

JANUARY 22, 2023 | THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*They left their nets
and followed him.*

~ Matthew 4:20



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday-,p.m.-Sunday, 8:30 & 11a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or Upon Request

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, 8:30 a.m.

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

We welcome your contributions to the
bulletin. Deadline is Wednesday, by 12:00 p.m.



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2023

“COME AFTER ME,
AND I WILL MAKE
YOU FISHERS OF MEN.”

Matthew 4:19

GATHERING DISCIPLES

To introduce the beginnings of Jesus' ministry in Matthew's Gospel today, the evangelist quotes from Isaiah 9, which is presented to us more fully in our first reading. Isaiah acknowledges the darkness of oppression from the conquest of the Galilee region by Assyria, but reminds his people of the hope God offers them. Matthew, writing in the time of the Roman Empire centuries later, points to Jesus and his proclamation of the kingdom of heaven, to overturn all forms of oppression. Power structures like Assyria or Rome rely on fear, control, and distrust to sustain themselves. But God's reign is to be saturated with God's love, freedom, and mutual trust. Jesus began by gathering a group of disciples. When Jesus similarly gathers his community of disciples in our church today, our love of each other, and our care for all others, can make this reign of God visible to all.

CALLED TO COMMUNITY

Today's Gospel from Matthew sketches the initial movements of Jesus' public ministry. The arrest of John the Baptist signals that Jesus' time has come. His first actions include the call of his first disciples, and proclaiming the reign, or kingdom, of heaven. Jesus first gathers a community, which he can gradually form to become living evidence of this coming reign. His preaching, which begins just a few verses later in the Sermon on the Mount, is not just essential guidance for each individual life, but for life within a community of his followers.

It can be very challenging for most of us, who live in a highly individualized society, to hear this story of being summoned into community, committed to learning together and from each other. Our parishes and Christian communities need to be safe places so that we can open our hearts to each other, learning the Way of Jesus, and sharing this Way with others.

UNITED IN CHRIST

In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul addresses many pastoral issues, and begins with questions of division over leadership. We hear of rival camps of loyalty for various leaders and preachers: Paul himself, Apollo, or Cephas. Paul fears that the community has lost the center of the faith, that is, Christ himself. The community is to be united in mind and purpose under Christ.

Many today experience in a very similar division. Some Christians will in effect say: "I belong to . . . (fill in the name of your favorite preacher, theologian, or leader), and those who don't are not to be trusted." Diversity of thought and background are essential to the vitality of Christian community, but here Paul describes a division that hides the message of Christ. It hides Christ's call to charity and forbearance toward all. This division hides the truth that we are all at the foot of the cross, a cross that reveals our own brokenness and our need for mercy.

TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3
Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14
1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17
Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]



January 22, 2023-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
“He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him.
”Matthew 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In gratitude to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish.

22 de enero de 2023-3er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
“El los llamó e inmediatamente dejaron su barca y a su padre y lo siguieron” MATEO 4:22

Así como Jesús llamó a los primeros apóstoles, también nos llama a cada uno de nosotros a seguirlo. No todo el mundo es llamado a dejar atrás a su familia o a sus negocios, pero se espera de nosotros que pongamos a Dios en primer lugar en todo. En agradecimiento a Dios, debemos darle lo primero y lo mejor de todo: nuestro tiempo en la oración diaria, nuestro talento para participar en uno de nuestros ministerios parroquiales y nuestros tesoros para apoyar las necesidades financieras de la misión de nuestra parroquia.

Ministry Schedule

Jan.28

5:00p.m.

AS C Reynolds, T & R Liebl
 EM A Bazemore
 L D Curtis
 U G Hixenbaugh & Y Carr

Jan.29

8:30 a.m.

AS E & J Cosgrove
 EM C Felipe
 L P Miranda
 U J Richtman & M Vinson

11:00 a.m.

