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JANUARY 22, 2023 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY			
DAY	LOCATION	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday January 22	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Families of Holy Rosary & St. Stephen
	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Pearl & Mary Ellen Mudd & Family
Tuesday January 24	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Pat Hays
	MC Manor	9:30 AM	Martha Wujack
Wednesday January 25	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Hugh & Rose Mudd
Thursday January 26	Holy Rosary	7:30 AM	Rebecca Leah Labuary Underwood
Friday January 27	Holy Rosary	8:20 AM	Madilynn Rose St. Clair
Saturday January 28	Holy Rosary	5:30 PM	Joe Paul & Bertha Williams
Sunday January 29	St. Stephen*	8:00 AM	Families of Holy Rosary & St. Stephen
	Holy Rosary	9:30 AM	Jeff & Tina Smith
*Mass will be live-streamed on Facebook @ "Greg Oligschlaeger" https://facebook.com/frgregolig			
RECONCILIATION			
4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary 7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen or by appointment 735-4718			

~ PASTOR'S NOTES ~

Dear Parishioners,

The Response to the Psalm this Sunday proclaims, "The Lord is my Light and my Salvation!"

We have experienced the Light of Christ during the Christmas Season and the Magi not only followed the Light of the Star from the heavens but then took that light with them to their homelands to preach the coming of the Messiah to all they encountered.

Sisters and brothers, live your faith boldly and promote our Catholic Faith in your daily interactions with family and others we see each day! Be good stewards of the Light of Christ that as disciples we may spread the word of God and the love of Christ to the World.

Peter, on his knees, says to Jesus after his fellow fishermen haul in a miraculous catch of fish, "Depart from me Lord for I am a sinful man." [Luke 5:8]. Paul remembers the man he was before Jesus called him to be an apostle and tells the people of Corinth, "I am least of all the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God" [I Cor. 15:9]. What would have happened to the Church if the first Pope and the greatest of the Apostles gave into his feelings of being an inadequate Christian? The great prophet Isaiah says in today's First Reading: *The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light...* Isaiah realized he had to be the Light of the Lord God to the Israelites.

Please don't count yourself out when God calls you to worship, to serve, and to preach. Often, we allow sin and/or lack of prayer or sporadic Mass attendance to "throw the baby out with the bathwater." We allow ourselves to be discouraged by thoughts that play in our head like: 'I'm just not that holy'; 'What can God use that I've got?'; 'I don't know enough to talk to others about my faith'; and 'I know what God wants me to do but I don't have the time - I don't have the courage - I don't have the money - I just don't want to.'

There is not a one of us that has not felt one or more of the feelings expressed, and the only truth in the paragraph above is that: "I can't do it alone!" Isaiah, Peter and Paul couldn't do it by themselves. God doesn't expect us to receive a message from God and then go off alone to spread the Good News. Isaiah, Peter and Paul came to understand that being a prophet and an apostle meant bringing the Spirit of God with you, realizing that we are instruments and vessels of God. God gives us His strength and wisdom to be a disciple and prophet in the world. The same Holy Spirit that guided Isaiah, Peter and Paul to spread the gospel is at work in these groups helping each of us to know our role in serving God.

Try this simple prayer this week: "Lord, let me be your light." You may be surprised in how God will use your gifts to shine on whomever Jesus may call you to serve.

Prayers and Blessings,

F. Greg Oligschlaeger

~ JANUARY PRAYER INTENTIONS ~

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis: *We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.*

Prayer Intention of Bishop McKnight: *For foster parents and adopting parents; may they experience the support of the Church and the love of God as they expand their homes to make room for more children in their families. We pray to the Lord.*

JANUARY 15, 2023 OFFERTORY~ \$1,760.00

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **2022 Giving Statements** are available in the back of church. Please pick yours up! Remaining statements will be mailed. If you find any errors or did not receive a statement, please contact Sally.
- **Flowers for Mary** - There is a sign up in the back of church for providing flowers for Mary. Or you can sign up online at <https://holyroarydiojeffcity.flocknote.com/signup/111001>
- **Meals for Fr. Greg and Fr. Walter** - More dates have been added! Please sign up here to provide a meal, <https://bit.ly/PriestsMeals>. Thank you!

~ SCHOOL NEWS ~

- **January 27:** Mass at 8:20 a.m. led by 7th grade.
- **Jan 30 - Feb 3:** Catholic Schools Week
- **February 2:** Open House
- **February 11:** Lucky Hearts Banquet - **Volunteers are needed to help serve the meal.** If you are available, please contact Sr. Sue or Nancy Shively at the school office.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST ~

The HR Knights of Columbus free throw contest will be Sunday, February 5th at 1:00 pm at the old Holy Rosary School gym. Free and open to all area boys and girls ages 9-14 (as of 1/1/2023) Please bring proof of age (birth certificate) and a parent or guardian to sign the registration form.

	Parish Goal:	\$9400	
	\$ Committed:	\$8400	89%
	\$ Received:	\$8050	
	Goal Remaining:	\$1000	

Tickets available at
Holy Rosary School

Drawing will be livestreamed
on Fr. Greg's Facebook page

<p><u>VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE</u> \$100/raffle ticket \$25/prime rib dinner - carry out</p>	<p><u>IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE</u> \$200/couple Includes 1 raffle ticket, 2 dinners, 2 reserved seats, beverages & dance</p>
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~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing various illnesses. Give them the hope and courage they need today and every day. Comfort their pain, calm their fears, and surround them with Your peace. Amen.

