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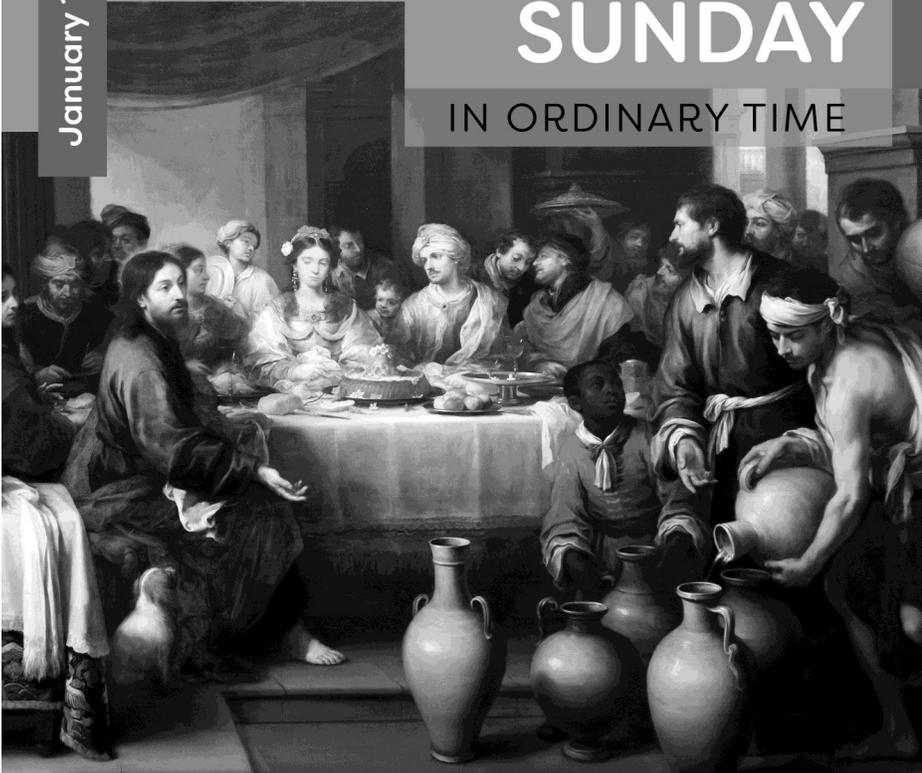
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## Second SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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JOHN 2:5

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### Organizations / Activities

**Vincent's Community Outreach (VCO)**  
**Teresa Corby** — After School Program

**Paul Freeman** — Liturgy Committee

**Let's Start: 314-241-2324**

**W**e, the people of Saint Vincent DePaul Parish in the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, Missouri, are committed to following Jesus Christ, Evangelizer of the poor. We do this through:

- ◆ Eucharistic centered worship and continued spiritual formation.
- ◆ Service to the poor and oppressed.
- ◆ Preaching the Gospel by word and action in an ecumenical spirit.



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## BROKEN SILENCE

"For Pete's sake will you kids be quiet?" This question, no doubt, has passed the lips of numerous parents through the years. It's tempting to speculate as to who, exactly, was instructing Isaiah to be quiet. Neighbors? Fellow prophets? Family? No matter. Isaiah says firmly that for the sake of Jerusalem and Zion he will not be silent. Conversely, in the familiar passage in today's Gospel reading, Mary chides her son to break his silence, to save the wedding soon to run out of wine. Jesus responds with a prophetic action, one that signals the miraculous, bountiful joy flowing at the heavenly wedding feast. Prophetic words, prophetic deeds—both flow from a broken silence.

## PROBLEM CHILDREN

The Corinthians seem to have been Paul's problem children. His two letters to them are much longer than any of his other letters—two, three, or four times as long as some. It seems that if the early Christians at Corinth could misunderstand or do something wrong, they would. Fortunately for us, the two letters to the Corinthians, though they contain much didactic or instructional material, also provide some of Paul's most well-crafted and grace-filled writing. This is certainly true today, with Paul's litany of gifts that the Spirit bestows on the faithful, even to this day. Paul seeks to calm the squabbling that seems to have been going on, as the Corinthians tried to claim one gift or another as more important. All gifts come from the same Spirit, Paul reminds them; and the various gifts are given for the benefit of the community. When jealousy arises in our midst today, we can still turn to Paul's insights so we might stop being prideful, problem children.

## WONDROUS CHILD

In the Gospel scene at Cana, we see Mary turning to her own child, Jesus. Perhaps she recalled the power of the Spirit that had flowed in her womb at his Incarnation, leading her to discern that surely he must have Spirit-given gifts that could help with the impending crisis at the wedding. As at her Annunciation, she may not have been completely certain, at first, exactly how this would come about, but in faith at Cana she turned to Jesus. In faith, her words, "do whatever he tells you," echoed her reply to Gabriel: "Let it be done to me as you say." In faith, she knows whatever words the Word will speak are bound to bring another inbreaking of the Spirit, another manifestation of God's reign. And she is right. Her wondrous child, John the Evangelist tells us, performed his first wonder there, and signaled the presence of the divine in the everyday.

## TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 62:1–5  
Psalm 96:1–2, 2–3, 7–8, 9–10  
1 Corinthians 12:4–11  
John 2:1–11

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“Charity is the cement which binds communities to God and persons to one another.”



— *St. Vincent De Paul*



For more information on our Outreach Services, please visit our non-profit, Vincent's Community Outreach (VCO):

**VCO-STL.ORG**

## Mass Schedule:

**Mon-Fri: 12:05pm**  
**Saturday: 4:30pm**  
**Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am**  
**Holidays: 9:00am**

**Masks are required before entering the Church**  
We will continue live-streaming of the 9:00a Mass available on our website for your convenience, should you choose to stay home:



**WWW.STVSTL.ORG**

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

**8:30AM - 4:30PM**  
**Monday - Friday, Sat (9a-4p)**

## REVELATION OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Today's first reading from Isaiah arises out of the ordeal of the people of Jerusalem and Judea as they anticipate the end of seventy years of exile in Babylon. Their sufferings and their oppression will end, and they are promised joy like that of a great wedding upon returning to their homeland. Although this passage is probably set in the early sixth century B.C., it is free of historical particulars. Accordingly, the Church has understood its imagery universally, as it proclaims God's promise of healing, hope, and happiness for all peoples, in this world and in the next. When read against this background, the story of Jesus' turning water into wine at the wedding at Cana becomes a revelation of God's presence in the person of Jesus, making these promises real for us in the here and now, in the transformation of our own lives.

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,  
who govern all things,  
both in heaven and on earth,  
mercifully hear the pleading of your people  
and bestow your peace on our times.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

## Reflection question:

What can I do to help to bring about God's peace?

## YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

## THE EXISTENCE OF GOD

No one who understands the reality that God is can think that God does not exist.

**Nations shall behold your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory.**

— *Isaiah 62:*

**PRAY FOR  
THE SICK**



**We pray for all  
who are sick and  
their caregivers:**

Tom Murphy  
Robert Flick  
Sharon Ryan  
Marian Junge  
Dianna Wozniak  
Bob Rauscher, Jr.  
Charles Sims  
Elisabeth Boone  
Belinda Milton  
Barb Thomas  
Deidre Cason  
Dan Murphy  
Jane Lammers  
Karen Howard

Mary Horridge  
Miguel Quesada  
Pat Brennan  
Josie Carter  
Nathaniel Harris  
Parker Jackson & Family  
John Edler  
John Pearcy  
Kathy Klinge  
Chris Kerlick  
Tom McCleery  
Ronnie Williams  
Don Karp  
Beth Karp

**\*\*NEW GUIDELINES RE. PRAYER LIST:\*\***

Pursuant to new guidelines set forth by the Archdiocese in accordance with HIPPA, we may only honor requests by parishioners or immediate family for the Bulletin Prayer List. Names will only appear for a 30 day period. Thank you.

**Please pray for the following residents  
in nursing homes:**

Mary Leimkuehler & Patricia Dannenberger



**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**Saturday, Jan 15**

10:00a Covid Patients

**Sunday, Jan 16**

9:00a Peace in our World

11:00a Racial Injustice

**Monday, Jan 17**

12:05p Joe & Harriett Cox

**Tuesday, Jan 18**

12:05p Our Parishioners

**Wednesday, Jan 19**

12:05p All Volunteers

**Thursday, Jan 20**

12:05p Single Mothers

**Friday, Jan 21**

12:05p Meals guests

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Jan 15 Julann Dale  
Jan 15 Tiffani Hicks  
Jan 15 Brent Kaniecki  
Jan 16 Robert Kocher  
Jan 17 Natalie Cox  
Jan 17 Juliette Freivogel  
Jan 17 Elaine Martin  
Jan 17 Calli Moske  
Jan 17 Elena Shepherd  
Jan 17 Stephanie Turek  
Jan 18 Hillary Kaniecki  
Jan 18 Terry Sansoucie  
Jan 18 Norman Stanard  
Jan 19 Dalana Graves  
Jan 19 Robbie Kessel  
Jan 19 Jack Linhares  
Jan 19 Kristen Shipp  
Jan 19 Patrick Werner  
Jan 20 Molly Burton  
Jan 20 Joseph Green  
Jan 20 Marian Wolaver  
Jan 21 Tricia Adams  
Jan 21 Michael Todt

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

Jan 15 Al & Ellen Marshall 56 yrs  
Jan 21 Robert Zurfluh 55 yrs  
Jan 22 Thomas & Juliette Freivogel 50 yrs



*"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.  
But the greatest of these is love. 1 Corinthians 13:13."*



The Parish office will be **CLOSED** on  
**Monday, Jan 17th** in observance of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

*Thank you!*



## **What did Pope Francis Say?** **Vatican City**

Let us reflect on an important point: at the moment in which Jesus receives Baptism, the text says that he “was praying”. It is good for us to contemplate this: Jesus prays. But why? He, the Lord, the Son of God, prays like us? Yes, Jesus – the Gospels repeat this many times – spends a lot of time in prayer: at the beginning of every day, often at night, before making important decisions... His prayer is a dialogue, a relationship with the Father. Thus, we can see the “two moments” in the life of Jesus: on the one hand, he descends towards us into the waters of the Jordan; on the other, he raises his eyes and his heart, praying to the Father.

