

**2ND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**  
**JANUARY 14, 2024**

**MASS SONGS AND READINGS**

- \***Processional**—Gather Us In #471
- \***Readings**—#857 2nd Sunday Ordinary~Cycle B
- \***Offertory**—You Are the Healing #624
- \***Communion**—Draw Near #486
- \***Recessional**—Let There Be Peace on Earth #672

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,385.00
<b><u>Offering for January 7th</u></b>	<b>-\$1,623.00</b>
<b>Surplus for the week:</b>	<b>+\$ (238.00)</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS Offering in Budget:</b>	\$ 3,800.00
Actual Christmas Offering:	<u>- \$4,016.00</u>
Surplus for Christmas:	+\$(216.00)

**Times are tough, see what you can do**

**Restoration:** \$120 in collection

**Solemnity of Mary Collection:** \$115

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024 is \$72,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of January 7th- **\$40,833.25.**

*Mass Intentions*

**\*\*SUNDAY, January 14<sup>th</sup> – 4:30p.m.**  
 ~JoEll Lemenager by Eileen Ratliff  
 ~Jack Hanson by Rick & Beth Hanson  
 ~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey  
 ~Anita & Leland Lambert by Corky & Paula Miller  
 ~Hazen Arseneau by Julie Baker

**\*\*SUNDAY, January 21<sup>st</sup> – 4:30p.m.**  
 ~Virginia “Maggie” Ruda by the Bechely Family  
 ~Bob Arseneau by Eileen Ratliff

**\*\*SUNDAY, January 28<sup>th</sup> – 4:30p.m.**  
 ~Delmar & Mary Arseneau by Eileen Ratliff  
 ~Leo & Agatha Feller Family by Merle & Agatha Karns

**NEXT WEEK’S CO-MINISTERS FOR:**  
**SUNDAY, January 21st @ 4:30p.m.**

**READER:** Angie C  
**E.M.:** Webers  
**Ushers:** Tom & Delaney  
**Servers:** Gwaltney Family  
**Money Counters:** Sue & Joe

If you would like your end of the year tax letter for your donations given throughout the year, please let Ryan know.

If you purchased a poinsettia, please take it home if you would like it. They are in the back of church.

**CCW Meeting**  
**Sunday, January 28th after Mass.**  
**All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.**

**Please Pray For:**

**Intentions:** Sharon Hess, Keith Arseneau, Adaline Royster, Cynthia Chadwick, Santiago Bay, Dale Blanchette, Gary Cahoe, Carter Brutlag, Paisley Jackson, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Tina Gooding, Beverly & Ben Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Don Martell, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, Shirley Arseneau, Shirley Stelmasiak, & Special Intentions

**Our Departed:**

**Our Service Men & Women:**  
 \*PV 2 Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;  
 \*Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son of Angela Jones

*I SAID A  
Prayer  
FOR YOU  
today*

**\*Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**



# St. Mary's Message

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

The 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal is now underway. We are asking all parishioners to pledge their support to this important effort for our community of faith. This year's CMAA theme is For the Glory of God. Together, we help the poor and vulnerable, increase vocations and educate people of all ages, ethnicities, and abilities in the faith. This year St. Mary's goal is \$7,800, with 70% of any amount we raise over the goal is returned to us for our use. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

**ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP** will be meeting again on Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at the rectory from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00. We will be continuing our study of PRAYER. Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite rote prayer to share with the group. Remember—join us when you can, even if you can't make every gathering, we welcome you when you can.

Upcoming topics include:

Jan. 25            Imaginative Contemplation

If you are interested in joining us, contact Sr. Linda at 815-931-1425 or [lhatton@sscm-usa.org](mailto:lhatton@sscm-usa.org).

### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, please let the parish office know. Masses are \$10 each. You can pick what dates you would like the Mass to be given on. \*Please note that Masses are given for more than one person most of the time due to having only one Mass each week.

## Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Third Sunday Ordinary Time "B"

Mark 1:14-20

"Repent and believe in the Gospel!"

For what do I need to repent? In what do I need to believe?

What do I need to abandon to allow me to follow Jesus more completely?

How do I experience Jesus calling me to follow him as he called Peter, Andrew, James, & John to follow him?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, at the beautiful Sea of Galilee you called these first of your followers to put you at the center of their lives. Open my ears to hear your call to me and open my heart to respond to that call as fully as did your first disciples. Amen!

## Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

- ~That as Nineveh repented at the preaching of Jonah, all cities and towns may be converted from sin and toward God
- ~That Christ may make our faith in Him the strongest concern of our lives
- ~That in this final age, God may make his call clear and certain and give us strength to respond to Him as did Peter, Andrew, & John
- ~That the Church throughout the world may know the unity that only Christ can bring
- ~That those who are confused, afraid, hesitant, or uncertain may be strengthened in Christ
- ~That prayers brought by our parishioners in faith before the Lord, may win a hearing before God
- ~That those who have died may leave this present world, which is passing away and rest with Jesus through eternity

Let Us Pray to the Lord

# Upcoming Events

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2024 PROGRAMS

- ◆ Scripture & Faith Sharing Held at One Heart, One Soul on Thursday, January 11th & February 8th from 9-10:30 a.m. Presenter is Susan Amann, Director of Spiritual Ministry. Cost is a Free Will Donation.
- ◆ Reviving Our Love of the Eucharist, via Zoom on Wednesdays, January 17th & 31st, February 14th & 28th from 6:30-8pm; Presenter is Sr. Linda Hatton, SSCM. Cost is \$35 for the series

Registrations cannot be confirmed until payment is received in full.

Checks may be mailed to: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary  
Attn: Susan Amann  
2041 W. State Route  
113 Kankakee IL 60901

Please make checks payable to Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, [www.sscm-usa.org](http://www.sscm-usa.org), call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary ([sscm-usa.org](http://sscm-usa.org))

## Martinton Community Food Pantry

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. **Please continue to bring in food donations.** They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

**New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours**

### Items Needed at the Pantry:

Personal Hygiene Products-lotion, soap, wipes,	
Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, combs, brushes	
Cleaning Supplies	Laundry Detergent
Paper Towels	Toilet Paper