

January 23, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM OUR PASTOR:

January focusses us on pro-life issues, in a specific way the very gift of life that is destroyed through an abortion. As many will gather for pro-life marches around the country, pray for them and the witness that they offer to the world that wants to turn a blind eye.

From the Sisters of Life publication "Imprint" (the fall issue) I would like to share with you the following article that highlights two mindsets that are out there or even in our own hearts.

'The Culture of Despair. The strong against the weak; the culture of despair says: **Dignity means being in control.** Vulnerability and weakness are seen as liabilities. Dignity is equated to autonomy and control; if I don't have control, then I don't have dignity. In an age when I control how I am seen on social media, I want to control how I am seen at the end of my life; I don't want to be remembered as weak, or dependent, or in need. It's about my choice, my decision. Being in control is the most important thing in life. Suffering and death are meaningless. Suffering robs me of pleasure and autonomy. If I can't enjoy my life, then my life has no meaning. And death is just the end-there's nothing more beyond. Nothing really matters, ultimately. Being able to choose when and how I die gives me a sense that I can control death. I only matter if I'm productive. If I measure myself by what I can do, produce, or achieve, then being weak and vulnerable is terrifying, because suddenly I feel worthless. I feel like a burden. The Culture of Hope. The strong helping to carry the weak:the culture of hope says: **Dignity is intrinsic.** Dignity is not synonymous with control-that would mean that children and those with disabilities do not have dignity, because they are dependent on others. I have dignity because I am made in the image and likeness of God, and nothing can take that dignity away. I am not to be discarded because I am weak or vulnerable, but celebrated and reverenced because I am me. Love is the most important thing in life. Suffering and death have meaning. Jesus redeemed us through His suffering and death on the cross, and by His resurrection He turned suffering and death into a source of grace for the world. I can actually unite my sufferings with His on the cross, and win graces for others. Suffering and death don't have to be a painful absurdity if I choose to allow Christ to enter into and transform my suffering-they can become a powerful encounter with God Himself, and actually unite me more closely to others. I am a gift, not a burden. The human person is never to be used to achieve an end, but is an end in himself/herself. I am worthy of tremendous reverence and care. I am a gift, and I can rest in the truth that God is in charge and He delights in me. I am loved by Him, and I don't have to be afraid of being weak. He is with me."

Lisa K. Gigliotto, Esq. is quoted in a sidebar saying "It frightens me to contemplate a society that has determined it is more economical to assist in suicide then to care for me, to listen to me talk about my pain and troubles, to administer a healing touch to my disfigured, disabled body."

Knowing we have the gift of life, let us grow in gratitude and find ways that we can express our thanks to God and offer a witness to the world to the infinite value and dignity that each and every one of us has.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM Sundays ~ 8 AM &10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

Thursdays at 2:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM & Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass Benediction at 4:00 PM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of January 23, 2022

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| Sat. | Jan. 22 | 5:00 PM | For our Parishioners |
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| Sun. | Jan. 23 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the souls of Jim & Gerrie Carney |
| | | 10:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of James Smart |
| Tue. | Jan. 25 | 5:30 PM | For All Deceased Members of Howard G. Rose Family |
| Wed. | Jan. 26 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Mary Murphy |
| | | 6:15 PM | For the repose of the soul of Mary Lou Arens |
| Thu. | Jan. 27 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Barbara Thorson |
| Fri. | Jan. 28 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Mary Buttner |
| Sat. | Jan. 29 | 5:00 PM | For the repose of the soul of Jerry Neve |
| Sun. | Jan. 30 | 8:00 AM | For the repose of the soul of Peter Bosgraaf |
| | | 10:00 AM | For our Parishioners |

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Marty, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, and Emma Boehm.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson and Ethan Jasinski.

That Man Is You (TMIY) Program is an opportunity for men to learn more about their faith role within the family, community, and society. Different topics and issues are covered each week in a video presentation and subsequent discussion. The TMIY program sessions have just started the second half of this years' program. Join us at the Mile Bluff Community Room @ 6:30 am every Friday morning. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Howard Boppart @ 608-548-6513.

Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Her, O Lord. We offer our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of Jean Toth (sister of Annie Walsh) who passed away recently. May perpetual light shine upon her.

FLOWERS FOR MARY

"Each new life, no matter how brief, forever changes the world." In remembrance of Anonymous

Stewardship Corner ~ January 15th & 16th, 2022 (524 Registered Families)

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| Adult Envelopes On-Line Giving | | \$8,384.62 | \$ 3,831.00 1,679.00 | | | |
| Children's Envelor | oes | 9.61 | 14.00 | | | |
| Loose Offering | | 385.00 | 361.00 | | | |
| Total Weekly Offe | ring: | \$ 8,779.23 | \$ 5,885.00 | | | |
| Year-to-date* bud | \$254,597.67 \$270,624.74 | | | | | |
| Year-to-date amount contributed \$270,62 *Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Year July | 1, 2021 | to current date | | | | |

^{**} Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 145,603 for this fiscal year.

