

WE THANK everyone who shared a portion of their blessings to God through your church.

Jan.8 & 9, 2022: Regular Collection: \$2,500.00, Building Fund: \$300.00, Christmas: \$50.00, Feast of the Holy Family: \$100.00, Holy Land: \$20.00.

Thank you !

MONEY COUNTERS (Note your day):

Monday, Jan.17: Clara Jozwiak, Peggy Husky, Gene Malinowski, Judy Willitzer.

Monday, Jan.24: Dorothy Bielski, JoAnn Horton, Mark Jozwiak, Alvin Malinowski.

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
*Best Wishes and Congratulations to:***

Elizabeth/Gary Korpe, Jan.14—39th
Marilyn/Florian Pawlak, Jan.17—41st
Betty/Oscar Becker, Jan.18—53rd
Lisa/Daniel Krolczyk, Jan.20—27th
Jennifer/Andy Faist, Jan.22—17th

Let us pray for our sick, our cherished elderly & their families:

Elizabeth Falk, Stella Mikolajchak, Shirley Moszkowicz, Virginia Moszkowicz Meschwitz

NOTE: *Please inform us if you know of someone who is ill and needs prayers.*

Our collection envelopes for 2022 have not yet arrived. Until we receive them, please put your donations in a plain white envelope, and write on it your name, your envelope number (#___) and donation amount.

Altar Society members: your dues should be paid in January. Please give your payment to Virginia Malinowski, Treasurer. New members are always welcome! Call Virginia if you're interested!

Blessed Olive Wood Creations, a Christian group from Bethlehem in the Holy Land, will be visiting our parish on the weekend of January 22-23. They will speak to us about the Christian struggle in the Holy Land. They will also have some beautiful Olive Wood carvings, handmade by the Christian people in Bethlehem, for sale after Masses.

All proceeds from purchases will help to maintain the existence of Catholic Christians in the Holy Land. Please take time to look at the carvings, make a purchase, and help maintain a Christian presence in the Holy Land.

It's time for our new Parish Directory!

Universal Church Directories will be here taking photos in the parish hall for our new parish directory on four consecutive days: Wednesday January 26 thru Saturday January 29. Prior to that, and beginning at weekend Masses, a table will be set up in the narthex, for scheduling your photography appointment, or you may call the parish office. Participants will receive a free 8 x 10 print. Our Directory will not be complete without you! Please sign up!

Please note that Fr. Jozef's Wednesday evening study sessions on the Catholic Faith and doctrine are suspended until further notice.

Thoughts for your Meditation

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. For many Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle.

To situate today's reading within the context of John's Gospel, we note that John's report of this event follows Jesus' call of his first disciples. John tells us that Jesus and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. There is no parallel report of this miracle at Cana in the Synoptic Gospels.

In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity.

Yet awareness of Jesus' impending passion and death is ever present in John's Gospel. Even in this report of Jesus' first sign, the language used anticipates Jesus' passion. When Jesus says to his mother that his hour has not yet come, he protests against her wishes in language that John will use again when reporting Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples. When introducing the story of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, John writes that Jesus knew that his hour had come. In John's Gospel, Jesus is very much in command and aware of all that is to happen to him.

Here, as elsewhere in John's Gospel, Mary is not mentioned by name, but is referred to instead as the mother of Jesus. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity.

John's Gospel describes seven signs that indicate Jesus' identity to his disciples. John never speaks of these signs as miracles because their importance is not in the deed that Jesus performs but in what these deeds indicate about Jesus' identity. Here, as when John describes the other signs, the disciples are said to begin to believe, but no mention is made as to whether the other wedding guests are even aware of what has happened.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors often used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine.

This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.

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The flowers on the two side altars were donated for the greater glory of God by the Kmiec family, in memory of Louis Kmiec.

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

"On the threshold of his public life Jesus performs his first sign—at his mother's request—during a wedding feast. The Church attaches great importance to Jesus' presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ's presence."

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1613)

SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

May all the earth give you worship and praise, and break into song to your name, O God, Most High.

Sat. Jan.15	6:00 PM	+FLORENCE JOZWIAK by Clara Gurka
Sun. Jan.16	9:00 AM	+MIKE KOPYCINSKI by Virginia/Alvin Malinowski
Wed. Jan.19	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. Jan.20	8:00 AM	EILEEN BRYN by Diane/Brennan Peterson
Fri. Jan.21	8:00 AM	+JOHNNIE JEZERSKI by Betty/David Skweres

THIRD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sing a new song to the Lord! Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Truth and beauty surround him, he lives in holiness and glory.

Sat. Jan.22	6:00 PM	+FLORENCE JOZWIAK by Clara Gurka
Sun. Jan.23	9:00 AM	+Deceased Members of the Gurka Family by Larry Gurka
Wed. Jan.26	6:00 PM	FOR PARISHIONERS
Thur. Jan.27	8:00 AM	COREY WADE by Jenny Tobin
Fri. Jan.28	8:00 AM	+FLORENCE JOZWIAK by Clara Jozwiak

National Sanctity of Human Life Sunday, first proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan in 1984, will fall this year on Sunday, January 23rd.

In recognition of this event, we encourage our parishioners to donate brand-new baby items, and bring them to the church on that weekend (Jan.22-23). These will then be given to the Brenham Pregnancy Center, to help fill their baby boutique and allow new parents to earn these items through their parenting education program.

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JANUARY 15TH & 16TH, 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Regular Mass Schedule:

Saturday :	6:00 PM
Sunday:	9:00 AM
Wednesday:	6:00 PM
Thursday & Friday:	8:00 AM

Sacrament of Marriage: Call at least 6 months before the planned wedding.

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Parish Office at least 2 weeks in advance.

To Register in the Parish: Forms are available in the narthex (near entry of the church).

Parish Boards and Councils / Chairpersons:

Parish Council: Mark Bilski
Financial Committee: Doug Elder
Cemetery Board: Kenneth Kettler
Building & Maintenance: Lloyd Stelter
Altar Society: Gertrude Nowak
Religious Education: Peggy Husky
Knights of Columbus: Randall Stockton
Hall Committee: Janie Mikolajchak

Pastor: Fr. Jozef Musiol, SDS, JCD

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Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Sat. 5-5:45 PM/ Sun. 8- 8: 45 AM and
30 minutes before weekday Masses

