

SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC CENTER

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Sunday, February 5, 2023
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We welcome you to join our congregation of Saint Paul! Registration forms are available at the back of the church, near the entrance or contact Rae Crozier for more information.



Isaiah tells us that when we treat another's need as our own, we create the kind of society that reflects the very glory of God. In such a society, no cry for help goes unanswered — not because God swoops in, but because the people of God live their vocation to reflect and effect God's love.

This is exactly what Jesus, the Jewish preacher, was talking about when he called his listeners to be salt of the earth and light for the world. Jesus knew Isaiah's teaching and he prayed the psalms. He realized that neither salt nor light exist for themselves, but to call attention to something else. As salt and light, the people of God do not simply note the needs of others; they prove by their activities that such needs can be addressed and alleviated. Their light demonstrates that the reign of God is a real and growing phenomenon in our world. This brings us back to our questions about our own lives. Isaiah, Paul and Jesus want their people to live in joy and to know meaning. In short, they want people to understand and find the fulfillment of living their vocation — of discovering what they were made for and how they can best use the gifts they have been given for the good of the world.

That is the simple and countercultural truth about why we were created.

The Sunday readings we will hear from now until Lent invite us to keep asking about the good life — about the reign of God in our midst.

We can begin today by asking ourselves when we have experienced real joy and depth. When we look at those moments, it may surprise us to see how closely they align with the type of activities Isaiah suggested, how much they are actually experiences of the reign of God in our midst. Remembering and contemplating that will be enough for this week.

LECTORS SCHEDULE

February 5 Mary LeBaron
February 12 Suzie Bledsoe
February 19 Charlotte Green
February 26 Ray White

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Only when Deacon Dan is not present

February 5 Patty Simmerman
February 12 Sylvia Borowiak
February 19 Lynn Spencer
February 26 Rae Crozier

Prayer Requests

Let us pray for our Armed Forces and their families

Bob Carter Kyle Hanson
Charlie Barr Mark Borowiak
Debbie Price Mickie Bond
Dino Deluca Max Sanchez (RIP)
Amy Topp (RIP) Richard McAfee
Jim Scarth Suzie Bledsoe

CONTACT A PRIEST

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- Reverend David Bittmenn, Pastor
- Reverend Tristan Dillon
- Deacon Dan Weber

BIBLE STUDY: Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

ROSARY: Mondays at 2:00 p.m.

COMMUNION SERVICE: Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.

THE CHOSEN: Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Wednesday, February 8th at 9:30 a.m.

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We are continuing to collect food donations for the Hurricane Food Bank and for the Springdale Elementary School.

DON'T FORGET TO PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE



Conference of Catholic Bishops

By Tyler Arnold - Washington DC

Despite a clear letter from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) calling

for "no taxpayer funding for abortion," President Joe Biden this week claimed that Pope Francis and some bishops are not in agreement with this policy. EWTN White House Correspondent Owen Jensen had a brief exchange with Biden this week in which he began a question by informing the president that "Catholic bishops are demanding that federal tax dollars not fund abortions."

Biden responded, saying: "No, they are not all doing that, nor is the pope doing that."

Despite the president's claims, he did not cite any bishops who support taxpayer-funded abortions, nor did he expand on his invocation of Pope Francis, who has consistently **condemned** abortion and even equated it to "hiring a hitman."

WISDOM of SAINTS - February 5th

"Fly from bad companions as from a bite from a poisonous snake. If you keep good companions, I can assure you that you will one day rejoice with the blessed in heaven; whereas if you keep with those who are bad, you will become bad yourself and you will be in danger of losing your soul." Saint John Bosco



Valentine's Day Spaghetti Dinner

Saint Paul Catholic Center's Activities Group is hosting the annual Valentine's Day Dinner!

> When: Friday, February 10th Where: Saint Paul Catholic Center

Time: 6:00 p.m.

RSVP list is provided on the table adjacent to the entrance.



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Please sign up and volunteer to HELP provide snacks or treats for after mass. The sign-up sheet is available in the kitchen. Thank you!!

Happy Birthday!

Sarah Brinkerhoff - Feb 9th Phyllis Carpenter - Feb 10th

If you require gluten free communion, please inform the administrator or one of our ushers prior to the start of Mass. Thank you

ACTIVITIES GROUP MEETING

Sunday, February 5th, directly after Mass

SUPER BOWL SQUARES

Saint Paul 2023 Super Bowl 50/50 Fund Raiser is Back!

This year's winners will be determined at the end of the first, second, third and fourth quarters. Prize amounts increase with each quarter. Squares are \$5 each, no limit. 50 percent of all proceeds go to Saint Paul Church. See Steve Muñoz for more information.

A LITTLE SUNDAY HUMOR! Provided by: Steve



- ★ Mary gave birth to Jesus and since Jesus is the Lamb of God, then did Mary actually have a little lamb?.
- ★ Hmm...If you don't pay your exorcist, do you get repossessed?