

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 22, 2017

Wait for the LORD with courage;
be stouthearted,
and wait for the LORD.

— Psalm 27:14

Masses for the Week



SUNDAY- January 22 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Edna Kandler †
10:00 am - Allen Book †

MONDAY - January 23

8:00 am - Buddy Waida †

Day of Prayer
for the Legal
Protection of
Unborn Children



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**TUESDAY - January 24- St Francis de Sales, Bsp, Doctor
8:00 am - Paul Bittlebrun † of the Church**

**WED - January 25 - The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle
8:00 am - Paul Soorholtz**

**THURSDAY - January 26 - Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops
8:00 am - Gaylan Duncan †**

**FRIDAY - Jan 27 - St Angela Merici, Virgin
8:00 am - Crystal Peña**

**SATURDAY- Jan 28 - St Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of
8:00 am - Billy Yandell, Jr. † the Church
5:00 pm - Randal Lau †**

SUNDAY- January 29- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family
10:00 am - Carolyn Goldman †

BAPTISM: Ainsley Elizabeth, Child of Erin/Aaron Frazier

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: *Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]*

Mon: *Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30,*

or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer

Tue: *Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35*

Wed: *Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18*

Thu: *2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35*

Fri: *Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34*

Sat: *Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41*

Sun: *Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a*

NEXT WEEKEND - January 28 & 29, 2017

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - *Volunteer,* Norman Schoener
Volunteer, Volunteer

Sun. 7:30 am - *Volunteer,* Che Sanchez
Volunteer, Volunteer

Sun. 10:00 am - *Volunteer,* Jeff Nunley
Volunteer, Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm - Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer

Sun. 7:30 am - Austin Kainer, Clayton Easley, Nicole Easley

Sun. 10:00 am - Aaron Bradicich, Renee Bradicich, Carlie Richter

USHERS:

5:00 pm - Norman Schoener, James Hill, Volunteer

7:30 am - Gary Pribyl, Patrick Pribyl, Volunteer

10:00 am - Howard Bludau, Volunteers



This Week

SUNDAY - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Extra Envelope: *StVdPaul "BLACK BAG"*

WEDNESDAY - RCIA 7:00pm - R.E. Bldg.

SATURDAY - Confessions: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection Envelopes: *Church in Latin America*

Weekly Offering WEEKEND of 01- 14/15 -17 Count - 409

Total Operating Income.....\$ 4,788.75

ExtrEnvColl:.....(AltrSrvEduScIrsp)...\$ 232.00

Thank You! Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated.

LIBERATION AND REFORM

While you might have to reach for an atlas to determine that Isaiah is speaking about Galilee, today's first reading (part of which was read at Christmas) is prophetic of Jesus' future ministry in that province. The light that brings salvation and rejoicing is, ultimately, Christ. Liberation is the theme: liberation from both ignorance ("darkness") and sin (the "yoke").

As Isaiah identifies a place, so Paul describes an attitude: the attitude that develops, even among good people, of equating their own will with the common good. This always brings dissension, and so it has done in Corinth. Paul will not allow this; we are all members of "Christ's party." The gospel is not to divide us.

Matthew quotes from Isaiah in today's Gospel, presenting Jesus as the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecies. The theme is "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). To spread this message, Jesus begins to select disciples, four of whom we meet today: Peter, Andrew, James, and John.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Tina Moya, Cheryl Barker, Amy Bernhard, Jewell Correll, Amy Jo Wuest, Baby Rachel Wiesner, Shirley Coghlan, Cecilia Edwards, Kite Bomersbach, Luke Wenske, JoAnn Hough, Betty Escheveste, Clifton Lau, Franklin Sedlar, Dora Schilhab, Ann Hagel, Jerry Bassham, Mary Ann Leblanc, Ben Mikulik, Jr, Claudette Hofer, Patsy Wieland

GOD KNOWS BEST

God's creative wisdom was at its best when making humans. There are four holes in the head for information to go in, and only one for it to go out.

—Anonymous



Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes

Jan 22 GOF Class
Jan 29 GOF Class
Feb 5 GOF Class
Feb 12 GOF Class
Feb 19 GOF Class

New Year's Resolutions

Go to Mass as a family
Pray at home as a family
Come to GOF each Sunday



VOCATION CRUCIFIX

At the 10:00 pm Mass Rosy Linares will take possession and continue our prayers. **Next** to take possession, on **January 29th** at the 7:30 am Mass is **Josie Marbach**.

MASS INTENTIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2017.

There is an opportunity to remember your loved ones by offering a Mass in their honor or in their memory. To make arrangements, come by the office after Jan. 3rd or send a note containing your name, a contact phone number, the name of the recipient of the Mass intention, and the desired date, and we will contact you.



