

THEY ABANDONED THEIR NETS AND FOLLOWED

Jesus.

MARK 1:18



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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 24, 2021

Mark describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry with his proclamation that the "kingdom of God is at hand." The rest of Mark's Gospel—all of Jesus' preaching and healing, his death and resurrection—describes the inauguration of this kingdom of God. For Mark, the life of Jesus is the center point of history, where everything leads up to Jesus, and everything follows from Jesus. Mark then tells us that the first disciples follow Jesus immediately and wholeheartedly. They leave their work and family, all for Jesus. Because compared to Jesus and the life he offers, everything else is secondary.

Perhaps our invitations from God do not entail such dramatic life changes. But all who follow Jesus are called to align our life and values with his ways of love. As we continue to mature in love and in faith, we might ask: What needs to be renewed, re-oriented, or discarded in light of our life in Christ?

JONAH AND NINEVEH

Jonah makes a rare appearance this week. The book of Jonah is a fascinating tale of God, stubborn Jonah, surprising Nineveh,

and the famous fish (or whale). Please consider reading the whole book, just 48 verses, together with a good commentary. The book is read at Jewish services at Yom Kippur, as a profound reflection about God and about all of us.

Today's passage takes place shortly after Jonah's time in the fish's belly. Jonah finally performs the task that God asks of him, to call the people of Nineveh to repentance. (Nineveh was notorious for its brutality.) Their sudden repentance is bitterly accepted by Jonah, as he resents God's mercy for Nineveh. God reminds Jonah that the people of Nineveh are God's beloved too. Like the parable of the Prodigal Son, the story hints at the vastness of God's mercy, especially forgiveness of those who seem least deserving. We are reminded that all of us are sinners, and we are all in need of God's mercy.

Today's Readings: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

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MASS TIMES:

Sat., 5:00PM & Sun., 9:00AM
Tues. - Fri. 9:00AM

CONFESSIONS:

Tues. & Wed., 9:00 - 10:00AM

Wednesday: 5:00 PM

Reconciliation:

Saturday & Sunday: 45
minutes before Mass

Marriage or Baptism:

Contact the parish office six (6)
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Welcome Visitors!

We hope that you have enjoyed celebrating Mass with us and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home." Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, you are invited to join our parish family. Please come again!

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

Ulysses Cormier. Bollinger Family. Kate Guthrie. Bob Mailliard. Charlie Parker. Mike Cromley. Ron Szczepanski. Molly Dunn. Richard Schuetz. Regina Davies. Tammy Johnson. Carolyn Simmons. Dianne & Gary Laudt. Gayle McCloskey. Shay Mikalonis. Dwight Nunley. Wanda & George Duke. Fleming Family. Doris & Jo Hoffman. Jo Ann Crowell. Ann Richardson. Jacob Stephens. Frankie Durst. Mary Margaret Ellison. John Kominis. Ester Coronel. Ed & Diane Stanley. Elise Sugg. Joann Rayl. Judy Fazio. Marsha & Marty Blahitka. Carolyn Edwards. Joshua & Chase Larsson. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda & Mike Stephens. Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: Earl Corrigan, brother of Jess Corrigan. Hope Smithson, mother of Cherie Leingang. And, Michael Boyd, parishioner.**

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our

parish community: New active recruit, Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike & Wanda Stephens). 2LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan) Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Senior Airman, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army (Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2ndLt. Blake Gaughan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (Son of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & brother of Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The Ninevites turn from their evil ways in response to Jonah's message (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).

Psalm: Teach me your ways, O Lord (Psalm 25).

Second Reading: The world in its present form is passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

Gospel: Jesus proclaims, "Repent, and believe in the gospel." The new disciples abandon their nets and follow him (Mark 1:14-20).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

Mass—Intentions

Sat. 1/23 Ann Hansen+ (Bob & Anna Parker)

Sun 1/24 Hope Smithson+ (M/M Leingang)

Tue 1/26 Mike Cromley (M/M Clymer)

Wed 1/27 Lee Campbell+ (M/M Hansen)

Thurs 1/28 Michael Boyd+

Fri. 1/29 Michael Boyd+

Sat. 1/30 Ann Hansen+ (M/M Hansen)

PARISH SUPPORT

Average weekly amounts from July through Dec. 31, 2020:

Expenditures \$ 3,882

Regular and debt & maintenance collections \$ 3,370

Attendance 1/16 Sat 36 & 1/17 Sun 37

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving.

January Pope's Intention:

Human fraternity. May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

FAMILY INFLUENCE

Disorder in the society is the result of disorder in the family.

—St. Angela Merici

NOT WITHOUT LOVE

The soul cannot live without love.

—St. Francis de Sales

A NEW DAY DAWNS

Today we hear how Jonah, sent by God to warn the people, storms through the streets of Nineveh, scaring the citizens out of their wits. And it works! God has a change of heart, seeing "by their actions" how the people turn from evil (Jonah 3:10). A new day dawns.

