

(continued synopsis of Pope Francis' "Joy of the Gospel")

The Pope indicates the temptations which affect pastoral workers (77): individualism, a crisis of identity and a cooling of fervor (78). The greatest threat of all is the grey pragmatism of the daily life of the Church, in which all appears to proceed normally, while in reality faith is wearing down (83). He warns against defeatism (84), urging Christians to be signs of hope (86), bringing about a revolution of tenderness (88). It is necessary to seek refuge from the spirituality of well-being detached from responsibility for our brothers and sisters (90) and to vanquish the spiritual worldliness that consists of seeking not the Lord's glory but human glory and well-being (93). The Pope speaks of the many who feel superior to others because they remain intransigently faithful to a particular Catholic style from the past whereby instead of evangelizing, one analyses and classifies others (94). And those who have an ostentatious preoccupation for the liturgy, for doctrine and for the Church's prestige, but without any concern that the Gospel have a real impact on the needs of the people (95)... This is a tremendous corruption disguised as a good. God save us from a worldly Church with superficial spiritual and pastoral trappings! (97).

He appeals to ecclesial communities not to fall prey to envy and jealousy: How many wars take place within the people of God and in our different communities! (98). Whom are we going to evangelize if this is the way we act? (100). He highlights the need to promote the growth of the responsibility of the laity, often kept away from decision-making by an excessive clericalism (102). He adds that there is a need for still broader opportunities for a more incisive female presence in the Church, in particular in the various settings where important decisions are made (103). Demands that the legitimate rights of women be respected cannot be lightly evaded (104). The young should exercise greater leadership (106). With regard to the scarcity of vocations in many places, he emphasizes that seminaries cannot accept candidates on the basis of any motivation whatsoever (107).

With regard to the theme of inculturation, he remarks that Christianity does not have simply one cultural expression and that the face of the Church is varied (116). We cannot demand that peoples of every continent, in expressing their Christian faith, imitate modes of expression which European nations developed at a particular moment of their history (118). The Pope reiterates that underlying popular piety is an active evangelizing power (126) and encourages the research of theologians, reminding them, however, that the Church and theology exist to evangelize and urges them not to be content with a desk-bound theology (133).

He focuses, somewhat meticulously, on the homily since many concerns have been expressed about this important ministry, and we cannot simply ignore them (135). The homily should be brief and avoid taking on the semblance of a speech or a lecture (138); it should be a heart-to-heart communication and avoid purely moralistic or doctrinaire preaching (142). He highlights the importance of preparation: a preacher who does not prepare is not spiritual; he is dishonest and irresponsible (145). Preaching should always be positive in order always to offer hope and does not leave us trapped in negativity (159). The approach to the proclamation of the Gospel should have positive characteristics: approachability, readiness for dialogue, patience, a warmth and welcome, which is non-judgmental (165).

(continued over the next 2 weeks)

Weekday Mass Schedule Jan 6—12

Mon.	5:30 p.m.	No Mass
Tues.	5:30 p.m.	Communion Service
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	No Mass
Thurs.	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Fri.	7:30 a.m.	+Gary Wright Children and Families
Sat.	5:30 p.m.	+Virginia Quiggle
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	+Marie Ulschmid

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Mass Times
Monday 5:30 pm
Tuesday-Thursday
9:00 am
Friday 7:30 AM
(Care Center)
Saturday 5:30 pm
Sun ay 8:30AM

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday 4:30PM
ADORATION:
Tuesdays: 9:30AM-6 PM

The January-March weekend Ministry Schedule is available in the kiosk at the church entry. If you are a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher, Altar Server or Sacristan, please be sure you have a copy. If you are not able to serve as scheduled, please use the attached list to find a substitute.

The *Living Faith Daily Catholic Devotions* are available in the vestibule. Take one while they last.

The 2014 Liturgical Calendars are in the vestibule. Please take one per family while they last.

This is the first weekend of the month, and we will have our Building Fund Collection.

Father Ilango will be gone to India from December 26 to January 31. Father Wilfred Theisen from St. John's Abby will be here for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Masses in January during Father Ilango's absence. There will also be a Communion Service at 9:00 am on Tuesdays throughout January.

Parishioners' Prayer Requests

Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill
Please pray for:
-Barbara Hanson -Emily Martin
-Luella Baumgart -Sue Turnbull
-Casey Courneya -Carol Lormis
-Dave Goebel -Diane Quiram
-Tammy Soyring -Henry Schreiner
-Ken Jacobson -Debbie Ehler
-Norman Buseth -Kylee Jean Miller
-Harry Schurmann -Dan Hodgson
-Cecil Cook -Bette Daggett
-Ron Jensen

Collections Dec 29, 2013		Attendance:
Collection Basket		232
Adult	\$ 1,746.00	
Loose	245.00	
Children	4.00	
Total:	\$1,995.00	
Other Budgeted Income		
Vigil Lights	\$ 17.50	
Window Repair	500.00	
Building Fund	290.00	
Total	\$ 807.50	
Christmas Collection		
Adult	\$4,243.00	807.50
Loose	702.61	4,950.61
Children	5.00	7,753.11
Total	4,950.61	
Other Parish Fund Raisers: FACC—\$100		

UPCOMING:
Jan 5: Pancake Breakfast, Circles 3 & 4, Circle 3 in charge
Jan 6: Christian Mothers Meeting/Epiphany Party at 6:00 pm
Jan 6: KC's meeting 7:00 pm at Church
Jan 15: Evening RE—Intergenerational (Praise and Worship/ Speaker)
Jan 20: KC's Officers' meeting 7:00 pm @ Church

Ministry Schedule for Jan 12, 2014

	5:30 PM	8:30 PM
FCC—Glenn and Bev Roberts		
Ministers	Russell Karasch	Nancy Christensen
Of Holy	Kathy Ulschmid	Paul Guck
Communion	Jill Mickelson	Sharon Guck
		Roxie Riewer
		Heather Mitchell
Lectors	Jim Courneya	Al Jacobson
Ushers	Carey Alger	Kyle Wothe
	Mike Hiemenz	Bud Hensel
Servers	Brett Alger	Madison Ketter
	Carson Alger	Wesley Kropuenske
	Isaac Courneya	Sarah LaSart
	Hayley Courneya	Cecilia George
<i>*Note to ministers: This schedule does not reflect any recent changes or substitutions you may have made.</i>		

Circle 6 is in charge of donuts in December
 Circle 7 will be in charge of donuts in January
 January 2nd Collections: 5th—Building Fund; 12th—FACC; 19th—Church in Africa;

*****Youth*****

January RE schedule:
All grades—Jan 8, 15, 22, 29

Jan 19: Children's Mass 8:30 am

Youth Night January 26 (grades 9-12)

Children's Bibles for Sale:
Grades 1-4: **The Catholics Children's Bible** \$30 Soft cover, \$38 Hardcover.
Grades 5-8 **Breakthrough the Bible for Young Catholics:** \$25 soft cover and \$32 hard cover.

Teens interested in attending:
Steubenville North-St Paul
University of St Thomas • July 25 - 27, 2014—
Cost: \$190 **Youth please register for Steubenville** as soon as possible. If you have any questions please see Cheryl

Christian Mothers
The **Christian Mothers Epiphany Party** is on January 6, 2014, at 6:00 pm. The meal is potluck. Please bring a \$10 gift if you want to participate in the gift exchange. KC's are invited to the party. There will be a short meeting after the meal.

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