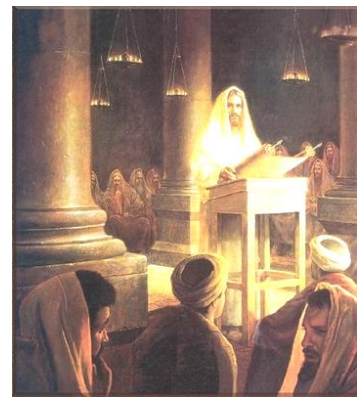


# January 31, 2021

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: JANUARY 30 TO FEBRUARY 7

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| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Jan 30</b>                        |                                       |
| 4:00 pm          | Mary Taillon                         | Janet Arts                            |
| 5:15 pm          | Kathleen Rush Heald                  | Rita De Gregorio                      |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Jan 31</b>                        | <b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> |
| 9:00 am          | Billy Tille                          | Marie                                 |
| 11:00 am         | Our Parishioners                     |                                       |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>Feb 1</b>                         |                                       |
| 8:30 am          | Armando, Emidio, Giovanni Campanella | Palmina Campanella                    |
| 9:30 am          | For families in difficulty           |                                       |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>Feb 2</b>                         |                                       |
| 8:30 am          | Rosalie Beasley                      | Family                                |
| 9:30 am          | Raffaele Mercurio                    | Christine Agombar                     |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Feb. 3</b>                        |                                       |
| 8:30 am          | Kathleen Heald                       | Julia Principe                        |
| 9:30 am          | Souls in Purgatory                   |                                       |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>Feb 4</b>                         |                                       |
| 8:30 am          | Edvidges & Ernesto Carvalho          | Philomena Carvalho                    |
| 9:30 am          | Sick of the Parish                   |                                       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Feb 5</b>                         |                                       |
| 8:30 am          | Maureen Kelly                        | Dawn & Gerry Richardson               |
| 9:30 am          | Nenita Buan                          | Rita Buan                             |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Feb 6</b>                         |                                       |
| 4:30 pm          | Our Parishioners                     |                                       |
| 5:15 pm          | Kathleen Rush Heald                  | Andy & Betty Quinn                    |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Feb 7</b>                         | <b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>  |
| 9:00 am          | Teresa Lopez                         | Marco Lopez & Family                  |
| 11:00 am         | Marie Taillon                        | Rosemarie Della Rocca                 |

### **SANCTUARY LAMP** (Week)

January 31: Armando Campanella, requested by Palmina Campanella

February 7: In thanksgiving from Kathleen Rush Heald

**LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE** to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them: **Walter Brant**, husband of Mary, father of Patrick (Trish Girgenti); **Kathleen Rush Heald**, wife of Tom, sister of Joan, Christine, Clare and the late Elizabeth and Mary; **Lise Roche**, mother of Paul.

*Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

## FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Monday, February 2, is the Feast of the Lord's Presentation in the Temple of Jerusalem. It always falls on the 40<sup>th</sup> day after Christmas and commemorates the 40<sup>th</sup> day after Christ's birth, when—the Bible tells us—the Infant Jesus was brought to the Temple, as was required by Jewish law. Simeon, an aged prophet, happened to be in the Temple when

Mary and Joseph arrived with their 40-day-old baby. Simeon had been promised by God that he would not die until he saw the Messiah. He recognized the Infant at once to be the Christ. He praised God, saying, "Lord, now you can let your servant go in peace! Your word has been fulfilled: my own eyes have seen the salvation of the Lord, a *light* to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people, Israel." Since Simeon called Jesus a light to all nations, on this day there is a procession and distribution and blessing of candles. The feast is therefore commonly called Candlemas.

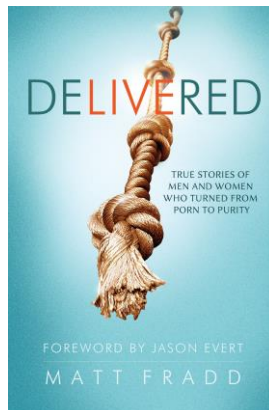
## WORDS TO PONDER

"It is the very nature of faith to persevere, for faith is not rooted in emotion but in character, not in experience but in loyalty; in short, not in the changeable but in the constant elements of life."

