

JANUARY

26 2020

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*They left  
their nets and  
followed  
him.*

MATTHEW 4:20



Two readings today refer to the north-east region of ancient Israel: “the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali.” Upon hearing these names, some of us might consult maps and determine exactly where these regions lie. Others might let the unfamiliar names drift by unnoticed. If no maps are handy—but we don’t want to ignore the references completely—consider this: we might not know the latitude and longitude of Zebulun and Naphtali, but God does.

We praise God for watching over every inch of land and sea, caring perfectly for each creature on the planet. While Isaiah celebrates the depth of God’s care with “abundant joy and great rejoicing,” Saint Paul begs us to remember how the Lord shows this loving care: through the cross. In today’s Gospel, Jesus calls Peter, James, and John to follow him. We follow too, confident that God accompanies us, wherever we are.

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### Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 25, 2020  
5:45 pm Parish Family of St. Patrick  
Sunday, January 26, 2020  
9:00 am +Judith Wright  
Monday, January 27, 2020  
9:00 am Intention of the Celebrant  
Tuesday, January 28 – NO MASS  
Wednesday, January 29, 2020 – NO MASS  
Thursday, January 30, 2020  
9:00 am +John & Ann Shields  
Friday, January 31, 2020  
9:00 am Adoration until 11am  
Saturday, February 1, 2020  
5:45 pm +Loretta Tulley req. by Carmen & Jerry Kinsella  
Sunday, February 2, 2020  
9:00 am Parish Family of St. Patrick

### Altar Servers:

Saturday, February 1 - 5:45 pm  
Brent Bieschke, volunteer  
Sunday, February 2 - 9:00 am  
Annemarie & Kenney Smith

### Extraordinary Minister:

Saturday, February 1 - 5:45 pm  
Jim Kreske  
Sunday, February 2 - 9:00 am  
Cindy Smith

### Cantor / Lector (Reader) :

Saturday, February 1 - 5:45 pm  
Cameron Luehrs / Eva Luehrs  
Sunday, February 2 - 9:00 am  
Sarah Hoehn / Steve Hoehn

### Usher:

Saturday, February 1 - 5:45 pm  
Howard Bieschke / Mark Tillotson  
Sunday, February 2 - 9:00 am  
Bruce Boyle / Jim Ciesla

Music: Cathy Engler

Collection Counters for 2/2/2020: Bell, Mooi, Musson

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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

**Sunday, January 19 .....\$1,106.00**

**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 The Wales Family  
req.by The Hoehn Family**

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.



## Be Kind and Merciful through the 2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

All parishioners will receive a mailing from the Diocese of Joliet this month about the 2020 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Our annual appeal is vitally important to not only the diocese, but also to

our parish as well. The CMAA supports 30 ministries that benefit every parish and allow us all to *Be Kind and Merciful* to the most vulnerable in our community.

Our parish's goal for the 2020 CMAA is \$10,200, and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials and then prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a mailing from the diocese about the CMAA, please contact the parish office.

There will be a second collection next weekend for our Maintenance fund.  
Thank you for your continued support.

Applications the Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Bishop Blanchette Scholarship are now available to those students planning on attending a Joliet Diocesan Catholic High School for the 2020-2021 school year. Contact the parish office to obtain a BBSF Application form. FACTS must be applied for online at <https://online.factsmgt.com>. Request to be added to the Joliet Diocesan Council of Catholic Women-BBS FACTS ID#32463. If the family has already submitted a FACTS application for the upcoming year for another award, they are still eligible for the JDCCW-BBSF scholarship. Only one application need be submitted to FACTS at their online site. If you have any questions regarding FACTS call: 1-866-441-4637. DO NOT SEND FACTS to the JDCCW office. There is a \$35/pp fee for the FACTS application that needs to be submitted to FACTS at the time of application, along with a copy of the family's 2019 Income Tax report..

