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St. Mary Our Mother is a Catholic community committed to the spiritual growth of all people as we share our faith and serve our community.



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January 17, 2021

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2021

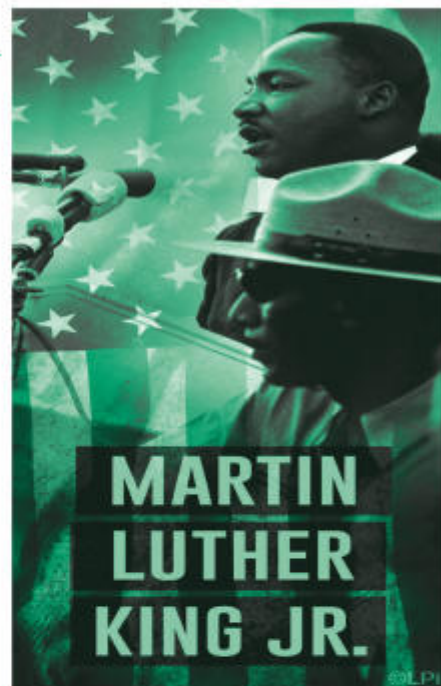
- SUN 1/17** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
- MON 1/18** Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22
- TUE 1/19** Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28
- WED 1/20** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6
- THR 1/21** Heb 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
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- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

We have often heard it said that God is always calling but we are not always listening. It is not only that we are not listening, but that we are not familiar enough with God to even recognize that it is God who is calling! We can easily mistake God's voice for someone or something else and miss some profound opportunities for connection. We have to train our minds, hearts, and souls to specifically listen for the voice of God. It is a voice that draws us to deeper places, leading us to moments of grace and more profound God awareness. To look at Jesus and be able to say, "Behold, the Lamb of God," means that I know something special about this person whom others know as simply a man. I will become more attentive and receptive when he says, "Come, and you will see." I may even be more willing to set aside what I am doing and actually go.



*The time is
always right
to do what
is right.*

— DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

SCRIPTURE READINGS**SUNDAY - January 24, 2021****THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
 Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Adelaide Bevilacqua	Lydia Ermold
Deborah Gullo	Tommy Lasorda
Daniel J. Linsler	Natalie Madden
Sandra Scully	John Viele

MEMORIALS**Sanctuary Candle:***For Joanne & Bill Cleary - Pat Madison***Votive Candle:***In loving memory of Raymond Sherwood - his wife,
Deloris***Eucharistic Hosts & Sacrament Wine:***In loving memory of Raymond Sherwood - his wife,
Deloris***IN OUR PARISH****Oplatki**

Oplatki (Christmas wafers) are still available at the parish office. Please stop by at your convenience.

Parish Calendars

Our parish of St. Mary Our Mother is sincerely grateful to the Lynch Funeral Home for their donation of our 2021 parish calendars. **THANK YOU!** (At this time, our parish calendars are available at the parish office.)

Mass Intentions

Any one of our regularly scheduled Masses may be offered for a specific intention - in memory of a deceased person, for a sick person's recovery, a special birthday, a special anniversary or other occasion.

Please call the parish office at 739-3817 to request your Mass.

Altar Memorials

When Masses are not available for a particular day, Altar Memorials are a special way you can remember those who have died and those intentions you may wish to remember for the living.

Our Altar Memorials are available each week during the year. Donation for the week is as follows:

Sanctuary candle	\$10.00
Icon candle	\$10.00
Sacramental wine	\$15.00
Eucharistic bread (hosts)	\$10.00

SUNDAY'S READINGS**First Reading:**

When Samuel went to sleep in his place, the LORD came and revealed his presence, calling out as before, "Samuel" Samuel answered, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Sm 3:9-10)

Psalm:

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Ps 40)

Second Reading:

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? But whoever is joined to the Lord becomes one Spirit with him. (1 Cor 6:15, 17)

Gospel:

So they went and saw where Jesus was staying, and they stayed with him that day. (Jn 1:39)

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- ENGAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY
MASS AND PRAYER****Readings for the week of January 17, 2021**

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PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

I would like to use this column today to share with you the obituary of my brother, **Daniel J. Linsler**, who passed away on Monday, January 4, 2021. An announcement of Dan's passing was made at all Masses last weekend. But with Mass attendance quite low during these days of the coronavirus, I thought it prudent to print the obituary here.

DANIEL J. LINSLER

January 22, 1955 - January 4, 2021

Daniel J. Linsler, age 65, of Addison, New York, passed away on Monday, January 4, 2021 at Strong Memorial Hospital after a short illness. He was born January 22, 1955 in Olean, New York, the son of Edward J. and Helen (McClory) Linsler.