~ Fr. Romano Guardini, *The Art of Praying*

## WORTHWHILE READING

***Delivered: True Stories of Men and Women Who Turned from Porn to Purity* by Matt Fradd, with a Foreword by Jason Evert)**



Deliverance from pornography is possible and these true stories prove it: The pious man whose fairytale marriage was almost destroyed by his fierce addiction; The young woman who escaped a broken and abusive childhood only to become ensnared in porn's seamy underworld; The couple who tried everything to beat the pain and shame of porn in their home; The female musician who thought porn was a guy thing until she got hooked herself; and five other inspiring tales of liberation from the ravages of pornography. *Delivered* is proof that no one is beyond the reach of God's healing grace.

**Matt Fradd** is a Catholic Australian author, podcaster, and university professor. He has written and contributed to numerous books including [\*Does God Exist? A Socratic Dialogue on the Five Ways of Thomas Aquinas\*](#), [\*Marian Consecration With Aquinas\*](#), and [\*The Porn Myth\*](#). Matt earned his undergraduate and graduate degrees in philosophy from Holy Apostles College & Seminary where he now teaches. He lives with his wife, Cameron, and their four children in Georgia.

**THANK YOU** very much to the parishioner who responded to our request for a carpet sweeper for the sanctuary. We now have a beautiful new Bissel that will surely help our Altar Guild in their work. Thank you also to ISD Inc. for the donation of a set of conference chairs for Cahill Hall. We can always count on the generosity of Becket people.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS JANUARY 23/24**

Offerings: \$2,255.00

## HERE'S A QUESTION



*If God already knows our future and what we will choose, then what's the point?*

The question regarding God's foreknowledge and our free will is one of the most vexing to puzzle Christian theologians, and it was one of the fundamental issues leading to the breakup of Christianity during the Protestant Reformation. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: "To God, all moments of time are present in their immediacy. When therefore he

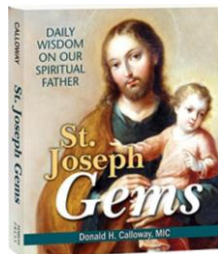
establishes his eternal plan of 'predestination,' he includes in it each person's free response to his grace" (No. 600). In its simplest terms, this means God provides grace sufficient to save a soul, but this grace has no effect if an individual refuses to cooperate with it. We conclude this because our faith teaches (1) God has conferred a supernatural destiny upon us and (2) our first parents, before the Fall, were endowed with sanctifying grace, but they chose to disregard it. *Father Reginald Martin*

## WORDS TO PONDER

"The Church is nourished spiritually at the twofold table of God's word and of the Eucharist: from the one, it grows in wisdom and from the other in holiness. In the word of God, the divine covenant is announced; in the Eucharist, the new and everlasting covenant is renewed. On the one hand, the history of salvation is brought to mind by means of human sounds; on the other, it is made manifest in the sacramental signs of the Liturgy. It can never be forgotten, therefore, that the divine word read and proclaimed by the Church in the Liturgy has as its one purpose the sacrifice of the New Covenant and the banquet of grace, that is, the Eucharist. The celebration of Mass in which the word is heard and the Eucharist is offered and received forms but one single act of divine worship. That act offers the sacrifice of praise to God and makes available to God's creatures the fullness of redemption." *from the Introduction to the Lectionary for Mass*

## WORTHWHILE READING

***St. Joseph Gems: Daily Wisdom on Our Spiritual Father* by Fr. Donald Calloway**



Inspired by his own love for St. Joseph (also known as the "Terror of Demons" and the "Universal Patron of the Church"), Fr. Calloway has gathered and arranged into one book the largest collection of quotes about St. Joseph to ever appear in print. Selected from the writings of popes, saints and others, these quotes shed light on St. Joseph's incredible power as an intercessor, his sublime sanctity, and his relevance as a model and a helper in our everyday lives. This is the perfect book to help you rediscover the second-greatest

saint in the Church, after the Blessed Virgin Mary. Ideal reading for the Year of St. Joseph. Father Donald Calloway, MIC, is the vicar provincial and vocation director for the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy Province of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception, as well as an Emmy award winner. His books "Champions of the Rosary: The History and Heroes of a Spiritual Weapon", "No Turning Back: A Witness to Mercy, and Under the Mantle: Marian Thoughts from a 21st Century Priest" are Catholic bestsellers.

