

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

January 17 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Revelation to Samuel . 1 Samuel 3:3b-10,19

Psalm 40:2,4,7-8a,8b-9,10

Against Sexual Immorality . 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a,17-20

The First Disciples . John 1:35-42

Key Passage: They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. (John 1:38b-39)

For Reflection:

Adult Question: What qualities do you have that would cause others to recognize you as a disciple of Jesus?

Child Question: What does it take to be a follower of Jesus?

MASS INTENTIONS

"People shouldn't be forgotten; they matter"

Jesus was aware of this when He offered us the Mass and His Body and Blood so we would remember Him. We know that the memorial of the Mass is a real participation in the ongoing life of our glorified Lord. We also believe that our deceased share that same life with Him. Unlike any other way, the Mass enables us not only to remember our deceased but also, through Christ, to share in their spiritual presence.

The offering is \$15 per Mass Intention which is a way of providing for the needs of the church and a tangible way of offering the gift of remembrance.

Other ways to remember your loved ones are also available.

The SASFX Mass Intention Book for 2021 is open for your intentions. Since we currently have fewer Masses and parishioners from both St. Augustine and St. Francis Xavier seeking Mass intentions, we will be accepting up to 2 intentions for each Mass. Anyone wishing to request more Masses for 2021 contact the rectory at 718-638-1880.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 16

5:00

**James and Angela
Gilchrist**

Sunday, January 17

9:30

12:00

**Loretta Ann Murphy
Catherine Alteri**

Wednesday, January 20

9:00

Rose Marie Nicolais

Saturday, January 23

5:00

Elizabeth Sarullo

Sunday, January 24

9:30

12:00

**Helen and James Speicher
Krieger and Hippert Families**

Wednesday, January 27

9:00

Patricia Beattie Keane

Saturday, January 30

5:00

Special Intention

Sunday, January 31

9:30

12:00

Stephen Kutchko

IN OUR PRAYERS

May God strengthen and give peace to all of our sick parishioners, relatives and friends, especially for:

Robert Schlegel, Daniel Joseph, Matt Speicher, Edna Fialo, Al Campisi, Mary McLoughlin, Aloyse Chong, Lorraine Lozito, Tara Lindis-Corbell, David Harrison, and Msgr. John H. O'Brien.

May the hope of the Resurrection dawn on our deceased relatives and friends, especially: Carmela Ann Ciavolino, Fr. Agnelo Pinto and Lucette Delpha. We lift them up to our heavenly Father who heals all ills and gives new life.

LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK, FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND FOR ALL PEOPLE AS WE CONFRONT THE COVID-19 VIRUS.

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THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL

In the Gospel today, Jesus asks “What are you looking for?” Often, we are looking for happiness in very selfish ways, but we find that when we look for ways to make others happy, it is then that we truly become happy.

The Saint Vincent de Paul is open for walk-in services on Wednesdays from 1-3pm. Enter through the Chapel on Carroll Street.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Diocesan Catholic Yearly Appeal provides us with the opportunity to be bearers of Christ’s light to others, a light that reflects Christ’s kindness, compassion and hope. We hope that when presented with the opportunity to participate in the Annual Appeal, you will answer the call to build God’s Kingdom.

St. Francis Xavier Parish has achieved their diocesan assigned goal. Thank you to all who participated.

St. Augustine parishioners have pledged \$14,450.00 towards their assigned goal of \$38,000.00.

Please join us and help us to reach our assigned goal. Thank you!

PRAYER TO OVERCOME RACISM

Mary, friend and mother to all,
through your Son, God has found a way
to unite himself to every human being,
called to be one people,
sisters and brothers to each other.

We ask for your help in calling on
your Son, seeking forgiveness for the times
when we have failed to love and respect
one another.

We ask for your help in obtaining from
your Son the grace we need to
overcome the evil of racism and to build
a just society.

We ask for your help in following your
Son, so that prejudice and animosity
will no longer infect our minds or hearts
but will be replaced with a love that
respects the dignity of each person.

Mother of the Church,
the Spirit of your Son Jesus
warms our hearts:
pray for us. Amen.

THE CHURCH SEASON OF ORDINARY TIME

We are now in the liturgical season of the Church Year known as Ordinary Time - - a time set aside for reflecting on and celebrating our call to follow Jesus day by day.

Ordinary Time is the liturgical period that does not fall within the season of Advent, Christmas, Lent or Easter, and runs 34 weeks. The Catholic Church celebrates two periods of the year as Ordinary Time. The first period runs from the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord until the Tuesday evening before Ash Wednesday. The second period of Ordinary Time runs from the Monday after Pentecost until the night before Advent begins. This includes Christ the King Sunday, the final Sunday of Ordinary Time.

In Latin, Ordinary Time is called Tempus Per Annum, which means “time throughout the year.” Many sources, online and in print, suggest that Ordinary time is derived from the word ordinal, meaning numbered,” since the Sundays of Ordinary Time are ordered numerically.

With the vestments, usually green, the color of hope and growth, the Church counts the thirty-four Sundays of Ordinary Time, inviting all of us to meditate upon the whole mystery of Christ - - his life, miracles and teachings - - in the light of his Resurrection. During Ordinary Time the faithful must descend the peaks of Easter and Christmas in order to mature in the spiritual life and increase in faith.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Roman Catholic organization serving in over 90 countries in a multitude of languages

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone “Virtual”!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a virtual marriage experience called **Restore – Rekindle – Renew**. This Enrichment Experience will meet via Zoom for seven sessions. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Richie & Karen Roginski at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://bqwwme.org/>.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

In the face of these unsettling times,
we are thankful for your continuing generosity.