## Share YOUR Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

This weekend, we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and

ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

### SEEKING THE LIGHT

In today's readings we find ourselves being drawn more deeply into relationship with Jesus. We are getting to know more about him as we see how he struggles with the news of his cousin John's arrest. His first response is to withdraw, to leave Nazareth and go to Capernaum. There he is perhaps both consoled and challenged by the words of Isaiah that Matthew quotes: "the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, / on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death / light has arisen" (Matthew 4:16). Jesus contemplates his cousin's death, perhaps his own death, and he seeks the light. Maybe it is these words of Isaiah that move Jesus out of his withdrawal and into action. He begins to preach, teach, cure disease and illness, and proclaim the gospel of the kingdom.

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# No matter how much you're hurting... No Marriage is Beyond Hope.

**IS YOUR MARRIAGE MISERABLE?** Retrouvaille is a lifeline for couples in struggling marriages who are suffering from a lack of connection and poor communication. Retrouvaille helps heal marriages on the brink of separation or divorce.

**RETROUVAILLE CAN HELP YOU SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE!** Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples facing difficulties in their marriage restore their connection and rebuild a loving relationship. This marriage-saving program provides couples with actionable steps they can take to improve communication, build a stronger marriage and help them reconnect.

## **TAKE THE FIRST STEP...ATTEND A WEEKEND!**

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for our **March 13-15, 2020** weekend in Darien, call 815-246-2080, email [retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com), follow us on Facebook (@retrouvaillejoliet) or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).



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**RETROUVAILLE**  
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## Adult Formation Studies

### **The Eucharist: In Scripture**

In *The Eucharist in Scripture*, discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the Mass. This six-lesson study, presented by Dr. Scott Hahn, will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.

Built around three of Dr. Hahn's foundational talks: "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word," *The Eucharist in Scripture* examines the biblical foundations of the Eucharist and explores the Church's liturgy as the original context for the books of the Bible.

*Registration is not necessary for this study.*

**Sunday, February 2 – March 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 a.m., St. Rose Church**

### **Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom**

The Acts of the Apostles is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men. Learn from the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ applied to us today.

*This is a 20-week study. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the study will be held in the fall, dates TBD.*

**Tuesday, March 31 – June 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.**

**Church meeting room**

**Cost for study guide: \$36**

**Register at the back of Church**



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## 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 ; Cathy Engler

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 26, 2020



Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catholic Schools Week

Monday: St. Angela Merici

Tuesday: St. Thomas Aquinas

Friday: St. John Bosco

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary;  
First Saturday

Mass intentions can be requested through the office, or dropped in any weekend collection, please mark in a separate envelope. Think about having a Mass for a loved one. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. We are also accepting requests for our 2-week Sacred Heart Candle.



## BEAUTY AND TRUTH

Today the poetry of Isaiah washes over us with stunning beauty:

Anguish has taken wing, dispelled is darkness:

for there is no gloom where but now there was distress.

Isaiah's lines enchant us with their music as well as with their meaning. Haven't we all felt burdened by gloom and distress? Don't we all long for an end to dark-

ness? Isaiah promises that God's majestic strength crushes our anguish, blowing away our troubles on a breeze. These words are lovely, but what do they mean for us really, when our day-to-day struggles are so real? How can it be true that darkness is dispelled, when so many of us suffer terribly?

## DAILY DOSES OF LIGHT

Jesus assures us: "God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all" (1 John 1:5b). But how, exactly, does God's light overcome the darkness that we still experience? Saint Paul shows us how: through the cross. Today's reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians implores Jesus' followers to get along with one another, to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose." We believe that two thousand years ago, Jesus saved the world and destroyed darkness; but until Jesus comes again, we must unite as the Body of Christ to continue pushing back the gloom of sin and division. As followers of Jesus, we work against these evils in simple ways. We intentionally attempt genuine conversation with a person we find irritating; we ignore gossip and refuse to talk behind someone's back; we befriend an awkward or needy individual. These daily doses of light bring hope to our world, which is both redeemed and not yet finished. Jesus wants our help. Like Peter, James, and John in today's Gospel, we are called by Christ to participate in salvation. Jesus chooses us, calls us, and invites us to accompany him—and imitate him—as we live in, and wait for, the Light of the World.

Today's Readings: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13–14; 1 Cor 1:10–13, 17; Mt 4:12–23 [12–17]

1/26/2020