AS B & D Duncan
 EM Jimmy McIntosh
 L M Imbertson
 U R Monteleone & Volunteer

Pray for the Sick

Howard App, Nilda Arietta, Owen Austin, Kaitlin Blake-wood, Amelia Boyd, Garrett Brant, Denise & Joe Burdick, Mona Burnham, Fernanco Carreras, Andy & Kathy Chester, Jerry Collins, Brent Cornwell Family, Crystal Christiansen, Richard Culberson, Lenny & Rose Danielewicz, Bill Edwards, Chuck Ellis, Mark Erickson, Cindy Forte, Cecelia Gadomski, Marty Haloda, Chip Harris, Ruthann Hein, Rebekah Hess, Jordan Hill, Jackie Hillard, Sutton Hotard, Jean Lafond, Josette Lafond, Yvan Lafond, Lee Gobrogge, Marvin Hughes, Trent Jones, Pat Jordan, Wendy Karpowicz, Billy Kelley, Kaycee Kessler, Nick Knight Nicole Knight, Janice Kosek, Sandra Kowalski, Linda Liebl, Rosa Lewis, David, Henry & Loretta Matzdorf, Mary Susan McAndrews, Corrine McCumber, Bryan Milne Sr., Zach Mitchell, Joyce Mixon, Jaxon Morales, Jon & Linda Morgan, Millie Morris, Sister Nuala Mulleady, Lorraine Nessar, Rick Nettles, Roy & Mildred O’Connor, Ken Otto, Carrie Owen, Larry Page, Mary Lu Paulson, Teresa Phillips, Matthew Pickett, Melanie Pit-ingamy, Ron & Eileen Proveaux, Kate Radonavich, Loretta Riley, Jimmy Sapp, Susanne Sears, Joann Skorich, Ann Shuman, Angel Smith, Lynn Smith, Tim Strickland, Tommy Strickland, Ann Sweatt, Warren Sweatt, Ken & Joyce Tyson, Christa Ward, Sheila Whitehead, Tripp Whitten, Callie Wiggins, Schanecy Wilmot, Judy Wuorio, Wynn Family, Jon Zinck

Mass Intentions

Sunday 01/22 +Robert Lee Hilton
 Tuesday 01/24 ♥Brenda Liebl
 Wednesday 01/25 +Souls in Purgatory
 Thursday 01/26 ♥Linda Morgan
 Friday 01/27 +Ray Lenz
 Saturday 01/28 ♥Rick Nettles



CW5 Scott Durrer, MSGT Brian Lafond, A1C Aubriana Butchko, SFC Steven Liebl, PVT Dylan Dickerson, SR Christopher Meinert, SSGT Patrick Gleaton, PFC William Bland, PFC, Dalen Baldwin, ENS Sean Garrett, LTJG Riley Garrett

Weekly Collection with YTD Figures

Weekend of January 15, 2023

Offertory/Online Collection	\$6,486.75
YTD Offertory Collection	\$187,637.79
Bills Paid this Week:	\$5,772.49
Bills Paid to Date:	\$184,065.04
Building Fund Collection	\$1,270.50
YTD Building Fund Collection	\$36,054.40
Special Projects Donations	\$5,900.00

Annual Catholic Appeal

As you may already know, the Annual Catholic Appeal is ready to get underway for 2023. Some of you may have already received letters from Bishop Parkes. First, I would like to say thank you to everyone who contributed to the annual appeal in 2022. Because of your generous donations, we were able to reach our goal and beyond! Churches who surpassed their goals will receive a refund of the amount of overage. Bishop Parkes has put a guideline in place for the use of the funds which cannot be used for operational budget or for the 2023 appeal. We are however, able to use it for special projects, which we will ask Bishop Parkes for permission to use towards our parking lot special project.

Our goal for this year will be \$29,282.00. We will have our kick-off beginning with the showing of Annual Appeal Video on the weekend of February 3&4. As in the past, we will have envelopes in the basket on the ushers table for you to use or you can use the one you receive in the mail. Just put it in the collection basket and we will mail them for you. Please remember to make all checks out to Annual Catholic Appeal and not St. Boniface. If at all possible, do not use cash. You can also go online to our website [www.sbcatholic.com-Annual Appeal](http://www.sbcatholic.com-AnnualAppeal) link will be on the front page, click on the link and it will take you straight to the Diocesan website to make your donation. I ask you to prayerfully consider your donation this year and to increase if possible.

