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## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time | January 15, 2023

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### HOLY AND INNOCENT CHILDREN OF GOD,

**Opening Prayer:** God sent His Son our Lord Jesus Christ to take away the sin of the world. May we detest our sins, express sorrow for them and confess our sins so that we will always be recognized as beloved children of God our Father.

Five illustrations of "Lambs" Among the Jews: Among the Jews of the Old Testament, Lambs play a significant role in the sacrificial system as well as in Messianic prophecy. Today's reference to Jesus as the "Lamb of God," which is a title that is used by John the Baptist to describe Jesus calls to mind five images of the "lamb" as understood and applied by the Jews. First, there is the Lamb of Yearly Atonement. On the day of atonement (Yom Kippur), a lamb was brought on whose head the high priest placed his hand and transferred the sins of the people on it. The Lamb was then sent into the forest to die with the sins of the people (Cf. Leviticus 16: 20-22). Second, we have the Lamb of Daily Atonement (Tamid ["standing," perpetual, continual] Sacrifice). Each day it is the custom among the Israelites to sacrifice two lambs in order to make a continuous sacrifice to atone for the sins of the Jews. One lamb was sacrificed on the "Black Altar" of the Temple every morning and another was sacrificed every evening (Cfs. Exodus 29: 38-42; Numbers 28: 1-8). Third, there is the Paschal Lamb. This is the lamb which was slaughtered by the Israelites in the evening of their final departure out of Egypt. The blood of the Paschal Lamb saved the first born of the Jewish families in Egypt from the Angel of destruction. This lamb also reminded the children of Israel of the Paschal Lamb which the Israelites killed every year on the Passover Feast (Exodus 12: 11ff). Fourth, the Jews were used to the Lamb of the Prophets. For the Jews, the Lamb of the Prophets stood for One who, by His sacrifice, would redeem His people: "The gentle lamb led to the slaughterhouse" (Cf. Jeremiah 11: 19), "like a lamb to the slaughter" (Cf. Isaiah 53: 7). Fifth, the Jews were used to the idea of the Lamb of the Conquerors. The Lamb of the Conquerors refers to the picture of a horned lamb imprinted on the Jewish flag at the time of Maccabean liberation war. This was used as a sign representing a conquering majesty or power. Great Jewish conquerors like Samuel, David, and Solomon were described by the ancient Jewish historians as "horned lambs."

Jesus the Lamb of God who Take Away the Sin of the World: The term "Lamb of God" as it is applied to Jesus sums up the love, the sacrifice, and the triumph of Christ. Jesus come, lived, suffered and died for the sins of the whole world as we proclaim at Mass immediately before Holy Communion three times: "Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us/grant us peace." We have been delivered from evil condemnation to eternal death through the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. This is what John the Baptist is affirming when he recognized Jesus and introduced Jesus to his own disciples as the Lamb of God sent to take away the world's sins: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1: 29; 36). The details of this brief acknowledgement of Jesus as the Lamb of God who take away the sin of the world is clearly shown in the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus as a result of which fallen humanity has been rescued from sin and eternal death. Instead of the Lamb of Yearly Atonement, the Lamb of Daily Atonement, the Paschal Lamb, the Lamb of the Prophets or even the idea of the Lamb of the Conquerors, which was only a sign, today John the Baptist presents us with Jesus as the eternal life-giving Lamb per excellence who suffered and died on the Cross for us men and our salvation in order to save us from suffering in eternity. By the blood of Jesus the true Lamb of God we are saved.

Called to Live Holy Lives and to Die Like Jesus the Lamb of God: Although we have been saved from sin and eternal death through the passion, death and resurrection of Christ the true Lamb of God, all is not over. We expected to live and walk in the footsteps of Christ and share His suffering (1 Peter 2: 21-24). Disciple of Jesus are able to live like Jesus the Lamb of God by trying to be holy as the Lord our God is holy: "Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the LORD your God, am holy" (Leviticus 19: 2; 11: 44-45; 20: 7;). In line with this the Apostle Peter commanded us to: "be holy yourselves in every aspect of your conduct," (1 Peter 1: 15). For us disciple of Jesus, this call to holiness means that the way we live is to be distinct from others who do not know and follow Jesus. We are called to live by God's standards, not the standard of the world. We also become holy by living the type of life that Jesus lived. Jesus was committed to honouring God. Jesus showed love. Jesus honoured His parents. Jesus served others and kept Himself holy. Like Jesus we become holy ourselves when we lead pure, innocent, humble, selfless, and obedient life. Living like Jesus the Lamb of God also require that we are ready to allow ourselves to live and die like Christ the sacrificial Lamb. We live and die in the manner of our Lord Jesus Christ the true Lamb of God when we bear witness to Christ in our illness, pain, and suffering-that is, by accepting our pain, trials, sufferings and difficulties in life as our own share in the pain and suffering of Christ. We also allow ourselves to live and die like Jesus Christ the sacrificial Lamb when we offer our sufferings for the salvation of souls or in reparation for the sins of others or even for our sins.

**Closing Prayer:** Since Jesus the Lamb of God took away the sin of the world by His passion and death on the Cross, may we continue to reject sin, confess the sins we have done, die to self and remain authentic witnesses of Jesus by the way we live.

