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The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2026



Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am—1:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am — 4:00 pm
Thursday: 9:00 am—4:00 pm
Friday—Sunday: CLOSED

Masses in Church

Monday - Friday 8:15 am
Saturday 8:15 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil)
Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Sacrament of Confession

Tuesday 9:00 am—9:30 am
Saturday 3:30 pm—4:00 pm

Library Hours

Wednesday 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Sunday's Readings/Music:

1. Readings begin on page 61.
 2. Hymns on page 338 (after the grey tabbed pages.)
 3. Psalms follow the readings or may be noted with a Psalm # that can be looked up in the missal past the hymns.
- Gathering: #569 Sing A New Song
 - 1st Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
 - Responsorial Psalm: #40
R: Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.
 - 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
 - Gospel Acclamation
 - Gospel: John 1:29-34
 - Presentation of the Gifts: #504 Give Me Jesus
 - Sanctus: #839
 - Communion: #355 I Am The Bread Of Life
 - Sending: #569 Sing A New Song

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

I was a little late in getting an article to Rachelle as I was busy with some projects I will gladly share with you next time. In the meantime, I came across this article written by Joseph Cardinal Bernardin during the time of his suffering from cancer and as Cardinal in Chicago. Through his suffering and his obvious faith in Christ our Savior, we can see through his eyes and heart what true letting go of ourselves can be. And at the end of it all, all that matters is our relationship with the Lord and His Son.

Please enjoy this short, but meaningful, article and take the time to contemplate the two questions that are posed at the end of this article. May the Lord enrich you during this ordinary time.

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin: On the value of suffering “It is a normal, instinctive response to run from suffering. We try to avoid it for ourselves, and we make every effort to protect our loved ones from it. Suffering is perceived as a dire threat to our life and happiness. Our dread of suffering is so strong that we not only seek to shelter ourselves from it, but sometimes we shun others who suffer, even our friends and family, in our effort to escape its pleading voices.”

Those who have been divorced sometimes report that their friends and family no longer invite them to parties. At times, those who have been fired or laid off tell us that when they encounter their former colleagues, they are met with embarrassed silence.

Cancer patients and others who suffer with serious illness notice that their former friends have difficulty looking at them, eye to eye. We don't know what to say. The pitch and volume of suffering reduce us to silence.

Jesus tells us, however, that in that silence life begins! “Whoever would preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it” (Mark 8:35).

For every follower of Christ there comes a choice, when the path veers off toward the cross. The wisdom of the world raises an alarm: Turn back, beware, ahead lies our destruction! But in our hearts a softer, firmer voice invites us, “Come, follow me, and I will show you that path of life.” (From a Sept. 15, 1991 homily quoted in *The Journey to Peace*, Doubleday)

Reflection questions

1. Are you afraid of suffering—whether your own or someone else's?
2. How can you find God in the silence and loneliness of pain?

Bernardin (1928–1996) was the archbishop of Chicago from 1982 until his death from cancer. He wrote about his illness in [The Gift of Peace](#) (Loyola Press).

Fr. Leonard L. Marrujo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 19th
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
 Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, January 20th
Every 3rd Tuesday of the Month
 11:00 am
Grieving Ministry
 Parish Hall

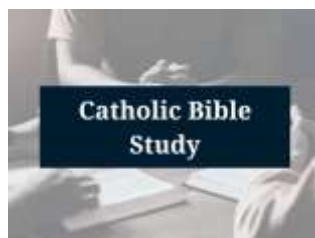
Thursday, January 22nd
Every Thursday except 1st Thursday of the month
 9:00 am—12:00 pm
Adoration

Tuesdays, January 27th
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month
 10:00 am
Men's Ministry
 Parish Hall

Thursday, January 29th
Every Thursday except 1st Thursday of the month
 9:00 am—12:00 pm
Adoration

Tuesday, February 3rd
1st Tuesday of every month after 8:15 am mass
Anointing of the Sick

Bible Study runs until 3/25. Late registrants are welcome. Swing by the rectory office during office hours M-Th to sign up. There is a \$25 fee for book/materials.



The subject for this year is the Pentateuch, the first 5 books of the Torah.

UPCOMING BIBLE STUDY DATES:

- Wednesday, January 21st
- Wednesday, January 28th

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 1/17	5:00 PM	† Alice Young
Sunday 1/18	9:00 AM	† Charles & Lydia Seals-Sylvia † John & Anna Susich
	11:00 AM	Parishioners and Benefactors
Monday 1/19	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Living and Deceased Members of the Da Roza & Rodrigues Families
Tuesday 1/20	8:15 AM	Special Intention: Ellie Gann
Wednesday 1/21	8:15 AM	† Marbeth Colores
Thursday 1/22	8:15 AM	† Paula O'Donnell
Friday 1/23	8:15 AM	† Anton & Elise Ribeiro
Saturday 1/24	8:15 AM	The Deceased Members of The Sinclitico Family



The new 2026 calendars have finally arrived! You can find them in the vestibule or courtyard entrances of the church.

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Get the bulletin every week in your email before mass! Send a request to: rharmon@stanneswc.org

Let us pray for all those who have recently passed

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| + Josephine Cardaci | + Raymond Gorski |
| + Edward Emil Rinne | + Irene Gorski |
| + Elizabeth Jane Wydner | + Donna Tucker |
| + Bunk Sicotte | + Ida Castillo |
| + Francis Carion | + Dick McLean |
| + Barbara Schurhoff | + Jim Stevens |



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PRAY FOR THE SICK

Andrea Puccini	Jeanette Martini
Sheila Wilkins	Joan Roensch
Michael Dunn	Chuck Fontenot
Kathleen Rose	Lucy Rose
Charles Krystofiak	

Names are on the list for 4 weeks. If you wish to be included, removed or continued for another 4 weeks, please contact Fran Long at 925-939-5151.



In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Church office is closed on Monday, January 19th. We will be open again the following day on 1/20, Tuesday. See you when we return!

GRIEF MINISTRY RESUMES 1/20

Whether the death was sudden or tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion, and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief and figure out how to keep on living when a loved one is gone.



Our Grieving Ministry provides spiritual, emotional and practical support to people who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Meet us in the library January 20th at 11 am.



The 2026 Mass Intention Book will be open to **ALL REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** on Wednesday, 1/21. If you are a long-time visitor, but not registered, you may find gold-colored registration cards at each entrance to the church to get yourself registered and submit your mass intentions the same day.