

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 23, 2022

Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10: 1 Corinthians 12.12-30: Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21

Daily Readings for Jan 24- Jan 30 2022

Monday: 2 Samuel 5.1-7, 10: Mark 3.22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22.3-16: Mark 16.15-18

Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1.1-8: Luke 10.1-9

Thursday: 2 Samuel 7.18-19, 24-29 : Mark 4.21-25

Friday: 2 Samuel 11.1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 : Mark 4.26-34

Saturday: 2 Samuel 12.1-7a, 10-17: Mark 4.35-41

Sunday: Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19: 1 Corinthians 12.31 – 13.13: Luke: 4.21-30



Safety Procedures for Attending Weekend Mass

Essential points for all parishioners are as follows:

1. Capacity for 11:00 am mass is limited to 50 people

This mass will be available to parishioners who do not want to provide proof of vaccination.

2. All Other Masses (5:00pm, 9:00 am and 10:00am) **Proof of Vaccination WILL be required.**

These masses will be open for up to 99 people.

If you do not have a copy of your proof of vaccination, please go to the kiosk in Center Square Mall near the elevators and they will assist. You will need to provide at least one piece of identification.

Upcoming Events in Our Parish

Parish Pastoral Council	Wednesday Jan 26	7:30 pm	Side Meeting Room
Finance Commission	Thursday Jan 27	7:00 pm	Rectory
First Communion Preparation	Sunday Jan 30	2:00 pm	Church

CWL Annual Membership Drive begins Jan29-30. Prayerfully consider how you are called to contribute.

Thank you for Supporting our Parish!

Offertory Collection for Jan 9 2022	\$ 2520.00
Canada Helps	\$ 25.00
Vinnies:	\$.00
Total Income	\$ 2545.00
Cost to operate our Parish per week	\$ 6,400.00
Surplus/(Shortfall) for the week	\$ (3855.00)

thank you

A Right to Justice

Jesus stood up in his home town and announced his program: to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and release to prisoners. It may not sound particularly religious to some, but it was a program established by one who had returned to Galilee “in the power of the Spirit.”

Sunday’s liturgy juxtaposes the story of Jesus reading in the synagogue with the story of Ezra reading the law to people upon their return from exile. The suggestion is that Jesus’ program is a kind of law, a rule that should govern our lives. Bringing good news to the poor, liberating people from all their oppressions, this is not some optional activity that one can engage in only if one is inclined. It is “the law of the Lord,” it is the program for which we have all been anointed.

The unity and peace we pray for at the beginning of Mass will only come if Jesus’ followers accept his program as their own.

[The Perspective of Justice | Saint Louis University Sunday Web Site \(sluhostedsites.org\)](http://sluhostedsites.org)

Gerald Darring

Revised Schedule for First Reconciliation and First Communion.

First Reconciliation Preparation: All instruction sessions are now complete for this year.

Make up classes to be scheduled during the week of April 17-22

Celebration of First Reconciliation to be scheduled one evening during the week of April 25-29 -details to follow-

First Communion Preparation: Jan 30, Feb 6, Feb 13, Feb 20, Feb 27 March 6

Celebration of the Sacrament of First Communion Saturday April 30 or Sunday May 1

Being Strong

As [First Reading](#) describes it, when the Jews, newly returned to Jerusalem from captivity in Babylon, listened to Ezra read God's word, they were inclined to weep.

Who can blame them? Everything around them was so far from what it ought to be, from what God planned it to be, from what they themselves wanted it to be. All around them lay the ruins of what Israel and Jerusalem and the Temple and God's people had once been and were meant to be.

And who among us fails to understand their attitude?

Joy is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit.

We look at the mess we have made of the earth, and we are so discouraged. We see the unspeakable suffering of the afflicted, and we groan inwardly for our world. We look at the Church itself, which ought to be the light of the whole broken world; and we are tempted to despair. We turn inward to our own hearts and what we see there makes us want to be invisible to others. In safe and quiet moments we are inclined to weep too, like the Jews of Ezra's time.

And so the [last line](#) of the First Reading is more than a little surprising: the joy of the Lord is our strength!

It is, of course, not surprising to hear that we must be strong. When everything lies in ruins around you, you can't afford not to be strong.

But being strong is a matter of grim determination and hard work, isn't it? Not according to the [First Reading](#)! It tells us that our strength lies in joy.

In fact, joy is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. When a person opens to God and the Holy Spirit comes to dwell in him, then that person becomes fruitful; and joy is one of the fruits he bears. Because the God he loves is present in him, he has joy in the presence of his beloved Lord.

But if the Lord himself is with us and for us, what can be against us?

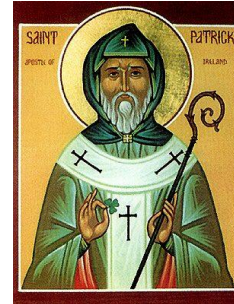
And so the prayer of St Patrick makes sense: Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me. ... I arise today through the mighty strength of the Lord.

Who would not rejoice surrounded in this way by the Lord? This is strength indeed.

Eleonore Stump

Don't forget to pray...

for all the members of St. Patrick's parish family, and our extended community of friends, family and loved ones who are facing difficult challenges at this time. Pray for all who are struggling with the loneliness of this pandemic, for those with medical health challenges, and all who simply need our love and care.



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Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00am, 10:00 am and 11:00am

Daily Mass: Tuesday – Friday 5:30

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays 11:00 – 5:00pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: By appointment only

*Mass Information and to register: <https://www.stpatrickchurchyk.com/parish-life.html>



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Sacrament of Marriage

Contact the Parish Priest to set up an initial interview for Marriage at least one year in advance and prior to setting a wedding date. Marriage preparation is required. Marriage Preparation Course will be delivered over two Saturdays, Oct 16, and 23. Please contact Fr. Marek to register

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism Preparation Package is available on the Parish website.

Sacraments of 1st Eucharist/Reconciliation- Classes for First Reconciliation will begin in the early fall.

Registration forms are on the parish website. Please register ASAP.

CWL Prayer Line: You are invited to join the members in saying a rosary each Monday night at 9:00 pm for those on our prayer line. Any prayer requests please email Theresa Hickey (theresary@icloud.com)