



February 13th, 2022

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Blessed are you who
are poor, for the kingdom
of God is yours."*

Luke 6:20



Masses For The Week



Readings and Mass Intentions for the Week of February 13, 2022

Saturday

February 12 1 Kgs 12:26-32, 13:33-34 Ps 106:6-7b, 19-22, Mk 8:1-10
5:00pm †Charlyne Dyer by St Mary Magdalen Parish

Sunday **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

February 13 Jer 17:5-8 Ps 1:1-4,6 1, Cor 15:12, 16-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26
9:00am †Bob Dodde by Robert Goodenough
11:00am †Wava Mieras by Bob and Sue Reeder
5:00pm †Stanley and Clara Jankowski by The Gorkowski Family

Zdravko Ivos by Mira Ivos
†JoanneBeute by Anna Rose Masson

Monday **Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop**

February 14 Jas 1:1-11, Ps 119:67-68,71-72, 75-76, Mk 8:11-13
8:00am †Joseph Quang Phan by Hon and Hoang

Tuesday

February 15 Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

February 16 Jas 1:19-27 Ps 15:2-4b, 5 Mk 8:22-26
8:00am †Dorothy Allwood by Joan and Family

Thursday

February 17 Jas 2:1-9 Ps 34:2-7 Mk 8:27-33
8:00am Ray Miller by the Morning Mass Friends

Friday

February 18 Jas 2:14-24, 26 Ps 112:1-6 Mk 8:34-9:1
8:00am All souls in need of prayer

Saturday

February 19 Jas 3:1-10 Ps 12:2-5, 7-8 Mk 9:2-13
5:00pm Sister Ea Switlik by Louis and Ann Switlik

Sunday **Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

February 20 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38
9:00am †Bob Dodde by Jim and Gloria Kenzie Zdravko Ivos by Mira Ivos†
11:00am †Ted Cipponeri by Freda Cipponeri
5:00pm †Joseph Konopka by Karen Hanson
†Michael Lewis by Karen Hanson

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MASSES & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Mass
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm
4th Sunday 1:00pm in Vietnamese
Mon, Wed - Fri 8:00 am

Adoration
1st Friday of the month
8:30am to 6:30pm

Reconciliation
Saturday
3:30-4:45 pm
Or by appointment if necessary

Baptism
1st Sunday of the month
12:00 pm
Call Parish Office,
prep necessary

Wedding
6 months preparation necessary.
Call Parish Office

Funeral
Call Parish Office

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LỊCH THÁNH LỄ VÀ Bí TÍCH

Thánh Lễ
Thứ Bảy 5:00 chiều
Chủ nhật 9:00 sáng, 11:00 sáng và 5:00 chiều
Thứ Hai, Thứ Tư-Thứ Sáu
8:00 sáng

Chầu Thánh Thể
Thứ sáu đầu tiên của tháng
8:30-6:30 chiều

Giải tội
Thứ Bảy 3: 30-4: 45 chiều
Hoặc lấy hẹn nếu cần thiết

Rửa tội
Chủ nhật đầu tiên của tháng
12 giờ trưa
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ, để chuẩn bị trước

Lễ cưới
6 tháng để chuẩn bị trước
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

Lễ an táng
Gọi Văn phòng Giáo xứ

Nếu quý vị nói Tiếng Việt, xin liên lạc với Sơ Mai Do

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Daniel Yonker, Carl Simmons,
Louis Carlson II, Cpt. Andrea Shefferly,
Gage Dionne, Larry P. Meeusen



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®



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The Knights of Columbus, Council 16223, donated a new 3D Printer to St. John Vianney Catholic School in Wyoming. The 3D Printer will help to teach children greater creativity and collaboration in problem solving. The Knights also gave out popcorn to the entire middle school while demonstrating the 3D Printer.

If you are interested in joining the Knights and making a difference, we are offering free membership, just scan the barcode above.

The Knights of Columbus at St. Mary Magdalen is having a fund raiser at Pietro's Italian Restaurant next month. On Tuesday, March 15th, from 4 to 9 pm. The Knights will receive 10% of the total net sales. All the money collected will go towards the St Mary Magdalen youth scholarship fund. Please save the date for this outing.



Invitation to Stillness

Tuesday, February 22, 7-8:30 p.m. EST

Facilitated by Molly Keating

\$10 donation suggested

Join us in person or online

Registration required

Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God this Lenten season? Consider this your invitation to sense the divine through stillness. Explore a method of going beyond the distractions of life to create a practice of listening to the inner Spirit.