~ FR. JOHN WILLIAM

#### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." Isaic God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

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#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISHES

#### Saturday, January 14, 2023

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Mass at St. Raphael (\*In celebration of Fr. John William's birthday)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Mass at St. Gabriel
(\*Oliver DeRocher)

#### **Sunday, January 15, 2023**

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (\*Edwin Paulson) 11:00am Mass at St. Anne (\*Daniel Bruske)

#### Monday, January 16, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (\*Mary Fitzgerald)

#### Tuesday, January 17, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Anne (\*William Rudnik) 9:30-10:30am Adoration/Reconciliation

#### Wednesday, January 18, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine
(For all who are suffering from an illness)
5:00pm-6:00pm Adoration & Reconciliation
at St. Catherine
6:30pm Holy Hour with the Lord at
St. Anne Church in Harrisville

#### Thursday, January 19, 2023

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (\*Deceased members of the Bob and Rita Beck family) 9:30am-10:30 Adoration at St. Catherine

#### Friday, January 20, 2023

NO MASS 6:30pm Bible Study in Maria Hall at St. Anne Church in Harrisville

#### Saturday, January 21, 2023

3:30pm Reconciliation at St. Raphael
4:00pm Rosary at St. Raphael
4:30pm Vigil Mass at St. Raphael
(\*For the Parishioners of St. Anne,
St. Catherine, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael)
6:00pm Rosary at St. Gabriel
6:00pm Reconciliation at St. Gabriel
6:30pm Vigil Mass at St. Gabriel
(\*Joan Youngblood)

#### **Sunday, January 22, 2023**

9:00am Mass at St. Catherine (\*Flavia Gagnier) 11:00am Mass at St. Anne (\*Mary Fitzgerald)

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 2022 YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: If you would like your year end statement please contact the parish offices. St. Catherine and St. Gabriel at 989-471-5121. St. Anne and St. Raphael 989-724-6713.
- **ST. CATHERINE CHURCH CLEANING PERSON NEEDED:** If you are interested or would like more information please contact the parish office at 989-471-5121.
- **ST. CATHERINE'S ANGEL FUND COLLECTION:** Has collected a total of \$4,220.00. If you would like to donate there are envelopes at both entrances of the church, just drop them in the collection or at the parish office.
- COFFEE & DONUTS ~ A GREAT WAY TO ENJOY SOCIAL TIME WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS!
  - **St. Catherine:** Coffee and Donuts will resume in May 2023.
  - **St. Anne:** Coffee & Donuts after mass on Sunday's!
  - St. Raphael: Refreshments will be after mass on Saturdays!
- ST. ANNE CHURCH CLEANING PERSON NEEDED: St. Anne needs Volunteers to clean the Church for April through December 2023
- MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER IS AVAILABLE

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

For The Week (Year A)

#### **SUNDAY:**

IS 49:3, 5-6, 1 COR 1:1-3, JN 1:29-34

### **MONDAY:**

HEB 5:1-10, MK 2:18-22

#### **TUESDAY:**

HEB 6:10-20, MK 2:23-28

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

HEB 7:1-3, 15-17, MK 3:1-6

#### **THURSDAY:**

HEB 7:25—8:6, MK 3:7-12

#### **FRIDAY:**

HEB 8:6-13, MK 3:13-19

#### **SATURDAY:**

HEB 9:2-3, 11-14, MK 3:20-21

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Carolyn Lenhard,
Beverly Aube,
Betty Keen,
Charles Carriveau,
Karl Miltz Sr.,
Carol Antkowiak,
Carl Skwirsk,
Mary Gruba,
Mike Maturen,
Catherine McNeil,
Brian K. Somers,
Jason Wrush,
Wendy Wrush

## PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS

#### Sunday:

**All Seminarians** 

#### Monday:

Rev. Charles Donajkowski

#### Tuesday:

Rev. Artur Duchnowicz

#### Wednesday:

Rev. Wayne Dziekan

#### Thursday:

Rev. Peter Eke

#### Friday:

Rev. James Fitzpatrick

#### Saturday:

Rev. Matthew Furgiuele

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR PARISHES OF THE RESURRECTION:



### **HOLY HOUR WITH THE LORD**

Day: WEDS. | Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm Where: St. Anne Church

"Again, I say to you, If two of you agree on Earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father." Matthew 18:19)



## **FRIDAY NIGHT - BIBLE STUDY**

Day: Friday's

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Where: Maria Hall at St. Anne Soup and bread will be provided.



# JOIN US FOR A WINTER WONDERLAND INSPIRED EVENING OF FAMILY FUN AND SPAGHETTI DINNER TO BENEFIT MIKE AND SUE MATUREN

**DATE:** Friday, February 17 **TIME:** 5:30pm-9:30pm dinner served at 6. **LOCATION:** Maria Hall at St. Anne's Church 110 S. State Street, Harrisville

With gratitude for selflessly giving of themselves to our parishes and our community, a spaghetti dinner to benefit Mike & Sue Maturen is being held to help offset their medical expenses. All proceeds from the evening will go to Mike & Sue.

Dinner to include: Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, desserts, coffee, tea, punch and water. Suggested Minimum Donation - \$10/ticket TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE for the cost of a donation and available in advance or at the door (room allowing).

50 / 50 Raffles, Silent Auction, Entertainment by: Rockin Rodger DJ

For Tickets, to Volunteer or to donate an item for the silent auction call or Text Marie Ostroznik @ 586.212.1429 or Leo Marciniak @ 989.254.7038

#### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s):

Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging in the New Year? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center, in DeWitt, MI (10 miles north of Lansing), on Feb 24-26, 2023. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 for meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.michigan@gmail.com, or call (586) 770-1772 for details.

### **Family Perspective by Bud Ozar**

Can you say, "I have testified Jesus is the Son of God?" If you aren't talking about Jesus in your family, you aren't testifying. If you are not walking your talk, your children will see your words as meaningless.