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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 23, 2022

The Lord sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.



In today's Gospel reading, we find an important clue about Jesus living as a faithful, observant Jew. As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we read from Luke's Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord. As we continue the mission of Jesus, we serve the Kingdom of God.

III DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Il vangelo sottolinea che Gesù *cominciò a dire "oggi..."*. Cioè, quell'oggi è iniziato con Gesù ma si protrae fino a i nostri giorni: è l'oggi di Dio che compie ancora la sua Parola in chi l'ascolta e la pratica. Lo Spirito di Dio anche oggi, invita la sua Chiesa a vivere ogni anno come un anno di grazia, nella rinnovata missione di dirigersi dove si è diretto per primo Cristo suo capo: verso i poveri e gli emarginati, verso gli oppressi da ogni sorta di male. *La Chiesa non è al mondo per condannare, ma per permettere l'incontro con quell'amore speciale che è la misericordia di Dio. Il nome di Dio è Misericordia.* Per vivere il nostro tempo con questo spirito, per poter essere veramente un segno vero della misericordia divina.



Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm-4:00pm

For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)

Registration:

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

Baptism:

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

Marriage:

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

Reconciliation - Confession:

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

Anointing of the sick:

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

Church & Hall at one level:

Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368





New Day Dawns

We need the background to understand what's happening in today's Readings. Babylon having been defeated, King Cyrus of Persia decreed that the exiled Jews could return home to Jerusalem. They rebuilt their ruined temple and finished rebuilding the

city walls under Nehemiah. The stage was set for the renewal of the covenant and the re-establishment of the Law of Moses as the people's rule of life. That's what's going on in today's First Reading; as Ezra reads and interprets the Law and the people respond with a great "Amen!" As we sing in today's Psalm, Israel rededicates itself to God and His Law. The scene seems like the Isaiah prophecy that Jesus reads from in today's Gospel. Isaiah 61 brings "glad tidings": the liberation of prisoners; the rebuilding of Jerusalem, or Zion; the restoration of Israel as a kingdom of priests; and the forging of an everlasting covenant. Jesus, in turn, declares that Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in Him. The Gospel scene, too, recalls the First Reading. Like Ezra, Jesus stands before the people, is handed a scroll, unrolls it, then reads and interprets it. In today's Liturgy, we witness the creation of a new people of God. Jesus also proclaims a "sabbath," a great year of Jubilee, a deliverance from slavery to sin, a release from the debts we owe to God. The people greeted Ezra "as one man." And, as today's Epistle teaches, in the Spirit, the new people of God—the Church—is made "one body" with Jesus. -Scott Hahn.

UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS: If you have moved, please call the office to update your address information. Thank you.

ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.: Due to the changing COVID-19 situation, the Board has decided to cancel the General Assembly meeting for the months of January & February. The next meeting will be March 7, 2022 (unless situation changes).

ITALIAN HALL TAKE OUT SCHEDULE:

Jan. 23—Spaghetti take out 12:00-5:00pm

Jan. 28—Chicken Parm take out

(need to preorder)

For more info call 345-5511

Message from Bishop Colli: As we continue to maintain our vigilance for safety with Covid-19 & the Omicron variant, I ask that you continue to reach out to those who feel alone, especially elderly parishioners. A phone call, letter or card, even Face Time visits would be appreciated. Please continue to pray for those who are ill in hospitals & in special care facilities. Take measures to keep all children safe, now that they are back to school, & if you feel comfortable, please pray with your parish community at Mass in church. All necessary protocols are in place in our churches for everyone's safety. Thank you for your continued support of our parish communities during this uncertain time & for your generous outreach to the poor & the needy. May the Lord bring us safely through this phase of this pandemic. *Sincerely, Bishop F. Colli*

BEST YOUTH ON HILLS: will be holding a virtual meeting Sunday, January 23 at 7:00pm. Youth gr. 7 & older are invited to join. The meeting link will be shared with those that RSVP their attendance.

CONFIRMATION date: May 28 & 29, 2022

First meeting for Candidates, Sponsors & 1 parent has been postponed due to the significant spike in COVID-19 cases. The meeting will be rescheduled to early February provided that it will be safe to do so.

FIRST COMMUNION date: June 18 & 19, 2022

First meeting for Parents & Communion children has been postponed due to the significant spike in COVID-19 cases. The meeting will be rescheduled to early February provided that it will be safe to do so.

C.W.L. MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2022: Renewal of membership fees can be brought to the office. Fee is \$25.00 Receipts will be forwarded at a later date.

COLUMBUS CENTRE TAKE-OUT THURSDAYS:

Thurs., Jan. 27. Pick up time 2:00pm—5:30pm

Picklerel Fish Takeout: Fri., Jan. 21 pickup 4-6pm

\$21. Deadline to place order—Thurs., Jan. 20.

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\$1,920.00

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All Parishioners

Vincenzo Romeo & Deceased Bruzzese & Romeo Family
Marcello & Domenico Donato Family**9:00am English**

Pastor

Tuesday, January 25

Bobby Carvalho, Jose Luis & Anna Jesus

Sam Larizza

Natalina Quinn

Emilio Colla

7:00pm Italian

Dina & Family

brother & sisters

Family

Lina & Family

Wednesday, January 26

Maria, Giovanni, Tranquillo & Liisa Zanandrea

7:00pm English

Dino & Fam.

Thursday, January 27

Riccardo Longo

Nicolina Vruna

Bruno Larizza

BrunoLuigi & Maria Rosaria Tassone

7:00pm Italian

Moglia & Famiglia

D. & G. Paladino

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figlia Bruna

Friday, January 28

Maria Pacheco

7:00pm English

Ilda

Saturday, January 29

Manuel & Maria Arruda

Jose Cabral

Giovanni Nerino

Deceased of Floreancig Family

Maria Sacchetti

5:00pm

Ilda & Family

Maria & Family

G. & M. Scocchia

Maria & Family

D. & A. Castellani

Sunday, January 30 IV Sunday in Ordinary Time**9:00am**

Angelo Nardari

Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia

Giovanni & Immacolata Nerino

Wife & Family

Family

S. & I. Vetere

11:00am

Maria & Francisco Pacheco

Fiore Coccimiglio

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S. Sgromo

*Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed
by livestream
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† *Let us pray for the repose of the soul of
Luigi Benincasa who recently passed away.*



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