

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

Jan. 15	TBD
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

*THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

Sat. Jan. 21	5:00 PM	For †Dick Kallmeyer
Sun. Jan. 22	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish
Mon. Jan. 23	8:00 AM	For †Robin Waggle
Tue. Jan. 24	8:00 AM	For †Charlie McNay
Wed. Jan. 25	XXXXX	NO MASS THIS WEEK-SCHOOL MEETINGS
Thur. Jan. 26	8:00 AM	For †Yogi (Adoration & Confessions 6:00-7:00 PM)
Fri. Jan. 27	8:00 AM	For †Bob Clifton

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Sat. Jan. 28	5:00 PM	For †JoAnn Seelie Sekowski
Sun. Jan. 29	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish

**PRAYER LIST**—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Charles Taylor, Chris Rauf, Katie Davis, Barry Bergman, Andrew Lauck, Bradley Franzen, Pam Babbington, Dave Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, John Jackson, Hank Bond, Hudson Feinauer, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Kambie Perkins, Bonita & Jim Happe, Dave Verst, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Brenda Johnson, Verna Payne, Roger High, Rita Funke, Johnathan Briggs, Cheryl Miller, Missy Fryman, Sherry Jackson, and Bernie Rawe (shoulder surgery).

**BIRTHDAYS**—Jan. 1-Sherry Jackson, Jan. 3-Christine Thorwarth, Jan. 3-Karly Bach, Jan. 4-Caedan Feinauer, Jan.6-Trisha Moore, Jan. 8-Myra Cooper, Jan. 10-Rachel Broering, Jan. 11—John Mills, Jan. 15-Linda Fryman, Jan. 20-Joe Bach, Jan. 23-Jerry Ehlman, Jan. 23-Tim Dickerson, Jan. 29-Maybalee Miller

**ANNIVERSARIES**– Jan. 17-Christine and Nathan Thorwarth, Jan. 17-Jeanne and Mark Cooper,

*Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.*



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 6-7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Thursdays—6:00-7:00 PM

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JANUARY 22, 2023

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MASS OFFERINGS**—Consider having a Mass offered for someone you love, whether living or deceased. The greatest gift we can ever offer is the gift which Christ Himself gave on the Cross and continues to give at every Mass. Traditional donations are \$10 but any amount is accepted, and you can schedule one for any day, especially for a particular occasion such as a birthday or anniversary. Mass cards marking the occasion can be requested from Fr. Straub to be sent out or picked up. Feel free to talk to Father or to fill in an envelope found near the entrance of church and turn it in. Remember your loved ones at Mass!

**MASS FOR THE LOSS OF A CHILD**-This Mass will take place Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 7:00 PM at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Rev. Michael Comer will preside. It is offered for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, early infant death, abortion, illness, suicide, accident or any other reason. All are welcome to attend.

**FISH FRIES**-Keep in mind our fish fries will be March 10, 17, 24, and 31 this year. If you can help in the kitchen or garage you are more than welcome to help. We also could use some young people to run fish and fries from the garage to the kitchen. Thanks to all who continue to help each year to make our fish fries the best one around.

**LECTOR**— Jan.22-Linda Fryman, Jan. 29-Kathy Bach, Feb. 5-Julie Feinauer

**CLEANING**— Jan. 30-Tim and Joann Schlachter



*Come after me, and  
I will make you  
Fishers of men*

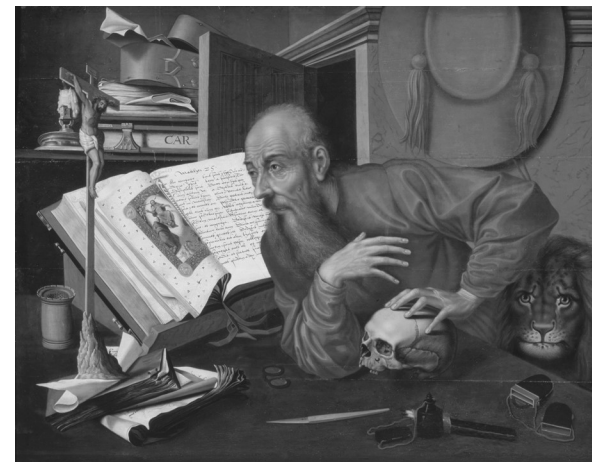
### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK—MANIFESTATIONS OF GOD: THE WORD OF GOD

Continuing to see how it is God manifests Himself to us, we turn to a subject appropriate for today: the Bible. The divine revelation given to us by the Father through the Son in the Holy Spirit finds its complete expression in the Sacred Scriptures. What makes these writings a means whereby we can encounter God?

This seems a bit obvious when we call the Bible the “Word of God”, but what does that entail? The Bible is a work of human beings while at the same time a work written by God. It was written, composed, and assembled into the unified work we have received from humans who came before us. The Bible did not float down to us wholesale from Heaven as Jesus ascended up after His resurrection. The various books that we see and read in the Bible are human works similar to any other book we may pick up from the local library, yet there is more than meets the eye as far as the Bible.

The Church affirms in her designation of the 73 books in both the Old and New Testaments as biblical that there is something more to these works. What we must believe as Christians and as Catholics is that the Bible is inspired by God such that not only do they have human authors, but also God is their author as well. How this precisely happens is unclear, but we know and believe that God sent forth the Holy Spirit to inspire the human authors with everything God wanted known and read in the Bible. This is how we can truly proclaim the Bible as the Word of God.

What does this inspiration mean as far as our encounter with the Bible? It means firstly that the Sacred Scriptures have a sacramental character to them such that when we read these writings, we encounter the living and true God through them. This inspiration also instills in the Bible a charism of authority – in fact, the highest authority – to it, since it comes to us from God. Finally, divine inspiration means that the Bible contains within it the saving truth we need to know and that it is communicated to us faithfully, fully, and without error in it.



This is why we fill the sacred liturgy not only with various readings from the Bible but also use the Scriptures throughout it. Phrases like “The Lord be with you” and “Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts” come straight from the Bible. This is why we ought to devote time in our lives to reading and better understanding the Scriptures, so that we may know God better. Let us open our bibles up with joy and seek to encounter, learn from, and love more deeply the God who still speaks to us through these sacred writings today. Fr. Jacob Straub