Register at: <https://www.catholicinformationcenter.org/event/invitation-to-stillness/>

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE ORDINARY TIME—SUNDAY GIVING

Date	Contributions	Budget (Under)
February 5 th & 6 th	\$ 14,184	\$ 12,000 \$2,184
Year To Date	\$ 323,963	\$384,000 (\$60,037)

147 envelope contributions and 23 electronic contributions

Maintenance Fund envelopes: \$548

Benevolent Fund envelopes: \$400

**Thank you for your generous Stewardship of Treasure
in support of St. Mary Magdalen Parish!**

Homebound Ministry

Hello everyone,

The life of saints is always an invitation to holiness. Pope Francis, in his apostolic exhortation "Gaudete at Exultate" ("Rejoice and be Glad"), has boldly proclaimed: we are all called to genuine holiness according to the circumstances of our lives. The feast day of the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order on February 17th draws my attention and touches my heart. They are seven wealthy, well-known cloth merchants who lived in Florence, Italy in the mid-thirteenth century. Inspired by God, they made a great decision of changing their life totally: left everything behind and chose to lead a life of prayer, penance, and solitude. They dedicated themselves in prayer and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Their vocation seems hard to understand in our eyes but on the other hand, gives us a great witness that our God is true God and worthy over all possession, fame, and earthly life. In this time of turmoil and challenges, we are called to constantly make decisions of centering our life in Christ.

Let us remember and pray for Harriett Smith and her family. Harriett went to our Lord's house on Thursday, February 4, 2022. I would like to thank Mary Weisel and Josee Uwamahoro for their weekly visiting and bringing Holy Communion to Harriett. Mary and Josee's tender care and support were appreciated very much.

Thank you, everyone, for joining our Lunar New Year celebration and sharing your delicious food. A special thank you for the teamwork of: Chuck & Diem Nguyen, Binh Nguyen, Vien Taliana, Dung and Nu Nguyen for your generous help. We all had a lot of fun together.

Blessings,

Sr. Mai Do

Collection of Vietnamese Masses

Vietnamese January Mass Collection: \$ 1,050

Thank you for your kind donation & support to the Vietnamese Sisters of St. Paul de Chartres. May the Lord return to you abundantly & continue to bless St. Mary Magdalen's Parish.

Xin chân thành cảm ơn quý vị đã quảng đại nâng đỡ quý Sơ Dòng Thánh Phaolô thành Chartres. Xin Chúa trả ơn dồi dào cho quý vị & tiếp tục chúc lành cho Giáo xứ St. Mary Magdalen.

Dear Father Peter and St Mary Magdalen Parish,

On behalf of all our Sisters, I would like to express my profound gratitude for your love, your prayers and your financial support. We are so humble to receive the monthly contributions from our Vietnamese fellows.

May God grant you good health, peace and joy always. With grateful hearts,

Sr Marie Thu Hoi & Sisters



Women's Guild Meeting

The St Mary Magdalen's Women's Guild meeting will be on Thursday, February 17th, at 11:00am. We will be meeting at Brann's, 4157 Division Ave South. All women of the parish are welcome to attend.

Christian Services

We will be decorating for Lent on Monday, February 28th, at 1:00pm. If you are available to help please come.

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Help is needed to sanitize the pews after each Mass. Over the past 2 years the number of people helping with this task has significantly dropped. If you are available to stay about 10 minutes after Mass and help with this task, it would be greatly appreciated.



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Starting next week, February 19th we will begin accepting your old palms. These blessed palms are then burnt to make the ashes we use on Ash Wednesday. This year Ash Wednesday is on March 2nd.

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Our next blood drive, here at St Mary Magdalen, will be May 1st in the BAC. With such a great need for blood, please consider going to the blood center, at 1036 Fuller NE, to make an additional donation.

You can donate at the blood center and still be eligible to donate again at our blood drive.

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Start getting ready to spring clean! The Men's Group semiannual spring scrap metal drive will be Saturday, June 4th.



Pray for our Seminarians



Pray for:

Logan M. McGahan

University of St. Thomas
St. John Vianney Seminary
2115 Summit Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55105

Heavenly Father,
We give you thanks and praise for your son,
Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit to inspire
holy, faithful men to minister as priests. Lord,
we pray for our seminarians, especially Logan.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Between what hymnals or resources a parish has, between exposure to Contemporary Christian Music or secular musical preferences, between choir ability and size and instrumentation available, between parishioner expectations and preferences, “church music” is anything but simple. There is a wide belief that Vatican II modernized “everything,” but the liturgical documents from the council that changed the liturgy in many, many ways, still called for chant and organ to have “pride of place” in the liturgy.