Daniel was a graduate of Addison Central School, Class of 1973, and graduated from SUNY Delhi in 1975. Daniel was a life long musician playing keyboard for many local bands including Farm, The Chris Douglas Band, Low Cats, The Rogues, Norman Bates, Meads Creek, and Detour. He also worked for Conrail, ADT, and he owned and operated Dad's Country Inn for seventeen years.

Daniel is survived by his long time significant other, Jeanne Bohomey of Livonia, brothers Rev. Christopher E. Linsler of Horseheads, and Edward J. (Lori) Linsler, Jr. of Addison; nephew Edward M. Linsler of Colorado; niece Emily M. Linsler of Brockport; aunts Alice McClory of Franklinville, New York, and Mary Jane Skeels of Little Valley, New York; several cousins and many friends. Daniel was predeceased by his father, Edward J. on January 19, 1985, and his mother, Helen, on May 31, 2018.

A public celebration of Daniel's life will take place at a later date. Due to covid-19 restrictions, Daniel's private family only Mass of Christian Burial was held at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Addison, New York. Burial took place at the convenience of the family in St. Catherine's Cemetery, Addison.

Daniel's family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Michael Cilip, as well as the staffs of Guthrie Corning Hospital and Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester for their professionalism and compassionate care. In lieu of flowers, donations in Daniel's name may be sent to the Church of St. Mary Our Mother, 816 West Broad Street, Horseheads, New York or St. Catherine's Cemetery, 51 Maple Street, Addison, New York.

May I ask that you continue to pray for my brother Daniel, as well as for our family and Dan's many friends at this time. Please continue to take care of yourself and each other!

Fr. L.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Monday, January 18 - Weekday**

6:45 AM For the Faithful Departed

Tuesday, January 19 - Weekday

6:45 AM Jennie Joy - husband, Roger

Wednesday, January 20 - Weekday

6:45 AM Karen Palmer - Farr & Hoyt families

Thursday, January 21 - St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

6:45 AM Nadia Lopez - her grandparents, Pam & Bill Kiefer

Friday, January 22 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:45 AM No Mass

Saturday, January 23 - Weekday

5:00 PM Jim LeMark - his wife, Ann

Sunday, January 24 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Tom Cincebox - Woody & Mary Kay Woodworth

10:30 AM Bill Haner - Frances DeStevens

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory. Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

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A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

Christian stewardship begins with the call to discipleship and in today's Gospel we discover those first individuals who sought out Jesus and wanted to listen to Him, learn from Him and stay with Him. Today, Christian stewards search out the hidden presence of Jesus in their own lives every day. They know Christ is the "Messiah" who will one day bring about a perfect restoration to a troubled world. They further understand that they are sacraments of his hidden presence in the world. Their task is to make that reality known through their own words and actions. What is one thing we can do to be better stewards of Christ's life in us?



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Stand For Life

Stand up for the unborn and their mothers! Put your faith in action! Come and “STAND FOR LIFE” in an hour of prayer and witness on **January 24th**, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., in downtown Elmira at Church and Main Streets. Bring pro-life signs and banners, or we will have ones you can use. Social distancing will be followed and all are asked to wear a mask when coming and going. Call Steve at 739-9282 for info. Pro-life hats will be available for a donation, and donations will be accepted for next year’s bus trip to the March for Life 2022 in Washington, D.C.

Notre Dame High School Applications

Notre Dame High School, grades 7-12 is now accepting applications for the 2021/2022 academic year with an online application process. Please visit the ND website for information or contact Mr. Brett Moore, Director of Enrollment at 607-734-2267, ext. 213 or email at mooreb@notredamehighschool.com.

Enrollment information sessions via Zoom are held every Thursday night from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., January through February. Information and links to register or attend are posted on the Notre Dame website homepage at www.notredamehighschool.com.

Public Policy Advocacy Issue: Funding Nourish New York Initiative

Each year the Diocesan Public Policy Committee advocates for a NYS legislative issue that promotes the Church’s social justice goals. This year we will be asking our parishioners to fund the “Nourish New York Initiative” for the state fiscal year 2021-2022. Nourish New York was created during the early months of the pandemic to provide funding to Food Banks to purchase New York State produced farm products. These products are then made available to neighbor-in-need through local pantries and cupboards, many of which are located in our local parishes and communities. More information on how you can help will be forthcoming in the bulletins of the next few weeks.

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