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**Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:** As Jesus begins his proclamation of the kingdom, conversion, and work of redeeming the world, he proclaims the Word of God outlining what he will be doing during his ministry (Isaiah 61: 1-2). Having returned from exile the Israelites were filled with an unimaginable joy as they were privileged once again to listen and hear the word of God proclaimed to them after being deprived of it because of their captivity in Babylon. From daybreak till midday, the whole assembly of men, women, and children old enough to understand listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra remained standing higher up and opened the book of the law and read from it. The people who stood as the book of the law was being read, raised their hands high and answered "Amen, Amen." They bowed down and prostrated themselves before the Lord with their faces to the ground. The priest of the Lord God-Ezra challenged the people to renew their commitment to the Lord God and his law and the continue to be faithful to him. The response to the psalm for today stresses the power of the word of God: "Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life;" and prays: "Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor before you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer."

**God Speak to us Through his Word:** God speaks to us through the Holy Spirit (Acts 11: 12, Acts 13: 2, Acts 16: 6-7, 1 Kings 19: 12, Isaiah 30: 19-21), through the advice and counsel of other people (Proverbs 12: 15), through his audible voice (Acts 9: 4-5), through dreams (Matthew 1: 20-21), through visions (Acts 10:9-18) and through Angels (Luke 1: 26-38). The most clear and effective way that God communicates himself to us his children is through his Words when it is proclaimed to us from the Holy Scripture (2 Tim 3: 16, Psalm 119: 11, 105). The Word of God is essential in the life of every Christians because God who is living and spirit continues to communicate himself to us through the Words of the Holy Scriptures. When the Word of God read to us and is heard, God becomes present in our midst, he reveals his perfect love for us and we get to know the plan of God for us. Whenever therefore the Word of God is proclaimed to us we need to listen to the word, accept it into our hearts, and put it into practice by applying the message of God in our lives.

Jesus Makes us Whole and Sets us Free: Jesus after his Baptism (Luke 3: 21-22) spent 40 days of fasting and prayer (Luke 4: 1-13). After preparing himself for his public ministry in this way Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to his own native land of Galilee (Luke 4:14). While In the synagogue at Nazareth the president of the synagogue called on Jesus to read from the book of the prophet Isaiah and Jesus read a passage from prophet Isaiah that summarised his mission statement: *"The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; He has sent me to bring good news to the afflicted..."* (Isaiah 61: 1-2). Jesus awakened their hope in the promises of God when he declared that these words were now being fulfilled in his very own person. For us who believe in Jesus too, our own hope is being renewed and strengthened because Jesus in whom we trust brings us his healing, his restoration, his forgiveness, and he frees us from all that oppress us and lead us to sin, despair, hopelessness, and destruction.

**Our Behaviour when the Word of God is Proclaimed in Church and our Need to Internalize the Word of God:** The Word of God should have a central place in our lives because we get to know Jesus more and more when we read the Holy Scriptures or when it is proclaimed to us. All Christians especially adults are encouraged to set apart sometime in the morning and evening so that they can read the Holy Scriptures. The reading of the Holy Scriptures can be made an integral part of evening family prayer so that parents can explain what they read to their young children. When the word of God is being read in the Church we are to watch our behaviour. While Ezra read the Torah on a plat form standing, the people stood, they responded, they lifted their hands, they bowed their faces to the ground and after they went away to eat and drink (Nehemiah 8: 6). We observe all these behaviours today when the word of God is read to us in the Church. Besides watching our behaviour as the word of God is read to us in Church, those to whom the word of God is read to are to listen attentively to it, they are to accept it into their hearts, apply the message of God to their lives and pass it on to others. By so doing we will live out what the word says and be saved by it.

Closing Prayer: May God grant us the grace to hear and apply his word in our daily lives so as to be saved by it.

#### ~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

"As each of us has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1Pt 4:10). Thank you all for the sacrifices you make as we all labor in God's vineyard to bring the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our neighbors. 10% of everything received is donated to support charities near and far.

	<u>St. Anne</u>	<u>St. Catherine</u>	<u>St. Gabriel</u>	<u>St. Raphael</u>
Needed Each Week:	\$2,242.45	\$2,548.08	\$508.62	\$800.60
Needed Year-to-Date:	62,788.55	71,346.24	14,241.36	22,416.80
Actual Year-to-Date:	59,254.80	76,669.22	15,826.84	22,090.24
Date: January 16, 2022	891.00	1,273.00	580.00	847.85
Other Collections:	0	10.00	135.00	0

# This Week in our Parishes

#### <u>Saturday, January 22, 2022</u> Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael (Dominic Cosenza)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Special Intention for Helen Anstead)

#### Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:30am Rosary at St. Catherine
9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)
10:30am Rosary at St. Anne
11:00am Mass at St. Anne
(Special Intention for Unborn Children)

#### <u>Monday, January 24, 2022</u> Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (Special Intention for those who are sick)

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

9:00am Mass at St. Anne
(Special Intention for our Faithful Departed)
9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation
2:00-3:00pm St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- St. Gabriel Altar Society Meeting: Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at St. Gabriel Church.
- There will be Blessing of the Throats following all 4 masses the weekend of February 5 & 6th
- **2021 Year End Contribution Statements:** If you would like your 2021 year end contribution statement please contact your parish office. Statements will be sent out by the end of January.
- Volunteer Cleaners Needed! St. Anne parish is asking for volunteers to do light cleaning of our church before Mass each weekend. The plan is for volunteers to sign up for a month at a time. To help with this stewardship of our church, please call the parish office at 724-6713. Thank you.
- Any Eucharistic Minister who was not able to attend one of the recertification classes: By watching this they will be able to recertify. https://dioceseofgaylord.org/liturgy-workshop-2021 or the direct link to YouTube is https://youtu.be/uo-HZOZNzNc. Also to let the parish office know that you completed this video so that they can let the diocese know.
- Do you have anything that you would like shared in the weekly Bulletin? Contact Kayla Adams at kadams@resurrectionacgr.org with your request.
- To help reduce exposure to COVID-19, it is <u>strongly recommended</u> that all parishioners and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, <u>wear a mask.</u>

