

St. John Vianney Church

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



This week's Gospel is found in the book of Matthew 5:13-16

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

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Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM All Are Welcome

Reconciliation: 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Feb 05 8:00 AM	For: Rhea Dwyer For:	By: Dave & Deb Dobbels By:
Feb 12 8:00 AM	For: Orville Ossian For:	By: Carolyn Ossian By:
Feb 19 8:00 AM	For: Maxine Swanson For: Fred DeSplinter	By: Marv & Mary Kay Newman By: Theresa DeSplinter & Family
Feb 22 5:00 PM Ash Wednesday	For: Carolyn Ossian For:	By: George & Mary Bowman By:

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for February 5 - 22, 2023	
Feb 05 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Bill Taylor Lector: Ron Koenigs
Feb 12 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Chris DeKezel & Mary Kay Newman Lector: Lorrie Stiles
Feb 19 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Don & Sharon Hulin Lector: Trent Taber
Feb 22 5:00 PM Ash Wednesday	Extra Min: Joe Borkgren & Barb Montgomery Lector: Bill Taylor
USHERS	
Feb: George Bowman & Mark Skelton Mar: Brian Boberg & Dale Stiles	
COUNTERS	
Feb: Bill Taylor & Richard Nichols Mar: Joe Borkgren & Ron Koenigs	
<i>Week Day Masses:</i> Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday & Thursday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday	

For Prayer Chain requests contact:

Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627

Dates to Remember:

Feb 12: Coffee Hour after Mass
Feb 22: Ash Wednesday Mass 5 pm
Feb 23: A&R Meeting 7pm
Feb 26: Men's Breakfast after Mass

Our Mission Statement

St. John Vianney Parish's mission is to share the Word of God and to live His message of faith, love and forgiveness.

Our Vision Statement

We welcome all to share their time, talent and treasures to provide a deep and abiding understanding of God's Word.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Jim Dobbels, Tom Montgomery, Ryan Thrasher, Rose Mary Franck, & Mary Lou Robinson. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.



ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Before going into the hospital, please call Fr. John Zilimu at 309-852-4549 Ext 106. If you are admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr. John anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic. They will arrange for the designated chaplain to anoint you and will notify Fr. John.

Have a Heart for the Homeless Luncheon

Saturday, Feb 11th 12 to 1 PM
Bally's Casino & Resort
777 Bally Rd, Rock Island, IL
See bulletin board for details
www.christiancareqc.org



Stations of the Cross

Beginning March 1st Stations of the Cross will be offered on Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. A meal will follow in the church hall. Please join us for prayer, food & fellowship.



Trivia Question (answer on last page)

In Matthew 5 what did Jesus say cannot be hidden?
a) the light b) one's sins c) a city on a hill
d) one's good deeds



Last Week's Gifts to God

\$2,680.50 Sunday Total
\$470.00 Building Fund is included in the above amount.

BUILDING FUND: To make a donation towards the upcoming project to repair or replace the parking lot, please mark your weekly envelope "Building Fund".

Coffee Hour Next Sunday

February 12th after 8 AM Mass



SEND LOVE

Brighten the day of someone by sending them a Valentine! Let them know you are thinking of them. A revised list of some of our parishioners is at the entrances.



Attention all Men Young and Older!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, February 26th after Mass
Program presented by *Trent Taber*
"50 Ways to Make Your Old Ag Teacher Proud"
Sign up sheet on table at back of church.
Please sign up by Sunday, February 19th.



Our Pro-Life Lenten Project

During Lent this year our parish will be collecting baby layette items for Pregnancy Resources in Moline. More details to come!



"Faith is like a bright ray of sunlight. It enables us to see God in all things as well as all things in God." —St. Francis de Sales

A Prayer for Light

Lord with you there is no darkness. Bring your light and restoring presence to the dark places in our lives. Bring your hope to hearts that feel defeated. Bring your love and compassion to those in pain. May your light of hope shine before others. Help us be the light!



Amen



Today's readings are part pep talk and part marching orders for us as Christian stewards. They offer wonderfully clear guidance on what matters most to God in the way we prioritize our lives and the way He intends for us to use the gifts He has given us.

The first reading, from the prophet Isaiah, gives us very straightforward instructions: "Thus says the Lord: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own." The Lord gives no wiggle room here — care for our brothers and sisters in need is a "must do" for the Christian steward. Note, too, that these instructions require action — to share, to shelter, to clothe, and to hang in there with your family members, even the demanding ones.

But note, too, how generous our God is to us when we do these things. "Then your light shall break forth like the dawn and your wound shall quickly be healed... Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer... Then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday." Our gracious God commands us to place a high priority on serving the needs of others because He has created us for just this purpose. He knows that the more we give ourselves away, the more we will find ourselves — and "light shall rise" for us in the form of more of His grace in our lives and more of His joy and His peace in our hearts. This is the beauty of a stewardship way of life.

Our second reading, from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians, reassures us that we need not worry too much about our personal skill set in answering this call from the Lord to serve — for it is the Lord Himself who will act through us if we step forward in faith. Paul says of himself, and we can take his words to heart, "I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom... I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling... so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God." Our weakness is no obstacle for God — He uses even our weaknesses to show His glory if we simply cooperate with Him. This should be an encouragement for those moments when we don't feel qualified to do all that God is calling us to do.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, sends us out on our stewardship way with a bang as Jesus declares to us, His disciples, that we are the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world." But, He adds, salt no longer gives flavor if allowed to go stale, and light cannot bring its blessed brightness if left hidden. Therefore we must act! We must live our lives so that others will see the things that we do — the ways that we serve others, care for the vulnerable, prioritize our family relationships and, above all, our love for God — and then give Him glory. This is the stewardship way of life. Let's give it our all!

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Trivia Answer from pg. 3: c) -a city on a hill See Matthew 5:14

The Countdown is on! **42** days until Spring!

