

# Dear Padre,

**In your previous column you wrote that the Mass commemorates Jesus' Last Supper and is a thanksgiving for God's gifts to us. Are there other reasons to get out of bed early and attend Sunday Mass?**

**T**he Mass is all about giving thanks for God's forgiveness of sins and his plan for eternal life. In fact, *Eucharist* is derived from the Greek word meaning "gratitude" or "thanksgiving." But there are many other reasons to participate in the Mass.

The Mass is our opportunity to be present with our Lord in the forms of bread and wine. God doesn't usually make frightening appearances to us



accompanied by crashing thunder and lightning. Rather, he makes himself accessible to us in the humble form of food. Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:54).

As St. Augustine put it, when we receive Christ in

these forms, we become what we receive. We are the body of Christ, not as individuals but as his Church. His Church is his physical presence on earth today, the way people come into contact with Christ.

When we participate in the Mass, we become witnesses to all of this: our liberation from sin and death; our Lord's Real Presence to us in the forms of bread and wine; and we, as Church, becoming what we receive—the body of Christ. Can there be better reasons for waking up on a Sunday morning and attending Mass?

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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](http://DearPadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.

## A WORD FROM Pope Francis

*Without Christ we are condemned to be dominated by everyday weariness, with its worries, and by fear of the future. The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to experience the present with confidence and courage, and to go forth with hope. For this reason, we Christians go to encounter the Lord...in the Eucharistic celebration.*

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 13, 2017

## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 24

St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church

2 Sm 5:1–7, 10

Mk 3:22–30

### Tuesday

JANUARY 25

The Conversion of  
St. Paul the Apostle  
Acts 22:3–16

or Acts 9:1–22

Mk 16:15–18

### Wednesday

JANUARY 26

Sts. Timothy and Titus,  
Bishops

2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5

Mk 4:1–20

### Thursday

JANUARY 27

Weekday

2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21–25

### Friday

JANUARY 28

St. Thomas Aquinas,  
Priest and Doctor  
of the Church

2 Sm 11:1–4a,

5–10a, 13–17

Mk 4:26–34

### Saturday

JANUARY 29

Weekday

2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17

Mk 4:35–41

### Sunday

JANUARY 30

Fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

Jer 1:4–5, 17–19

1 Cor 12:31–13:13

or 13:4–13

Lk 4:21–30





# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 23, 2022



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

*Pastor: Reverend Fr. David Milton*

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### St. Ann Mass Schedule & intentions

Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 4pm Int of Donor

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 9 am Int of Donor

Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun 6pm Parish

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Both  
before Mass and by Appointment

Mon 8am Int of Donor

Wed 6pm Int of Donor

Thurs 8am Int of Donor

Fri 8am Int of Donor

Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 4pm Int of Donor

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> 9 am Parish

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Sun 6pm Int of Donor

**Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.**

Jan 30<sup>th</sup> , Sun 7:30 am, Janet

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

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

*Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region.*

LUKE 4:14

## Fulfilled in Your Hearing

When we hear that phrase, we might be inclined to think of prophecy. However, today's readings suggest something a bit different. True, in today's Gospel, Jesus states that he is the fulfillment of the promise made by the prophet Isaiah. However, the way that passage was fulfilled by Jesus was not the way his hearers expected. The passage seems to promise a change in society where there will be no more poor or prisoners. The people expected a political change which would overthrow Roman control. Jesus' application was quite different. The fulfillment of that prophecy included a new and often radical way of understanding society. In other words, Jesus revealed the true meaning of the prophecy. Such reapplication is even clearer in the first reading. Nehemiah, the Jewish leader of those who had returned from Babylonian exile, gathered all the community together, read the Law, and then reapplied it for them. Reapplication is often necessary because what might have been a helpful way of understanding something in our faith under some circumstances might be impractical, even inappropriate, in others. For example, to pray for an end to war is important, but to do nothing to work for peace changes how we understand prayer. Circumstances often change as we go through life. Reapplication of our faith acknowledges this and searches for ways that

faith can continue to address those changing circumstances. Faithful reapplication always keeps our religious tradition alive and meaningful.

### ***FOR Reflection***

- In many ways the Second Vatican Council reapplied our faith. How has your understanding of how to apply our faith changed in your lifetime?
- Is there anything that you think still should change? Why do you think this?

***With Prayers***

**Fr. David**

**ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:** Identifiable 49,  
\$2,549 loose: \$277.00 **Total: \$2,826.00**

Children: \$19.00 Ach: \$ 590.00

**OLC STEWARDSHIP:** Identifiable \$155.00  
Loose: \$105.00 **Total: \$260.00**

**Regarding Sunday 6.00 pm mass:** Over the past few months attendance at the 6.00pm mass has been below 20. I will watch the attendance for the months of January and February. If it is below 30, I may need to cancel that mass. If you have any question let Fr. David know.

**School subsidy:** is available for Catholic school students who are registered and belong to this parish. Bring the form from the respective school to Fr. David. He will sign it if the requirements are met. Thanks

**Upcoming Second Collection:** Jan 22 and 23<sup>rd</sup> for aged and infirmed priests.

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>:** is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Jan 22 <sup>nd</sup> 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup> OLC 7:30	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup> 9am	Mathew Marchand		
Sun Jan 23 <sup>rd</sup> 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas		
Sat Jan 29 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Jan 30 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Jan 30 <sup>th</sup> 9am	Beau Underwood		
Sun Jan 30 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Patricia Garret		

**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. Contact the office to let us know.

**Music for vigil mass.** Annie Lumpkin agreed to play the piano for the vigil mass. Please join her by singing. Thanks, Annie, for sharing your talent.

**Feast of St. Blaise:** Fr. David will bless all the children's throats with crossed candles on Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at the children's mass.

**First Friday Adoration:** There will be Adoration on the first Friday of the month from 8:30 to Noon and 6pm to 7pm. Please make use of this opportunity to adore and praise the Lord. Thanks

**New Secretary Needed:** St. Ann's parish, Lizana, needs a secretary. If anyone is interested, let Fr. David know.

**MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS:** You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office, each Mass card is \$10.00 dollars. Thanks

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Those who are ill: Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Duke) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo, Glinda Gardman, Timmy & Paula Lizana , W.C. King and Brenda Page and Sr. Anna Louise.

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2022**

#### **COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, KNOWLEDGE and SERVICE**

Numerous events scheduled daily during the week of January 31st-February 5th.

Virtual Open House on the school website:  
[www.svdpcatholicsschool.org](http://www.svdpcatholicsschool.org)

Call to schedule a private tour: 228-222-600