

Announcements
For the week of January 22, 2016

Eucharistic Ministers Chicken and Biscuit and sweet sale, January 22nd after all Masses

Living the Eucharist will begin again this year. Sign –up will be begin on January 28th and February 4th.

Bulletin and Pulpit Announcements can be emailed. They must be approved by our Pastor, Fr. Lowell Case. Deadline for all announcements is 2:00pm on Monday. No impromptu announcements.

Please pray for all our Military, all the Sick and Shut-In and their families. Take home a copy of this week's bulletin for other announcements.

JANUARY 22, 2017

**GOOD EVENING/MORNING PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND VISITORS!
(PAUSE)**

**WELCOME TO OUR MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH. WE ARE IN
THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.**

**TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE THIED SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. KINDLY
TURN TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXTEND A GREETING OF WELCOME.
(PAUSE 20 SECONDS).**

**BE GOOD STEWARDS OF THE PARISH, GIVE GENEROUSLY IN TODAY'S
COLLECTIONS. THE SECONDS COLLECTION ARE FOR SOCIAL OUTREACH
AND KEEP FAITH.**

TODAY'S THEME:

**Today we find ourselves in the middle of the Week of Prayer for
Christian Unity. How appropriate, then, is our second reading from
Saint Paul's first Letter of the Corinthians, in which he calls on the
people of Corinth to put an end to their divisions so that their focus
might be on proclaiming the gospel. Let us pray today for unity in
our own Church as well as unity among all Christians.**

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name)

4:30 P.M.–

7:00 A.M.-

9:00 A.M.-

11:30 A.M.

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER:

**Our first reading from Isaiah sounds as if we were still in the
Christmas season: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a
great light." But paired with today's Gospel, which repeats that
phrase, it makes a powerful prelude to the beginning of Jesus' public
ministry and the calling of the first apostles. Jesus' response to John
the Baptist's arrest is to begin his announcement of the kingdom of
heaven. How can today's word of God help us to respond to
adversity?**

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

January 22, 2017

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Priest: The Lord is indeed our light and our salvation. Let us pray for that light to shine ever brighter in our world today.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer!

- ◆ That our Church, which belong to Christ, might be one on purpose and healed of all divisions, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For our nation , as we recall the life and dream of Doctor Martin Luther King and seek to make that dream a reality for everyone, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ That all Christians, during this week of prayer for Christian unity, might work ever more diligently for common understanding and collaboration in light of our common baptism, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all the women religious in our country, who have made their own, the work given to them by God through the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For our community of faith: May we be open to the message that God has for us and respond with faithful hearts to the mission that God sets before us, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intentions spoken and unspoken... [*pause for 10 seconds; the presider alone concludes...*], we pray to the Lord...

Priest: Gracious God, you call upon us to do your will. Grant us the grace to follow your Son for the good of the world and for your greater glory. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

January 22, 2017

PLEASE WELCOME THE VISITORS

**ALSO PASS OUT THE CHILDREN'S
BULLETINS TO THE LITTLE ONES!**

Make sure that you sign the sheet in the book.

Remember to use the white bags for the collections.
Please try and refrain anyone from walking during the
1st reading, 2nd Reading, the Gospel and the Homily.

**Remember to take the count of those present at each Mass and
turn the count sheet in after the 11:30AM Mass**

This is very important. Secure collection after Mass

Second Collection

Keep Faith

And

Social Outreach