

St. Raymond of the Mountains

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BAPTISMS:

Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism

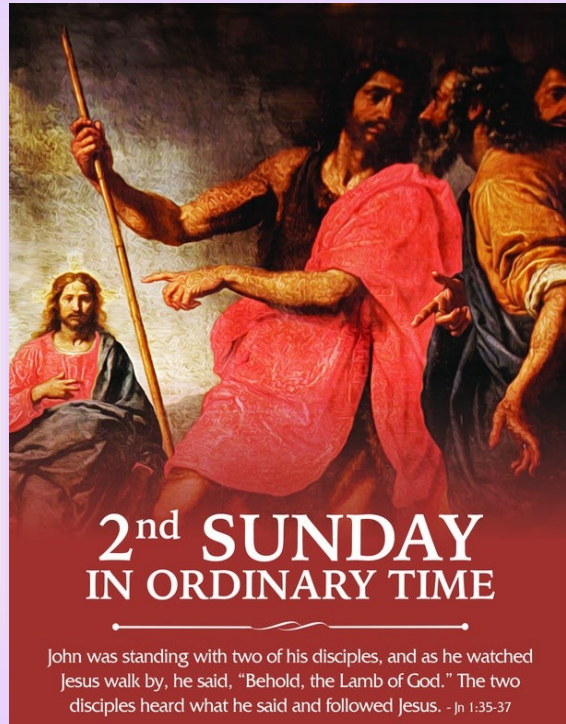
CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 3:30 PM.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements should be made with the Pastor at least one year in advance.

January 17, 2021



MASSES:

Saturday (Vigil): 4:30 PM.

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM.

Daily Mass: 8:00 AM at St. Raymond Church.

An Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction:

Every First Friday of the month after the 8:00 AM Mass until 10:00 AM.

Holy Days: See bulletin

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesdays at 10:30 AM.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Closed Friday.

St. Raymond of the Mountains Parish Mission Statement

We, the parish of St. Raymond of the Mountains (Donegal, PA) are situated in a resort area and comprised of many rural communities. We come together to share and strengthen our faith in God and each other by celebrating the sacraments and striving to follow God's teaching. We are called to be open to the Holy Spirit and to build a stronger Faith Community by serving the needs of others, by educating, and by welcoming all.

ORDINARY TIME

If we look closely we will be able to find God in the ordinary of our lives.

JANUARY 16 – JANUARY 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GATHERING HYMN

The Summons

Will you come and follow me If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me!

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R/. Here am I, Lord: I come to do your will.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

R/. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

(Refrain) Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?.

(Refrain)

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? **(Refrain)**

RECESSIONAL

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest; Lay down, O weary one, lay down Your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, So weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting place, And he has made me glad.

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Readings for the week of January 17, 2021

Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/ Jn 1:35-42
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b] Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6] Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a] 1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 17, 2021 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

2021 MASS INTENTIONS

We are now scheduling Mass intentions for 2021. Each person may request up to 10 intentions for ONE person or ONE family. If you would like to request your intentions, please do so as soon as possible; in writing, and place it in the collection or mail it to the Parish Office. Please indicate your intentions and suggested dates on your written request. The Mass Intentions Policy is posted on the bulletin boards in the Church, and can be provided to you upon request by calling 724-593-7479 or coming to the Parish Office.

January Calendar Ticket Winners:

- Jan. 4, #595, winner: Mike Shinsky, seller: Joy Shinsky
Jan. 6, #862, winner: John Nedrow, seller: John Nedrow
Jan. 7, #723, winner: Georgette Insana
seller: Jistine LaJevic
Jan. 8, #733, winner: John Mizik, seller: Cel Tidwell
Jan. 9, #409, winner: Helen Sparks
seller: Addy Evangelist (gift)
Jan. 10, #758, winner: Judy Neiderhiser
seller: Milte Neiderhiser
- Winners were from Acme, Indian Head, and Canonsburg.
Congrats to all the winners and sellers!



Visitation of the Blessed Mary plans take-out doughnut sale

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Mt. Pleasant, will have a take-out doughnut sale from 2-4 p.m. on Feb. 1 and 8 in the community center. Doughnuts will be made on those days. Pre-orders must be placed by Jan. 26 for either prune, apricot or raspberry-filled doughnuts. The doughnuts will be pre-packaged for quick pick up in the community center. Cost of the doughnuts is \$1.50 each. All CDC guidelines in regard to COVID-19 will be followed, including the safe preparation of the doughnuts.

Financial scholarships available at Geibel

Geibel Catholic Junior-Senior High school still has financial scholarships available for grades 7 through 11 for the second semester of the 2020-21 school year. Please contact the school at 724-628-5600 for more information or apply online at www.geibelcatholic.org.



**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD
IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

Christ Is Anything but Ordinary

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flatlining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

Remember what you are looking for.
Come, and you will see.

**Diocesan Council of Catholic Women
offer Mass invitation**

The Greensburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women invite all who are unable to attend the March for Life in Washington D.C. to pray with them Jan. 29 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg, The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the Rosary for priests. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop-elect Larry J. Kulick at noon. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled at the conclusion of Mass until closing prayer and Benediction at 4 p.m. No reservations are needed and you may attend at any time during the day. For more information, call Millie at 724-537-2064.

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat. - January 16 - Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. + Fr. Anthony Mannocho, by Friend

Sun. - January 17 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. + Mary Garrity, by Family

10:30 a.m. Our Parish Members

Mon. - January 18 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Jim Burns, by Mary Kantorik Burns

Tues. - January 19 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Otto & Marcella Penkert,
by David & Raissa Federline

Wed. - January 20 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. + J. Voke, by Mary Kantorik Burns

Thurs. - January 21 - St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 a.m. + Hugo & Stella Penkert,
by David & Raissa Federline

Fri. - January 22 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

8:00 a.m. + Jeanette Brinkos,
by David & Raissa Federline

Sat. - January 23 - Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. + Mom, by Mary Kantorik Burns

Sun. - January 24 - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. + Jack & Jeannie Hadley, by Family

10:30 a.m. Our Parish Members



Please Note: About Our Prayer List

To add someone to the prayer list it is important that you have obtained their permission to do so. Please be sure to keep the office updated on those you have placed on the prayer list. **If the office receives no updates after sixth months,** we will assume that God has heard our prayers and that person will be removed from the prayer list.

Please contact the Parish Office (724-593-7479) if you wish to have your love one on the list.



Please remember in your prayers

John Accettola, Josh B., Bonnie Baloga, George Burr, George Estochin, Laura Estochin, Patty Gadek, Gerald, Charles Kantorik, Francis Kantorik, Theresa Miller, Regina Nilson, Mindy O., David Powers, Larry Powers, Brandy Schurg, Helen Sparks, Tom Sparks, Edie Spell, Ernestine Stanton, Mike & Toni Terretti, Theresa, Colleen and sons, and Denise Thomas.