# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME January 28, 2024

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Charles Kazarian, may he rest in peace. Amen!

#### **FIRST FRIDAY**

Next Friday, February 2nd is the First Friday of the month and an additional opportunity to worship Our Lord. Please join us at Mass; St. Peter's at 8:00 am and St. John's at 9:30 am.

# PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

Jan 29 - Lorin Skiff, Hilario Garin

Jan 30 - Marin Quill, Evelyn Smith

Jan 31 - Joanne Mackris, Barbara Stoutenberg, Mary E. Sisson, Mary Radeker

Feb 1 - Lena Cassidy, Pauline Mahoney, William Cheevers, Arlene Heinegg, Walter Ingraham

Feb 2 - Nicholas Magnan, Gertrude, Bertrana, Vivian O'Hara, Leonard Boscia, Burton Aikens

Feb 3 - Ronald Condon, Nora Rossley

# THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3;

Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

St. John Bosco, Priest

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Lk 2:22-40 *The Presentation of the Lord* 

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30:34

St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk

1:29-39

#### **FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**

February 3 is the feast of St. Blaise and, as is the custom, Father Golding will bless throats at all of the weekend masses.

#### ST. BLAISE

St. Blaise was a bishop and martyr of Sebastea, Armenia in modern-day Turkey. He suffered martyrdom in 316 during the persecution by Emperor Diocletian, when he was captured, scourged, imprisoned, and beheaded. Though little is known of his life, he is widely venerated as the patron of throat diseases. His feast day is celebrated with the Blessing of the Throats when the priest holds two tapers in a crossed position over the faithful's shoulders to touch the throat. The priest speaks the blessing, "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness." This tradition stems from two different stories from the saint's life. In one story, a mother entreated St. Blaise to save her young son from a fishbone stuck in his throat. The second story tells of a woman who visited St. Blaise in person and brought two candles to illuminate his cell. Known also as a lover of animals, he is said to have once escaped persecution by hiding in a cave of wild animals, where the animals offered him protection after he healed them. His feast is February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# **USCCB WORD OF LIFE**

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <a href="http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion">http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion</a>. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

#### **NURSING CENTER MASS**

Father Golding celebrates Mass at the Delhi Rehabilitation & Nursing Center on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 11:00 am. For more information, contact Lynn Oles, 607-743-4772.

# **ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

We are approaching Lent, a time of preparation for the great feast of Easter. Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, is a day of fast and abstinence for Catholics. Ashes will be distributed at all masses and Communion services.

St. John's: 7:30 am – Communion service

9:30 am – Mass

St. Peter's -8:00 am - Mass

6:00 pm – Communion Service

Holy Family – 12:00 pm – Mass

# **MONEY MATTERS**

The general collection amounts for January  $20^{th}$  &  $21^{st}$  are: Holy Family \$201.00, St. John's \$2,017.00, St. Peter's \$1,549.00. Thank you for your support.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

The next Faith Formation Class is this Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at St. John the Baptist in Walton at 12:00 pm. Contact Katherine for additional details <a href="mailto:stepetersdelhiny@gmail.com">stepetersdelhiny@gmail.com</a>, 607-746-2503.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend is our parish second collection for utilities. Winter is here and so are our higher heating expenses. Your generosity is appreciated.

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Thursday, from 5:00 am until 6:00 pm, Our Lord is exposed for Adoration in the Eucharistic Chapel at St. John's in Walton. All parishes are welcome to come adore during any of these hours, alongside our regularly scheduled adorers.

# MARRIAGE MOMENTS Susan Vogt

"Give great care to the preparation of engaged couples and be close to the young married couples, so that they will be ...an eloquent testimony of God's love." (Pope John Paul II, 2001) Pray today for volunteers who guide couples through marriage programs.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agnes, Mary Jane Mehegen, Peggy Robbin, Val Vavarone, James O'Dell, Jerry Hanley, John Meinke, Dale Hart, Linda Barr, Mike, Leslie McGraw, Ron McAnaney, Shirley Froehlich, Joe Augustine, Rose, Connie Cucciarre Ruff, Marianne P., Ruth Halton, Kullen Fuller, Gail, Teri Macchio, Rosemarie Falco, Steve Wood, Rita Hanley, Lily, Gioa, Dorothy Perz

#### **GRIEF MINISTRY**

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

#### **KNOWING YOUR FAITH**

# The Sacrament of Reconciliation or Penance

How can we be sure that Christ has commanded Catholics to confess their sins to a Priest?

We know that Christ commands us to confess our sins to the priest

- a) From the teaching words of Jesus about forgiveness of sins
- b) and from the constant belief and teaching of the Church about this Sacrament of Peace

The principal parts of the rite of going to confession and also the key elements in the whole aspect of forgiveness are contrition for sins, confession of these sins, performing the assigned acts of penance, and the absolution by the priest. Priests can easily be very understanding, patient, and forgiving because they also can be tempted and their holy position itself calls on them to be kind and forgiving. *Rev. Raymond B. Fullham, S.J.* 

### COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you have a family member who is sick, hospitalized or homebound and would like Communion taken to them, in Delhi, please call St. Peter's parish office at 607-746-2503 in Walton and Downsville, please call St. John's parish office at 607-865-7394 ext. 1