Assumption Catholic Church

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 30, 2022



May You Find Christ Here... May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Thursday, 12 noon Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m. Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass Fr. Thomas A. Sebastian, Administrator tanatharackal@gmail.com, 681.404.2521

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Kelli Wittman, Office Manager

Kelley Kuhn, Director of Religious Education Linda Davis-Kyle, Music Director & Organist

Angela Bowers and Patrick George, Organists

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When Jesus first proclaimed the good news of God's kingdom to his own townspeople at Nazareth (Luke 4:23-27), he did not hesitate to confront them with their sin of indifference and unbelief. He surprised his listeners in the synagogue at Nazareth with a seeming rebuke that no prophet or servant of God could receive honor among his own people. He then angered them when he complimented Gentiles who had shown more faith in God than the "chosen

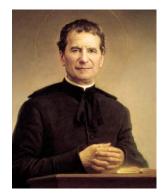
Readings for next Sunday, February 6, 2022 Isaiah 6:1-8 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Luke 5:1-11

ones" of Israel. Jesus' praise for "outsiders" offended the ears of his own people because they were blind-sighted to God's merciful plan of redemption for all the nations. The word of rebuke spoken by Jesus was met with indignation and hostility. The Nazarenes forcibly threw him out of their town and would have done him physical harm had he not stopped them.

We all stand in need of God's grace and merciful help every day and every moment of our lives. God gives grace to the humble who seek him with expectant faith and with a repentant heart that wants to be made whole and clean again. The Lord Jesus will set us free from every sinful habit and every harmful way of relating to our neighbor if we allow him to cleanse and heal us. If we want to walk in freedom and grow in love and holiness, then we must humbly renounce our sinful ways and submit to Christ's instruction and healing discipline in our lives. Scripture tells us that the Lord disciplines us for our good that we may share his holiness (Hebrews 12:10). Do we want the Lord Jesus to set us free and make us whole again? Ask him to show us the way to walk in his healing love and truth.

Saint of the Week: St. John Bosco

John Melchior Bosco, also known as Don Bosco, was born in 1815 in Italy. He was ordained a priest in 1841. As a young priest, he recognized the ill-effects of industrialization and urbanization, and dedicated his life to the betterment and education of disadvantaged youth. His teaching method was a preventive system based on love rather than punishment, and placed the students in surroundings removed from the likelihood of committing sin. He combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance, seeking to unite the spiritual life with work, study and play.



Feast Day: January 31

Don Bosco opened a school for boys called the Oratory of St. Francis de Sales (last week's Saint of the Week). Through the generosity of wealthy patrons, he was able to provide shoemaking and tailoring workshops for the students. The school later added a printing press for publication of religious pamphlets.

In 1859, John gathered 17 men and founded the Salesians of Don Bosco, and later the Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco. Both groups' activities concentrated on education and mission work.

St. John Bosco was canonized in 1934 and is the patron saint of youth, educators and editors.

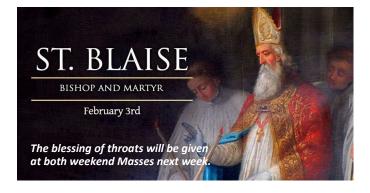
Sources: franciscanmedia.org and wikipedia.com



Parish Prayer List

Please pray for: Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Kista Crites, Bobby Dorsey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs*, Larry Hinkle*, Helen Holder*, Kathy Jenkins, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Pam Launi, Craig Leibig, Debbie Pappas, Caroline Reeves, Carla Roth, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Sue Ann Spotts, Bill Stine, Scott Tasker and Maleigha Taylor.

*Resident of Stonerise Keyser (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)



A Place of Beauty and Serenity

St. Thomas Cemetery

St. Thomas Cemetery recently received a generous donation and thank you message from a family who doesn't live nearby but whose relatives are interred there. The note reads:

"Please accept this donation to be used for the upkeep of St. Thomas Cemetery. It is one of the most beautiful cemeteries we have visited and we are always impressed with the setting and attention to details there. Many generations of our family are interred there. It is so nice to see the care given to this cemetery."

