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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. - Jn 1:35-37

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Pastor

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ORDINARY OR EXTRAORDINARY TIME BEGINS...!

This weekend we begin “ordinary time” once again in our church’s calendar and we hear of the calling of Samuel in the first reading and also of the calling of some of the first disciples of Jesus. This can give us a clue as to what we mean by “ordinary time” and why it is also extraordinary. Ordinary Time is a time when we do not focus on any particular aspect of Jesus’ life and mission and our faith (as we do during Advent, Christmas, Lent or Easter), but rather on Jesus’ ministry in general and our living response to this in our time and place. It may well be “ordinary time”, but it can be an *extraordinary* time for us if we listen to God’s calling and follow our Lord in the ordinary events of our daily routine. Jesus can indeed turn ordinary things, events or people into something or someone extraordinary.

During this week there will be an example of the extraordinary in the ordinary. An annual event will be taking place on that will probably attract little attention from the media, yet in Washington D.C. around 400,000 ordinary people will be gathered (over half of them are under the age of thirty) for something “extraordinary”: the annual “March for Life”. The March for Life takes place on Friday, 19th January, although there are all sorts of other related events around the actual march. It was begun back in 1974 by Nellie Gray and a small group of helpers in response to the Roe v Wade decision of the Supreme Court to legalize abortion the previous year. The March for Life has developed into a major event and now includes a gathering at the National Mall, followed by a march to the Supreme Court, as well as youth rallies, prayer vigils and other activities. There are usually a number of special Masses celebrated too, including one at the beautiful Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (it is usually televised). More details can be found at the website (www.marchforlife.org or the [uscbb](http://uscbb.org) website) or by downloading the March for Life app.

The principle behind the March for Life is the defense of life and the promotion of a culture of life (in opposition to the growing “culture of death”); that is to defend and promote life from the moment of conception to the natural end of life. The March for Life charter puts it this way: “the life of each human being shall be preserved and protected from that human being’s

biological beginning...[and] at each stage of that [life] ...regardless of state of health or condition of dependency...” For more details of the events you can visit the March for Life website: www.MarchForLife.org.

The Gospel or culture of life therefore *celebrates* human life and *promotes* a respect for life from the moment of conception to the moment of death. It reminds us of the value and dignity of every human life, for we have been created in the “image and likeness of God” (Genesis 2: 7). It also confronts certain values, attitudes or practices such as abortion, some types of medical research, genocide, the treating of people as objects to be used or exploited, and euthanasia.

Pope Francis has recently expressed his gratitude for the March for Life as well as for the essential need to promote a respect for life. Pope Emeritus Benedict also gave thanks for the March, thanking especially the young people who take part in it, and he has called the March “an outstanding annual witness for the Gospel of Life.” Monday, 22nd January is also a special day of prayer “for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.”

A reminder that the church in Hudson is open for all day Eucharistic Adoration on Friday 19th January from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Sacristy ending with a Holy Hour for Life from 5 to 6 p.m. The church will also be open for prayer on Monday, 22nd January and, indeed, every day! Why not come in and spend some time in prayer for all those who are witnessing to the Gospel of Life and also for a renewal of our celebration of life and our resolve to do whatever we can to promote this *Gospel of Life* at home, at school, in our community and at work.

Fr. Bill



THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, January 14



Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Service

Once again the faith communities of the Hudson area are invited to participate in the annual service to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King. The service will take place Sunday evening, January 14th, at the **Shiloh Baptist Church**, lower Warren St., 6:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Parish has always had good representation at this service. Please help us maintain the tradition. (If you would like to bring some snacks or finger food for the gathering after the Service, your gift would be welcome and appreciated.)

MONDAY, January 15

- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- **Office Closed**

WEDNESDAY, January 17

- **Friendly Kitchen: 3 p.m. St. Mary's Academy**
- **The Gathering: 7:30 p.m. St. Mary's Academy**

THURSDAY, January 18

- **Our Lady of Grace Prayer Group: 6:30 p.m. St. Mary's Church**
- **Bible Study: 7 p.m. St. Mary's Academy**

FRIDAY, January 19

- **Eucharistic Adoration: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. St. Mary's Sacristy**
- **Day of Prayer for Life Holy Hour: 5 - 6 p.m.**

Income Tax Statements

Parishioners who wish to have statements with respect to their 2017 contributions to Holy Trinity Parish may call St. Mary's Rectory at 518 828-1334. We will gladly provide documentation that will allow you to get appropriate credit on your Income Taxes.

TRAINING SEMINAR

On Wednesday, January 17, at 6:30 PM, the Kinderhook Reformed Church will host a training seminar to help the public and churches prepare and respond in the event of an active shooter scenario. The seminar/training program will be presented by Investigator Anthony Brahm of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office. There will be a question and answer session following.

The Kinderhook Reformed Church is located at Rt. 9 and Church Street.

For further information, contact Jean Hacker at Jch9412@aol.com

Positive Image Award



Congratulations to our parishioners, Dr. Maria Lagana Suttmeier and Mr. Ted Filli, Sr. for being honored with "Positive Image Awards" from the Sons and Daughters of Italy on Sunday, January 7. These awards recognize local residents of Italian heritage who promote positive images of Italian-Americans and who positively contribute to the community.