ADULT CONFIRMATION COURSE:
The Power of Christian Witness

The *Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory* will be offering an **Adult Confirmation Course** this **January--February**. This is a class for adult Catholics in the Victoria deanery who have received religious education, either in a Catholic school or through CCD classes, but need the final preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Course is a 5-week commitment. **The class dates are: Tuesdays, January 31 and February 7, 14, 21, 28 from 6:30-8:45pm.** Registration forms are available at OLV office or by emailing Jenny Vincent at jvincent@olvcathedral.org
The **Confirmation Mass** will be held on **Thursday, February 23**, at 6 pm in the Cathedral.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
RCIA meets each Wednesday
7 pm - 9pm ~ in the Rel Ed Bldg.
The RCIA door is ALWAYS open

For more info, please contact:
Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561 or Rectory/575-3813

FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

In the interest of good stewardship of time, expenses and use of resources, we will not be automatically preparing year-end statements unless you have contributed \$250 at one time for 2016. If you would still like to have a statement, include a note with your weekly contribution in the collection basket or please call us at 575-3813 by Friday, January 27, 2017. Office hours are 8:30a to 5:00p and CLOSED 12-1 for lunch.



2017 CANDLELIGHT MARCH

~~~~ THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2017 ~~~~

beginning at: **De Leon Plaza at 7:00 pm**  
proceeding to: **Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church**  
Main Speaker: State Representative **Geanie W. Morrison**  
Master of Ceremonies: Robert Seale  
Victoria groups who are advocates of Pro-Life are: The Gabriel Project, Knights of Columbus, Crisis Pregnancy of Victoria, St. Gianna Pro-life group. There are many more individuals that support the dignity of life and the Candlelight March to maintain awareness of this important issue. **Please Come Join This Effort.**

Missionary Catechists of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary would like to extend our sincere **THANKS** for all your support and generosity during our recent benefit dinner. May Our Lord bless each of you.  
Sincerely, *MCSH Community*

**SENIOR SOCIAL:** Crt St. Ann #369 and Knights of Columbus Council #1329 invite all to an afternoon of fellowship and fun at the KC Hall, Tues. Jan 31 from 1pm to 4pm. Bring cards, games or dominos or just visit. Refreshments will be served.

**LOOKING FOR A SPECIAL WAY TO BEGIN THE NEW YEAR WITH YOUR SPOUSE? How About Enrichment Retreat for Marriages??** Fr. Gary Janak and Fr. Michael Rother, along with several married couples, will be sponsoring a special weekend for married couples. **Choosing to L.O.V.E.** is a retreat for couples seeking to enrich their marital commitment by focusing on what brought their covenant into existence - their marriage vows. It is not a weekend for couples experiencing serious problems in their relationship, but for couples seeking to be faithful to their marriage vows and desiring to strengthen the core of who they are as husband and wife. **The retreat will be held in Palacios, on February 10-12, 2017.** Space is limited. The cost for the retreat is \$250/couple, which includes lodging, food, and materials. Application forms are available at the parish offices of The Cathedral of Our Lady of Victory in Victoria and St Philip in El Campo, or email [jvincent@olvcathedral.org](mailto:jvincent@olvcathedral.org)

**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY** Fundraiser of the Bloomington Knights of Columbus #10751: **February 5, 2017** Chicken BBQ Plate or Whole BBQ Chicken \$9 at 9 am Curbside Service. St Patrick Church Hall, Bloomington, TX. For Orders on Sunday call Parish 361-897-1398 or Thomas Pribyl (512) 657-1795 [pribatc@aol.com](mailto:pribatc@aol.com)

**IncarneWord Convent Health Care** is seeking an LVN for 2p --10p. Apply at 1101 NE Water St. or call 361-578-1967

Diocese of Victoria has opening for a Human Resources Director. A degree in HR Management is preferred or related experience. Position reports to the CFO. For details and information visit: [www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org). Closing date is Jan 31st.

**Equipping the Saints 2017** -- Sponsored by:

The Bluebonnet Conference of Churches--  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America --**SAT. FEBRUARY 4, 2017** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 106 N. DeLeon, Victoria, Texas. *Equipping the Saints* is known for both the variety of workshops and the quality of the speakers. Some of this year's speakers include: **Bishop Brendan J. Cahill of the Victoria Diocese**; Dr. Norm Beck, well-known Biblical Scholar and Theologian from Texas Lutheran University; members of the Master Gardener's Program, Certified Financial Planner: Dave Sather; Counselor and Life Coach: Lane Johnson, and many more. Email Sherry Kainer at [skainer@victoriadiocese.org](mailto:skainer@victoriadiocese.org) for registration forms or more information.