**BECKET PANTRY DESPERATELY NEEDS:** Canned fruit and vegetables gravy/stew, salmon, ham, beans (black, pinto, kidney, mixed), Prem/Kam/Spam tomato juice, tomato paste, tea, sugar, crackers, jam, dish soap, soap, laundry detergent, Kleenex, toilet paper (2 or 3 individual rolls accepted). Thank you!

## PARISH INFORMATION

All telephone numbers are in the 514 area code unless otherwise indicated.

### PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

|                         |          |                           |          |
|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| Janet Arts (2021)       | 620-6643 | Siro Di Marco (2020)      | 620-6788 |
| Peter Cook (2022)       | 620-2019 | Michelle Figueredo (2021) | 694-8879 |
| Norman Cousineau (2020) | 624-8753 | Michael Sciotto (2022)    | 626-9550 |

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### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

|                                   |                       |          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Altar Guild:                      | Anna Donald           | 620-2258 |
| Altar Servers:                    | Fr. Peter Sabbath     | 626-4111 |
| Baptism Preparation Team:         | Parish Office         | 626-4111 |
| Children's Liturgy                | Parish Office         | 626-4111 |
| Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator: | Rosemarie Della Rocca | 620-1930 |
| Greeters:                         | Norma Cook            | 620-2019 |
| Ushers:                           | Joe Ojeda             | 941-7914 |
| Lectors:                          | Tobias Koikaran       | 693-5514 |
| Liturgy Team:                     | Rosemarie Della Rocca | 620-1930 |
| Weekday Sacristan:                | Anna Donald           | 620-2258 |
| Music Ministry Coordinator:       | Lino Viegas           | 620-0750 |
| Choir Director                    | Brendan Kelly         | 944-7220 |

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### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

|                                    |                         |                    |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Sycamore                           | Elsa Rivera             | 626-4111 Ext. 222. |
| Angels of Mercy                    | Sarah Sajedi            | 827-6408           |
| Becket Pantry:                     | Parish Office           | 626-4111           |
| Catholic Women's League:           | Catherine Lee Jude      | 463-5991           |
| Couples for Christ:                | Francis & Aurora Apgao  | 630-6586           |
| Healing Ministry                   | Elsa Rivera             | 626-4111 Ext. 222  |
| Helping Others:                    | Parish Office           | 626-4111           |
| Knights of Columbus:               | Joe Ojeda               | 941-7914           |
| Marriage Course:                   | John & Nathalie Bondyra | 695-7896           |
| Pastoral Home Care:                | Ailsa Lee Loy           | 626-7265           |
| Prayer Group: (Thursday 9:15 a.m.) | Louise Eberwein         | 825-5198           |
| Prayer Line:                       | Christine Charron       | 694-3958           |
| Seniors:                           | Audrey Cassidy          | 626-3586           |
| Social Club:                       | Rina Callard            | 695-6995           |

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### RESOURCES AND SERVICES

|                                                           |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| A.A.                                                      | 376-9230       |
| Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)                          | 866-9803       |
| Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services | 931-7311       |
| Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine                  | 931-7311       |
| Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?                 | 344-2686       |
| Tel Aide (listening line)                                 | 935-1101       |
| Violence S.O.S. Hotline                                   | 1-800-363-9010 |
| West Island Women's Shelter                               | 620-4845       |

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request.

Anointing of the Sick: upon request

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: First Friday of the month

Benediction: Fridays after morning Mass

Baptism: Please contact the office.

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Peter Sabbath or Fr. Jaison Joseph

R.C.I.A.: Fr. Peter Sabbath