

JANUARY 19, 2020



**John the Baptist  
saw Jesus coming  
toward him and said,  
“Behold, the Lamb of God,  
who takes away  
the sins of the world.”**

John 1:29

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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As a Church, we now move into Ordinary Time. “Ordinary” comes from the Latin root for “order,” which is why we line the Sundays up on the calendar and count them—with “ordinal” numbers—one by one. The orderly way we proceed through the liturgical year reminds us that our faith offers a strategic goal for our lives: eternal happiness with God, who is love. Today’s readings share stories of believers who order their daily activities toward the goal of sharing

God’s love. Isaiah embraces his role as God’s servant and works to bring glory not only to Israel, but to the entire world. In a similar way, Saint Paul identifies himself as Christ’s witness in the world and reminds the Corinthians of their life goal: “to be holy.” The Gospel shows us John the Baptist, servant and witness, attentive to God’s loving orders, the divine plan for salvation.

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### Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 18, 2020  
5:45 pm +Jeanne Kuzmicz req. by Carmen & Jerry Kinsella  
Sunday, January 19, 2020  
9:00 am Parish Family of St. Patrick  
Monday, January 20, 2020  
9:00 am +Jerry & Stella Ulman req. by the Family  
Tuesday, January 21 – NO MASS  
Wednesday, January 22, 2020 – NO MASS  
Thursday, January 23, 2020  
9:00 am Special Intention req. by Dan & Lynne Phelan  
Friday, January 24, 2020  
9:00 am Adoration until 11am  
Saturday, January 25, 2020  
5:45 pm Parish Family of St. Patrick  
Sunday, January 26, 2020  
9:00 am +Judith Wright

### Altar Servers:

Saturday, January 25 - 5:45 pm  
Ella & Madi Phelps  
Sunday, January 26- 9:00 am  
Ian & Lilly Kreske

### Extraordinary Minister:

Saturday, January 25 - 5:45 pm  
Linda Cakora  
Sunday, January 26- 9:00 am  
Grace Niemiec

### Cantor / Lector (Reader) :

Saturday, January 25 - 5:45 pm  
Sue Nugent / Jim Kreske  
Sunday, January 26 - 9:00 am  
Angie Kreske / Josh Kreske

### Usher:

Saturday, January 25 - 5:45 pm B  
Brad Phelps / Bill Phelan  
Sunday, January 26- 9:00 am  
Steve Hoehn / Jim Ciesla

Music: Cathy Engler

Collection Counters for 1/26/2020: Horath & Price

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, the weekly Sunday collection goal is \$2,090.37

**Sunday, January 12 .....\$1,570.00**

**Christmas,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,\$100.00**

**Thank you for your support of our Parish**

***Please Participate!  
Your Gift Makes a Difference!***

Parish Goal:	\$ 10,400.00
Amount Pledged:	\$ 11,845.00
Amount Paid:	\$ 11,125.00
2019 Rebate	508.00

Thank you for your generous response.



Our Two Week Candle is burning for Frances & Mary Ann Quigley and Margie Pyle req.by Frank Quigley

If you are unable to come to church because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. A priest or home bound minister can come to your home. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian can be reached at : 1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102.

Anyone wanting their 2019 donation statement is asked to contact the office or put a note, along with your name and address, in with your regular Sunday collection. Your statement will be mailed to you.

# Share YOUR Faith

## Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon, our diocese will take up the national Collection for the Church in Latin America. The collection helps to share the faith in regions like the mountainous Andahuaylas Province of Peru, where most of the people of the Talavera District speak Quechua. To better minister to these people, the parish of Santiago Apostol led a project to prepare Quechua-language audiovisual materials about evangelization and Sacred Scripture. The parish also created digital materials and furnished a room to serve as a library to hold these and other resources.

Support from the Collection for the Church in Latin America helped cover the necessary costs of the project—allowing the first series of materials to be created in June 2018. By supporting this collection, you help share the faith more fully with underserved indigenous peoples in remote areas of Latin America.

Our diocese takes up this collection the weekend of [*insert date here*]. Please be generous toward this collection. Take this opportunity to share your faith with our sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your support truly makes a difference. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend Richard E. Pates, Apostolic Administrator



## **Statements From Our Apostolic Administrator, Bishop Richard E. Pates**

### **Regarding the Recent Earthquake in Puerto Rico**

Many of us have seen on the news that the island of Puerto Rico was hit by a deviating earthquake earlier this week. Along with my brother bishops, my thoughts and prayers go out to those suffering from the disaster, as well as the friends and family members concerned for them.

The Catholic Church in the Diocese of Joliet stands in solidarity with the people of Puerto Rico, especially as they continue to deal with the aftermath of Hurricane Irma and Hurricane Maria. We pray for their safety and recovery. Catholics and all people of goodwill may assist in the relief work by contributing to or contacting Catholic Charities USA at <https://app.mobilecause.com/form/8yhFCg?> May God bless you all,

Most Reverend Richard E. Pates.  
Apostolic Administrator, Diocese of Joliet

### **Statement from Bishop Richard E. Pates Regarding Australia Wildfires**

I would like to share with all of you the following message from Most Reverend Jose H. Gomez, President of the USCCB, to the bishops of Australia in the wake of their devastating wildfire outbreaks.

*“Along with my brother bishops here in the United States, I have been following reports of the devastating wildfires in your country with sorrow and deep concern. Please know that we are praying for you and your people in these difficult days.*

*We pray in solidarity with you for those who have lost their lives and livelihoods and we pray for those whose homes and lives are still threatened. We pray for the heroic firefighters and first responders and for all those working to provide relief and comfort to victims. May God in his mercy be near to all of you, and may he bring a swift end to these terrible fires and begin healing the wounds and restoring what has been lost.*

*On behalf of my brother bishops, I entrust you and your people to the tender care of Our Blessed Mother Mary and I pray that our good God may grant you peace.”*

I ask the people of the Diocese of Joliet to please join me and my brother bishops in prayer for all those threatened by these fires, as well as all the people working to protect and aid those affected.

