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**Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word:** Since God is the Father almighty and Creator of all things in heaven and on earth and the one from whom all goodness flows, the response to the psalm tells us to look up to God: *"Blessed are they who hope in the Lord."* The Prophet Jeremiah today presents us with the beautiful picture of a tree planted beside running waters, which stretches out its roots to such running water. Jeremiah equates such a tree planted besides flowing waters and is always cool, refreshed, blossoms and bears abundant fruit to someone whose trust and hope is in the Lord God because such a person will be blessed. The blessedness or happiness of those who trust in the Lord is further expressed by St. Paul who today tells the Corinthian Christian, and us as well that Christ raised from the dead is the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep, and the hope of those who mourn for the dead (second reading). In the Gospel Jesus in the beatitudes lays down the conditions for attaining the blessings or happiness with God in eternity. The practice of the beatitudes leads us to eternal life with God when they are followed and put into real life.

The Ways of God and the Human Ways: There are things only God can do and no human being can accomplish. The ways of God or what God can do and his benefits always supersedes what human beings can accomplish and as such the creature can never be greater than the Creator-God. To express the dangers or loss involved in trusting humans and the worth and happiness of those who put their trust in the Lord, the prophet Jeremiah in the first reading lives us with two very important truths: *"Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the LORD. He is like a barren bush in the desert that enjoys no change of season, but stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth. Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, whose hope is the LORD. "God rewards faith and those who believe in God will always be rewarded. With regard to trusting God rather than men it is said: <i>"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, on your own intelligence do not rely; In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes, fear the LORD and turn away from evil"* (Proverbs 3: 5-7). The ways of God are the manners in which he deals with us. Simply put the ways of God are the actions, behaviors, choices, or what God ordains for us humans and they reveal who God truly is. The ways of God are what He wants us to carry out and because they are what God commands they are higher than our ways and it is not always possible to understand the ways of God: *"For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts"* (Isaiah 55: 9). Since God is God no one can tell him how he should act. God does not need our advice but does as he so please.

**Blessed are those who Hear the Word of God and Keep it:** To the woman who raised her voice in the crowd and spoke highly of his mother: "*Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts at which you nursed!*" Jesus said, "*Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!*" (Luke 11:27-28). The good news for us is that we can be truly blessed when we follow the ways of God in the beatitudes and apply his words to our lives. The blessedness or happiness promised by Jesus becomes a reality only if we hear and practice what the words tell us. The good news for us in today's Gospel is that if we put the beatitudes proclaimed by Jesus into practice we will be blessed not only here on earth but in eternity with our God and Father. Let us try to pattern our own ways after His by practicing what he tells us in the beatitudes in today's Gospel so that as he promised we will have eternal life with him.

Jesus has the Words of Everlasting Life: The words of everlasting life which Jesus possess are those presented to us in the Gospel where Jesus proclaims four beatitudes which leads to blessedness or happiness and the four woes which will lead to the loss of one's life because they are wrongly handled. Luke carefully paired his version of the beatitudes into the four blessings with the four woes/curses. 1) Those who are poor and those who are rich. 2) People who are hungry and those who are full. 3) Those people who weep and those who laugh. 4) Those who are hated and those of whom people speak well. We are invited simply to endure some poverty, hunger, sorrow/hate. If we live in these ways like Christ the kingdom of heaven will be ours. The same is also true for those who are rich, full, laugh, and those who are spoken well of. These latter group are not cursed in the literal sense of the word. If they live and use their positions to improve on the lives of others, they too will enjoy the state of blessedness. If they live their lives trying to serve the less fortunate, they too enjoy happiness with God.

**Closing Prayer:** Poor or rich, hungry or full, sad or happy, hated or spoken well of, may we always follow the ways of Christ and practice what he wants of us so that we will be raised to eternal life and be counted among those he calls "blessed."

