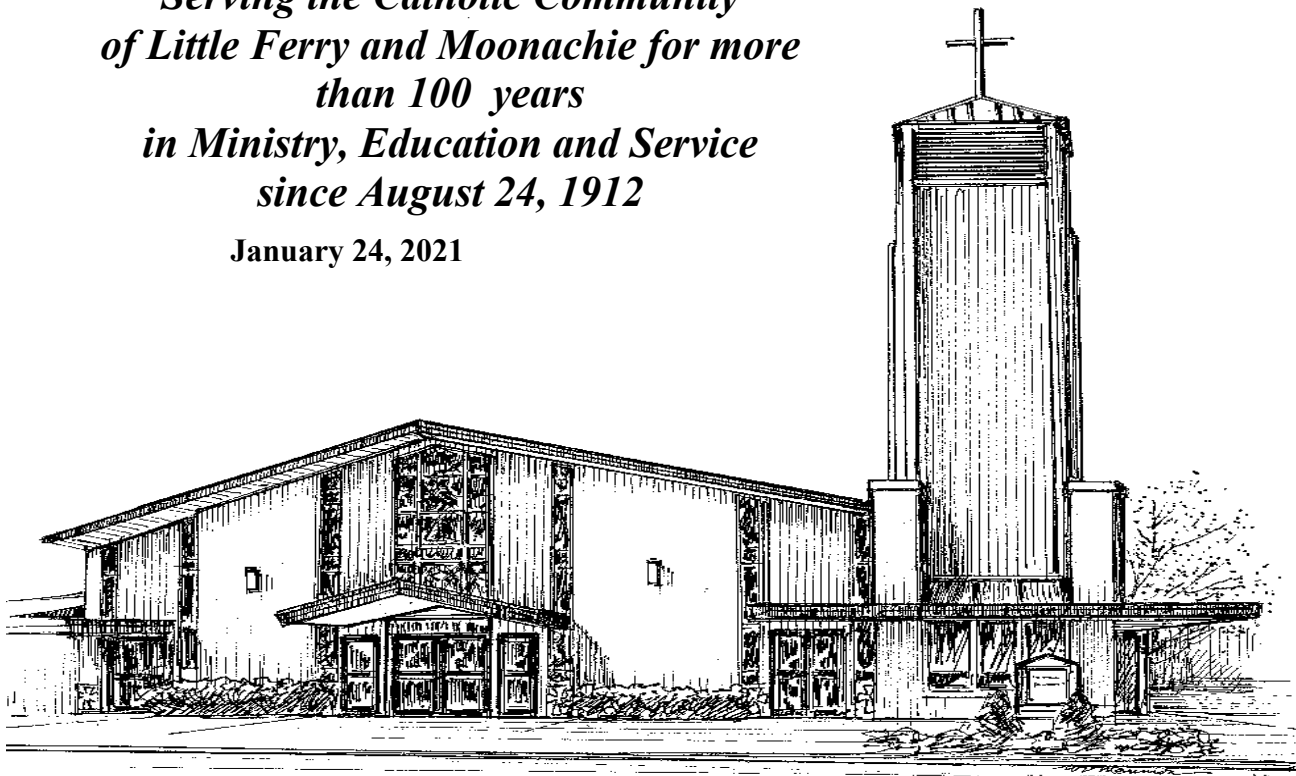


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Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
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The Holy Eucharist for this Week

SATURDAY, January 23

5:30 PM Gioacchino Piccinich

SUNDAY, January 24, 2021

Third Sunday of the Church Year

8:00 AM Brendan Dolahan

10:00 AM Maria De Sario

12:00 PM George Way

MONDAY, January 25

**12:05PM Special Intentions
(Private)**

TUESDAY, January 26

12:05PM Bruno Cerneka

WEDNESDAY, January 27

12:05PM Vito Viciconte

THURSDAY, January 28

12:05PM William (Bill) Burke

FRIDAY, January 29

12:05PM Philip Burghardt

SATURDAY, January 30

5:30 PM Julia Donovan

SUNDAY, January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday of the Church Year

8:00 AM Bella Uva

10:00 AM Tommaso Passaro

12:00 PM Joseph De Ruvo



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FAMILY INFLUENCE

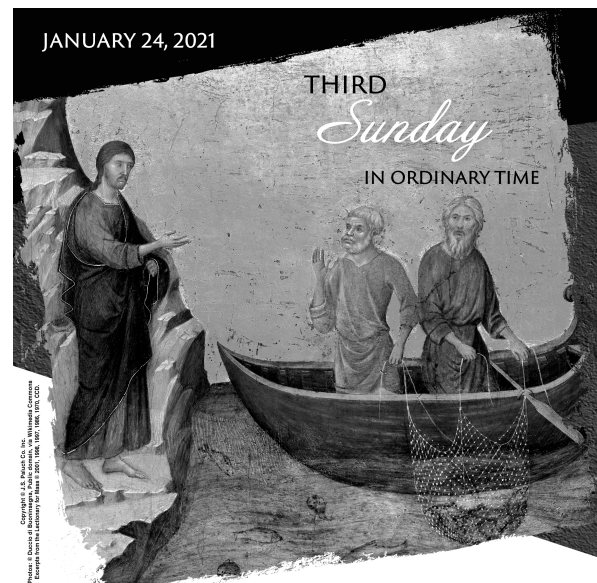
**Disorder in the society is the result of
disorder in the family.**

—St. Angela Merici

NOT WITHOUT LOVE

The soul cannot live without love.

