

JANUARY 18, 2026

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our Lady of Victory Parish

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Mass Schedule for this month

Saturdays

St. Maria Goretti - Devon	5:00 PM
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Sundays

Our Lady of Victory - Thorsby	9:00 AM
St. Margaret Mary - Calmar	10:15 AM
St. Maria Goretti - Devon	11:30 AM

NO WEEKDAY MASSES UNTIL FRIDAY JANUARY 30, 2025

Rev. Luan Vu will resume regular mass times beginning on Friday January 30th at 9:00 am at St. Maria Goretti - Devon

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 18, 2026

1st Reading: *Isaiah 49, 3.5-6*

2nd Reading: *1 Corinthians 1, 1-3*

Gospel: *John 1, 29-34*

The New Paschal Lamb

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'" John 1:29-30

As Jesus began His public ministry, the first thing said of Him came from John the Baptist: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." His words would have resonated within the minds and hearts of John's disciples. His disciples believed that John was a great prophet and the forerunner of the Messiah, sent to prepare the way for the Lord. They saw him as a holy man who called for repentance and renewal, and some even wondered if he himself might be the Christ, though John consistently denied this.

Because John's ministry was one of preparation for the Messiah, his disciples would have anticipated the Messiah's imminent arrival. Imagine the excitement, surprise, questions, uncertainty, and hope that would have filled their minds and hearts as they listened to John's prophecy about Jesus. John continued, "He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'"

Though John's proclamation about Jesus took on a powerful significance for his disciples that first moment that he revealed Jesus as the Lamb of God, John's words must resonate within each of us today. Now that the Christmas Season is complete and we enter into Ordinary Time, we are invited to embrace Jesus' public ministry, with all His teachings and Paschal Sacrifice, as something extraordinary in our lives. We must approach His ministry with the same hope, enthusiasm, excitement, and anticipation that John's disciples experienced.

Reflect today on the moment when John the Baptist's disciples heard him proclaim, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" Like them, strive to see Jesus with new eyes and hopeful anticipation as we begin Ordinary Time. This liturgical season marks the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, and it must also be a renewed beginning of His works in your life. Follow Him without reserve, allowing Him to take away your sins and share in His life and love. (mycatholiclife.com)

MASS INTENTIONS

When a priest celebrates Mass every day, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person or intention. By doing so, he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention. To request a Mass intention, please visit or call the parish office.

Mass Intentions for next week

Date		Intention
17	Sat	Brett & Laura Blanchette - Personal Intentions
18	Sun	Joyce Forchuck and her surgical Team
		Heltman & Germshied Family Members - Living & deceased
19	Mon	Joyce Forchuck and her surgical Team
21	Wed	Thanksgiving to St. Antonio de Padua & St. Apolonia
22	Thu	Thanksgiving to Holy Trinity & St. Anthony
24	Sat	Chelsea & Thor Quaranta - Personal Intentions
25	Sun	Repose of the Soul of Marilyn Rhodes R.I.P.

In case of an emergency only - When the Office is Closed and you need to speak to a Priest

Please contact **Rev. Mathewkutty Kunnel** at **780.986.3253**

Sick? Shut-in?

Would you like to receive communion? Please call the office at 780-987-2858 to arrange communion, and/or to be put on our prayer list.