

**MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF 1/15/2017**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY MASS IN THE CHURCH AT 10 AM**

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**PRO LIFE CORNER - Three Key Themes**

This week our nation honors the dream of equal human rights articulated by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On January 22, we also mark the anniversary of the most egregious violation of human rights through the Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade, which permitted the killing of children in the womb. During these days, Christians also observe the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. These three themes intersect powerfully. We pray that Christians will unite in effective service to all who are deprived of their rights, and bring about a Culture of Life, Justice, and Love.

**REFLECTION** - In today's Gospel, when John the Baptist spies on Jesus, he gives a provocative hint about who Jesus is and what sort of mission he will accomplish in his life. He says, "Behold, the Lamb of God." I couldn't be flattered if someone called me a lamb – a timid animal that others use for food and Pendleton shirts. In Jesus's time however, the lamb evokes much more than wool and a meal. For Jewish people the lamb has a various role – a one - year old male takes the place of the people. They put all their sins on that small animal's back, lead him to table or altar and open the main artery of his neck. His blood flows over the table washing away misdeeds. So today we get a hint, a glimpse about how the story ends, the wedding banquet of the lamb. Amazingly we have an experience of that banquet even now. In a few minutes I will make an invitation like we heard in the Gospel: "Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world." And I add, "Blessed are those (you and I) called to the Supper of the Lamb." Our humble and prompt answer will follow; "Nobody is worthy to receive him in his/her life but through his eternal word we shall all be saved." Amen. - *Rev. Caroli Shao, AJ*

**SAVE THE DATE!** The West Shore Chorale will be performing for us at St. Stephen Catholic Church on Sunday, February 26, 2017 @ 3 PM. This concert is free but a freewill offering will be taken to benefit the Church. More details to follow...

**CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES** – 2017 children's envelopes are available on the back tables. Please feel free to take a box for your child(ren). This is a great educational tool.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

As soon as Christmas ends, people begin planning for Easter! Originally, the source of our Paschal Triduum was but a single liturgy extending from Saturday sundown to sunrise on Easter Sunday. The two days leading up to the liturgy were days of fast, not only for the elect, but for the church preparing to baptize them. A fifth-century pope explained that the church imitated the apostles, who were in hiding with their grief from the arrest of Jesus, and therefore sacraments, even penance, were forbidden.

Inevitably, though, people wanted to come together, and so eventually a Liturgy of the Word developed for Good Friday. This was the first step toward today's shape of the Triduum, and gradually new ideas were embraced, including the veneration of the cross and a simple Communion service. Interestingly, the Word remained central, since we know that in those days the pope did not receive Communion at this liturgy, even though the faithful had that option. In the other churches of Rome, priests and people received Communion under both species. Although the custom of Communion on Good Friday took hold, it did not endure past the Middle Ages. The central liturgies of the year slowly unraveled and disappeared from parish life. Remember that there were no seminaries in those days, and books were a rare luxury. Most priests could only manage to celebrate a simple "low" Mass, and few parishes could afford the ritual books that would guide a priest through the complex forms. Holy Week remained important in private devotion, but for a time the liturgies virtually disappeared.

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**REGISTERING IN THE PARISH IS IMPORTANT**

Often, there is a request from a person, asked to be a godparent, to issue a letter stating they are a registered and participating member of our parish. Requests for marriage preparation, family counseling, sacramental preparation and anointing are frequent. Registration is a place to begin. Our census numbers play a role for the Diocese, too. If we do not have people registered but simply attending, it could affect our future! Adult children should register on their own even if living with their parents. If you have been away for a while, confirm you are still registered or if you would like a 2016 tax statement please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633.

*Please say a prayer today for someone on our Prayer List.*

**CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

<b>MASS TIME:</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
January 14 & 15	Rev. Franz	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. C. Shao
January 21 & 22	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. Franz	Rev. B. Koka
All Sundays at 9:30 AM: Rev. Bede Kotlinski			

**January 7 & 8**

General Collection: \$3,327. Children's: (2) \$2.00  
 Issued: 221 Returned: 81  
 Community Food Pantry: \$768. Christmas Flowers: \$388.  
 Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 15, 2017

Please pray for the following:

Edwin Moore	Cesare Chiaradonna	Burley Blankenship
Margaret Clarke	Patricia Burfield	Noel Walters
Victoria Bailey	Anne Marie Kufner	Rose Marie Soeder
Wanda Eland	Sally Ann Gaghan	James Mazurkewicz
Agnes Hogan	Rosemary Shannon	Judith Kenny
William J. Patronite		

For All Safety and Military Personnel

If you would like someone added to this prayer list please call  
The Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES <u>January 14 &amp; 15</u>			
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Steve McElroy	Barbara Rieth	Glenn Sneed
Euch.Min:	Steve McElroy	John Rieth	Diane & Paul Beargie
Acolytes:	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	Erin & Augie

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES <u>January 21 &amp; 22</u>			
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Steve McElroy	Barbara Rieth	Russell Nieling
Euch.Min:	Candra Krisch	John Rieth	Diane & Paul Beargie
Acolytes:	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	Erin & Augie

### SAINTS/OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 01/15 (o) = Optional

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Tuesday: St. Anthony  
Wednesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins  
Thursday: Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)  
Friday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian  
Saturday: St. Agnes

### READ THE BIBLE WITH THE CHURCH (Daily Mass Readings)

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22  
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c;  
Mk 2:23-28  
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6  
Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12  
Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19  
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;  
Mk 3:20-21  
Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;  
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

### CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY, JANUARY 14-15, 2017

The Catholic University of America is the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. This weekend we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Your support will enable Catholic University to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation. Thank you, we appreciate your generosity.

**National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day** is a day of action throughout the United States on April 21, 2017. For more info visit #NPLTD17 or <http://www.all.org/store/pro-life-apparel/> or <http://www.choice42.com/get-involved/>

## THIS WEEK'S CHURCH SERVICES

### Saturday, January 14, Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)  
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
† Maria Lourdes Becerra

### Sunday, January 15, Church Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)  
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany)  
† Chrisann Blankenship

11:00 AM Alumni Sunday Mass  
† Maria Lourdes Becerra

### Monday, January 16, Church

10 AM MLK Day.. The Members of the Parish

6:30 PM Latin Mass (St. Marcellus I, Pope & Martyr)  
The Intentions of Edwin Moore

### Tuesday, January 17

7:00 AM (Church) Latin Mass (St. Anthony, Abbot)  
† Matt Dotson

6:30 PM (Chapel) The Members of the Parish

### Wednesday, January 18, (Church)

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Feria)  
The Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

### 7.- 8 PM Holy Hour.

### Thursday, January 19, (Church)

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Feria) † Bob Sereby

### Friday, January 20, (Chapel)

6:30 PM.. The Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

### Saturday, January 21, Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)  
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
† † Madeline T. & Roland M. Sittley

### Sunday, January 22, Church

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:00 AM The Living and Deceased Members of the Parish

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)  
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass  
(3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany)  
† Patricia Schneider

11:00 AM Sunday Mass  
† John McGuire

Call the office at 216.631.5633 to schedule a Mass Intention.  
The customary stipend (offering) for a Mass is \$10.