

Baptism of the Lord

January 15, 2023 | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
"John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said,"

My Dear Friends in Christ,

We started the liturgical season of ordinary time last Tuesday. When I read the Gospel, the image of Jesus coming to John the Baptist stuck in my mind. What did Jesus say to John? How long did they talk? After this, in what ways did John's life change? I know these are too many questions, but it was a very nice moment in my life to think about this when a new week is going to start.

I told you many times that ordinary time is the biggest season in our liturgical calendar. However, I was looking at the term ordinary, and I found that in English it most often means something that is not special or distinctive. Many people think that ordinary time refers to parts of the calendar of the Catholic Church that are unimportant.

When I was reflecting on this term, I found that ordinary comes from the Latin word ordinalis, which refers to a number in a series, and stems from the Latin word ordo, from which we get the English word order. So, when we see our calendar, we understand that we follow life's order. We live our lives in a routine that shows us order. We are not always feasting as in the Christmas and Easter seasons, or sad and regretful thinking about the bad things we did as in Advent and Lent. Instead, we live our lives in a routine that helps us to understand that we are going to a different life in the kingdom of Jesus.

In the first reading from the prophet Isaiah, we heard, "The LORD said to me: You are my servant, Israel, through whom I show my glory." When I reflect on this phrase, I feel that God has chosen me to tell the world that God is a wonderful God who only wants the best for me and the world. I can trust in this God and feel His power, but when difficult circumstances may cause me to doubt, these are special moments when I need to look back and remember who Jesus is. Jesus showed us that the more powerful moments in his life were touched by ordinary people and ordinary circumstances. Jesus did not seem to be the kind of Messiah that people were waiting for. I heard beautiful words about Jesus, "Jesus never responded to the people who needed him. He only responded to people who reached Him. Pain does not create change; Pain creates a passion for change. When people do not hurt badly enough, they do not pursue change."

So, this week, I invite you to look at this ordinary time as an excellent opportunity to see Jesus in the ordinary, find Him, and talk to people about your everyday experience. Remember, Jesus wants to speak to you as He did with John the Baptist! Are you going to pay attention?

— Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez

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Mission Statement

"We are a welcoming spiritual home
that provides community and personal growth
through liturgy, evangelization, the Word of
God and a call to His service."

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SJSR Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM St. Joseph

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday 11:00 AM St. Raphael
 Thursday, Friday 11:00 AM St. Joseph
 Saturday 4:00 PM St. Joseph
 Saturday 6:30 PM St. Raphael
 Sunday 9:00 AM St. Raphael
 Sunday 11:00 AM St. Joseph

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:30 PM St. Joseph
 Sunday 8:30 AM St. Raphael
*May also be offered during Adoration
 or by appointment*

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents interested in having their children baptized
 need to contact the pastor for further information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those seeking this sacrament are required to contact
 the pastor at least six months in advance as pre-
 marriage sessions are required.

Mass & Ministry Schedule

St. Joseph of Onekama

Saturday, January 21, 4:00 PM

Lector Pam Stokes
 Body of Christ **Volunteer Needed**
 *Blood of Christ (2) **Volunteers Needed**
 Altar Server **Volunteer Needed**

Sunday, January 22, 11:00 AM

Lector Nan Kamaloski
 Body of Christ Dan Long
 *Blood of Christ (2) Maria Somsel
 Altar Server Landyn & Easton Kequom

St. Raphael of Copemish

Saturday, January 21, 6:30 PM

Lector Carlina Breitner
 Body of Christ **Volunteer Needed**
 *Blood of Christ (2) **Volunteers Needed**
 Altar Server Michael Schaub

Sunday, January 22, 9:00 AM

Lector Steve Grumley
 Body of Christ Gabby Crandell
 *Blood of Christ (2) **Volunteers Needed**
 Altar Server Maria Saul, Rose Clous

***EMsHC Note:** Deacon will be one of the ministers of the
 cup when he is assisting at Mass.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tuesday, January 17th

10:00 AM Adoration St. Raphael
 11:00 AM Liturgy of the Word w/Communion..... St. Raphael

Wednesday, January 18th

11:00 AM Liturgy of the Word w/Communion..... St. Raphael

Thursday, January 19th

10:00 AM Adoration St. Joseph
 11:00 AM Liturgy of the Word w/Communion..... St. Joseph