If this doesn't interest you, don't worry, this article isn't an announcement to do a 180° change at our Masses. Instead, I want to explain why I have scheduled an 800 year old chant and motet along with folk favorites such as Eagle's Wings and City of God: because both are important in our current cannon of music.

I play a lot of funerals (it is a ministry I love), and Eagle's Wings and Eye Has Not Seen are two very, very popular hymns for funeral Masses. People know and love these songs because they have a personal connection to them, often from childhood. I have my own fondness for these songs as well. The communion hymns will no doubt be less familiar, especially to those that have grown up with an all English liturgy. However, just as we retain rituals and prayers from the past millennia (and beyond) so, too, is music from that time period a part of our heritage that has been passed down.

I think it is important to keep this in our collective canon. To connect us in faith and practice to our ancestors of faith and to hand down these expressions of faith to our own children. I don't choose these pieces because they are “old,” but because they have stood the test of time both musically and in the formation of the faithful for many, many centuries. Even secular or non-catholic choirs have sung these pieces for their beauty and timelessness.

This weekend we will sing God With Hidden Majesty (a metrical and paraphrased translation of the chant *Adoro Te Devote*) and at 11am the Communion Motet *O Sacrum Convivium*. I am happy to share these pieces that are a part of our shared history as well as the relatively newer hymns that have become favorites to many of you in the pews.

Emily



Youth Ministries

Hello everyone!

I hope that everyone is having a good week and that you've enjoyed some of the sunshine that we've been getting! Even though it's cold, I find that a little bit of sun does a lot to brighten my day.

Our first reading today from Jeremiah. He reminds us of the power of God in comparison to earthly things. I love the poetry of some of the Old Testament readings, and this reading is no exception. The imagery in this reading serves to remind us in a visual and visceral way how our lives can look depending on where we place our trust. Images of a "barren bush" and a "lava waste" are in stark contrast to "a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream."

Jeremiah reminds us that when we place our trust in earthly things and focus our attention on things other than God, we're bound to be disappointed. We're going to feel, like the barren bush, stuck, "enjoy[ing] no change in season." We're more likely to feel empty, lost, and desolate. That's because the earth is full of highly changeable things and circumstances. When we cling to things that can change in an instant, we are bound to change with them.

In contrast, when we root ourselves in the Lord, who is *unchanging*, we open ourselves up to the opportunities that change can present for us, and we're more likely to find the ways in which times of suffering benefit us. "It fears not the heat when it comes;" the first reading says, "its leaves stay green; in the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit." When we keep ourselves centered on the divine, we do not need to concern ourselves with the chaos and changing circumstances of the world. Instead, we are invited to see how all works together for good.

Peace,
Allison

Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

Our next High School Leader meeting for the middle school retreat is on February 13th in the Family Center from 12:30pm to 3:30pm. We look forward to seeing you!

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Information on our summer Mission Trip to Cincinnati can be found the Gathering Area.

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High school seniors: keep an eye out for Breitenstein Scholarship information in the mail! Please contact Allison in the office if you do not receive it by February 18th.

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Registration forms for our Middle School Retreat, LOST, are in the Gathering Area! Registrations are due February 14th, so make sure to pick one up today!

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Our next Young Adult meeting is Monday, February 21st, from 7:30 to 9pm in the BAC. We'll be continuing *Sanctuary*, our discussion on mental health.

Faith Formation

Hello Everyone,

This week's bulletin contains a flyer outlining Synod 2021-2023. I won't rehash the information on the flyer, but with the parish acting as a liaison, I wanted to take the opportunity to invite each of you to participate in one of the parish listening sessions. We opted to hold both a virtual session and in person sessions to ensure that everyone that would like to be a part of the Synod can be.

I admit this is the first time I have experienced a formal Synod. It is taking me some time to wrap my head around it, because it isn't a planning meeting, nor is it simply a gathering of specific information to be used perfecting a process. We are being called, as members of the Body of Christ to come together to pray, speak and listen with open hearts. We are looking to the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide our conversations so that we can better know and understand each other as brothers and sisters in Christ.