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

| Weekly Calendar | | | | | | | |
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| Tuesday | Jan. 25 | 3:00 PM 6:30 PM | Hour of Mercy in Church Holy Happy Hour | | | | |
| Wednesday | Jan. 26 | | Religious Ed Classes | | | | |
| | | 8:00 PM | Time of Prayer in Church | | | | |
| Thursday | Jan. 27 | 12:00 PM | Rosary Makers—RH | | | | |
| | | 2:00 PM | Rosary in Church | | | | |
| | | 5:30 PM | Sacred Worship Mtg. | | | | |
| Friday | Jan. 21 | 6:30 AM | "That Man is You" | | | | |
| | | 8:45 AM | Friday Folders | | | | |

March for Life—Sunday, January 23rd at 1:00 PM at the Juneau County Courthouse. Please join with other Life Marchers to walk around the courthouse, peacefully and prayerfully, for 49 minutes (one minute for each year since Roe v. Wade—January 22, 1973) holding signs or carrying candles. This is a simple, yet effective way for all those who call on the name of the Lord to show that they oppose abortion. A reception will follow the March here in Reardon Hall.

2021 Contribution Statements are available in the gathering area. Please stop and pick yours up. Statements not picked up by January 27th will be mailed.

Companions for the Journey ~ Just as food is required for human life, so are companions. Companions come from the Latin words: com meaning with and panis meaning bread. Companions nourish our heart, mind, soul, and body. Join us on Friday mornings at 9 am as we start Companions for the Journey: Praying with Thomas Merton. We will meet at 9 am in Reardon Hall, open with prayer, read a little on this week's Companion, have a reflection, and then end with a faith action task for the next week. Join us when you can and it is open to anyone. Our first meeting will be Friday, February 4th at 9 am, and the prayer focus is "Turning Back to the True Self". Call Mrs. Thayer at 608-747-2681 with any questions. Hope to see you there!

Do you need to take a Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA or retirement account this year? Did you know that you can make a tax free donation to St. Patrick's directly from your IRA? This weekend's bulletin insert provides information about making Qualified Charitable Distributions.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 22nd & 23rd Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Jaime Pouillie

Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm

Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, & Gracey Kobylski

Musicians: Greeters:

Ushers: Matt Schwab, Bill Powers

Sunday, 8:00 AMLector: Bridget Gunther Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Jacob Barnes, Holden Eckerman, & Eli Schanke

Musicians: Cristina Becker Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey

Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim Allaby & MaryAnn Allaby

Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Paul Curran

Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran

Servers: Weston & Garret Pouillie, Warrick Housworth

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling

Greeters: Kris Mazur

Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of January 29th & 30th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich

Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser

Servers: Jack Vinopal, Landynn and Theron Miller

Musicians: Schmitz, Jacob & Carla Brunner

Greeters:

Ushers: Matt Schwab, Bill Powers

Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Gail Boehm Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Cody & Blake Komiskey

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary, Sharon Kelly Greeters: Carol Gross, Amelia Gunther

Ushers: John Walsh, Jeanne Walsh, Jim Allaby & MaryAnn Allaby

Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Howard Boppart

Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart

Servers: Caroline Marien, Johnny and Eddy Riley

Musicians: Ann Benz, Sharon Kelly

Greeters:

Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill



Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. We currently have 81 families who have pledged \$32,176. If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

<u>Social Sunday</u> — Join us on Sunday, January 30th for "Social Sunday". Plan to stay after the 8 am and the 10am Mass for donuts, coffee, juice and fellowship in Reardon Hall. Hope to see you there!

<u>Catholic Schools Week:</u> Catholic Schools Week starts Sunday, January 30, 2022. Please take time to celebrate with our Catholic School students and their families as well as students and families throughout our diocese and state, and pray for the continued success of our Catholic Schools.

<u>2022 Gala—Save the Date!</u> Our 2022 Gala will be held on Saturday, February 19th at The Lodge of Mauston. Social hour begins at 6 pm with dinner at 7 pm. Tickets are available at the rectory office.

New Year...New You (Spiritually) A survey went out to Parishioners via email on Monday to help us with the planning of Parish activities for this next year. If you did not receive the email that means we need yours! Please contact the Parish office to update. You are able to access the survey by using this link: https://forms.gle/DuDpFBaftRL5Drp4A or by emailing re@stpatricksmauston.com Thank you for your valuable input!

Gala Raffle Tickets are now available! Stop by the school office or rectory to purchase yours! Gala baskets are on display in the school.

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Sportsmen's Raffle this Spring. If you would like to help out by selling some tickets, they are available on the rectory porch. You may also purchase tickets at the rectory or from any Knight. Prizes are: Matthew's Mission Crossbow w/ scope (or \$500 cash); Mossberg 12 ga. Shotgun (or \$500 cash); and Savage .243 bolt action rifle w/ scope (or \$500 cash). Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. The drawing will be on Tuesday, April 19th at 7:30 PM.

We need your help! Please make sure to let the Parish office know if you have moved, changed your phone number, disconnected your land phone, or changed your e-mail address. Please email the Parish Office with any changes: stpatrickparishmauston @gmail.com or give the office a call. Thanks!



The Word of God Sunday

Taylor Kemp sits down with Dr. James Prothro to discuss the Word of God Sunday, instituted by Pope Francis to be the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (this Sunday ~ January 23rd). The Word of God Sunday is to be a particular day given over to reflection on the importance of Sacred Scripture and the place it holds in the Church and every individual life of the faithful. Through Sacred Scripture, God continues to speak to his people through the power of the Holy Spirit and guide his Church into all truth.

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays at 3 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world. For more information, contact Deacon Juan or Jan Mullenberg.

Wednesday Evening Prayer Time: The church will be open on Wednesday evenings at 8 PM for a time of prayer. Please feel free to join as / when you are able.

Praying the Rosary: Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. The intention for each week is posted on our parish Facebook page.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.



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