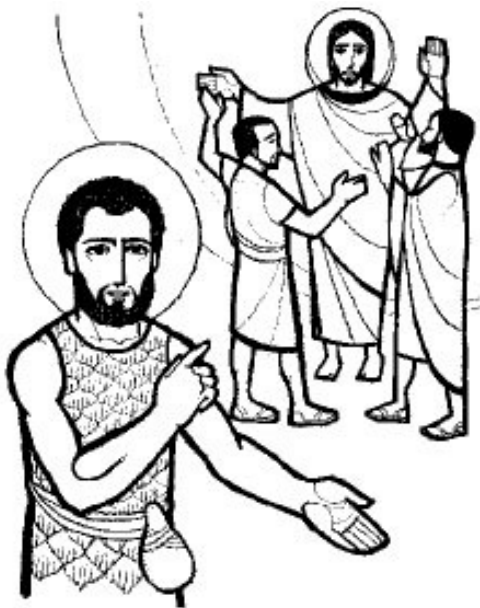


Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2018



The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" (Jn 1:35-42)

Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering Dec 30/31- \$1296 .75
New Years Offerings Jan 1: \$ 102.25
Repair & Renovations fund - \$ 220.00
'Host a Family..' \$ 25.00
Bless you for your continued generous support.

Upcoming Events - 2018

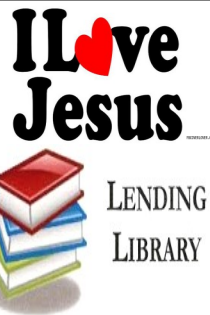
Mass with Anointing of the sick - Feb.10&11
Honouring Married Couples - Feb.17&18
Host a Family Fund Raising Programs:
Family Mass and Luncheon - March 25
Friends, please join and support that we may help our 2nd Syrian family.

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY.

January 2018 topics are 'Welcoming the New Year' on January 8th; and 'Who Am I Now', on January 22nd. Kathryn McMorro is the presenter for both sessions. Meetings are 7 to 9 pm at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls. Pre-registration is not required. For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@sainted.com

Mass Schedule & Intentions from January 13, 2018 to January 21, 2018

Saturday	5:00PM † Oreste Mazzei by Teresa DiGioia
Sunday	9:00AM † Dawn Ann MacDonald by Linda Matchett
	11:00AM For us and for all our dearly deceased ones
Monday	9:00AM No Mass
Tuesday	9:00AM † Lydia Matchett by Lillian Poirier & family
Wednesday	9:00AM † Les Sumbler by Lila Locco
Thursday	9:00AM † Giuseppina Gallo by Lidia & Joe Labricciosa
Friday	9:00AM † Franco Sdao by Mr. & Mrs. Sam Addario
Saturday	5:00PM † Oreste Mazzei by Franca Sdao & family Giuseppe Biamonte by Brother in Law Gennaro Tavano
Sunday	9:00AM † Angela Riolino by Lucy Riolino-Smith & family Ippolito Mauro by Wife Ines & family
	11:00AM For us and for all our dearly deceased ones



St.Andrew's book and audio-visual Library

Dear friends, we have a lending Library at the church with Catholic Faith based books and audio-visual items. It is located on the inside of front right door. I hope you will make use of it. Please fill in the (form) information as you take the item and as you return it. If you have new Catholic books to donate to the library, plz talk to Fr.Paul first. Thank you for your support.

To book a Mass

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one (Holy Souls in Purgatory), please submit a Mass Request to us. Envelopes are available at the back. You may also visit the office during office hours or sent us an e-mail at sandrewrcc@outlook.com We currently have many openings available.

Like to volunteer ? Parish Ministries

Do you like to become little more active in our parish community? Please join one or more of our Parish Ministries. Your help and input will help us to serve the parish better. Please talk to Father Paul or call the office.



Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us



Pope Denounces All, even 'Subtle' Attacks to Life

The Pontiff did so when addressing the diplomatic corps of all ambassadors accredited to the Holy See in the Apostolic Palace. The document–Universal Declaration of Human Rights - the Pope reminded–affirms, “recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world.” For the Holy See, to speak of human rights means above all, he emphasized, to restate the centrality of the human person, willed and created by God in his image and likeness.

“The Lord Jesus himself, by healing the leper, restoring sight to the blind man, speaking with the publican, saving the life of the woman caught in adultery and demanding that the injured wayfarer be cared for, makes us understand that every human being, independent of his or her physical, spiritual or social condition, is worthy of respect and consideration.” A reductive vision of the human person, the Pope cautioned, “opens the way to the growth of injustice, social inequality and corruption.”

The Pope noted after 70 years of the declaration, he is pained to see how many fundamental rights continue to be violated today, especially the right of every human person to life, liberty and personal security. “In our day, there are more subtle means: I think primarily of innocent children discarded even before they are born, unwanted at times simply because they are ill or malformed, or as a result of the selfishness of adults. “I think of the elderly, who are often cast aside, especially when infirm and viewed as a burden. “I think of women who repeatedly suffer from violence and oppression, even within their own families.“I think too of the victims of human trafficking, which violates the prohibition of every form of slavery.”

The Pope lamented how many people, especially those fleeing from poverty and war, “have fallen prey to such commerce perpetrated by unscrupulous individuals.”

The Pope also reminded that defending the right to life and physical integrity also means safeguarding the right to health on the part >>>

>> of individuals and their families.

In order to effectively defend the right to life, he also stressed, one must actively strive for peace. “For without peace, integral human development becomes unattainable.”

Over the years, especially following the social upheaval of the 1960’s, the Pope noted, the interpretation of some rights “has progressively changed, with the inclusion of a number of ‘new rights’ that not infrequently conflict with one another.” This, the Pontiff explained, has not always helped the promotion of friendly relations between nations, since debatable notions of human rights have been advanced that are at odds with the culture of many countries.

“Somewhat paradoxically,” he pointed out, “there is a risk that, in the very name of human rights, we will see the rise of modern forms of ideological colonization by the stronger and the wealthier, to the detriment of the poorer and the most vulnerable.”

The Pope went on to stress that it cannot be forgotten that the traditions of individual peoples “cannot be invoked as a pretext for disregarding the due respect for the fundamental rights proclaimed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.” [from www.zenith.org]

Spiritual care for the Sick and Homebound

The homebound elders of our families are well taken care of by their dear ones. Of course, there are arrangements for their food and medicine. But as Catholics there is more we can do. When they can't attend Sunday Mass because of age and ailments the church will go to them to take care of their spiritual needs. We are already doing this on a regular basis. Please let me know if some of your dear ones are sick or homebound. Again, please call me (or priest on-call from the hospital, for the hospitalized) for anointing the seriously sick that they may receive the sacraments while alive and conscious. Hospital will call a priest only upon a request from you or a dear one. There is a catholic priest on-call arrangement 24/7, for every hospitals.