May God bless you all,  
Most Reverend Richard E. Pates  
Apostolic Administrator, Diocese of Joliet



## Promotion of Peace with Iran and in the Middle-East

I would like to share with all of you the following statement released today by the USCCB, regarding the recent events taking place in Iran and Iraq..

*"In the face of the escalating tensions with Iran, we must pray urgently that our world's leaders will pursue dialogue and seek peace. Please join me in asking our Blessed Mother Mary, the Queen of Peace, to intercede, that Jesus Christ might strengthen the peacemakers, comfort the suffering, and protect the innocent and all those in harm's way, especially the men and women in our military and diplomatic service."*

Along with my brother bishops, I ask the people of this diocese to pray for peace everywhere, and today especially in the nations of Iraq and Iran. Together, we join with the hope of a great future for people of these nations that suffer from persistent turmoil, that they may see days of peace ahead.

May God Bless you all

Most Reverend Richard E. Pates

Apostolic Administrator, Diocese of Joliet

**HELP WANTED:** This position handles various elements of the management of diocesan facilities and properties across the diocese. This encompasses 124 parishes and missions, the Blanchette Catholic Center and other properties, which comprises over 600 structures. This is a detailed oriented position that manages a flow of proposals, invoices, contracts, payments, waiver of liens, leases, property sales and property taxes for diocesan properties and all parish construction projects \$40,000 or more in cost, as well as any and all correspondence related to environmental issues.

Qualifications required are: previous administrative experience and high emphasis on competency with spreadsheets, grammar, spelling and punctuation. Some college preferred with experience in construction, real estate, insurance, bookkeeping, and office management a plus along with excellent typing, filing, telephone, and writing skills.

Knowledge of computer and various programs including but not limited to proficiency in Excel, Word, Access, and Adobe. Must have strong organizational skills with the ability to operate office equipment, copiers, printers, and binding systems. Civil Notary registration a plus.

This is a full-time benefited non-exempt position. To view a full job description, visit:

<http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>

Applicants meeting the necessary qualifications please submit cover letter, resume and salary requirement to: [humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org)

# DO YOU HAVE **concerns** about falling?



A MATTER OF  
**BALANCE**

MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS

Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A MATTER OF BALANCE is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels.

**This program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.**

#### **YOU WILL LEARN TO:**

- view falls as controllable
- set goals for increasing activity
- make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- exercise to increase strength and balance

#### **WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

- anyone concerned about falls
- anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength
- anyone who has fallen in the past
- anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns

**Classes are held on:  
Tuesday mornings  
10:00am to 12:00pm**

**Class dates:  
January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4,  
11, 18, 25, 2020**

**Classes held at:  
The Bourbonnais Township Park District,  
Recreation Station, 770 Franklin St.,  
Bradley, IL 60915**

**Program is FREE  
If you are age 60 or older,  
for more information and to  
register, please call  
815-933-9905**



*We are a faith based organization  
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and calling others of good will to do the same.*

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A Matter of Balance Lay Leader Model was developed by a grant from the Administration on Aging (#90AM2780).



## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernhard, Cecelia Mundt; Fr. Jim Lennon; Gary Ulman; Jessica Lagan; EJ Lagan; Nicole Flint; Brett Burkhalter

WITH THE NEW YEAR WE ARE UPDATING OUR PRAYER LIST. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON THE PRAYER LIST.

## Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF JANUARY

- We pray that Christians, followers of others religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world

Our parish offers Online Giving, a web based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage our contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. It is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at: [www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org](http://www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org) and selecting one Online Giving link.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 19, 2020



- Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
- Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
- Sunday: Is 8:23 – 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

- Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time;
- Monday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian; Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Tuesday: St. Agnes
- Wednesday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- Thursday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope
- Friday: St. Francis de Sales
- Saturday: The Conversion of St. Paul;



## TOO LITTLE

Today's first reading reveals the Lord's super-sized heart. "It is too little," according to God, to protect and guide only the tribes of Jacob. The enormity of God's love cannot limit itself to one nation; divine love overflows, spilling liberally over all people everywhere. Isaiah, prophet of the long-suffering Israelites, might have been surprised to hear that the salvation of his people is not enough for God. But God always wants more than what we want. God's passion outstrips all of our deepest desires. We are merely creatures. Compared to the hugeness of our Creator's designs, we will always want too little, have too little, know too little, love too little. This littleness frustrates us throughout life. But exactly when we admit our littleness, we make room for Christ.

## NEVER TOO LATE

John the Baptist models for us the grace of littleness. Twice in today's Gospel reading, John admits, "I did not know." Even though John has ordered his entire life toward the goal of preparing the world for the Messiah, he does not, on his own, recognize Christ when he sees him. The Gospel insists John "did not know" Jesus; in his humility, John relies entirely on God for direction. John waits and waits—baptizing, praying, preaching—until, finally, the Holy Spirit reveals the Messiah.

John had waited his whole life for this confirmation from the Spirit. God's chosen people, the Israelites, had waited much, much longer. Surely many wondered if God would ever send the Messiah as promised. But God is never late. In our littleness, we cannot see the arc of all human history with God's clarity and love. Each of us aches deeply for some good thing: a cure, a resolution, a rest, a fair break. When we are made to wait for what seems obviously beneficial, we sometimes wonder if God is really as all-powerful and all-loving as people say. Today's readings invite us to trust.

Today's Readings: Is 49:3, 5–6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7–8, 8–9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1–3; Jn 1:29–34

**1/19/2020**