

# Dear Padre,

**A religious community invited me to become a lay associate. What kind of commitment is needed?**

**W**hen laypeople and ordained ministers are attracted to the *charism* of a religious order (its distinctive ministry, mission, and spirituality), they're often invited by its vowed members to participate as "associates" in their prayer life, community dynamics, and apostolic works. After a period of formation, associates may make degrees of commitment, with varying expectations on those who profess a formal commitment. Associates may



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also be given a distinctive sign of their membership to wear during prayer and ministry.

While associates like the Third Order (tertiaries) have partnered with Franciscans, Dominicans, and Carmelites for centuries, other congregations are only now nurturing new forms of collaboration. Usually, this partnership is mutually transformative for the associates and for those in consecrated life: "The

participation of the laity often brings unexpected and rich insights into certain aspects of the charism, leading to a more spiritual interpretation of it and helping to draw from it directions for new activities in the apostolate" (Apostolic Exhortation on Consecrated Life [*Vita Consecrata*], 55).

Partnerships between religious communities and their associates are growing in number, based not on utility or diminished numbers of religious today, but on shared faith and responsibility to our universal baptismal call. May the Holy Spirit guide you as you discern this special invitation to holiness!

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR  
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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*"What about you?" It is significant that these words of the elderly Pope [Leo XIII] were also addressed to a laywoman [Katharine Drexel]. We know that the future of the Church in a rapidly changing society will call, and even now calls, for a much more active engagement on the part of the laity.*

—MASS WITH BISHOPS, CLERGY, AND RELIGIOUS OF PENNSYLVANIA, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 20  
Weekday  
1 Sm 15:16–23  
Mk 2:18–22

### Tuesday

JANUARY 21  
St. Agnes,  
Virgin and Martyr  
1 Sm 16:1–13  
Mk 2:23–28

### Wednesday

JANUARY 22  
Day of Prayer for the  
Legal Protection of  
Unborn Children  
1 Sm 17:32–33, 37,  
40–51, Mk 3:1–6

### Thursday

JANUARY 23  
Weekday  
1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7  
Mk 3:7–12

### Friday

JANUARY 24  
St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church  
1 Sm 24:3–21  
Mk 3:13–19

### Saturday

JANUARY 25  
Conversion of  
St. Paul, Apostle  
Acts 22:3–16 or  
Acts 9:1–22  
Mk 16:15–18

### Sunday

JANUARY 26  
Third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Is 8:23–9:3  
1 Cor 1:10–13, 17  
Mt 4:12–23  
or 4:12–17



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

*January 19, 2020*



*St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission*

*Pastor: Reverend David Milton*

*Office: 228-832-2560, Fax: 228-832-3140*

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*“Behold, the  
Lamb of God,  
who takes away  
the sin of  
the world.”*



### 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 pm benefactors

9:00am Paul Irby {RIP}

Mon 8:00am Benefactors

Tues 8:00 am Spec Int

Wed 6:00 pm Benefactors

Thu 8:00 am +spe int

Fri 8:00 am Benefactors

**From Father David's Desk...**

***Dear Parishioners and Friends,***

"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him."

Peter, Andrew, James, and John's lives would never be the same. They were going about their usual business fishing on the Sea of Galilee when Jesus approached them and said, "Come after me." And that's just what they did. "At once they left their nets and followed him." Such a quick response to such a radical request!

What compelled these men to leave their livelihood to follow the Lord? His promise to them was that he would make them "fishers of men." Perhaps they thought that promise sounded fabulous. But it seems more likely that it was Christ himself who drew the men. There must have been something utterly attractive about him, and completely trustworthy. Otherwise, it seems unbelievable that these men would have been so quick to respond to his call.

This compelling man is the same Christ who calls us. We hear his voice in a different way, of course, through the Church and through the Bible, through his Spirit in our hearts, but it is nonetheless the same Jesus of Nazareth who asks us to follow him. Have we allowed ourselves to be drawn by his voice?

Are we open to a real encounter with the Lord who changes lives? If our relationship with Jesus does not transform us, if it does not change us into different, better people moment by moment and day by day, then chances are that we are not truly encountering him. He is too powerful to be inconsequential.

It might take some courage and commitment to come into authentic contact with the Lord, but when we do, our lives will never be the same.

*May God bless all of us!*

**...Fr. David**

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

72identifiable: **\$1,820.00**; Loose: **\$1,061.00**;  
Total: **\$2,881.00**; ACH;**540.00** Children:  
**\$12.11.00**;

**OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**

Identifiable: **\$110.00**; Loose: **\$61.00**; Total:  
**\$171.00.**

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

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Parish Council: meets **this Saturday, Jan 19.****

**Church Cleaning:** We need some volunteers to clean the church every week so please sign up for cleaning the church. Thanks

**Second collection for next weekend Church in Latin America and Saltillo mission**

**Lizana Light:** Every Friday from 8am to 10am .If someone is need of food refer them please Thank you.

**Knights of Columbus:** Meet first Sundays. If you have any question, please contact Garland Moran.

**Bible Study:** We study **St Peter**. Please join us. Classes are on **Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth**.

**MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** The better way to pray for your deceased as well as for living family and friends is offering masses for them.so please consider it Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

<b>MASS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b>	<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>GIFT B.</b>
Sat Jan 18 4pm	Lisa Cuevas	Doris Snowden, Mike and Diane Mays	Austin S.	Mike, Shorty	Tammy Scarengoes
Sun Jan 19 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Douglas Ladner	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Jan 19 9am	Beverly	Palmer Lester, Robin, Peterson, Will Burke	Paige, Will	Garland, Thomas,	Ron, Tino, Mariah Northrop
Sun Jan 19 6pm	TBA	Jan E., Derek & Jodi T	Blake Smith	TBA	TBA
Sat Jan 25 4am	Judith Martinez	Key Van Pelt, & Kermit Northrop	Austin S	August, Dale	August & Ruth
Sun Jan 26 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons	Douglas Ladner	(OLC)	Mike, Shorty	Tammy Scarengoes
Sun Jan 26 9 pm	Lisa Bernard	Susan Peleaz, James Qintini, Kim Wood	Jaseigh, Nick	Robert, Will	Rose Sow, George Beau
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**RCIA:** Please contact Sherrie Demello.

**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 pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

**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.

**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.

**PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**  
 Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Matt Bryant, Nancy (Chicago), Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaie, John Parish, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Paula Foreman, Kathy Robison, and Lyndon Rushing, Joseph and Megan, s Daughter Colbi Pittman Capuano , Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Brandon Miller, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, Liz Weiss, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner. and Mah Dubission.