a love for the lives of all who are rejected or forgotten. Mother of the oppressed; Inspire us to work for justice and the protection of all life. Mother of the lost;

Inspire us to seek out all whose lives are

forgotten.
Our Father ...
Hail Mary ...
Glory be to The Father ...

DAY EIGHT: Wednesday, January 20th Saint Frances Cabrini, In every corner of the hemisphere you sought out those

whom everyone had forgotten.

Mother of immigrants, friend of orphans,
protector of the poor, intercede for us who seek
to follow your example.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mother of the aged; Be with those who are forgotten and alone.

Mother of the oppressed;
Pray for all who are condemned to die.
Mother of the sick; Pray for those tempted to forget the infinite value of life.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be to The Father ... DAY NINE: Thursday, January 21st Saint Frances Cabrini, In every corner of the hemisphere you sought out those

whom everyone had forgotten.

Mother of immigrants, friend of orphans, protector of the poor, intercede for us who seek to follow your example.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Mother of those who care for the sick;
Inspire doctors to be apostles for life.
Mother of the homeless;

Teach us that all life comes from God and rests only in him. Mother of little children; Be with the child who is alone or afraid.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory be to The Father ...

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, January 13th through Thursday, January 21st, 2021 – Individually Directed Novena for Life Thursday, January 21st, 2021 – Prayer Service for Life 7:00 PM in the Church Sunday, January 31st, 2021 – 5th Sunday Rosary



EXPLORE THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

The First Disciples Jn 1:35-42

See page 10 for the Gospel reading.

Family Fun! Change the World One Hand at a Time

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day will be celebrated on Monday, January 18 this year. The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a passionate preacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and example, and a martyr for justice. This craft can help you reflect on how you can change the world with the gifts God has given you and the desires he has placed in your heart.

Use a map or draw a large picture of the world. Individually trace your hand on construction paper and cut it out. Write on the hand what you feel you could do now to help change the world, considering what God is asking of you. Assist younger children with this project if needed. Decorate the hands as desired. Place all the hand cutouts on the picture of the world. Place it in a visible location as a reminder of what you want to do and encourage each other to accomplish your goals.

Liturgy Link

In today's Gospel, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." This phrase is spoken by the priests at a particular point at Mass. When does he say it?

TAKE TIME TO CHAT:

- At the beginning of today's Gospel passage, the two disciples heard John's proclamation and followed Jesus. Why do you think they followed him?
- Jesus asked the disciples what they were looking for. What would you say if Jesus asked you the same question?
- What was it like for these disciples to meet Jesus? Have you met Jesus? If so, what was that like?
- What similarities do you see between Cephas (Peter) and St. Fabian?

RECIPE OF THE WEEK:

Chicken Cacciatore Slow Cooker Recipe



Enjoy this Italian meal in honor of St. Fabian, whose story started in Rome.

- 1 bag frozen chicken breast tenderloins
- 1 14oz. can tomato paste
- 1/3-1/2 cup red cooking wine
- 4-5 whole cloves of garlic chopped
- 3 jars tomato basil sauce
- whole mushrooms
- 1/4 tsp. dried basil
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- 1/4 tsp. red pepper flakes
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 chopped red pepper
- Optional: sliced onion and/or 1/4 tsp. dried rosemary

Combine all ingredients in crock pot. Cook on low for 7 hours or on high for 3-4 hours.

Meet Our Extended Family:

St. Fabian

Feast Day January 20 d. 250

Fabian was a layman who came into the city of Rome from his farm one day as people were preparing to elect a new pope. Fabian may have come for the same reason many still come to Rome today during a papal election: concern for the future of the faith, curiosity about the new pope, and a desire to grieve for the pope who had passed. Many important people gathered to make this momentous decision. During the deliberations, a dove descended from the ceiling and settled on the head of Fabian. The people interpreted this as a sign that Fabian was worthy to be pope, and much to Fabian's surprise, he was elected.

With Fabian's election, the Church entered a time of peace and Fabian was able to build up the structure of the Church of Rome. The emperor at the time, Philip, was friendly to Christians; the persecution stopped, and Christians gained acceptance. However, when Philip died, so did the time of peace. The new emperor, Decius, ordered all Christians to deny Christ. Many didn't have the courage to stand up for their faith, but Fabian did. He died a martyr in the year 250.

Family Prayer - Lectio Divina

In today's Gospel, Jesus changes Simon's name to Peter and gives him a special role in the early Church. Today's prayer will use Lectio Divina to help you reflect on the fact that Jesus calls you by name as well.

Lectio Divina (Latin: "divine reading") is a way of developing a closer relationship with God by reflecting prayerfully on his words in Sacred Scripture. In Lectio Divina, the chosen passage is read three times in total, giving an opportunity to think deeply about it and respond thoughtfully.

Choose a reader for the passage on page 10. After each reading allow for a minute or two of silence to let the words sink in. Listen for any words or phrases that seem to jump out. After the third reading, pray about what God is calling you to focus on today. Family members are invited to share their experience afterward. This formula can be used for any Scripture passage.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

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Please let us know if you have a loved one who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly column. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!



PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED:

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May He show His face to you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look upon you with kindness and give you peace.

Clare Alles

~ Blessing of St. Francis

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Please pray for these young men who are discerning God's call to the religious life.

James Bird, a 2016 DCHS graduate, is in formation for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit.

Joseph Lennon, a DC Parishioner & 2017 St. Frances Cabrini HS graduate, is in formation for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit.

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a,



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2021

17-20/Jn 1:35-42

MON 1/18 Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22

TUE 1/19 Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

WED 1/20 Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

THR 1/21 Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

FRI 1/22 Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

SAT 1/23 Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

SUN 1/24 Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2021

Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: January 18-25 is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity;

Martin Luther King Day

Wednesday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr

Thursday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Friday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Saturday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin; BVM

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

OLD:

John was
standing with
two of his
disciples, and
as he watched
Jesus walk by, he
said, "Behold,
the Lamb of
God." The two
disciples heard
what he said and
followed Jesus.

- Jn 1:35-37

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-1 Peter 4:10

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Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

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Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, and after the 4:30 PM Mass

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Jodi Ann Micallef at (313) 277-3110.

Please contact the Rectory Office with updates to your street address, phone or email.

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Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory Office to request this Sacrament. In emergency situations when the office is closed, the emergency line attendant will take the call.

<u>Marriages</u>

Arrangements must be made <u>at least</u> six months in advance and couple must be active, registered members at a Catholic Church. <u>Potential wedding date is not confirmed until couple meets with a Divine Child priest</u>. Officiant at the ceremony will be a priest from Divine Child unless the couple has someone close to them who is a Catholic priest. Music for the liturgy <u>must</u> be coordinated with our Director of Music Ministry, Mr. Matthew Simpson.

Funerals

Arrangements are made in conjunction with the funeral home. Eulogies must be given at the funeral home or at the funeral luncheon; no eulogies at the funeral Mass, please. *Memorial Masses* are scheduled Monday-Friday only.

Baptisms

Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a Baptism class prior to the Baptism.

The Church requires that at least one of the parents and one of the godparents/sponsors be practicing Catholics; that is, they attend Mass each weekend.

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