Next we hear Paul telling the Corinthians, "The world in its present form is passing away" (1 Corinthians 7:31). He calls for a change of heart. Stopping short of telling them to stop carrying out their everyday activities, he urges them—rather mysteriously—to live "as though" they aren't doing the things they are doing. A new day has dawned.

Finally, Jesus stands on the shore and cries, "The kingdom of God is at hand!" (Mark 1:14). Simon and Andrew abandon their nets—and even their father—and follow him. A new day had dawned.

Everyone has to change when a new day dawns: the Ninevites, the Corinthians, the apostles, even Jesus! Didn't a new day dawn today for us as well?

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Dispensation: The entire diocese of Tyler remains dispensed from the Sunday and holy day Mass obligation until further notice.

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An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Holy Spirit Garage Sale: April 9th & 10th
ON CHURCH PARKING LOT

Weather Permitting

We will start pricing and you can begin dropping off items on Wed., Feb. 3rd between the hours of 9:30—11:30am. **NO CLOTHING or ELECTRONICS** Call Jean Kelly 903-857-9868 if you have questions or unable to drop off items on Wednesday mornings.

Cenacle of Life: Cenacle of Life devotion each **Wed. from 3:30—4:30pm**. Please join us in church as we pray two rosaries for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all sins against the sanctity of human life. **Questions call Vicki 817-637-9382**

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!

JANUARY 21-29, 2021

9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Novena located in last weekend bulletin

While the hospitals have enough capacity at this moment, they do not have enough critical care staff to manage the overwhelming number of COVID-19 cases that are coming in.

Bishop Strickland is requesting that you offer your prayers for physicians, nurses, and health care workers during this time—for their protection and for the needs of our hospitals.

Reminder: Bishop Strickland has instructed all persons to wear facial masks during liturgies in the Diocese of Tyler.

Temporary Weekend Mass held in parish hall: Sat., Jan. 23rd at 5:00pm and Sun., Jan. 24th at 9:00am.

Protocols for weekend Masses:

1. **Limitations on Attendance:** Limited seating maximum 81 seats are available. In order for the households to maintain at least 6-foot separation.
2. **Wear a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
3. **No socializing** in the parish hall. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed. **Enter & exist** double glass doors into the parish hall to the left of the overhang.
4. **Chairs** set-up 6-foot separation. Please **DO NOT MOVE CHAIRS.**

January Second Collections

Jan. 23rd & 24th: Church in Latin America

February Second Collections

Feb. 6th & 7th: Building & Maintenance Fund

Feb. 13th & 14th: Diocese of Tyler Catholic Schools

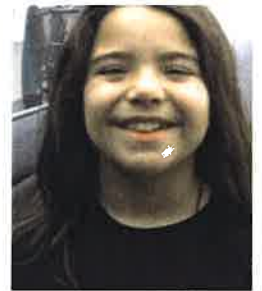
Congratulations to Johnny, Jason and Sophia!

They received the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation on Friday, Jan. 22, 2021

*Johnny
Collins*

*Jason
Coronel*

*Sophia
Coronel*



CONFESSION Tues. Jan. 26th & Wed. Jan 27th 9:30—10:30AM. DUE TO THE COLD WEATHER FR. MIKE WILL HOLD CONFESSIONS IN HIS OFFICE BY THE WATER FOUNTAINS. PLEASE CALL HIM 903-490-3883 TO SET UP AN APPOINTMENT. WHEN YOU ARRIVE AND HIS OFFICE DOOR IS CLOSED PLEASE HAVE A SEAT IN CHURCH UNTIL HE IS READY FOR YOU.

If you have an emergency and need Fr. Mike call him on his cell # 903-490-3883.

Weekday Mass Times held in church: Tues. — Fri. at 9:00am.

Protocols for weekday Masses:

1. **Wearing a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
2. **No socializing** in the Narthex. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed. Enter & exit same set of double glass doors into the church through the overhang.
3. **In church alternating every other pew.** Households must maintain at least 6-foot separation.
4. **Limited seating maximum 31.** In order for the households to maintain at least 6 feet separation.

