

"Follow Me."

St. John the Baptist Parish
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – "B"
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January 21, 2024
101st year of service

Events for the week:

Sun., 1/21/24 – III Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention for:
+Michael & Sophia Stetts, Edmund & Marcia Hessert, of. by Children/Siblings.

Mon., 1/22/24 – *Weekday*

9:00AM – Holy Mass for Christian Unity

Thu., 1/25/24 – Feast – Conversion of St. Paul – *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends*

9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

Next Sunday, January 28: Septuagesima Sunday – Pre-Lent I – Music Scholarship Sunday

10:00AM – Holy Mass, intention for:
+John Michael Stabinsky.

Jesus calls us each day to follow Him and to seek the kingdom of God. Each day gives us a new opportunity to follow Christ.

I Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

II Reading: I Corinthians 7:19-31

GOSPEL: Mark 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There He proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' He said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As He was walking along by the Sea of Galilee He saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed Him. Going on a little further, He saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after Him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special **Thanks** go out to: Organist, Mrs. Janina for cleaning and decorating the church, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.

Thank you very much to everyone for removing Christmas decorations from the church.

Thank you very much to **Mr. Kenneth Payne** who took care of the snow removal from our parking lot!



Collection for the Music Scholarship Program.

Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Jan. 28: +John Michael Stabinsky; Feb. 4: +James Dean; Feb. 11: +John David's family.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for: Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky – Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause – Shawn Matz. *H & R Center Tremont:* Dolores Halaburda. *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen.

Upcoming events:

- January 28 – Music Scholarship Sunday
- February 14 – **Ash Wednesday**
- March 3 – Annual Parish Meeting.
- March 10 – Solemnity: Institution of the PNCC (127th Anniversary).
- March 24 – Palm Sunday.
- March 31 – Easter Sunday.

SNOW and ICE ALERT – During winter days, please remember that we do not cancel our Worship Services. In the case of unfavorable travel conditions, please make appropriate decisions about venturing forth.

In the case of freezing rain, please use the front porch to come to the rectory, if you need it (back porch stairs are “icy” all the time in this case).

“When you gain friends, gain them through testing, and do not be quick to trust them. For there are friends when it suits them, but they will not be around in time of trouble.” (Sirach 6:7-8)