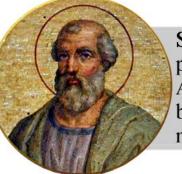
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius...



St. Linus is considered the first successor to the papacy after St. Peter in Rome. St. Irenaeus on Antioch suggests that he was consecrated as a bishop by St. Paul. According to legend, he was martyred and buried alongside St. Peter.

St. Cletus (or Anacletus) is thought to have succeeded St. Linus in the See of Rome from A.D. 76-88. Records show that he ordained twenty-five new priests during his time as Pope. He was martyred under the Emperor Domitian.





St. Clement is considered the third successor of St. Peter, serving as Pope from A.D. 88-97. He was the author of an epistle to the Corinthians. was martyred by being tied to an anchor and thrown from a boat into the Black Sea.

St. Sixtus II (or Xystus) reigned as pope from A.D. 257-258, at which time he was martyred during the reign of the Emperor Valerian. St. Cyprian suggests that he was captured in the catacomb of Callistus and executed.





St. Cornelius reigned as pope from A.D. 251-253. He was banished to Civitavecchia in Italy by the Emperor Gallus. While in exile, he suffered many hardships that would lead to his death. For this, he is considered a martyr.

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[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form [] We've Moved, here is our new information MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, January 21

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, January 22 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Val Talerico +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Sue Meyer +

Monday, January 23

No Public Mass

Tuesday, January 24

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration

8:00 a.m. Bishop Martin Lohmuller +

8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, January 25

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration* 6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession* 7:00 p.m. Tom Cincotta +

Thursday, January 26

8:00 a.m. Greg Mayer + Friday, January 27

8:30 a.m. Frances Gruss

Saturday, January 28

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. *Rosary*

5:00 p.m. Esther Whitacre +

Sunday, January 29 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Rose Marie & Robert Bates +



Monday, January 23 - Third Week in Ordinary Time - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children - St. Vincent Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin - Heb 9:15,24-28/ Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday, January 24 - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - Heb 10:1-

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

10/ Mk 3:31-35 Wednesday, January 25 - The Conversion

of St. Paul, Apostle - Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1 -22/ Mk 16:15-18

Thursday, January 26 - St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops - 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/ Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 27 - St. Angela Merici, Virgin - Heb 10:32-39/ Mk 4:26-34 Saturday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas,

Priest and Doctor of the Church – Heb 11:1-2,8-19/ Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, January 29 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Zeph 2:3,3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 22, 2023

This weekend (January 21st/22nd), the Church celebrates the **Third Sunday** in **Ordinary Time**, or **Word of God Sunday**. This second title, given to this weekend by Pope Francis in 2019, emphasizes our need to have an intimate familiarity with the Sacred Scriptures. Though this is now celebrated yearly, in the words of our Holy Father, it "should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event." Our relationship with the Sacred Scriptures cannot be regulated to a single day, but is to be a lifetime journey.

On Monday, January 23rd, our national Bishops' Conference has asked all Christians and people of good will to join together in a day of prayer and fasting for the legal protection of unborn children. This yearly day of prayer and fasting often falls either on the day of or, when it falls on a Sunday, a day immediately following the yearly anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court Decision. This year is no exception.

This serves as a reminder that, though we have seen this decision overturned by the *Dobbs v. Jackson* Decision this past year, our efforts to build a culture of life have not ended. The need for witnesses of love continues in the face of a culture that finds life disposable. We cannot forget that basic human dignity arises from our being loved first by God. May we cultivate a respect for this dignity in every person and show it forth in how we treat every other person.

THE ROMAN CANON—THE FIRST POPES

Continuing our look at the Saints in the Roman Canon, we move from the Apostles to the early successors of St. Peter: Sts. Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, and Cornelius. Of these Saints, the first three (Sts. Linus, Cletus, and Clement) are the immediate successors to St. Peter. Sts. Sixtus and Cornelius are later Popes, both having served as Vicar of Christ in the 3rd Century.

Though their order is reversed in the Roman Canon, St. Cornelius reigned as Pope several years prior to St. Sixtus. This ordering, however, is most likely due to Sts. Linus, Cletus, Clement, and Sixtus all having directly suffered martyrdom, or being put to death, for the Faith. While St. Cornelius is also considered a martyr, he was not directly put to death, but instead died from the hardships he suffered while being exiled by the Roman Emperor Gallus.

