

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 27, 2019



The episode from Nehemiah we hear today occurs soon after Ezra led a contingent of the Chosen People back to Jerusalem after the Exile. This may have been the first time that they had heard the word of God preached aloud publicly. Understandably, they became quite emotional. It is easy for most of us to take for granted our ability to gather and listen to God's word. But imagine if you lived in a time and place where you were not allowed this communal experience. We rejoice in the freedom we have to worship together.

The people in the synagogue in Nazareth that day had a novel experience as well. They definitely had never heard anyone say, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." But Jesus is the manifestation of the one prophesied by Isaiah. Jesus was filled with the Spirit, chosen by God, called to bring glad tidings to the poor, and so on. Now consider this: we know that when we gather in his name, Jesus is present. Therefore, his scripture passage is fulfilled right now in our hearing, and every time we gather for the Eucharist.

Luke writes that Jesus taught in the synagogues of Galilee and was widely praised. In fact, throughout Luke's Gospel, Jesus is often addressed as "Teacher." It is a title of respect and a recognition of his authority. It also implies that people were learning from him. Teachers in Catholic schools have a wonderful model in Jesus. They are called to nurture and care for the children they teach as well as educate them. The Catholic school is a place to learn, but is also a place to grow as a Christian.

Question of the Week

Am I conscious of Jesus' presence in our midst? How do I show others that I am part of the Body of Christ?

Saturday, January 26, 2019

Vigil of Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00.m. Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Leonard Belton – Bessie Mae Jackson – Intentions of Kevin and Haruka Berry

Sunday, January 27, 2019

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8:30a.m. Elodie Gabriel – Darrell & Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Peter Chi Nguyen – Calvin Tate – Tu Tran – Melvina Kepp – Walter Banks, III – Lawrence Miller, Jr.

10:30a.m. Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Melvin Thomas – Joyce Jones – Veronica Vigne Richards – Eugene Ganier – Deacon Poncho – Anthony Rout – Intentions of Kevin and Haruko Berry – Norris Broussard

12:00p.m. Intentions of St. Maria Goretti Parish

Monday, January 28, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Intentions of Norris Broussard.

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Deacon Poncho – Tu Tran – Intentions of Norris Broussard – Kevin and Haruka Berry – Stacey Martin

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Intentions of Stacey Martin – James Young – Henreitta Davis – Kevin and Haruko Berry – Norris Broussard

Thursday, January 31, 2019

8:30a.m. Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Intentions of Tamerle Young – James Young – Stacey Martin – Norris Broussard – Henrietta Davis – Kevin and Haruko Berry & Family

Friday, February 1, 2019

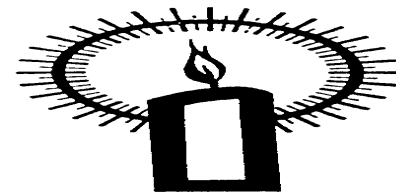
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Saturday, February 2, 2019

8:30a.m. Kevin and Haruko Berry – Norris Broussard – The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Announcement

“O come let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.” Eucharistic Adoration Monday thru Friday, 9:00a.m. – 12:00 noon and Saturdays, 12:00noon – 3:00p.m.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of Ellsworth McKemdale
The Sanctuary Lamps in the chapel this week will burn in memory of Beatrice McMillon and Robin Duckworth

Bible Study

The theme for **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:**
Identify Yourself! Luke portrays Jesus as One who had a clear understanding of who he was and his mission. Who he was: the One “in the power of the Spirit.” From the very beginning, what Jesus came to fulfill has been observed, treasured, handed down. Now we ourselves are to be the bearers of the Good News so that others may “realize the certainty” of the story we have received. Bible Study celebration will be based on the readings for the: [Reading I: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Responsorial Psalm: 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Reading II: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Gospel: Luke 2:1-11.](#) Bible study is every Monday evening at 7:00p.m. in the center.

This Week in our Parish

Monday, January 28, 2018

- 6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise Class – Center
- 6:00p.m. Lakewood East HOA – Rms. 9

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

- 6:00p.m. ENONAC – Rms. 3 & 4

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

- 6:00p.m. Zumba Exercise Class – Center
- 7:00p.m. Liturgical Dance Class – Center
- 7:00p.m. First Place Class – Rm 10
- 7:00p.m. Catholic Men’s Fellowship – Library

Thursday, January 31, 2019

- 6:00p.m. Bingo – Center
- 6:00p.m. Wedding Resheral – Church

Friday, February 1, 2019

- 6:00p.m. AKA Contillion Practice – Center
- 6:00p.m. Men’s Rosary for Peace – Chapel

Saturday, February 2, 2019

- 8:00a.m. Teach Me to Pray – Rms. 3 & 4
- 2:00p.m. Altar Society – Rms. 3 & 4
- 7:00p.m. Filipino Ministry – Center
- 7:00p.m. Wedding – Church

TOGETHER -  LET US PRAY ...



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends and family.

RCIA

Words are powerful. They shape our identity and way of live. Society offers conflicting messages that often pull us in many directions. In the midst of all these competing words, God’s word is the true source of our identity as Christian people. Do you know God’s word? Is God’s word fulfilled in you? **Are your children still Catholic? Do they practice their faith? Do you know enough about your faith to help them?** Every Catholic has a role in welcoming those seeking to join the Catholic Church. God has touched them in a special way that leads them to us. Let us get out of the pews and into the community.
The RCIA is in its Evangelization and Precatechumenate Phase. Do you know someone who wants to be Catholic? This week we continue our focus on the Sacraments. The topic is: The Sacramental Way of Life. The Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.”
For more information contact the RCIA Team: Deacon Terrel J. Broussard or any member of the RCIA Team or by email at tbroussard@smgnola.com, or visit the website at smgnola.com

We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.

Do you
Believe?