

## Calendar

### Monday

January 15

Weekday

1 Sm 15:16–23

Mk 2:18–22

### Tuesday

January 16

Weekday

1 Sm 16:1–13

Mk 2:23–28

### Wednesday

January 17

St. Anthony,

Abbot

1 Sm 17:32–33, 37,  
40–51

Mk 3:1–6

### Thursday

January 18

Weekday

1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7

Mk 3:7–12

### Friday

January 19

Weekday

1 Sm 24:3–21

Mk 3:13–19

### Saturday

January 20

Weekday

2 Sm 1:1–4, 11–12,  
19, 23–27

Mk 3:20–21

### Sunday

January 21

Third Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Jon 3:1–5, 10

1 Cor 7:29–31

Mk 1:14–20

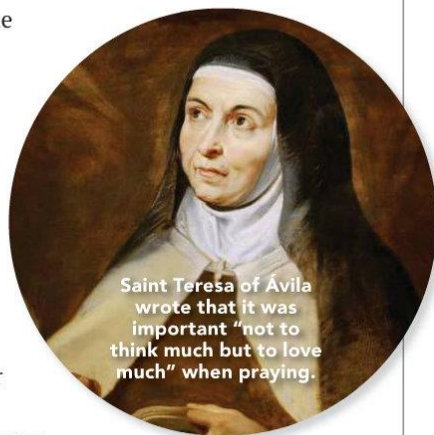
# Dear Padre,

## What's wrong with memorized traditional prayers?

Archbishop Fulton Sheen encountered a woman who declared that she'd never become Catholic because they pray the same words in the rosary over and over, and she and God doubt the sincerity of anyone who repeats the same words. Sheen asked her if she was sure that her fiancé loved her. "Certainly he does." "But how do you know?" "He told me." Then she affirmed that her fiancé had told her so within the hour. When Sheen asked, "Did he tell you before?" she replied that he told her "I love you" every night. Sheen advised her not to believe him: "He is repeating; he is not sincere."

As Sheen cleverly demonstrates, the words "I love you" don't lose meaning with repetition. Likewise, prayer—whether rote or spontaneous—is a way of saying, "I love you" to God. It places us in God's presence, celebrating our loving relationship with him. Saint Teresa of Ávila, a doctor of prayer, wrote in *Interior Castle of the Soul* that it was important "not to think much but to love much" when praying. She even considered it a blessing when her mind wandered in prayer because it forced her to concentrate on loving God rather than merely thinking about him!

The right form of personal prayer, then, is the one that best expresses our love for God in a spirit of humility, confidence, and perseverance—three requirements needed for true prayer, according to another doctor of the Church, St. Alphonsus Liguori.



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SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: PETER PAUL RUBENS/WIKICOMMONS



## A Word From Pope Francis

*This is a lesson for each one of us....If we let ourselves be led by the Holy Spirit, if we are able to mortify our selfishness to make room for the Lord's love and for his will, we will find peace, we will be builders of peace and will spread peace around us.*

—Address to pilgrims in Bergamo, Italy, June 3, 2013



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*January 14, 2018*



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**and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God."**

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.  
to 9:30 a.m

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

## *Mass Schedule for this Week*

### *Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule*

Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family

### *St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions*

Sat 4:00 pm +Paul Sicotte

Sun 9:00am +Juanita Cuevas

Sun 6pm Our +Paul Sicotte

Mon 8am +Curvis & Juanita Cuevas

Tues 8:00 am +Paul Sicotte

Wed 6:00 am Benefactors

Thu 8:00 pm +Charlie Ronsonet

Fri 8:00 am Spec Int

## **From Father Khoa's Desk...**

***Dear Parishioners and Friends, Jesus likes you.  
Jesus loves you. Jesus longs for you!***

From early years, Samuel was dedicated to serve God in the temple by his mother. God called his name and Samuel thought he was hearing Eli, the priest. Eli helped him to know how to respond to the great calling of God. St. Paul reminds us that our bodies are members of Christ, also that our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit. This means that our entirety needs to be dedicated to God and to God's purposes.

Salvation in John's Gospel is proclaimed as regenerated life through the abiding presence of Jesus in the believer. Therefore, it is the living presence of Jesus in the believer which creates a new and different kind of life in the world. With every great and new adventure is a sense of expectation tinged with a bit of apprehension.

When Jesus calls us to "Come and see," it is an invitation to a new life which offers a new relationship and a new experience in Jesus Christ. One way we grow is by accepting invitations to new experiences. Jesus had nowhere to lay his head. He was always on the move with his disciples and taught them to understand that only in the poor, the oppressed, the outcast and the victim, were the places where he resided. When we try to locate Jesus, we need to look at those whom we seldom see and recognize Jesus in each one of them.

***May God bless all of us! Enjoy your praying!***

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**Fr. Khoa**

**Next weekend**, the Special Diocesan Collection is for the **Saltillo Mission** (Latin America).

**Altar Society:** meet **Next Sunday**.

**Flower Offering:** For Jimmy Necaise from Patricia A. Garrett: \$10.00.

**Parish Council:** meet **next Saturday Jan 21**.

### ***End of Year Statements***

If you desire an end of year offering statement please email or call the Parish office and request one.

**Knights of Columbus:** Meet first Sunday. For more info, contact Garland M. 697-1266.

### **ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:\*\***

**70**Identifiable: **\$911.00**; Loose: **\$1,431.00**;  
Total: **\$2,342.00**; Children: **\$14.36**;  
Solemnity of Mary: **\$53**.

### **OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: **\$265.00**; Loose: **\$64.00**;  
Total: **\$329.00**.

**\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Church Cleaning:** Thank you Marie Chasse for cleaning the church on Jan 5 and 12. Thank you

**Bible Study:** We study **St James**. Please join us. Classes are on Mon at **6pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth**.

**The Word Among Us** Reflections for January is available at the Church entrance.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Jan 13 5pm	Richard Dunlap	Kermit & Dianne Northrop, and Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	August Ira Necaïse	Mike and Ellen West
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Jan 14 9am	Jason Necaïse	Lester Palmer, Robin Peterson, Kim Wood	Will Keegan	Will Burke Robert	Frankie and Emma Ladner
Sun Jan 14 6pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sat Jan 20 5pm	Beverly	Mike & Dianne Mays, Kay VanPelts	Austin Scarengoas	Kermit Dale	Willam & Ann Shaw
Sun 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Jan 21 9am	Kim Wood	James Quintini, Susan Peleaz, Will Burke	Nick Jaseigh	Garland Pat	Will & Veronica Dreher
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## **ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.**

**Bereavement Committee:** Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

### **Prayer for Vocations**

O Jesus, Good and Gentle Shepherd grant that the men and women from our community, may have the grace and the courage to hear and answer Your call to priesthood and religious life. Give them the wisdom to realize that life is a gift. Let them realize their life is part of YOUR plan. Call forth those You have chosen to spread the gospel message, and help them to freely respond to a life of service in the church. May the parents and families of our parish, support and encourage our young men and women to search for, follow and answer the call of God in their lives. Amen.

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE**

*Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding.* Please contact us well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

**MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards are available at the office.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**

Leslie Cuevas, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, James Moran, Sharon Somora, and Marie Nance, Patricia Lizana, August Schonewitz, William Shaw, Robert Necaïse, Nancy Ladner, Loretta Ladner, Matt Bryant, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Emmie Tubbs, and Jenny Hinton.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE  
FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.