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Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
11:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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January 21, 2024

Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today's readings call us to be decisive in our faith. Simon, Andrew, James, and John demonstrate this decision for us in their response to Christ's calling, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." In both instances, the men immediately abandoned what was before them and followed Christ.

Imagine if Simon and Andrew looked at their Savior and said, "Thanks for the offer, but we will finish up fishing and meet you later." That is no way a disciple should respond to Christ's call. Yet, that is how we often respond to Jesus' offer to us, "Come after me." We can easily fall into the misconception that we have plenty of time to live active discipleship. But as faithful stewards of our time, we must change our ways and immediately follow Christ more intentionally, because Christ is calling us to act now.



These men became members of Jesus' 12 apostles. They surrendered their entire lives to follow Christ. We, too, are called to surrender our lives to the Lord so that He may work through us. We might think, "God isn't calling me." But indeed, He is. Just as He called four ordinary fishermen, He is calling each one of us. Renewing and reevaluating what God might be asking of us throughout our lives is a key component of our stewardship journey.

As we settle into this New Year, let us ponder the ways we can renew our commitment to God. Let us ask ourselves: what are we casting our nets for? And are we willing to leave it behind for something much greater? And if not now, when? and charity are service, helping others, serving others. When you forget yourself and think of others,

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Parish Calendar

Monday, January 22

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Tom Urlocker †

Tuesday, January 23

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Special Intention
7:00 p.m. - RCIA

Wednesday, January 24

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Pierette & Georges Cote †
Special Intention

Thursday, January 25 - No Mass

Friday, January 26

8:30 a.m. (Livestream) - Tom Urlocker †

Saturday, January 27

5:00 p.m. (Livestream) - Afra Jong †
Horst Behlau †

Sunday, January 28

9:00 a.m. - Mass for the People
11:00 a.m. - Sherri Harrison †
Giuseppina & Salvatore Corda †
Enrique Orbeta † | Robert Peabody †
Special Intention

Income Tax Receipts

2023 Income tax receipts will be available for pick up in the church lobby starting Saturday, January 20, 2024. Receipts not picked up will be mailed out on Wednesday, February 21, 2024.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

Faith Formation & Catechesis

We welcome you to join our RCIA session

"The Sacrament of Holy Orders"



Tuesday, January 23rd at 7:00 pm,
in our Divinity Room

Are You Being Called?

"Come after me, and I will
make you fishers of men."

Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, act. talk to your priest or reach out to Fr. Greg at the church office, 905 684 5603 or email frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com.



Catholic Women's League Corner: January 20 / 21

- * Welcome and congratulations to the 38 women who officially became members of the St Julia Council of the CWL last weekend. New members are happily received at any time.
- * Dues for 2024 were due at the beginning of January. If you've forgotten to submit yours, please do so as soon as possible.
- * The Prayer Shawl and Rosary-Making group will meet on Wednesday, January 24 at 2 pm in the Divinity Room. Newcomers are always welcome.

Here I am Lord, send me.

Heavenly Father,

Through the ages, you have called many to serve you.

Abraham, Sarah and Samuel; Martha, Mary and Elizabeth,

As well as countless men and women throughout the ages.

All were different, and each brought unique gifts to your service.

Now today, we too hear your call to come and follow, to bring our gifts to your service.

Help us, O Lord to make our reply, "Here I am Lord, Send me" with full and generous hearts,

in order that we may be your instruments in the building of your Kingdom.

We ask that you hear and answer our prayers through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger



15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Saturday March 23, 2024

9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch)

Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins

Speakers:

Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare

Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God

Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer

Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson

(wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson)

Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group

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The most beautiful things in life cannot be seen or even touched.

They must be felt with the heart.

Helen Keller

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