

Readings for January 26, 2020

1st Reading – Isaiah 8:23-9:3 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who lived in the land of gloom now have joy, for the yoke that burdened them God has smashed.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 The Lord is my light and my salvation.

2nd Reading – 1:10-13, 17 Paul wrote to the people of Corinth: let “there be no divisions among you...be united in mind and in the same purpose.” I have heard “that there are rivalries among you...Is Christ divided?”

Gospel – Matthew 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 Jesus said to Simon Peter and Andrew, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Immediately they followed him. Jesus began to proclaim this: “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” He cured many people.

On the Calendar...

January 19 – Pro-Life March

January 20 – Community dinner at Methodist Church

January 21 – 29 – Novena for Life at St. Stephen 7 p.m.

January 22 - 25 – March for Life to Washington D.C.

January 26 – Teaching Mass Sunday at 5:30

January 27-31 – Catholic Schools Week

February 8 – Lucky Hearts

February 15 – Daddy/daughter dance

March 19 – Confirmation for high school students

Please pray for...

Trent Zeiger	Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert
Natalee Amos	Rosemary Evans	Deanna Buckman
Nick Hays	Kenny Underhill	Jackie Ryan
Bill Janes	Logan Maher	Daniel Patrick Mudd
Troy Ritter	Kenneth Ryan	Bonnie Ess
Barbara Kendrick	Connie Kendrick	William P. Smith
Teresa Ritter Toland	Mark Leake	Nick Mudd
	Mary Smith Sprague	

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit and patience with pain. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is so special to just sit an hour with our Lord, praying or reading or just listening to what He might be telling you. Many blessings have come to us through our constant vigil in our Adoration Chapel. Don't deny yourself the experience!

Sunday: noon-1pm, 3-4pm

Monday: 5-6pm

Friday: 6-7am, 6-7pm

Please contact Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552.

Lucky Hearts tickets are available. They may be purchased at school, from Loree Quinn at Alliant Bank or from Sr. Sue. Buy your tickets right away and reserve your favorite seats. Lucky Hearts will be on Saturday, February 8, 2020.

Daughters of Isabella

† We will be serving the National Resource Conservation Services lunch on January 24th for 300 people. Workers are needed both Thursday and Friday (23th & 24th) at 9:00 a.m. to help prepare and for serving/cleanup on Friday at 11:00. Please contact Regina Miskell (735-2667) if you have any questions.

† Annual dues in the amount of \$20 may be sent to Tara Elliott, 40537 Hwy. W, Monroe City, MO 63456 **or** you may put them in an envelope marked “D of I dues” and place them in the collection basket at Mass. **Please remit before March 1.**

† **Our next business meeting** will be February 13, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. There will be an audit at 4:30.

† We will be hosting next month's community dinner at the Methodist Church on February 24 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Charitable Contribution Letters can be made available for the 2019 year by calling the rectory office between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at 735-4718.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal – Goal Progress

As of January 13, 2020

Parish goal ----- **\$24,500**

Amount received ----- **\$ 22,446**

Only **\$ 2,054** left to meet our goal

Diocese Goal-----\$2,450,000

Received-----\$2,565,885.44

The 19th Annual Pro-Life March will be held Sunday, January 19th at Holy Rosary's Knights of Columbus Hall in Monroe City beginning with a prayer service at 5:00 PM. Weather permitting, there will be a candle-lit march followed by refreshments in the Hall. Three will be attending the Washington, DC March from our parishes.

Knights of Columbus News

ROSES FOR LIFE: the Knights of Columbus will be passing out roses on Saturday, January 18, and Sunday, January 19. It is hoped that all adults will take a rose and sign it. You may tear off the paper and KEEP the rose again this year, but please return the signed paper to the baskets at the doors of the church. The signed papers will be sent to various legislators to show our support in our fight against abortion. Thank you.

School News

- Classes will not be held on Monday, January 20, as Martin Luther King Day is celebrated.
- Catholic Schools Week will be from January 27, through January 31. Open House will be on Thursday, January 30. Everyone is invited to visit our school and view the accomplishments of the students.
- Mass at 8:20 on Friday, January 24, will be led by the third grade students.

From Deacon Mike's Desk

Confirmation Date for High School students

Bishop Gaydos will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the high school youth at Holy Rosary, St. Stephen's and St. Mary's Shelbina on Thursday, **March 19, 2020** “The Solemnity of St. Joseph” at Holy Rosary Church at 7 p.m.

Formed / Audio / Being Catholic Love—Sacrifice—Trust: He Showed Us the Way by Fr. Mike Schmitz

Fr. Mike Schmitz shares important insights on the meaning of Christ's Cross. He shows how God's rescue mission for us includes the need for each person to embrace his own cross in order to reestablish trust in the Father and the understanding that love requires sacrifice. It also includes a bonus segment on Stations of the Cross, which features reflections on the Lord's Passion and Death, accompanied by moving audio dramatizations from the Truth and Life Audio Bible.

- **Grade school PSR schedule:** Wednesday 3:15-4:30
- **7th-10th grade PSR:** Sundays at 10:30 a.m.
- **Chosen High School Youth Group:** Wednesdays 7 p.m.
- **Adult Study Group:** Sundays 10:30 a.m. – Noon

Parish pictorial directory

Our photography dates for our upcoming directory event is fast approaching. With a goal of 100%, we need all families to sign up. Our directory will allow us to connect names and faces and stay connected. Every family will receive a free 8x10 portrait and will have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits. Photography times are still available – visit our website, Facebook event page or contact the parish office 735-4718 to sign up now.

On Sunday, January 26, Fr. Greg will offer an additional Sunday Mass at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church. This will be a “teaching Mass”. Before and after Mass and at various points during the Mass, Fr. Greg will pause and give an explanation of what is significant at those points in the Mass. All are welcome. Our high school youth will be ministers during Mass. A spaghetti dinner will follow at school.

Simon Scholarship and Warack Scholarship applications for 2020-2021 are being accepted through March 31, 2020. Applications can be acquired through Deacon Mike or may be downloaded at diojeffcity.org/scholarship. Completed applications should be sent to: Attn: Scholarship Facilitator, PO Box 104900, Jefferson City, MO 65110-4900 or faxed to 573-635-2286. Applications must be **postmarked or returned to the Chancery by March 31, 2020**. All applicants will be notified of the results by May 1, 2020.