January 26 – Thírd Sunday in Ordinary Time



COME, FOLLOW ME.

JESUS SAID,

"AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN."

MATTHEW 4:19

"FOLLOW ME."

"Follow me," Jesus says to Simon, Andrew, James and John. Such a simple statement but also a profound commitment. The calling of these four men might seem remarkable and unique event, but perhaps it is the same call that comes to us. Again and again, Jesus offers the same invitation to us, "Follow me."

Last week we joined other Christians in praying for Christian unity. In this time of such disunity in the church, in the world and even in families, perhaps our call is to work for unity, for in Christ there is no division. How can we build unity in our families, in our church and in our world? Follow Jesus!

FORGIVE, FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE

- + Forgiveness is a process a choice you have to make over and over, every day until you are free of hurt.
- + Offering forgiveness doesn't always heal the relationship. But offering forgiveness always enables God to heal your heart.
- + Forgiveness doesn't excuse the behavior. Forgiveness prevents the behavior from destroying your heart.
- + When one forgives, two souls are set free.
- + Dear God, if I hurt others, give me the strength to apologize. If people hurt me, give me strength to forgive.

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., Jan. 29	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., Jan. 31	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Jan. 25	4 PM	Harriet Kunz
Sun., Jan. 26	10 AM	Andy Huff
Sat., Feb. 1	4 PM	Pat Hermesch
Sun., Feb. 2	10 AM	Wayne Dye

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – February 1 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Kyle and Lindsay Black

Carl and Joni Lunsford

Servers: Kayla Simon, Sam Simon

Cantor: Rachel Toops

Lectors: Terry Harmeyer, Cathy Wagner Euch. Ministers: Arlene Gehl, Judy Steuri Bill Deller, Janet Deller

Sunday – February 2 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Jeff and Cindy Weisenbach

Joyce Muckerheide, John Muckerheide

Servers: Ben Miller, Katie Miller Cantors: Gene and Patty Simon Lectors: Paige Simon, Torie Purdy

Euch. Ministers: Kevin Tunny, Ben Harlemert Vicki Wagner, Jodi Muckerheide

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2455.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 7.78
Loose Collection	\$ 431.00
Total Regular Collection	\$2893.78

\$3,193.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

\$1406.00

Special Collections

- + Criterion \$740.00
- + Utility \$70.00
- + Capital Improvement \$60.00
- + Propagation of Faith \$536.00

Thank You!

"To belittle our sins is to belittle ourselves, to belittle who it is that God creates and calls us to be. To belittle our sins is to belittle their forgiveness, to belittle the love of the Father who welcomes us home." ~ Fr. Richard John Neuhaus

STEWARDSHIP – The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond *immediately* to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

<u>SANCTUARY LIGHT</u> – The sanctuary light will burn January 26 through February 1 for Nancy Schmalenberg.

<u>CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA</u> — This weekend, you are asked to help support the churches in Latin America. Please drop your envelope in the regular collection.

GIVE THANKS – As mentioned last weekend, we received a gift of \$10,000 from a donor to be used for our special projects, some of which Jack Ferkinhoff mentioned in his talk on our finances. Let us give thanks to God by praying for our donors, past and present, but also by trying to increase our own giving in the Capital Improvement envelopes whenever we are able. There has been a slight increase since the financial talk, for which I give thanks to God. Thank you!

<u>YOUTH EVENT</u> – The junior and senior high school students will be going to Perfect North Slopes next Sunday, February 2. The students will be leaving following the 10:00 Mass. Please bring money for lunch at McDonald's. If you have any questions, please call Joyce at 812-363-5929.

<u>MEETINGS</u> – Liturgy Committee Meeting TODAY, Sunday, January 26, **8:30** AM.

Fundraising Team will meet Thursday, January 30, **3:00 PM**.

<u>UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL</u> – As of January 20, \$12,860 has been pledged to the United Catholic Appeal. This is good news! We are only \$823.00 short of our goal. Thanks to all who pledged.

CYO BASKETBALL – Our boys' basketball team won last Sunday against St. Catherine of Siena's team, 73-26. That concludes the regular season games, now for the tournament! The CYO team has the bye this weekend. They will play Holy Family on Sunday, February 2, 2:15 PM, at St. Mary's, Greensburg.

The Ten Commandments: God's Manual for Our Happiness

God has established a law. There will be a free moral universe. We can abuse our freedom, but we are not to blame God.

When you buy an automobile, you always secure a set of instructions. The manufacturer tells you the pressure setting for your tires, the kind of oil you put in your crankcase, and the kind of gasoline you put in the gas tank. He has nothing against you because he gives you these directions. God has nothing against us when He gives us Commandments.

The manufacturer of the automobile really wants to be helpful when he gives us instructions. He wants you to get the maximum utility out of your car, and God is anxious we get the maximum amount of happiness out of life. So He said, "I will tell you what you should do." We are free; we can do just as we please.... [W]e were made to run on the fuel of God's love and Commandments, and we simply will not run on anything else. We just bog down.

— Fulton Sheen

RELIGIOUS ED – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5, Wednesday, January 29, 6:45 PM. A meal will be served: Pizza Rolls.

Classes for Grades 6 through 12, next Sunday, February 2, 8:30 AM.

<u>**BLESSING**</u> – The Blessing of Throats will be offered next weekend following the Masses.

<u>COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE</u> – St. Maurice will be hosting a blood drive in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, 12:30-6:00. Walk-ins are welcome, but you can schedule an appointment online at www.hoxworth.org/groups/napoleon, or call Arlene Gehl at 812-852-4394.

<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – On a confirmation class test, the pastor included this question: "List the Ten Commandments in any order."

One student wrote: "3, 6, 1, 8, 4, 5, 9, 2, 10, 7." (via Rev. Dr. Karl R. Kraft, Dover, DE)