Our sincere thanks to the cemetery committee — Denny Dolechek, Mike Landis and Jeff Kuhn — who spend many hours caring for our cherished cemetery. In a special way we also remember those parishioners who spent much time ensuring the cemetery's success and beauty who have since passed away. May God bless all of you!

Gifts from the Holy Land

Our friends from Bethlehem Wood Carving will visit us next weekend (February 5-6) to display their beautiful handmade olivewood carvings from the Holy Land.

The Christians of the Holy Land have been suffering and continue to live in difficult economic situations.

Olivewood carvings are part of a tradition handed down from generations. Their mission is to support fellow Christians in the Holy Land by selling their carvings which is a major source of their income. Your purchases will enable approximately 200 families to remain in the Holy Land as well as support peace in the Middle East.

The items will be available for sale after both Masses.

Mass Intentions for 2022

Dates are still available for Mass intentions for the year 2022. Masses can be offered for a variety of reasons: in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or for the repose of the soul of someone who has passed. If you would like to schedule a Mass in 2022, please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention Offered by
Saturday, January 29	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Tom Melody and Deceased Members of the Melody FamilySharon Melody
Sunday, January 30	8:30 a.m.	Assumption Parish FamilyAssumption Parish
Monday, January 31	No Mass	
Tuesday, February 1	No Mass	
Wednesday, February 2	5:00 p.m.	Souls of George & Jennie EbnerAssumption Parish
Thursday, February 3	No Mass	
Friday, February 4	No Mass	
Saturday, February 5	4:00 p.m.	Souls of Larry & Carmela DeMasiDena Turner
Sunday, February 6	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Mike & Joanne StickleyKelley & Jeff Kuhn

There will be no Masses this Thursday and Friday, February 3 and 4.

Special Sale on Superbowl Sunday!

In place of the annual pepperoni roll sale on Superbowl Sunday, our Ladies Guild is sponsoring a pulled pork sandwich sale, prepared by our own Rebekah Rhodes.

Rebekah is a 2020 graduate of both Keyser High School and our CCD program. She is now a catechist for the Pre-K/Kindergarten class. Rebekah has won multiple awards at the local, state and national levels for her handcrafted BBQ sauce. This is a great chance to try it!

Pulled pork sandwiches (\$6 each) and 16-ounce microwavable containers of pulled pork (\$16 each) will be available for pick up at St. Mary's Hall following both Masses the weekend of February 12-13. Payment can be made in cash (exact bills if possible!) or check made payable to Assumption Ladies Guild.

A form is available in the vestibule of the church now through next weekend to place your order. A small quantity may also be available the day of the sale for those who do not place an order.

Thank you for supporting Rebekah and the Ladies Guild in this endeavor!

Collections & Attendance

January 22-23, 2022

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,945
Loose Donations	\$406
Votive Candles	\$151
Poor Box	\$276
Total	\$3,778

Attendance

Saturday 1/22	83
Sunday 1/23	
Total	150



Prayer for Ordinary Time

As I walk the path of Ordinary Time, help me to count the many ways you are present —

in the comings and goings of family, friends, coworkers and acquaintances;

in the sounds of the seasons and the beauty of your magnificent creation;

in the daily routines and responsibilities that make up the rhythm of my days.

Make all time extra-ordinary as I seek to become more attuned to your presence. Amen.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, February 5

Lector: Kerri Wittman Servers: Celia & Evelyn Cole

EM: Alan Taylor
Cantor: Anita Tetreault
Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, February 6

Lector: John Bogdan

Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt

EM: Rosie Landis

Cantors: Julie Alt & Patrick George

Greeters: Tina Stephen & Melissa Stanislawczyk

Saturday, February 12

Lector: Celia Cole

Servers: Sue Harber & Alan Taylor

EM: Meredythe Barrick Cantor: Linda Marsh

Greeters: Tom & Kathy Finnell

Sunday, February 13

Lector: Derek Stephen

Servers: Jane Placka & Beverly Iser

EM: Tina Stephen
Cantor: Candance Lowery
Greeters: Doug & Jane Placka

