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Nativity of Our Lord Duryea

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Masses: Daily, M-T-W-F 7:00am Thursday 6:30pm • Saturday (Vigil)- 4:00 pm • Sunday- 8 & 11am, & 7pm

Confession: Daily, M-T-W-F~6:40-6:55am; Thur. - 6:10-6:25pm • Sat. 3:15-3:45pm, & anytime upon request.



❖ February 9, 2025

❖ THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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An Ordinary Reflection-

The Work of Our Hands

Words are important. How we speak to others, even if it is challenge, confrontation or a reprimand, ought to be offered to respect both the dignity of a person and the awareness of how my truth may not be exactly your truth. That said, none of us are perfect and all of us are sinners.

All four of the Scripture offerings this Sunday speak to how we communicate with one another. Each of them also recognizes the significance of God's call in our lives, even when we see ourselves as not worthy of God's call. As believers, we are reminded constantly by Jesus and the disciples through the ages up to today, that our call is to love God and love our neighbor. This is the unity which needs to be central in our lives; and as St. Luke's Gospel reveals, if we chose to be Jesus' disciples, we must leave everything and follow him.

There are times, as the prophet Isaiah tells us, that because of the "unclean lips" of ourselves and other people, we feel our world is "doomed." Psalm 38 reminds us that even though the work of our hands seems incomplete or trivial, we must never forsake that God completes what needs to be done. St. Paul offers himself as "the least of the apostles," but he also recognizes that if we believe the grace of God is with us, we must preach the Good News. Jesus needs us to listen to the word of God, so that even after we have already worked quite hard, we can cast out our nets of faith and witness once again an overabundance of Jesus' presence. Fear ought never stop us from catching God's love.



All of us have been anointed in some way to be healed and to bring healing into our world. Our sins can be purged if we allow the ember of God's compassion to touch how our lips bring kindness into every situation. The angels that God sends into our spirits, can help us build up the strength we need to come closer to the truth. To avoid believing in vain, we must develop a deep awareness of how to effectively preach what needs to be heard from God. God's graces are astonishing, and they can sometimes seize us with the fear of our own sins. Yet, Jesus invites us to bring our sinful and fear-filled "boats to the shore." Then we, as Jesus partners, can speak words which open our hands to work for peace with Christ and one another.



-Fr. Michael

Questions for reflection based on this Sunday's readings:

► Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8 ~ Hear I am, send me!

► 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,11 ~ I handed on to you what I received.

► Luke 5:1-11 ~ They left everything, even their nets, and followed Jesus.

When I have felt like I was in deep water, in over my head,
when doing something I felt called by God to do?

Did I overcome my fear or discomfort and how?

LITURGICAL CALENDER, DEVOTIONS, AND INTENTIONS
FOR FEB 10-16TH, 2025

Mon	10	<i>St. Scholastica, Virgin</i>	7:00am	Dolores Lampman (30-day Mass)
Tue	11	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes</i>	7:00am	Rev. Anthony Suchocki (by Parish)
Wed	12	Weekday	7:00am	Joseph & Carol Ciaston (by Joe & Elizabeth Ciaston)
Thu	13	Weekday	6:30pm	Denise Frantz (by siblings)
Fri	14	<i>Saints Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop</i>	7:00am	Dan Hanley (by Bill & Debbie Orner)
Sat	15	Weekday	4:00pm	Michael Rostkowski (by children)
Sun	16	THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8:00am 11:00am 7:00pm	Hantz & Kabacinski families (by family) For the Intentions of the Parishioners Patrick Plastow (by Barry Conlan & family)
VOTIVE CANDLES OFFERINGS				
Sacred Heart of Jesus		Kenneth Francis Sr. (by Ken & Mary Francis)		
Blessed Virgin Mary		A special intention (by Dorice & family)		
Saint Joseph		Louis & Dorothy Doxbeck (by family)		

Upcoming events...

9 Sunday

-Pizza and Wing Sale pick-up, 3:00 and 4:30

14 Friday- Pierogi prep

-9am -Potato/Cheese Prep

15 Saturday

-10am Mash /Ball Potatoes

16 Sunday

-9am Pierogi Making

17 Monday - Presidents Day

-office closed

23 Sunday

-Orders Due for Pre Lent pierogi sale

26 Wednesday

- Pre-Lent pierogi pick up from 3-6pm

M A R C H

4 Tuesday- Men's Society meeting @6:30pm

5 ASH WEDNESDAY - Lent Begins

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Sunday \$5,444.00 (\$1,998.00 OL); Other Envelopes \$1,420.50 (\$190.00 OL); Loose \$210.00;
Initial Offering: \$347.45 (\$4.00 OL, \$218.45 2nd Loose)

Next Sunday's Second Collection will be our parish response to the collection for the Church in Latin America.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: 2024 GOAL \$44,982.00 So Far: \$45,896.00 ... 102.03 %!

Thank You, and may God bless your wonderful generosity!

LENTEN PIEROGI

We are making Pierogi to help with your Lenten meatless meal plans. Pierogi will be available for **\$10.00 a dozen**, frozen and bagged. Orders are limited to **2-Dozen per customer**, and orders will be taken on a first come, first serve basis until Sunday, February 23rd, or until supplies run out. **Pick-up Date and Times:** Wednesday, February 26th, from 3:00 to 6:00 pm at the Church Hall.

LENTEN PIEROGI 2025 Order Form

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