It is a tremendous lesson for us: we are all immersed in the problems of life and in many complicated situations, called upon to face difficult moments and choices that get us down. But, if we do not want to be crushed, we need to raise everything upwards. And this is exactly what prayer does. It is not an escape route; prayer is not a magic ritual or a repetition of memorized jingles. No. Prayer is the way we allow God to act in us, to understand what he wants to communicate to us even in the most difficult situations, prayer is having the strength to go forward. Many people feel they can't go on, and pray: “Lord, give me the strength to continue”. We too, very often, have done this. Prayer helps us because it unites us to God, it opens us up to encountering him. Yes, prayer is the key that opens our heart to the Lord. It is dialoguing with God, it is listening to his Word, it is worshipping: remaining in silence, entrusting to him what we are experiencing. And at times it is also crying out with him like Job, other times it is venting with Him. He is the father, He understands well. He never gets angry with us.

Prayer — “opens the heavens”; it gives life oxygen, a breath of fresh air amidst life's troubles and allows us to see things from a broader perspective. Let us ask ourselves: how is my prayer going? Do I pray out of habit, do I pray unwillingly, just reciting formulas, or is my prayer an encounter with God? I, a sinner, always with the people of God, never isolated? Do I cultivate intimacy with God, dialogue with Him, listen to his Word? Among the many things we do each day, let us not neglect prayer: let us dedicate time to it, let us use short invocations to be repeated often, let us read the Gospel every day. The prayer that opens the heavens.



St. Frances  
**CABRINI**  
ACADEMY  
Many Cultures. One Family.

Enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year at St. Frances Cabrini Academy will begin on **Sunday, January 30th**. Please invite new families to join us at our Open House between **10:00am - 1:00pm**.

**“Critical Race Theory”** online presentation by Heather Fleming, Author and Founder of In Purpose Educational Services and the Missouri Equity Education Partnership

**Weds, January 26th**

**6:00pm**

Online ZOOM meeting

**Meeting ID: 863 8308 2835**

**Passcode: 752879**

Parish Monthly Giving Report		
	Month of December, 2021	July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021
Actual Offertory Giving	\$ 131,407	\$ 300,695
Budgeted Offertory Giving	\$ 115,850	\$ 263,200
Actual Over (Under) Budget	\$ 15,557	\$ 37,495

The above amounts include Parishioner Offerings received at Mass, through electronic giving, or received via mail.

The above does not include income generated from fund raising events or from other sources.



## SUDS OF LOVE

Soulard Laundromat

**Thurs, Jan 27th**

10:00am - 1:00pm

&

**Thurs, Feb 10th**

3:30 - 6:30pm

## Social Ministry



### December Outreach :

**Lunches:** 1,548 lunches

**Meals:** 591 dinners (4 days less this month)

**Suds of Love:** 190 loads of laundry, \$634 spent

**Food Pantry:** 740 families, 1,578 individuals

**Utility Assistance:** \$1,362 in assistance

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ⇒ **Coffee & Donuts:** is temporarily on hold until we can safely host people indoors without a mask again. Until then, we can not have anyone congregating in the Hall. We hope to resume this in early 2022.
- ⇒ **Rummage Sale:** We are temporarily holding off on re-starting our *Ladies of Charity* Rummage Sale until we can safely open our doors to the Public again. We will keep you posted as soon as we have information.
- ⇒ **Senior Bingo:** *The Ladies of Charity* will not be hosting Senior Bingo again until we can safely be together again. We will let us know as soon as we have a date.
- ⇒ **Volunteer Update:** If you would like to volunteer for our lunch window or Meals program, please contact Pat Poehling, (*Volunteer Coordinator*) with questions or to sign up.  
**Email:** [m spat@stvstl.org](mailto:m spat@stvstl.org) **Phone:** (314) 231-9328.

## *What's new in 2022?*

- ⇒ Many of you have been asking when are things going to go back to “normal” at St. Vincent’s? We keep asking that ourselves....but your safety is still our number one priority. We are still following city guidelines and will continue to make decisions based on what is best for our Staff, volunteers, and guests that we serve. We realize this has been a long road and we are all anxious to have things return to normal again, but we are still on a “wait and see” basis. As we get updates from the CDC, we will make decisions based on that as well as local numbers in our area. We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this trying time, as so much is still unknown and up in the air. We promise to keep you posted as things progress. In the meantime, please let us know if you have any questions, concerns, or would like to hear from us or need special prayers or sacrament requests. You can email: [mail@stvstl.org](mailto:mail@stvstl.org)

## Information Sheet

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