

St. John Vianney Church

January 14, 2024
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA, Pastor

Fr. Chris Haake, Parochial Vicar

Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM Wednesday 5:30 PM

Reconciliation: Sunday 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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St John, The Apostle

Mass Sunday 5:00 PM

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St John, The Evangelist

Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Jan 14 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Jim Dobbels	By: Ron Koenigs
Jan 17 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Orville Ossian	By: The Parish
Jan 21 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Richard Nichols	By: Joe & Jolene O'Tool
Jan 24 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Carolyn Ossian	By: The Parish

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for January 14-January 24, 2024		
Sunday,	January 14	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Don & Sharon Hulin	
Lector:	Lorrie Stiles	
Wednesday,	January 17	5:30 PM
Lector & Server Volunteers		
Sunday,	January 21	8:00 AM
Extra Min:	Larry Lavin & Bill Taylor	
Lector:	Trent Taber	
Wednesday,	January 24	5:30 PM
Lector & Server Volunteers		
USHERS		
Jan:	Brian Boberg & Dale Stiles	
Feb:	Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen	
COUNTERS		
Jan:	Don & Sharon Hulin	
Feb:	Bill Taylor & Leslie Thrasher	

Other Weekday Masses:

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:

Jan 20: A New Beginning Retreat in Galva
Jan 21: Coffee hour in church hall
Jan 25: Blood Drive in hall 2-6 PM
Jan 31: Fr. John Zilimu's birthday

Last Week's Gifts to God



January 7, 2024

Collection: \$ 1300.00
Building Fund: \$ 410.00
Sunday Total: \$ 1,710.00

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Tom Montgomery, Ron Swanson, Mary Lou Robinson, Robert Franck & Judy Brockway Skelton. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.



2023 Contribution Statements

Please contact the parish secretary if you would like to have your year end statement mailed to you for tax purposes. 309-714-8278 stjohnvianney3@gmail.com



ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

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

Coffee Hour Postponed
until Sunday, January 21st
after 8 AM Mass.



Combined Bulletin Due to the publisher's deadline, any information you would like placed in the combined bulletin for January 28th will need to be submitted to your parish secretary by **Monday, January 15th.**

T-Shirts will be available for pick up today, January 14th, after Mass in the church hall. If you need to pick up your t-shirt after that date, feel free to contact Missy & Christian Jackson after Mass.

"A New Beginning Awaits" Retreat

St. John's Church in Galva
Saturday, January 20th - 9-11 AM
Free will lunch following—for reservations email: stjohngalva2gmail.com



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, January 25, 2024
2 to 6 PM
St John Vianney Church Hall
Contact: Don Hulin 937-2648

The Living Scripture Retreat

A Spiritual Journey for Healing after Abortion for anyone who may be suffering the effects of an abortion loss. Upcoming retreats are scheduled in Peoria Feb 9-11 & Oct 25-27. Pamphlets are at the doors.

Please take home your Christmas memorial flower today after Mass. They are located in the back of the church.



Ladies of the Parish

Thank you to everyone who helped make the 47 blankets, quilts and afghans. They were delivered in Peoria for the premie babies.



An Expression of Many Thanks

Fr. Ghislain and Fr. Haake would like to express their thanks to all those who remembered them with Christmas cards and gifts. They appreciated your kind generosity and wish you many blessings in the New Year.

Who was St. Peter's blood brother? a) Philip b) James
c) Andrew d) John

The Invitation

“Behold the Lamb of God.” It is with these words that St. John the Baptist introduces Jesus to two of his followers, who then in turn do indeed follow Jesus to learn more about Him. One of those followers is identified as Andrew, brother to St. Peter, and the other is presumed by historians to be St. John. Throughout his Gospel St. John, although he appears often, is never specifically named. But why did John the Baptist use that name in particular, “Lamb of God?” Lambs were sacrificed regularly, and it was believed that their blood in sacrifice was given for the sins of that day. Of course, the blood of Jesus was given for our sins, not just for a particular day but for all time. It is as if each Gospel presents a view of who Jesus is. You might say Matthew shows Him as the King of Kings. Mark presents Him as a Servant of God. Luke views Him as the Son of Man. And John illustrates Jesus as the Son of God. All together the Gospel writers give us a glimpse of the greatest Man who ever lived. This Man/God healed the sick, raised the dead, fed the hungry, and most importantly loved unconditionally. Jesus has cared for us like no other. No one has ever loved us like Jesus has.

In our First Reading from the Book of Samuel, we hear of how Samuel answered the call of God. His response has become the subject of numerous hymns and other writings. Twice Samuel says, “Here I am,” and then declares (once he is aware that it is God Who is speaking to him), “Speak, for your servant is listening.” One of the more popular hymns has as its refrain, “Here I am Lord; is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.” Just as the reading from 1 Samuel captures the essence of what our response to God’s call should be, this hymn does as well. Do we respond as definitely as Samuel does? That is what we are called to do.

In the Second Reading from St. Paul’s letter to the Corinthians, Paul confirms that we (as Samuel realized) are completely God’s. Paul indicates that just as the Church as a whole is a temple of the Holy Spirit, that is also true, especially in a spiritual sense, of each of us as Christians. We belong to God; our bodies belong to God, and not to ourselves. We are not our own for Christ has purchased us with the price of His sacrifice. It is human nature perhaps to take better care of something that does not belong to us. If our bodies belong to Jesus, we should not be idle with or wasteful with what belongs to Him. Our purpose is to respond to the Lord (as Samuel did) and to glorify God (“Therefore, glorify God in your body.”).

Today’s Gospel Reading affirms and confirms what we have heard in the first two readings. Jesus asks these first two disciples an important and logical question: “What are you looking for?” It is the same question He asks of all of us. For the answer, the Lord directed them, as He does us as well, to Himself – to live with Him, to “Come and... see.” Those disciples followed Him. They do this at the urging of John the Baptist. Their willingness to follow Jesus fulfills John the Baptist’s ministry. From our First Reading to our Second Reading to this Gospel we are all called to do the same. We are called to be Christ’s disciples. People come to faith in the Lord through invitation. Andrew invites and introduces his brother Simon Peter to Jesus. If we truly believe in the Lord, and wish to share that belief, we invite others to join with us. That is part of our calling.

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