

MASSES FOR JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 4

Monday, 29	8:30 am (SF)	No Mass 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday, 30	8:30 am (SJ)	Paula Vanihel (Kathy Reeves) 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday, 31	8:30 am (SF)	For the People 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday, 1	8:30 am (SJ)	Dorothy Marker (Janice McClain) 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-11b, 11d-12d; Mk 6:7-13
Friday, 2	8:30 am (SF)	Nancy Nale (Stella Westlake) Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday, 3	5:00 pm (SF)	Joseph Restifo (Family)
Sunday, 4	9:00 am (SJ)	Fr. Mario Tizziani (Dorothy Blaner)
	11:00 am (SF)	Mary Ann Lash (Kaylyn & Bobby) Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY:	Pirohi Making - 9:00am (SJH)
TUESDAY:	Nut Rolls - 9:00am (SFH)
WEDNESDAY:	Eucharistic Adoration - 6:00pm (SF)
THURSDAY:	Choir Practice - 7:00pm (SF)
SATURDAY:	Confessions - 10:30am (SJ)

As of 01/23/2024: Trinity West: ; Trinity East: . Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. ***If you or a family member becomes hospitalized, please be sure to contact the rectory.***

**2 Notes from
The Pastor**

1) Just a reminder that for the morning Mass at St. Francis Church, **only the side door off the parking lot will be opened.** Please use this door to enter and exit the church. Thank you for your cooperation; **2) *Feast of St. Blasé and the Blessing of Throats:*** Next weekend, the Feast of St. Blasé is celebrated. Traditionally I would bless the throats of individual parishioners before and after Mass; however, we will continue to include the blessing with the closing prayer instead.



Steubenville Priests' Retirement Plan: Next weekend, we will have the **2nd Annual** collection for the **Steubenville Priests' Retirement Plan**. Thank you for your generous response to last year's first annual collection! It was a great start toward reaching a fully-funded status for the Plan. As we move forward now in a continued effort, envelopes for this purpose are in contribution packets. **The collection, which is distinct from the collection for retired religious, from which our diocesan priests derive no benefit,** will be take up on the weekend of **February 3rd & 4th**. Your continued generosity is a blessing and much appreciated! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Fr. Vennitti.



There's only 2 weeks left and less that 23 spaces available!! Representatives for **St. Francis/ St. Joseph Educational Fund** are now selling spaces for the **Super Bowl Pool**. The cost is \$20 a square and 8 prizes of various amounts will be awarded. If you are unable to get a square after Mass, the list is at the Rectory during the week, feel free to purchase one there.



CHURCH SUPPORT: St. Francis: Adult: (72 Envelopes) \$2,408.00; Loose: \$76.00; Candles: \$49.50; Initial: \$85.00. **St. Joseph:** Adult: (31 Envelopes) \$1,168.00; Loose: \$12.00; Candles: \$10.00; Solemnity of Mary: \$20.00; Initial: \$5.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church!
Weekly Mass Attendance for January 21st: Saturday 5:00pm: 73; 9:00am: 61; 11:00am: 90.

MASSES: For **Tim Pestian** by Ed & Teresa Laman.



The Parish Secretary will be out of the office on Jan. 29-31 and Feb. 5-7. Please hold all phone calls regarding Masses and other items that will require her attention until the 2nd full week of February.



And the “Pirohi Pinchers” are in full pinching mode! We have started making our famous CWC Pirohi on Mondays at **9:00 AM – SJH – and every Monday morning through the end of February**. New workers are *always* welcome. Bring your apron and join this “fun” group. If you are an “early bird” and would like to help with some of the prep work (making the potato or cabbage balls), the kitchen is open at 8:00 AM. With enough help, we are usually done by 11:00. You may contact DeDe Kidder (740-632-3018) with questions or to volunteer your help.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time by The Faithful Disciple

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

GROW: Oh, to not be anxious! What would that be like – to not have to worry about how we’ll pay the bills or whether our kids are safe or if our health will fail? While anxiety is a very human emotion, we can take comfort in knowing that our God is more powerful than anything that may worry us. It is also important to note that in today’s reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Corinthians, what he means by “anxious” is not a modern psychological concept with only a negative connotation. The connotation is more “to be concerned with,” or “caring about” something, and can refer to things that are very good – including spouses and families! But when we care for many things, including our relationship with God, it is only natural for us to be anxious at times. But Jesus Christ gives us the assurance that the troubles of this world are temporary, and the peace of God eternal. Paul is encouraging the Corinthians, and us, to understand the importance of an undivided devotion to God, to care for him above all things – no matter if we are married or single – so that our whole life is devoted to holiness.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: I am always thankful when something good that has been anticipated, or predicted, comes to pass: The sunshine and mild weather holds true for that outdoor event I hosted; or the generous gift that a longtime friend mailed arrives unscathed. There is some anxiety in the waiting for, but relief in the fulfillment of, these beneficent promises. And while these are somewhat superficial examples, they do point us in the same direction of hope and gratitude that the divine gifts of God elicit in us. In today’s first reading, Moses promises the people that the Lord will raise up for them, from among their own kin, a prophet who will speak God’s own words and to whom the people will listen. And the Lord did provide numerous prophets, and kings, and judges, and eventually his only begotten Son, to call his people back to himself, and to save them from the wages of sin and death. The hope and anticipation God’s chosen people had was fulfilled in Jesus’ life, death and resurrection. We share in that gift of hope and of gratitude for our salvation.

PRAY: Today’s psalm (Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9) is a beautiful prayer of thanksgiving and encouragement. It helps us steer our minds from those things which may make us anxious. Spend time in the morning or evening each day of the coming week, praying and reflecting on the words.

BULLETIN BOARD



The **Franciscan Sisters TOR** invite you to join them for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration at their Motherhouse Chapel (369 Little Church Rd in Toronto) at 7:30pm on this **Tues. Jan. 30th**. Sisters will be providing music during the Holy Hour. This is a great way to enter into this time of Eucharistic Revival in our Church. All are welcome and feel free to bring a friend!