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops 9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Betty Klemmer) 5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and Reconciliation at St. Catherine

Thursday, January 27, 2022
9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (*Jo Ann Beatty*)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine

Saturday, January 29, 2022 3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael 4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael 4:30am Mass at St. Raphael *(Ronald Frayer)* 6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel 6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel *(Tom Kane)* 

Sunday, January 30, 2022 9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Polly Cecorka) 11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Steven Fitzgerald)

**NEXT FAITH FORMATION CLASS:** February 3rd, 2022 at St. Anne Parish Hall at 6:30pm. TOPIC: Year of Syndolity **<u>SCRIPTURE READINGS</u>** For The Week (Year C)

**SUNDAY:** NEH 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10, 1 COR 12:12-30, LK 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**MONDAY:** 2 SM 5:1-7, 10, MK 3:22-30

<u>TUESDAY:</u> ACTS 22:3-16, MK 16:15-18

WEDNESDAY: 2 TM 1:1-8, MK 4:1-20

THURSDAY: 2 SM 7:18-19, 24-29, MK 4:21-25

**FRIDAY:** 2 SM 11:1-4A, 5-10A, 13-17, MK 4:26-34

**SATURDAY:** 2 SM 12:1-7A, 10-17, MK 4:35-41

#### PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday: Rev. Benjamin Rexroat

Monday: Rev. Mitchel Roman

**Tuesday:** Rev. Richard Schaeffer

Wednesday: Rev. Lawrence Sergott

> **Thursday**: Rev. James Siler

**Friday**: Rev. Rolando Silva

**Saturday**: Rev. Kenneth Stachnik

# A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP WALTER A. HURLEY: PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

In the 49 years since the January 22, 1973, Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion, there has been a tremendous loss of life in our country as a result. More than 60 million legalized abortions have taken place, a reality that is both staggering and heart wrenching.

On this 49th anniversary of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, we are reminded how fragile the gift of human life is and that we are called to protect this precious gift. Let us join in praying for the children whose lives have been lost and for the mothers and fathers who experience great suffering as a painful and costly effect of abortion. May we walk alongside them through our expression of love and compassion, and may we remain unwavering in our belief that human life is sacred, in all stages.

This anniversary gives us an opportunity to reflect on our common call to stand up for life and protect the vulnerable, as well as the personal responsibility we have in matters of morality, justice and the common good. We each are called to respect the dignity of the human person and do what we are able to preserve and uphold life, within the realities of our own circumstances. For many, this means living out your vocation of marriage and raising a family. It can also mean giving voice to those who cannot speak for themselves; helping expecting mothers; and showing love to those grieving the loss of a child, including the loss of a child by abortion. We are called to do more than believe that life is sacred. We are a called to take action, through prayer and through acts of charity to those around us.

This month, as we remember the landmark Supreme Court decisions that have since shaped our society and the family, we recognize that the most powerful means we have in striving for justice comes not from our own efforts, but from the God who created us.

We are invited to come together in prayer in a special way on January 22, through the observance of the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Let us continue to pray for God's grace and a clear path to end abortion and all activity that jeopardizes human life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Most Reverend Walter A. Hurley Apostolic Administrator

### Start your days with The Morning Offering Prayer:

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the reunion of all Christians, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father this month. Amen.

## SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022

### DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of us all, we turn to you today as the one who said "Yes" to Life. "You will conceive and bear a Son," the angel told you. Despite the surprise and the uncertainty about how this could be, you said yes. "Be it done unto me according to your word."Mary, we pray today for all mothers who are afraid to be mothers. We pray for those who feel threatened and overwhelmed by their pregnancy. Intercede for them, that God may give them the grace to say "Yes" and the courage to go on. May they have the grace to reject the false solution of abortion. May they say with you, "Be it done unto me according to your word." May they experience the help of Christian people, and know the peace that comes from doing God's will. Amen

"All of us must put our energy and effort into ending the legal protection for abortion. It is, and must be, the primary political objective of American Catholics—it is difficult to imagine any political issue with the same significance as the sanctioned killing of children." *Denver Archbishop Samual J. Aquila - January 22, 2013* 

#### UPCOMING DISCERNMENT WEEKEND -FEBRUARY 17-19, 2022

The Diocese of Gaylord has scheduled a discernment weekend for the young men of our diocese at Saint John Vianney (SJV) College Seminary February 17 - 19, 2022. The weekend has been set aside to afford an opportunity for young men who are juniors in high school through college (ages 16 through 24) who may be considering the priesthood to take a closer look at seminary life. During this campus visit, guests will be able to hear testimonies from current seminarians, attend spiritual conferences with Saint John Vianney priests, pray with the community and tour the University of St. Thomas (where SJV is located). There is no cost to attend, but space is limited and pre-registration is required. For more information or to find out how to register, please contact Caryn Jacobs in the Diocese of Gaylord Vocations office at 989.705.3509 or email vocations@dioceseofgaylord.org.