Holy Spirit Ministries Schedule
February 2021~ May 2021

Date	Day	Ems	LECTORS	USHERS	SERVERS	ACOLYTES
02/06/21	Sat	Marie Hanson Bridget Rich	Debi Nunley Cathy Keefe	David Barber George Smith	Open	Charlie Clymer
02/07/21	Sun	Ruddie Anderson James Cormier	Lillian Speights Pat Bonneville	Jeff Leingang Cherie Leingang	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
02/13/21	Sat	Ruth Barber Marcie Scott	Bridget Rich Marie Hanson	Al Murfin Sven Sterner	Open	Charlie Clymer
02/14/21	Sun	Ken Pregeant Patsy Pregeant	Randy Munoz Lou Masferrer	Pat Hanna Ken Pregeant	Open	Gerry Hauck
02/20/21	Sat	Rebecca Niebrugge Jeanette Sterner	Ruth Barber Melinda Hlavenka	Jess Corrigan Michael Jernigan	Open	Charlie Clymer
02/21/21	Sun	Jane Bidlack Jean Kelly	Vicki Hauck Eloise Sanchez	Lex Forster Mary Kastl	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
02/27/21	Sat	Jean Kelly Diane Laudt	Jeanette Sterner Rebecca Niebrugge	Cathy Keefe Samantha Coronel	Open	Charlie Clymer
02/28/21	Sun	Randy Munoz Shirley Munoz	Jane Bidlack Steve York	Jeff Leingang Cherie Leingang	Open	Gerry Hauck
03/06/21	Sat	Marie Hanson Bridget Rich	Lindy Moseley	David Barber George Smith	Open	Charlie Clymer
03/07/21	Sun	Ruddie Anderson James Cormier	Pat Bonneville Lillian Speights	Lex Forster Mary Kastl	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
03/13/21	Sat	Ruth Barber Marcie Scott	Cathy Keefe Debi Nunley	Al Murfin Sven Sterner	Open	Charlie Clymer
03/14/21	Sun	Ken Pregeant Patsy Pregeant	Lou Masferrer Randy Munoz	Pat Hanna Ken Pregeant	Open	Gerry Hauck
03/20/21	Sat	Rebecca Niebrugge Jeanette Sterner	Marie Hanson Bridget Rich	Jess Corrigan Michael Jernigan	Open	Charlie Clymer
03/21/21	Sun	Jane Bidlack Jean Kelly	Eloise Sanchez Vicki Hauck	Jeff Leingang Cherie Leingang	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
03/27/21	Sat	Diane Laudt Jean Kelly	Melinda Hlavenka Ruth Barber	Cathy Keefe Samantha Coronel	Open	Charlie Clymer
03/28/21	Sun	Randy Munoz Shirley Munoz	Steve York Jane Bidlack	Pat Hanna Ken Pregeant	Open	Gerry Hauck

If you are unable to serve on your assigned date, please switch with someone else. Thanks.

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Date	Day	Ems	LECTORS	USHERS	SERVERS	ACOLYTES
04/03/21	Sat	Marie Hanson	Rebecca Niebrugge	David Barber	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Bridget Rich	Jeanette Sterner	George Smith		
04/04/21	Sun	Ruddie Anderson	Lillian Speights	Lex Forster	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
		James Cormier	Pat Bonneville	Mary Kastl		
04/10/21	Sat	Ruth Barber	Lindy Moseley	Al Murfin	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Marcie Scott		Sven Sterner		
04/11/21	Sun	Ken Pregeant	Lou Masferrer	Jeff Leingang	Open	Gerry Hauck
		Patsy Pregeant	Randy Munoz	Cherie Leingang		
04/17/21	Sat	Rebecca Niebrugge	Marie Hanson	Cathy Keefe	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Jeanette Sterner	Bridget Rich	Samantha Coronel		
04/18/21	Sun	Jane Bidlack	Vicki Hauck	Pat Hanna	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
		Jean Kelly	Eloise Sanchez	Ken Pregeant		
04/24/21	Sat	Diane Laudt	Debi Nunley	Jess Corrigan	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Jean Kelly	Cathy Keefe	Michael Jernigan		
04/25/21	Sun	Randy Munoz	Jane Bidlack	Lex Forster	Open	Gerry Hauck
		Shirley Munoz	Steve York	Mary Kastl		
05/01/21	Sat	Marie Hanson	Ruth Barber	David Barber	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Bridget Rich	Melinda Hlavenka	George Smith		
05/02/21	Sun	Ruddie Anderson	Pat Bonneville	Jeff Leingang	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
		James Cormier	Lillian Speights	Cherie Leingang		
05/08/21	Sat	Ruth Barber	Jeanette Sterner	Al Murfin	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Marcie Scott	Rebecca Niebrugge	Sven Sterner		
05/09/21	Sun	Ken Pregeant	Lou Masferrer	Pat Hanna	Open	Gerry Hauck
		Shirley Munoz	Randy Munoz	Ken Pregeant		
05/15/21	Sat	Rebecca Niebrugge	Lindy Moseley	Jess Corrigan	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Jeanette Sterner		Michael Jernigan		
05/16/21	Sun	Jane Bidlack	Eloise Sanchez	Lex Forster	Zachary Ellis	Jeff Ellis
		Jean Kelly	Vicki Hauck	Mary Kastl		
05/22/21	Sat	Diane Laudt	Bridget Rich	Cathy Keefe	Open	Charlie Clymer
		Jean Kelly	Marie Hanson	Samantha Coronel		
05/23/21	Sun	Randy Munoz	Jane Bidlack	Jeff Leingang	Open	Gerry Hauck
		Shirley Munoz	Steve York	Cherie Leingang		

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