Prayers & Blessings,
Fr. Martino

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30, or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer
Tuesday:	Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday:	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Thursday:	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 4:21-35
Friday:	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Ordinary Time

Between the end of the Christmas season and the start of Lent, the liturgical year begins a period known as Ordinary Time. That season is interrupted by the seasons of Lent and Easter, and then resumes again after Pentecost. The English translation of the Latin name for this season has received much criticism because of our association of the word "ordinary" with something of lesser value, the opposite of something special. Critics point out that Sunday is the original feast day of the Church, that there is nothing at all "ordinary" about our weekly celebration of the Lord's dying and rising. Translators explain that in this context the English word "ordinary" retains the root meaning of "ordinal," something counted "in order," and that the Sundays throughout the year are in fact named by their numerical order. It is helpful to understand how all five of the "special" seasons of the liturgical year (Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time, Lent, Easter) fit together to unfold the single mystery of Christ. As we continue the year now with Ordinary Time, we are mindful that what we celebrate is indeed as "extraordinary" an experience of God's grace as one could ever imagine.

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HEART

In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart.

—John Bunyan

Weekly Announcements

Faith Formation

The next Faith Formation class is Sunday, January 22 from 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

There will be a meeting about First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion on Sunday, January 29. This meeting will take place in the parish hall during the regular class time. You will need to attend this meeting if your student will receive these Sacraments in the spring.

Thank You

Brandi, Josh, and Julianna Ellis would like to thank the Saint Boniface parishioners for praying and tying a prayer knot into the prayer quilt made as a memorial for their baby boy Dawson who went to be with our Lord this August. They also want to give recognition and their great appreciation to Mr. Joe and Mrs. Monica Bahm for making this prayer quilt with pictures of Dawson and scripture as it was such a thoughtful and beautiful blessing they will forever cherish. To all the church family, please know they are very grateful and could “feel and know” all the prayers have been working for their family.

Parish Office

The parish office will be closed next week from Tuesday-Friday. I will be working from home, while taking care of my daughter who will have surgery on Monday. You can still reach me by phone or email for whatever reason. Please keep Brenda in your prayers for a speedy recovery from surgery.

Contribution Statements

Parishioner contribution statements are available on the table in back of the church. If you are unable to locate your statement, please contact the office.

Family Promise

St. Boniface will be hosting Family Promise from Sunday, Jan. 29 through Saturday, Feb. 4.

Please note the following:

- There will be a basket on the altar for gift cards and monetary donations.
- There will be a bin in the rear of the church for the following items:

***Paper goods -*Personal products *Laundry products-*Cleaning products *New bath towels-*New pillows**

Thank you for your continued support of Family Promise and keep the families in your prayers.

St. Boniface Baptism Class

Sunday, January 29 -12:30-3:00PM

A baptism class will be held on Sunday, January 29, 12:30-3:00 PM. This class is required for parent(s) having their first child baptized in the Catholic Church. Before taking this class you must be registered in the parish and have met with Fr. Martino to discuss the baptism of your child(ren). The next class will be scheduled for April 2023. Please sign up for the class, no later than Sunday, January 22, by contacting Cindy Felipe, 912-596-4251.

CCW Yard Sale

St. Boniface Council of Catholic Women will have its annual yard sale on Friday and Saturday, February 3 & 4, from 8 am - 1 pm on both days. Come see the deals on home and office furniture & furnishings as well as children's toys, books, clothing and shoes. If you have items that you would like to donate to the yard sale or have any questions, please contact CCW president, Paula Minor, 912 547-1589 or email paulapk6010@gmail.com or Yvette Carr at 912-657-5423 or email ydchubby@windstream.net.

Virtus Training Sessions

The VIRTUS Protecting God's Children training is required for all volunteers and employees in the Diocese of Savannah. This training addresses the effects of child sexual abuse, the mindset of predators, and our ability as volunteers and employees to keep both children and vulnerable adults safe in our parishes, schools, and social service agencies. A session is scheduled at St. Anne Church in Richmond Hill: February 2nd – 6:30pm – 9:30pm.

Seating is limited and pre-registration is required online. Registration Instructions can be found at <https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training>.

We are Here to Listen and Take Action: DIOCESAN 24-HOUR CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE
888-357-5330. Abuse hotline for bishops only: <https://reportbishopabuse.org> or call (800) 276-1562.



Do you want to be more involved in your Catholic faith? Share your time, talent and treasures in fellowship with other women.

For more information, call Yvette Carr 912 657-5423 or email: ydchubby@windstream.net.



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