Time to Bring In Your Palms

Approximately one month from now the season of Lent will begin with our Ash Wednesday celebrations on February 14th. We invite parishioners to bring in their palms from last Palm Sunday, which we will convert into ashes. **Loose palms** may be left in any of the Church vestibules. **Please do not place plastic bags, rubber bands, twist ties, etc. in the receptacles.** Thank you.

2018 Mass Book open

The 2018 Mass Book is now open. Parishioners can now request that particular Masses be offered wherever there is an opening. We will accommodate wherever we can. Please contact our parish office manager, Sally Hotelling, Monday to Thursday, at 518 828-1334.

March for Life 2018
Bus Information

If you would like to travel with others from our Diocese to the annual March for Life in Washington DC on January 19th, please see bus information below. Busses will meet Bishop Sharfenberger in Washington DC and participants will march together as a Diocese.

Contact Person: Barbara Fraterrigo
21 Ableman Avenue
Albany, NY 12203
(518) 456-3998; cellphone(518) 221-6776

Cost: \$55 per person transportation, not including meals

Reservations: Call Barbara ASAP. She needs to have an accurate count.

Payment: Checks payable to Barbara Frateriggo, mailed to above address after making phone reservation, *but must be received by her at least several days before January 19.*

Pick up: Catskill Exit 21 NYS Thruway Area,
Parking around 11:30 PM Thursday, January 18.

A Prayer for Upholding the Sanctity of Life:

**God our Creator,
we give thanks to you,
who alone have the power to impart the
breath of life
as you form each of us in our mother's
womb;
grant, we pray,
that we, whom you have made stewards of
creation,
may remain faithful to this sacred trust
and constant in safeguarding the dignity
of every human life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.**



**Day of Prayer
for Life**

To mark the anniversary of Roe v. Wade and to be in solidarity with those attending the 45th annual March for Life in Washington, Holy Trinity Parish will be sponsoring a Day of Prayer for Life on **Friday, January 19, 2018**. There will be all day Eucharistic Adoration beginning after the 7:15 am Mass in St. Mary's Sacristy and ending with a **Holy Hour for Life from 5-6pm**. Please join us by dropping in for silent prayer during the day and/or by joining us for the Holy Hour.

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GERMANTOWN

Regular Offertory Last Weekend (Jan. 7).....	\$1,146.00
Seminarians.....	15.00
Heat & Fuel Collection	40.00



SACRAMENTS

The sacraments are wonderful gifts from God to us. Through outward, visible signs; the sacraments are channels of God's love and mercy and so they draw us in to the life of the Trinity. They therefore also continue the saving mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in and through His body, the Church. Below is some information on how to make contact regarding the celebration of the sacraments.

BAPTISM: Congratulations! If you would like to arrange preparations and a date for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

RCIA: For those enquiring about the Catholic Faith or wishing to complete their sacraments: welcome! Please contact the Parish Office and we will be very glad to help you further.

RECONCILIATION: Celebrated on Saturdays 2.30-3.45 pm in Hudson, before and after Masses in Germantown, or at anytime by appointment. (Note: it is best to call ahead first to check on the availability of a priest)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Priests regularly visit the hospitals, nursing homes and the homebound. Please do contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is in need of the anointing of sick.

MARRIAGE: Congratulations! So that proper arrangements (paperwork, preparations etc.) can be made, please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date.

VOCATIONS: If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony to share thoughts and prayers further.

READINGS AND HYMNS (HUDSON)

Reading: p. 85 Opening Hymn: # 368 Closing: # 517

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY: Weekday (Jan. 15)
 7:15 AM Bruno, Chesie, Marvin & Rogers Families

- JoAnn & Roger
 Donna Lynn Scalera - Matt & Kathi Clark

TUESDAY: Weekday (Jan. 16)
 7:15 AM William J. Whalen - Pat & David Hart
 Marie Bartolotta Conte - Mr. & Mrs. Robert Donahue

WEDNESDAY: St. Anthony, Abbot (Jan. 17)
 7:15 AM Kathleen Veit - Raymond & Sharon Rouse
 Martin Hotaling - Family

THURSDAY: Weekday (Jan. 18)
 7:15 AM Elizabeth & John Bray - Pat & David Hart
 William J. Whalen - Dolly & Lee VanDeCarr

FRIDAY: Weekday (Jan. 19)
 7:15 AM Leo Pulcher - Elizabeth Pulcher
 Tammy Parker & Alicia Fernandez
 - Rebecca Romanchuk & Sharon

McHale
 9:00 AM Memorial - Sister, Ellin & Nephew, J.J.
 (G'TWN)
 - Jane & Bill Martin

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: (Jan. 20)
 4:00 PM Edward J. Ziembra - Ed & Nancy Ziembra
 (HUD) Mr. & Mrs. Paul J. Colwell - Vera & Tom Colwell
 Mary, Gino & Son, John - Campeta Family

5:30 PM Living and deceased of the Parish
 (G'TWN)

SUNDAY MORNING MASS: (Jan. 21)
 9:00 AM Edward Kohli - Wife Christine & Friend Dawn
 (HUD) Joseph Leff - Esperanza & Thomas Haefelin

Readings for the Week of January 14

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]
 /1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]
 /Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28
 [21a]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1]
 /Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a,
 10b-11, 12-13 [5b] /Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 [2a]/
 Mk 3:13-19

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