

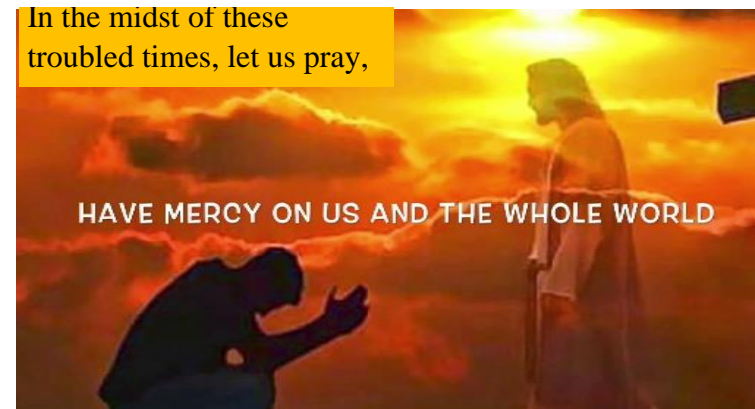
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Assumption Catholic Church

Father David's homilies--frazeesacredheart.org>Homilies.

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January 24, 2021



In the midst of these troubled times, let us pray,

(This is a repeat of Father David's 2018 homily for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.)

Here is a thought from last week's homily: "What are you looking for? It is good to let his question ring in our ears. You have followed Jesus from your first encounter with him until now. Imagine him turning to you, gazing into your eyes, and asking, "What are you looking for?"

You may recall that my friend Anna Kliner entered the Monastery of the Holy Name of Jesus in Denmark, Wisconsin. She was given the name St. Mary Vianney. Anna's father died last week on January 12 and was buried on January 17. When Anna entered the monastery, it was understood that she would be separated from the world. Although this separation can be painful, it is not a punishment. It is a special discipline to help the sisters to focus on Jesus with undivided hearts. So, she did not attend to her father in his dying days. She was not at his side when he entered into eternal life.

Most days I sit in my chapel for about an hour in the morning. Even though it is first thing in the morning, I seldom settle into a conversation with Jesus with full attention. I am distracted by my memories of yesterday and last week and by my plans for the day that is immanently unfolding. I focus on all that troubles my heart, but without giving my heart to Jesus. My heart is divided. I will spend my whole life trying to give it undivided to Jesus. It is my vocation to be in the world. It is also my vocation to pray. Sometimes these two necessities compete for my heart.

It is Sr. Mary Vinney's vocation to be apart from the world in order to pray for it. She gives herself whole-heartedly to Jesus every moment of every day. We need her to be faithful because we need her prayers.

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Mass Times
Thursday 7:00 pm
Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS:
Thursday @ 6:15 pm
Sunday after Mass

ADORATION:
Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm

If you want Masses offered in 2021, be sure to get that information to Marlys.

We will celebrate Ash Wednesday on February 17. Distributing ashes on the forehead of each person is problematic this year. Therefore, we will follow the ancient and common practice found in Rome and in a number of countries where ashes are sprinkled on the head. The person receiving the ashes should kneel or make a deep bow when receiving the ashes.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

A PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE BELOW: Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illnesses. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/ treatments. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care/treatment and their soul to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy. Amen

Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Deb Clark, Rick Flottesmesch, Brent Pearson, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Peg Braaten, Connie Collman Bergren, Darrell Beck, Brian Hazelton, Hali Thomas, Chris Fairbanks, Jim Foltz, Pat Hilber (Coleen Tietz's brother-in-law), Ken & Rita Pearson, Ethan Estabrooks, Judy Dwinell, Marlene Scherping. Jerome Jirava, Jr., Josh Janousek, Cleo Baker, Don Tietz and Violet Fairbanks..

"Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?'" (John 1:38)

What are you looking for? Are you wasting your time looking for the material comforts of the world? Or, is your heart longing for something deeper that can only be found by spending time with God? Take time, each day, in silence and ask the Lord what it is that He wants you to do.

Sunday, January 17, 2021—518.13
Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa--\$75

Ministry Schedule for January 31, 2021

Saturday	Lector	Sunday
Kristi Stalberger		Christina Loreth
	Usher	
Damian Zurn		Kevin Larson

Mass Intentions

Thurs., Jan 28: In Honor and Petition to Good St. Joseph
Sat., Jan 30: +Mark Stalberger,
Sun., Jan 31: Marriage and Family Life

Question of the week: The kingdom of God is at hand, within reach. How can I answer God's call and commit myself to help realize the kingdom of God here and now?