

St. John Vianney Church

January 21, 2024
Third 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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Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Jan 21 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Richard Nichols	By: Deacon Joe & Jolene O'Tool
Jan 24 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Carolyn Ossian	By: The Parish
Jan 28 8:00 AM Sunday	For: Bernice Dietz	By: Bill & Rita Taylor
Jan 31 5:30 PM Wednesday	For: Orville Ossian	By: The Parish

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for January 21-January 31, 2024		
Sunday, Extra Min: Lector:	January 21 Larry Lavin & Bill Taylor Trent Taber	8:00 AM
Wednesday, Lector & Server	January 24 Volunteers	5:30 PM
Sunday, Extra Min: Lector:	January 28 Brian & Julie Dwyer Bill Taylor	8:00 AM
Wednesday, Lector & Server	January 31 Volunteers	5:30 PM
USHERS		
Jan: Feb:	Brian Boberg & Dale Stiles Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen	
COUNTERS		
Jan: Feb:	Don & Sharon Hulin 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:

Today: Coffee hour after Mass

Jan 25: Blood Drive in hall 2-6 PM

Jan 31: Fr. John Zilimu's birthday

Feb 14: Ash Wednesday

Feb 18: Men's Breakfast after Mass

Last Week's Gifts to God



January 14, 2024

Collection: **Mass Canceled**

Building Fund:

Sunday Total: \$0.00

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 Today!

after the 8 AM Mass. Come join us for food & fellowship!



T-Shirts will be available for pick up today, January 21st, 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.

Wish Fr. John a Happy Birthday on Jan 31st.

His mailing address is:
Fr. Johndamaseni Zilimu
St. Matthew Catholic Church
1303 Lincolnshire Dr
Champaign IL 61821



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, January 25, 2024
2 to 6 PM

St John Vianney Church Hall
Contact: Don Hulin 937-2648

Attention all Men Young & Older!

Men's Breakfast

Sunday, Feb 18th in church hall following 8 AM Mass



59 Days Until Spring!

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.

Fisher of Men Prayer

Help me to be a fisher of men, sharing your love and truth with those around me who do not yet know you. May my life be a testimony to your grace and may others come to know you through my actions and words. Help me to follow you with all my heart and to live out your teachings in my daily life. Thank you, Lord, for your faithfulness and your endless grace. I pray all these things in Jesus' name. Amen



Trivia Question (answer on last page)

Which two apostles are known as patron saints of fishermen: a) James & John b) Andrew & Peter c) Philip & Matthew d) Thomas & Nathaniel

Repent and Renew

Our readings today call us to be decisive in our faith. God calls us as stewards to repent and renew our commitment to Him each day.

In our First Reading, God instructs the prophet Jonah to travel through the city of Nineveh and warns the people that the city would be destroyed due to their evil ways. When the people of Nineveh heard this, they declared a fast in repentance. The Lord saw this and had compassion for them. Every moment is an opportunity to either grow closer to God or further away from Him. We can identify with the people of Nineveh when we recognize that our actions are not drawing us closer to God. We may be attached to certain sins or living in complacency — over time, that can weaken our commitment to the Lord and sever the relationship we have with Him. When we become aware of our weaknesses, it should not cause us to despair. Instead, it should call us to act quickly as the people of Nineveh did. Jonah had been gone only a single day's walk before the people repented. We, too, should go no more than a single day without acknowledging our offenses towards God and renewing our commitment to Him with greater conviction. God wants to be compassionate towards us, but we must be willing to recognize our need to repent.

Our Gospel today shares Mark's account of Jesus calling His first disciples. In his account, Jesus approaches Simon and Andrew, and later, James and John. These four men were fishermen, casting their nets. Jesus states, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." In both instances, the men immediately abandoned what was before them and followed Christ. Imagine if Simon and Andrew looked at their Savior and said, "Thanks for the offer, but we will finish up fishing and meet you later." That is no way a disciple should respond to Christ's call. Yet, that is how we often respond to Jesus' offer to us, "Come after me." We can easily fall into the misconception that we have plenty of time to live active discipleship. We rationalize that we will eventually get around to deepening our commitment to prayer when we have time, even though we have been wanting to do so for months. We can justify that we are too busy right now to make time to go to confession regularly, but tell ourselves we will do it soon once our schedules ease up. But as faithful stewards of our time, we must change our ways and immediately follow Christ more intentionally, because Christ is calling us to act now, just like the first disciples did. These men became members of Jesus' 12 apostles. They surrendered their entire lives to follow Christ. They left their jobs, homes, and families, devoting their lives to God's work. We, too, are called to surrender our lives to the Lord so that He may work through us. We might think, "God isn't calling me." But indeed, He is. Just as He called four ordinary fishermen, He is continuously calling each one of us. Renewing and reevaluating what God might be asking of us throughout our lives is a key component of our stewardship journey.

As we settle into this New Year, let us ponder the ways we can repent and renew our commitment to God. Let us ask ourselves, what are we casting our nets for? And are we willing to leave it behind for something much greater? If not now, when?

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