As I spent some time in reflection about this Synod it occurred to me that rather than trying to see this from an intellectual point of view, I needed to sit with it in prayer and ask what is being asked of us. What came from that prayer was a reminder that we as the Church are a family. As a family, we love one another and are connected to one another. But we are also individuals with our own lives, our own experiences, our own hopes, and our own needs. As our family grows and ages, we have to make a conscious effort to stay connected and active in each others' lives. If we don't, we become disconnected, and we lose track of the important things that are happening in each other's lives, what causes suffering, what others are hoping for, and what others need. Then the light came on and it occurred to me that this is an opportunity for us to reconnect or to strengthen our connections as a parish, as a diocese and as a universal Church.

I am now seeing this Synod *not* as an opportunity to see what we can *do*, but as an opportunity to see what we can *achieve*, communion in community and mission through sharing the things that we hold in our hearts about our faith, our community and our call to be fishers of men. I hope each of you will consider being a part of this opportunity to participate in this experience.

If you are interested but would like more information or would like to contact the diocese directly, you can do so at synod@grdiocese.org.

Blessings,
Molly Wisdom

Faith Formation Information:

February 16– FF Class 6:15-7:45 p.m.

February 23– NO FF Class

March 2– NO FF Class Ash Wednesday

Mass times: 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.

March 8-8th Grade Confirmation Mass at St. Andrews

March 9-FF Classes Resume, 6:15-7:45 p.m.

March 16-2nd Grade First Reconciliation 6:15-7:45 p.m.

*Please continue to watch for weather related FF information on the Parish App, Facebook, Constant Contact, WZZM, WOOD TV, & FOX 17.

Lectors for the Week of February 13th

Saturday, 5pm Joan Miller
 Sunday, 9am Stephen Herman
 Sunday, 11am Peggy Jacobs
 Sunday, 5pm Jean Abner

Lectors for the Week of February 20th

Saturday, 5pm Mike Bush
 Sunday, 9am Tony Bielecki
 Sunday, 11am Judy Haisma
 Sunday, 5pm Luisa Ortiz

Cantors for February 13th

Saturday, 5pm Emily Rushmore
 Sunday, 9am Emily Rushmore
 Sunday, 11am Sandy Soreci
 Sunday, 5pm Kathy Miller

Cantors for February 20th

Saturday, 5pm Kathy Miller
 Sunday, 9am Anne Click
 Sunday, 11am Holly DeVivo
 Sunday, 5pm Allison Hawkins



If you have a need for prayer, please use our website, www.stmmagdalen.org, under Christian Services, or call the office at 616-455-9310 to submit a prayer for either the bulletin or the prayer chain. If you have any questions or are in need of assistance, please call the office so we can help.

Note: Names will stay on the list until the end of the month, if you are still in need of prayer, please let the office know.

Albright, Les	Jacobs, Peggy	Petrlich, Alice	Wingeier, Pat
Asplund, Diane	Kastenholz, Jean	Reynolds, Sue	Witgen, Max
Bunker-Lloyd, Lynda	Kastenholz, Mark	Rhoades, Michelle	Wittkowski, Michael
Church, Robert	Kaminski, Marilynn	Ringeisen, Kathleen	Young, Sharon
Downey, Sally	Kulczyk, Ray	Ringeisen, Richard	
Fraher, Kathy	Le, Bao Tien	Rings, Michael	
Gabourie, Tom	LeMeiux, Therese	Sobczak, Ed	
Galic, Slava	Maly, Gene	Sobczak, Bobbie	
Garber, Michele	McGovern, Judy	Stephan, Janet	
Garety, Katie	Nawrocki, Barbara	Stephan, Ron	
Glennie, Paula	Nelsen, Andrea	Terpak, Dorothy	
Hermann, Jeremiah	Nelson, Dorothy	Toohy, Paul	
Ivos, Zdravko	Nguyen, Truc	Waldron, Karen	
Jacobs, Ed	Partridge, Therese	Wedge, Matthew	
	Pelletier, Tim	Wilson, Laurie	



Upcoming Events for the Week of 2/13 to 2/19

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 12:15pm Children Choir 12:30pm HS Leader Mtg 5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	7:00pm Boy Scouts	8:00am Mass 9:00am Scripture Class 6:15pm Faith Formation	8:00am Mass 11:00am Women's Guild Mtg 6:00pm Handbell Choir 7:00pm Adult Choir	8:00am Mass	3:30pm Confession 5:00pm Mass