Friday, January 20th

11:00 AM Liturgy of the Word w/Communion..... St. Joseph

Saturday, January 21st

4:00 PM Living & Deceased Parishioners St. Joseph
 6:30 PM †Gilbert Steinman (Carlina Breitner)..... St. Raphael

Sunday, January 22nd

8:00 AM TV Mass for the Homebound Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3)
 9:00 AM Special Intention of Thanks (Don & Maria Somsel) St. Raphael
 9:00 AM †Henry & Edna Chandler (Chandler Family) St. Raphael
 11:00 AM †Mary Pata (Jan Walters) St. Joseph

Prayer Requests

Please pray for all service personnel and first responders
 who are and have served our country including:

Pvt. 1st Class, Andre Brown, Army	Capt. Matthew Logan, Firefighter EMT
Sgt. Gabe Caldwell, Army	Jay Long, Air Force
SSgt Hannah Janicki Davis, USAF	Mike Meyers, Air Force
SSgt Kyle R. Davis, USAF	Adam O'Neill, Army
Mark J. Deban, Jr., OD LT, MSC, USN	Capt. Courtney Pierce, RN, Army
2 Lt. Daniel J. Deban, Engineer, MIARNG	Capt. Karina Pierce, Army
Sgt. Chris DeVoll, Army	Sgt. Benjamin Pingel, Navy
Spc. Renada DeVoll, Army	Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF
2nd Lt. Connor Fitzpatrick, Army	Hunter Scoggins, Army
Caleb Fouchey, Marine	Austin Soller, Navy
Olivia Fouchey, USAF	Sgt. Dylan Somsel, Army
Charles Fouchey V, Army, NG	Daniel Tanner, Navy
Aaron Logan, US Border Patrol	Trevor Tomkinson, Marine
Lt. Col. Christi Logan, USAF	Capt. Kent Turner, Army
	Yeoman John Tucker, CG
	Yeoman Sarah Tucker, CG

Please remember in your prayers all the homebound, those who are in the
 Medical Care, adult foster care homes, and those who are ill including:

June Bartlett	Don Gurn	Dale Moody
Gary Bentley	Pat Gurn	Nielsen Family
Dennis & Janice Berben	Sarah Harris	James Oliver
Colette Bernard	William Hogarth	Becky Petersen
Rev George Bernard CSC	Addy Hollifield	Judy Pendergraft
James Bernard	Tammy Holmes	Reed Family
Kyleigh Borah	Dennis Humphrey	Rich Russell
Carlina Breitner	Nancy Kuczynski	Peaches Sanovic
Ned Brown	Stephen Kuczynski	Kelli Sattler
Sharon Burkl	Joyce LaFleur	Bob Saul
Anna Charlich	Ryan LaHaie	Peyton Scheda
Jayne LaFleur Daley	Tami Laurent	Chad Schualer
Mark Dagnall	Nancy LaVeque & Family	Maria Somsel
Dennis Daldine	Joseph Lizon	Larry St. Onge
Karen Daldine	Marilyn Lotz	Mary Steen
Martha Dirksen	George Macko	Jane Sweet
Christine Eckhout	John David Martuch	Jack Sysko
Blake Elmer	Mary Ellen Martuch	Kay Thompson
Mary Evans	Tammy May	Eleanor Wall
Erik Florit	Julie Miller	Donna Wallace
Norma & Arnold Fraley	Kelly Miller	Tom Wasco
Ken Franklin	Olivia Miller	Gordon & Frieda Wilson
Michele Gillaspie	Lisa Milliron	

Stewardship by the Book

Today's responsorial Psalm is the theme song of the good steward: "Here am I Lord; I come to do your will." May I, too, stand ready to offer myself and my gifts in the service of God.

Vocation View

Isaiah's vocation was to be a light to the nations. Nations and neighborhoods today need missionaries - lay, clergy, and religious. Listen to the call.

Stewardship Reflections

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..."
Isaiah 49:5

God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

Cross Catholic Outreach

This weekend, we were expecting Fr. Nelson Adjei-Bediako, a priest representing Cross Catholic Outreach. Unfortunately, his visit had to be cancelled. Meanwhile, this official Catholic ministry was founded to link parishes in the U.S. with priests, religious brothers and sisters, and laypeople working in Church missions overseas. Its programs span the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and Central and South America. Brochures with a donation envelope will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry. To learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach, please go to CrossCatholic.org/outreach.