—St. Francis de Sales



**THEY ABANDONED THEIR NETS
AND FOLLOWED**

Jesus.

MARK 1:18



Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2021

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A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing "by their actions" how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns.

Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, "The world in its present form is passing away" (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live "as though" they aren't doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at hand!" (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned.

Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn't a new day dawn today for us as well?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Ninevites turn from their evil ways in response to Jonah's message (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

Psalm — Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

Gospel — Jesus proclaims, "Repent, and believe in the gospel." The new disciples abandon their nets and follow him (Mark 1:14-20).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES
Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

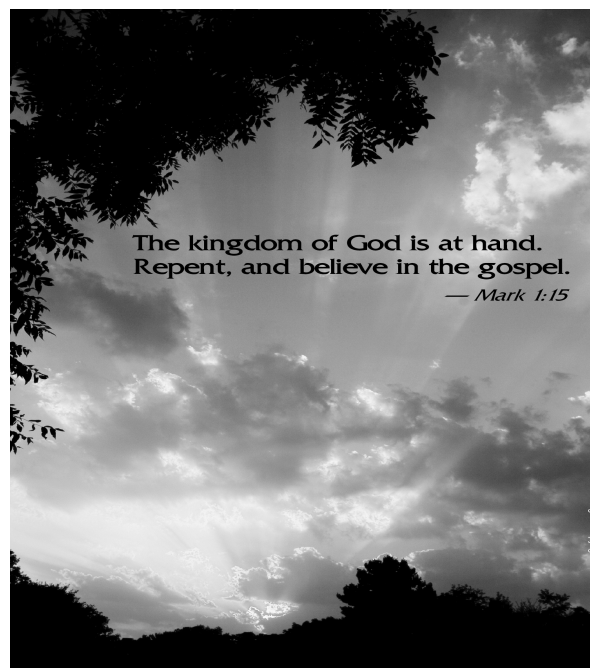
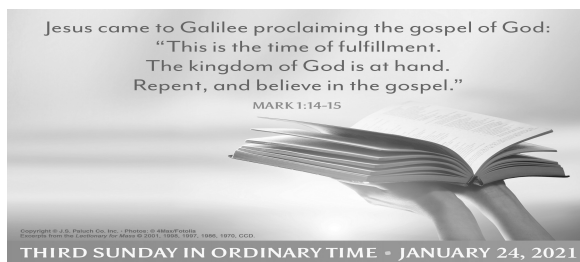
Monday: The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

Tuesday: Ss. Timothy and Titus

Wednesday: St. Angela Merici;

Tu B'Shvat (Jewish new year of trees) begins at sunset

Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas





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**We lift up to the Lord
in our prayers and
good works for: the
sick, frail and the
homebound.**

Shirley Pizza	John McConnell
Catherine Mary Moncello	Baby Amato Jordan
Camilla Leventhal	Julian Morgan
Nicole Grano	Michel Porta
Johanna Hanush	Giovanna Careri
Lena Vitale.	Grace Ehler
John Thomas Lazur Dersch	Julio Sanchez
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Jacqueline Palmadessa	Barbara Demczyszyn
Michael Toscano	Caroline Ruppert Hubertz
Ellie Lombardelli	Tom Greaux
Anthony Delia	Muriel Fanurakis



Jose Luis Gomez

Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions and for all those victims who suffered and lost their loved ones, under the COVID-19 pandemic.



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FEAST OF FAITH

The Penitential Rite

Standing together in the presence of the Lord, we acknowledge our weakness, our sins and faults and failings. But the penitential rite is really less about our sins than it is about God's mercy. It is not a time for individual confession, like a mini-sacrament of reconciliation. It is, rather, a preparatory rite, preparing us to praise the mercy of Christ as we acknowledge our own weakness. When Simon Peter witnesses the miraculous catch of fish—when he realizes who is in the boat with him—he falls at Jesus' feet with the words, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man" (Luke 5:8). We are like Peter. The more aware of the Lord's presence we become, the more awareness we also have of our sinfulness, our weakness. The penitential rite of the Mass takes several forms, from the traditional Confiteor or "I confess" to a litany, spoken or sung by the deacon or cantor with responses by the entire assembly. The penitential rite always includes the words Kyrie, eleison; Christe, eleison—Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy. This ancient Greek prayer came to the Roman liturgy from the East, and still echoes in many of the litanies of the Eastern Rite Churches. These words turn our gaze from our own weakness to the gentleness, the kindness, the forgiving love of Christ.

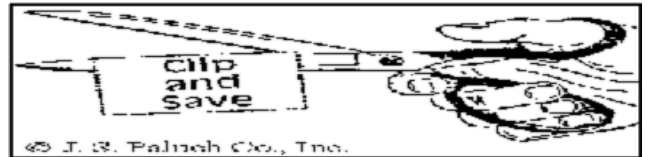
*Pope Francis
has designated 2021 as
“the year of St. Joseph.”*

*The prayer below, known as
St. Joseph’s Blessing, captures
what probably would have been
St. Joseph’s feelings in his
expression of great love for
his Divine Foster Child.*

*May the poverty of my loving
and suffering little Child
be your riches.*

*May His sighs and His tears
be the consolation of your days.
May the love of His
Compassionate Heart be your
earthly treasure, your all.*

*May the clear vision of His
glorified humanity be your
eternal joy. Amen*



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