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**"Come follow me and I will make
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Mark 1:17

Parish Pastoral Team

Alison Coort / Office Administrator

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday / 9:30AM - 2:30PM

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Week of January 22nd – 28th
Tuesday, January 23th / 12:00 Noon
+Vic Masi
(Requested By: Rosemarie Bombier)
Wednesday, January 24th /
Exposition & Adoration / 11:00AM
Mass 12:00 Noon -
No Adoration or Mass
Thursday, January 25th / 9:00AM
No Mass
Friday, January 26th / 12:00 Noon
No Mass

Saturday, January 27th / 4:00PM
+Deceased Members of the Kalisinku Family
(Req. By: Anonymous)
Sunday, January 28th/ 9:00AM
+Joan & Tony Gottschalk
and +Peter Tomkin
(Req by: Judith Gottschalk)
Sunday, January 28th / 11:00AM
SI For the People of the Parish

Let us pray for those who have died especially Robert Bontotte and for those who have asked for our prayers ...

Jaymie Ward, Phillip Tomkin, Joe Hanrath, Bianca Laurie de Hernandez, Ron & Margaret Smith, Angela & Stephanie Braithwaite, Robert Foley, Ruth Anne Foley, John Dunbar, Doris Lane, Connie Gregory, Sharon & Ben Boivin, Timothy Pelyk, Pat Morra, Kirsten MacDonald, Marion Majkot, Peter Poustie, Pam and Don Mackenzie, Esther Phillips, Carole Ruttan, Kevin Phillips, Stephanie Jarvis, Ian Bruce, Mabelle Claer, Kristen Hackett, Janine Wright, Edward and Claire Hortensius, Anna Maria Ertler, and Mike and Loretta Pearson

Sunday Offertory
January 14, 2024 \$3,493.00
Thank you for your continued generosity.

THIS IS THE TIME OF FULFILLMENT!

The Gospel of this 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time launches us into the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus Christ with Jesus calling His followers to repent. Repent in this context means to change the direction of one’s life. And we see with clarity where Jesus is pointing us: Believe in the Gospel! The introduction of the kingdom of God is a time of fulfillment. There is a story about a man who went home drunk and took a shortcut through the town’s cemetery. Eventually, he fell into a newly dug grave and could not get out. After so many attempts to get out failed, he resigned himself to his fate and decided to sit it out until help arrived. While sitting on one side of the hole and getting accustomed to the darkness, a mud-soaked hand slowly rose behind him and firmly gripped his shoulder. In a flash, the terrified drunk was out of the hole and ran for his life. he didn’t realize that another drunk had fallen into the hole ahead of him and had fallen asleep.

How difficult and terrifying must it be to be trapped in a grave at night. But I believe that this is what life becomes for us when we live only for this world, when our realities lie only between the womb and the tomb. Life without transcending beyond birth and death is a trap... and darkness. Not to see a purpose, a goal, a meaning beyond this world, is like living in a dark grave. Not to see a purpose in serious illness, for instance, becomes insufferable. No wonder, even in rich countries, suicides and senseless killings are realities that demand explanations. Jesus has come to bring light into our troubled and dark world. Journeying with the Lord gives meaning and purpose to life. Living out his words transforms life to a richer and meaningful experience, which some sadly fail to encounter. Our Christian vocation and discipleship are basically two things: to be with Jesus for life and to bring others to Jesus so that their lives too can be enriched.

We are called to go on in life cherishing and nurturing our permanent relationship with Jesus. This is what it means to be a disciple of Jesus: to look for him in faith, to follow him to the very end, and to remain with him.

Fr. Dominick

Next Weekend Ministry Schedule - January 27th / 28th, 2024			
	4:00PM MASS	9:00AM MASS	11:00AM MASS
Lectors	Ron Downey	Judith Gottschalk	Bert Vanderhulst
EMC	Marguerite Goodfellow	Jo Anne Giesler	Diane Poling
Ushers	Marguerite Goodfellow Walter Gry	Mary Kudryk Al Kudryk Jerzy Lenart Krystyna Lenart	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix, Linda Lacroix
Counters	Tuesday, January 23, 2024	Wanda Roberts &	Bob Moore

St. Vincent de Paul / Thank you to all who donated to the SVDP Monthly Food Drive. Through your generous donations we received 285 pounds of food. Thank you again for your generosity.

Hot Lunch Program / In order to keep this program running, we need your financial support. Our Parish volunteers **serve 35 to 40 people every week.** Any monetary donations are greatly appreciated. You may use the Poor Box at the entrance of the church, or any envelope designated as Hot Lunch. Again, thank you for making this possible!
2024 Offertory Envelopes / For the first few weeks, please enter your name and address on the envelopes to help ensure we have the correct information on file.

Parish Nurse News / The clinic will be on **Tuesdays** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 pm. in the Knights of Columbus room in the Parish Hall. If you would like to see me, I will check your blood pressure, review your medication, discuss chronic disease management, discuss pain management, review your lab and x-ray results, discuss matters of mental health concerns, or any other issues that may be on your mind. I can also help you with your knitting! Please take advantage of this clinic, it is a ministry offered here at St. Mary’s.

The ***“Let’s Get Physical” Exercise Class*** has resumed on **Wednesdays**, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All are welcome, there is no charge for these classes. We will concentrate on gaining Strength and Balance using a Yoga based program. Please dress comfortably and bring a yoga mat.

The members of St. Vincent de Paul Society in our parish thank you for your continued and gracious donations to the Food Bank.

Nothing is ever too small or too little.

Peace, Good Will, and Thank you!

SVDP SOCIETY

Hotline:

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In advance, we thank you for whatever you have been able to share with us in the way of monetary donations. The money we collect from you, helps us to buy some perishable food items that we are able to add to their food hampers. Those coming to our food bank receive not only food, but kindness and the encouragement to remain hopeful. *Shalom*

Parish Group Meetings /Events		
Tuesdays	11:30AM -1:00 PM	Parish Nurse Available / Knights of Columbus Room
Tuesdays	12:00 PM - 1:00PM	Hot Lunch / Parish Hall
Wednesdays	9:30 AM	Gentle Exercise Class / Parish Hall
Wednesdays	6:00 PM	Choir Practice / Choir Loft
Thursdays	6:00 PM	Huntsville Community Band Practice / Parish Hall
Sunday	January 21st	RCIA / Parish Hall / 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday	January 23rd	CWL Executive Meeting / Sacristy /3:00 p.m.
Saturday	January 27th	First Reconciliation Class / Parish Hall / 2:45 p.m.