#### ~ 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:	67,273.45	76,442.40	15,258.60	24,018.00
Actual Year-to-Date:	62,308.13	79,894.22	16,876.92	22,712.09
Date: February 6, 2022	778.00	1,879.00	685.00	0
Other Collections:	20.00	285.00	40.00	0

# This Week in our Parishes

#### Saturday, February 12, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael (*Ronald Frayer*)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel (*Edward Scheiderhan*)

#### Sunday, February 13, 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 (Rocco Guirlanda)

## <u>Monday, February 14, 2022</u>

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (Special Intention for All Our Living) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Council #6851 Meeting in St. Catherine Parish Hall

#### Tuesday, February 15, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (Steven Fitzgerald)9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

#### Wednesday, February 16, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Vincent Klemmer) 5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration and Reconciliation at St. Catherine

### Thursday, February 17, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (For World Leaders)
9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine
6:30pm FAITH FORMATION!! \*Join us!\*
Location: St. Catherine parish hall
Topic: Synodality

#### Saturday, February 19, 2022

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30am Mass at St. Raphael
(For Our Faithful Departed)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(Angelina Maria Mararchi)

### Sunday, February 20, 2022

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (Eleanor Hornak)
11:00am Mass at St. Anne (Parishioners of St. Anne, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel and St. Raphael)

# **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #6851 will meet on Monday February 14 at 7:00pm in St. Catherine's parish hall.
- BRING PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY: We are asking parishioners to once again bring in PALMS from last year to church for burning to create ASHES for this year to be used on ASH WEDNESDAY.
- **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 inform the Diocese.

## TO HELP REDUCE EXPOSURE TO COVID-19,

It is strongly recommended that all parishioners and visitors, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year C)

<u>SUNDAY:</u> JER 17:5-8, 1 COR 15:12, 16-20, LK 6:17, 20-26

> <u>MONDAY:</u> JAS 1:1-11, MK 8:11-13

TUESDAY: JAS 1:12-18, MK 8:14-21

WEDNESDAY: JAS 1:19-27, MK 8:22-26

THURSDAY: JAS 2:1-9, MK 8:27-33

FRIDAY: JAS 2:14-24, 26, MK 8:34–9:1

**SATURDAY:** JAS 3:1-10, MK 9:2-13

## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

Sunday: Rev. Stanislaw Bereda

Monday: Rev. Tyler Bischoff

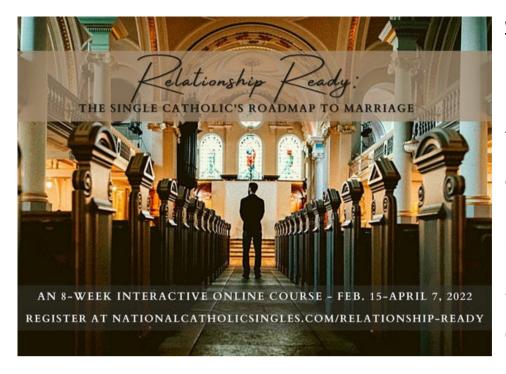
**Tuesday:** Rev. Joseph Blasko

Wednesday: Rev. Lawrence Boks

**Thursday**: Rev. Msgr. James Brucksch

> **Friday**: All Deacons

**Saturday**: Rev. Anthony Citro



SIGN UP NOW! The first 50 registrants will receive a free coaching or spiritual direction session! Visit *nationalcatholicsingles.com/relationship-ready/* for more information and to register. The program begins February 15th.

#### WHY WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE ENGAGED?

Learn about communication, male/female complementarity, conflict resolution, healing, forgiveness, and much more now! Relationship Ready: The Single Catholic's Roadmap to Marriage is an 8-week interactive, online course that offers the tools necessary to have fruitful dating relationships and lasting marriages - the only program of its kind! Presenters include Greg & Lisa Popcak, Damon & Melanie Owens, Greg and Julie Alexander, Fr. Thomas Loya, Dr. Bob Schuchts, and other dynamic Catholic speakers. Sessions include presentations, Q&A and small group discussions with other single Catholics from all over the world. Recordings will be available, so no worries if you can't make every session.

#### **STATIONS FOR THE CROSS:**

There will be a sign up sheet for each of the 4 parishes, in the back of the church, to sign up to lead Stations of the Cross. Dates and times will be listed on the sign up sheet.



FOR LENT, FOR LIFE

**Rice Bowls will be available at back of church for parishioners to take and use during this Lenten season.** Please be generous in your giving for those less fortunate than us. **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE:** Your love is unique in all the world! Celebrate that love by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend experience at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt April 1-3, 2022. For questions, contact Chris & Darla Vinton at 517-667-0433. Apply today at wwme.org.

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> HAPPY Marriage Day!