Kay Turnbull	Kevin Elliott	Kay Elliott
Phyllis & Charlie Taylor	Riley Simms	Bill Couch
Teddy O'Connor	Kenny Wilson	Geoff Lanham
Caitlin Shively	Mark Leake	Trent Zeiger
Geoffrey Preckshot	Richard Elliott	Jeff Thomas
Kayla Benson McAndrews	Frankie Maddox	Janice Kendrick
Regina Hays	Dcn Mike Long	Bonnie Ess
John Kendrick	Natalee Amos	Tim Quinn
Sue Gilbert	Jackie Ryan	Hazel Smith
Deanna Buckman	Connie Kendrick	Rosemary Evans
Teresa Ritter Tolan	Nick Mudd	Logan Maher
Michael Kellerman		

FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD along with Donna

Confirmation Date Change!! Due to a conflict on Bishop McKnight's calendar, he asked us to change our Confirmation date. **Our Confirmation will now be March 26, 2023 at 9:30 am Mass.**

Small Groups – Do you have one? Do you want to be part of one?



We will have a parish small group program – *Grateful Living: The Joy of Stewardship* – during Lent. Please, prayerfully consider being part of a small group with family and/or other

parishioners. If you feel called to be a Small Group Facilitator, call Donna.

Interested in Church History? - Join our RCIA session Tuesday, January 24, 2023 in the church basement at 6:30 pm. We will be discussing *The Early Church & Church History*. All are welcome to attend.

FORMED – Movie Night on FORMED! *Mother Teresa: No Greater Love*. If you didn't get to see it in theaters, now is your chance! <https://watch.formed.org/videos/mother-teresa-no-greater-love-1> I enjoyed this movie about Mother Teresa starring Olivia Hussey. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/mother-teresa-1>

Our Youth need you! How can you help? You can help provide food! Sign-up sheets are at the front entrance of both churches, or you can contact Jane Vollrath for PSR, 573-406-8889 or Courtney Benson for Youth Groups, 573-406-9332.

Contact: Donna Long, donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call the parish office at 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, M-F, and most afternoons 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.



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UPCOMING EVENTS	January 23	Rosary at St. Stephen at Noon
	January 30	Catholic Schools Week
	February 2	HRS Open House Soup Supper
	February 11	Lucky Hearts Banquet
	February 18	Confirmation Retreat
	March 25	HRS Carnival
	March 26	Confirmation Mass, 9:30 a.m.
May 7	First Communion Sunday	

NEW UPDATED HOURS AVAILABLE!

Adoration Hours	Sunday	Wednesday	Saturday
	9-10 p.m.	4-5 p.m.	8-9 a.m.
	Tuesday	Friday	9-10 a.m.
	2-3 p.m.	10-11 a.m.	10-11 a.m.
			12-1 p.m.

Contact:
Pat Kendrick (573) 735-2541
or Marie Purol (573) 881-1918

~ SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE ~

The Diocese of Jefferson City is pleased to offer our parish families college scholarship opportunities through a generous donation from the families of William H (Bill) Simon and John L. Warack. To be considered for these scholarships, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Student must be a registered Catholic in the Diocese of Jefferson City
- Student must be graduating high school or older, including current or returning college students
- Student must demonstrate a financial need by submitting a copy of their Student Air Report (SAR)
- Student must submit a letter or recommendation from: 1) school official (teacher, counselor, principal, coach, etc.) 2) Current or present pastor
- For the John L. Warack Scholarship, the student must attend University of Missouri-Columbia.
- Applications must be submitted by March 31, 2023.

For more information and to complete an application, visit www.diojeffcity.org/scholarships

~ SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JANUARY 29, 2023 ~

First Reading: *Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13:* "Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth," said Zephaniah the prophet. Do what is right. "Seek justice." Those who take refuge in the Lord shall pasture their flocks.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10:* "Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!"

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 1:26-31:* The Weak of the world are chosen by God. "Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord."

Gospel: *Matthew 5:1-12a:* Jesus upset the standards of worldly justice in this charter of the heavenly reign: It belongs not to the rich but to the poor in spirit, not to the powerful but to the lowly, not to warmongers but to peacemakers.

Liturgical Assignments

January 22 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Dwayne & Madeline Williams
Greeter	Dan & Jan Adam
Rosary	Glenn Bichsel
Music	Julienne Burns & Beth Whelan
Song Leader	Kiersten Pfaff
Servers	Skylar Mulvaney & Cole Hays
Cross Bearer	Philip Whelan
Lector	Elaine Whelan
Offertory	Jared & Acacia Hagan
Extraordinary	Nancy Shively, Mary Sims, Amanda Spalding,
Ministers	Kaye Spalding, Peggy Spalding
Counters	Group 4 - Sherri, Greg/Gena, David/Julie

January 29 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Greeter	Lee & Kathy Anderson
Rosary	Katie Foster
Music	Debby Quinn & Jan Adam
Song Leader	Whitney Pfaff
Servers	Karlee Mudd & Anna Lemongelli
Cross Bearer	Steve Yates
Lector	Kaye Spalding
Offertory	Mark & Carol Hagan
Extraordinary	Beth Whelan, Kay Turnbull, Phil Whelan,
Ministers	Dwayne Williams, Madeline Williams
Counters	Group 3 - Shane, Michael, Jim

February 5 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Greeter	Tom & Susan Winking
Rosary	Gares Family
Music	Beth Whelan & Julienne Burns
Song Leader	Karlee Mudd
Servers	Bella & Bradi Keller
Cross Bearer	Aaron Whelan
Lector	Shane Spalding
Offertory	Seth & Kelsie Hagan
Extraordinary	Kathy Anderson, Deanna Buckman, Sally Lemongelli,
Ministers	Doug Orf, Laura Mulvaney
Counters	Group 1 - Joe/Marie, Pat, Frank

January Ushers: Sam Smith, Dennis Spalding, Matt Spalding, Shane Spalding
February Ushers: Alex Threlkeld, Darin Underhill, John Watson, Philip Whelan