

Announcement
For the week of January 28, 2018

Happy Birthday to Mr. Louis Campbell celebrating 89 years on January 28th.

Happy Birthday to Beverly Williams, who celebrated 84 years on January 23rd.

The Knight of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Ct. #64 is raffling 3 beautiful Valentine Baskets on Sunday, February 11, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Attention! All High School graduates and parents. There will be a important/mandatory meeting, Monday, January 29th at 5:30 in the school youth Room.

The Scheduled Youth Lector's meeting for February 11th has been canceled.

Usher's Annual Fish Fry February 14, 2018 from 8am to 2pm in the hall.

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 announcements and other information.

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GOOD EVENING/GOOD 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 FOURTH 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 SEOND COLLECTIONS ARE FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND SOCIAL OUTREACH.

THEME: On the last two Sundays we heard Jesus calling his first disciples. Over the next three Sundays, we will hear stories of Jesus healing the sick and afflicted. He is just beginning his public ministry but as he drives out demons and heals lepers, his renown and his popularity increase quickly. In today's Gospel, Jesus drives out an unclean spirit. The people are astonished, not just at his actions, but also how he taught with such authority.

OUR CELEBRANT FOR THIS MASS IS:

(Priest Name) Fr. Noel Effiong, Pastor

4:30 P.M.–Fr. Mark Ameh

7:00 A.M.-Fr. Mark Ameh

10:00 A.M.– Fr. Mark Ameh

AFTER THE OPENING PRAYER: In the first reading we hear God promise Moses that God will raise up a prophet like him “and will put my words into his mouth.” Mark then presents Jesus as being that prophet. He astonishes the people of Capernaum by teaching at the synagogue with authority, then encountering a man with an unclean spirit and immediately driving the unclean spirit out by his command.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Priest: Like the man with the unclean spirit, we come in faith and confidence that the Lord will hear our prayers and be attentive to our needs..

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- ◆ For God's holy Church, that its teachings may give hope and our ministry may give support to all those in need, we pray to the Lord.
- ◆ For leaders of all nations, that they may find ways to settle conflicts and disagreements without resorting to weapons that bring death and suffering, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For those struggling with addiction, and for all their families and loved ones, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For teachers, administrators, and staff, for all those who help educate our children and expand their natural curiosity, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all who have died, and for the intentions of this Mass, **Ernestine Boutte, Gladys Payne Chaney, Marie Haynes Charlton, Mildred Clement, Betty Nichols and for those on my Deceased prayer list, and Ella Mae Moore** may they glory in the **Lord** forever at the wedding feast of the Lamb, we pray to the Lord...
- ◆ For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intention spoken and unspoken....*[pause for 10 seconds; the presider alone concludes...]*we pray to the Lord...

Priest: Gracious God, we come to you today with our needs and concerns. Listen to your people, we beseech you, and bless us with your love and mercy. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

TO ALL MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

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**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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 take the count of those present at each Mass
and turn the count sheet in after the 10:00AM Mass
This is very important. Secure collection after Mass**

**Second Collection
Church in Latin America
And
Social Outreach**