



## **UNDERSTANDING OF ORDINARY TIME**

When we think of the word ordinary, our natural associations are words such as typical, routine, or even mundane. Why would the church dedicate an entire season to this?

The ordinary here does not refer to a season of dull routine but rather the listing of ordinal, or sequential, numbers. This is what is meant by the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, etc. (Interestingly, there is no First Sunday in Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar, because it is replaced by the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.) Rather than making a statement about degrees of importance, the term Ordinary Time refers to the order of Sundays in the church year that do not fall into the major liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, or Easter.

In the Catholic church, the season of Ordinary Time consists of 33 or 34 weeks and is divided into two parts. The Roman Missal – Third Edition instructs that Ordinary Time “begins on the Monday following the Sunday after January 6 and continues until the beginning of Lent; it begins again on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday and ends on the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent.” Prior to the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council, these periods on the calendar were referred to as “the season after Epiphany” and the “the season after Pentecost.” Although Ordinary Time takes place in two parts, it is still considered a single season.

It is easy to mistakenly think the liturgical year is about sanctifying time. The truth, however, is that the liturgical year is about growing in relationship with Jesus Christ. The richness of Ordinary Time is found in the opportunity to know Christ more intimately in the everyday realities of life. The gospel readings proclaimed on these Sundays reveals the teaching and healing and mission of Christ, allowing us to better understand God who became human. We learn that Christ is about humility rather than pride, vulnerability rather than power. We learn that Christ is about including the excluded, eating with social and religious outcasts, and dismantling structures of sin and injustice. We learn that Christ is about self-giving love that is only possible through authentic relationship.

Ordinary Time is anything but monotonous. It is a time of conversion where we grow into who we are called to be by imitating the lived reality of Jesus.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Aiden Lanphear, Brian Scharrer, Cecelia Hernandez, Cheryl Kartes, Christina Muñoz, Dan McNicholl, David Pope, Don Taylor, Fred Hawkes, Gary Hanson, Georgia Dempsey, Gordon Bryson, Irv & Lucille Douroux, Jill Nagrotsky, Jim & Phyllis Carpenter, Jim & Debbi Keys, Joseph Graziano, Judy Lanphear, Julie Hogan, Karen Poelakker, Kitty Woolridge, Laura Fawson, Nick Escamilla, Norm Engle, Patricia Flaherty, Patty Broyles, Phyllis Willame, Raul Reyna, Ray White, Rob Dwyer, Ruth Mounts, Samuel Scarth, Steve Kist, Susan Muñoz, Tom & Carol Porter, Torii Cain, and Tracy Goodin.

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES**

Angel Clingerman, Annette Smith, Arlene Strupp, Dionesio Briones, Doug Pope, Gabriel Garcia, Hector Garduno, Jean Bourque, Jim Scarth, Kyle Christianson, Kyle Hanson, Mary Wallace, **Rae Crozier**, Richard McAfee, Shaun Rich, Sylvia Romero Martinez, Vincent Guglielmetti Sr, & Wanda Guglielmetti

We are a Mission of St George Catholic Church; our priests travel from St George to celebrate mass here.

### **CONTACT A PRIEST**

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**Pastor, Reverend  
David Bittmenn,**  
Reverend Franklin Minzaki  
Deacon Dan Weber

**Communion to the  
Sick & Homebound:**  
Please contact the church office.

## PARISH CALENDAR

**VIGIL MASS:** Saturday 6pm

**MASS:** Sunday at 12:30 pm

**BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays at 12:30 pm

**ROSARY:** Monday at 2pm

**KNIGHTS ROUNDTABLE:** Monday Jan 19th 3p

**COMMUNION SERVICE:** Wednesdays at 9am

**ADORATION:** Wed. Jan 21st - 9:30—10:00 am

Sat. Jan 31st - 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF BARBARA "RAE" CROZIER

This weekend we direct our Mass intentions and prayers for the repose of the soul of our dear sister, Rae Crozier, who did leave us this past week.

Rae is so deeply loved and enjoyed by so many. She has been an integral part of our parish family as an active volunteer and leading us as administrator for a time and always with a loving and kind heart. She was a truly lovely person and will be greatly missed.

### YOUTH GROUP KICKS OFF

**Wednesday, January 21st 7pm to 8pm**

We are excited for this opportunity for our youth ages 13-17 to gather as young Christians to build community, have fun and continue their faith journey.

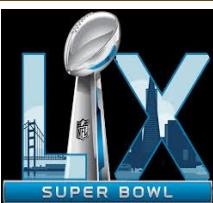
Mike Grant and Ken Diamond will be leading this new group and the plan is to meet twice a month.

Please contact Patty Nation (435) 218-5849 for more information.

### SATURDAY NIGHT MASS A BILINGUAL EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION DISCUSSION

We would like to hear your input, concerns and ideas. On **Saturday January 31st**, Father Dave will stay after Mass to hear what's on your mind.

If you speak and read Spanish and would like to be a lector, help with announcements, become an Extra Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, or help in any part of this transition, please talk to Suzie.



### SUPER BOWL 2026 Fund Raiser SQUARES ARE BACK!

**\$5 PER SQUARE**

**ONE PRIZE WINNER PER QUARTER!**

**1ST QTR \$50, 2ND QTR \$75**

**3RD QTR \$100, 4TH QTR \$125!**

**Saturday Night see George Apodaca**

**Sunday and any other day see Steve Muñoz**



**Thanks to Our Volunteers  
Our Thrift Store Generated  
\$7,039  
for the month of December**



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights seek your help providing food donations for those in need in our community. The donation box is located beneath the table adjacent to the front door. Thank You!