"Gather Us In" New Ministry

All God's people have a need to share with others. Their grief (or loss of any kind), thankfulness, dealing with the changing world around us...Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 says it all. There is a time for everything and it may be helpful to gather and talk about whatever is on your mind. We all may feel alone in a situation and when we gather, we find others have been there too. This is God's way of helping our neighbor, our brother or sister in Christ, to help comfort, heal, and yes, be excited about good news. "Gather Us In" is not formal, no books, no programs, no Bible study, no cost, not led by a professional. We will talk straight from the heart, mind, and soul of whatever we need to, in confidence. A chance to get to know each other better and know there is support in our church family in good and bad times. Let's help each other in joy, sorrow, and confusion. Bring a friend! Gatherings will be held on the last **Wednesday** of each month (starting on **January 25th**) at St. Raphael of Copemish, at **2:00 PM**.

— Peace this New Year, Sandra Mrosko, 231.477.5667

▲ Heartfelt Thanks! 🌍

A grateful "thank you" to the many volunteers who joyfully showed up to help dismantle and pack up all of the Christmas décor at both St. Joseph and St. Raphael churches! It was amazing how quickly the tasks were accomplished with the many helping hands. Thank you so much!

Carlina Breitner would like to express her heartfelt thanks to all of you who have helped her with various tasks, ministries, etc., especially during her recent surgery. She truly appreciated all of the prayers, mass intentions, gifts, and help from you. Thank you for your kindness and thoughtfulness. ❤️

This year, the Diocese Communications Team created a video highlighting the beautifully adorned altars/sanctuaries throughout our diocese to publicly thank the numerous volunteers that helped decorate. In case you missed it, here is the link to the YouTube video: [2022 Christmas | Diocese of Gaylord](#)

Bible Study Beginning this Week

St. Joseph and St. Raphael will both begin this week a new Bible Study on *Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance*. St. Raphael will begin on Wednesday, January 18, at 9:00AM, and St. Joseph of Onekama will start on Friday, January 20th, at 9:00AM, in the Fellowship Hall.

All are welcome, whether this is your first Bible Study or your tenth! If you are interested in joining the Bible Study, please let Nan (in the Church office) know, or call either Maureen Barry (231-510-2243), or Cindy Zatarga (231-499-7325) for the study at St. Joseph, or Carlina Breitner (231-233-3759) to join the study at St. Raphael. The suggested donation for the study materials is \$30, but please don't let that deter you from joining the study.

Upcoming Events

Monday, January 16th

1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry St. Joseph

Tuesday, January 17th

6:00 PM Faith Formation..... St. Joseph

6:00 PM RCIA St. Raphael

Wednesday, January 18th

9:00 AM Bible Study|Ephesians St. Raphael

Friday, January 20th

9:00 AM Bible Study|Ephesians St. Joseph

1:00 PM Stained Glass Ministry St. Joseph

*Our prayers for safe travel
for Fr. Ruben who is expected to
return on Friday, January 20th.*

With Deepest Sympathy †

We have been notified that Dennis Daldine, a former parishioner of St. Raphael of Copemish, has recently passed away. Please keep his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. Condolences and mass intentions can be sent to his widow, Karen Daldine, 1663 215th St, Torrance, CA 90501. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Celebrating Birthdays

01/17 Deacon Kim Eaton
01/21 Rosalie Clous, Liz Raiff
01/22 Martin Smith
01/23 Elizabeth Schaub

2022 Giving Statements

If you would like your 2022 contribution statement, please contact the Parish Office and one can be either emailed or mailed to you.

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you so very much
for your giving of time,
talent and treasure
to our parishes.
It is truly appreciated!

St. Joseph of Onekama

Envelope Offertory\$1312
Loose Offertory.....\$618
Mass Stipends.....\$20
Vigil Candles.....\$8
Bible Study\$30
Total\$1988
Food Pantry.....\$1280

St. Raphael of Copemish

Envelope Offertory\$1170
Loose Offertory.....\$649
Vigil Candles.....\$25
Building Fund\$40
Heating Fuel.....\$50
Total\$1934
Donations.....\$700