CHURCH BELL - RESTORATION AND NAMING

This past Monday, our old Church bell traveled to Cincinnati, Ohio, where it was delivered to the Verdin Company. The Verdin Company cast the bell 121 years ago and are working with us for its repair and restoration. This process is estimated to take six months. In addition to the work on the bell itself, we will also need to prepare a base for the bell once it is returned. We are looking into various options to arrange for the needed concrete and electrical work to complete the base of the bell for placement on our parish campus.

In addition to this work, we will also be holding a "naming" contest for the bell. Over the past millennia, the Church has had the custom of naming a bell after a Saint when it is blessed. This practice can be traced back to at least AD 969 when Pope John XIII dedicated a bell in honor of St. John the Baptist. From a review of our records, it appears that our old bell was never formally named when it was installed in 1902. As we will have a new dedication and blessing of the bell upon its installation on our campus, we will also use this opportunity to name the bell.

Starting next weekend, you will find contest envelopes in the narthex and pews to suggest a name for the bell. The only guideline for this contest is that the suggestions must be the name of a Saint. We are suggesting a \$5 free will donation included in the envelope with every name suggestion. Please return any contest envelopes in the collection basket or to the Parish Office. All donations raised from this "naming" contest will be used to offset any unexpected costs that may arise during the restoration process.

~Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David





Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, January 22, 2023 from 7:30 AM to 12:30 PM Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Council #7555

Walk-ins WELCOME After Mass!

JOIN US SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023!

Join thousands of pro-life advocates from our region to show that you support life from conception to natural death. We will meet in the St. Joseph parking lot at 11:00 AM and car pool to Fort Wayne. The Rally will take place at University of St. Francis Performing Arts Center, 431 W. Berry St., Fort Wayne, IN at 12PM, doors open at 11:30 AM. The March will start after the Rally.



Please join us for a Praise and Worship Holy Hour Wednesday, February 1st 6:00-7:00 p.m.

If you have any Devotional Items you would like to donate, there is a basket in the narthex for them. These items will then be donated to missionaries. Thank you.

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., Jan. 21 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sat., Jan. 21 *Lifemark* Movie following 5:00 Mass showing in the Parish gym.
- Sun., Jan. 22 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Jan. 22 Religious Ed. Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Sun., Jan. 22 Red Cross Blood Drive 7:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
- Tues., Jan. 24 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., Jan. 25 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Jan. 25 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Jan. 26 Catholicism Explained (RCIA Program) 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Sat., Jan. 28 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., Jan. 28 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Jan. 29 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Jan. 29 Religious Ed. Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Jan. 31 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., Feb. 1 Praise & Worship Holy Hour 6-7 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 1 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Feb. 2 Catholicism Explained (RCIA Program) 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Fri., Feb. 3 First Friday Adoration (Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) 9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. / Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m. / Mass at 6:00 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 4 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., Feb. 4 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 5 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Feb. 5 Religious Ed. Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.

Weekend of January 28 and 29, 2023



5:00 Nick Boratenski

7:30 Mike Morrissey § 10:00 Debbie Lautzenheiser



5:00 Glenn Ryan

7:30 Steve Wagner 10:00 Dan Geimer



5:00 Volunteers

7:30 Volunteers 10:00 Volunteers



5:00 Alex/Audrey Mechling, Isaiah Bedwell

7:30 Abby/Adrienne Wagner, Charlene Felger

10:00 Grant Reifsteck, Gabby/Olivia Hoffacker

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St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of January 14 & 15

Adult Envelopes- \$2,386.00 Loose- \$210.01

Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$615.33 Religious Ed. Fund- \$150.00 Solemnity of Mary- \$10.00 Gym Rent- \$500.00 Votive Candles- \$49.44

Total- \$3,920.78

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$2,621.57 ahead of our budget for the month of January.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$1,155.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

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FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, February 3, 2023 (Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Confessions 5:00-5:45 p.m. / Mass at 6:00 p.m. "Spend an Hour with me." - Jesus

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 - Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in the Church, and meeting in the **Parish Conference Room** at 7:00 p.m.

G.I.R.L.'s night out (Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

We will hold our monthly meeting Tuesday, February 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the **Parish Social Hall**.

Agenda: Organizing for our Parish *Mardi Gras* Party on Feb. 18th All women of the Parish are invited and welcome to attend!

ASH WEDNESDAY, February 22, 2023

Please find a basket in the narthex to place your old palms. Palms will be burned and the ashes will be blessed and used on our foreheads at Mass on Ash Wednesday.



From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Albie Porrata, sister of Al (Mary) Porrata, who passed away Thursday, January 19, 2023 in Porta Rico.

May God welcome her home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.





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