

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

January 18th
2026

SECOND
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY
TIME

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Prayers for the Sick

Please help us keep the list of the sick updated. If you would like to be on the email prayer chain or want to submit a prayer request of any kind please email

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Blake Kuntz

Jenny Funk

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Father James Kilzer OSB

Natalie Sutto

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Jamie Kouba

Daryl Wanner

Gail Walls

LuAnn Woeste

Ashley Braem

David Berger

Ardie Krueger

Heather Woroneicki

Mitch Moszer

Ardelle Tibor

Mass Intentions

Jan 17 th	6:30 PM	Special Intentions for Andrew Jacobson by Monica Jacobson
Jan 18 th	8:30 AM	+ Annette Sardelli
Jan 21 st	6:00 PM	+Gloria Diede by Richard Portscheller
Jan 23 rd	9:00 AM	+ Peter Berger
Jan 24 th	6:30 PM	Special Intentions for Ava Wehri by Renee Duppong
Jan 25 th	8:30 AM	+ Bev Thomas by Emil & Sally Vogle

Ministers

January 17th- Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: Nicole Vogle

Ushers: Kerry & Brenda Richardson

Servers: Cambri, Brynlee & Cade

Rosary: Volunteer

January 18th- Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: David Wanner

Ushers: David & Cheryl Wanner

Servers: Scarlet, Felix & Hattie

Rosary: David Johnson

January 20th - Tuesday- NO MASS

January 21st- Wednesday- Adoration 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM; Mass at 6:00 PM

January 23rd - Friday- Mass at 9:00 AM; Adoration 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM

January 24th- Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: Ty Wehri

Ushers: Kerry & Brenda Richardson

Servers: Addison, Tegan & Talon

Rosary: Volunteer

January 25th- Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: Ken Duppong

Ushers: Don & Deb Wanner

Servers: Easton & Linus

Rosary: David Johnson

**** Confessions 30 minutes before Mass****

**First, third and fifth Wednesdays
there will be Eucharistic Adoration
from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM
followed by Mass**

Mass Schedule – Central Time

Masses at St. Ann's

Saturday 6:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Friday 9:00 AM

Masses at Sacred Heart:

Saturday 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Parish Office Hours are 10 AM TO 1PM

Tuesdays and Fridays

The Church is open from

7:30 AM TO 7:30 PM Everyday

**ST. ANNS IS AN EMERGENCY STORM SHELTER
FOR THOSE IN NEED DOORS WILL REMAIN OPEN
DURING STORMS**

Daily Readings

Jan 18 *Isaiah 49:3, 5-6*

Psalms 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

John 1:29-34

Corinthians 1:1-3

Jan 19 *Samuel 15:16-23*

Psalms 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23

Mark 2:18-22

Jan 20 *Samuel 16:1-13*

Psalms 89:20, 21-22, 27-28

Mark 2:23-28

Jan 21 *Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51*

Psalms 144:1, 2, 9-10

Gospel, Mark 3:1-6

Jan 22 *Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7*

Psalms 56:2-3, 9-10, 10-12, 13-14

Mark 3:7-12

Jan 23 *Samuel 24:3-21*

Psalms 57:2, 3-4, 6, 11

Mark 3:13-19

Jan 24 *Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27*

Psalms 80:2-3, 5-7,

Mark 3:20-21

Upcoming Events

***There will be No Mass on Tuesday,
January 20th**

***Bible Study- Monday nights at 7:00 PM**

***Knights of Columbus outdoor Nativity
Scene winners are Steve and Ruth
Maershbecker of Hebron and The
Guppies on Main Street in Glen Ullin.
Congratulations to the winners!**

***St. Ann's Knoephla Soup & Sausage
Dinner/Raffle- February 1st.**

***Ministries schedule coming soon!**

***Directory proof is sitting out on the
gathering space table for people to
look at and correct if there are any
mistakes! You can write any
corrections on the proof! Thank you!**

*** End of year contribution
statements will be available soon!**

Stewardship of Treasure

Adult: \$1810

Loose: \$95

First Offering: \$40

Thank you for your donations!

“John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, ‘Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.’”

The announcement of John the Baptist that Jesus was the Lamb of God must have struck the Jewish audience as a bit peculiar. In the Jewish religion of that time, the lamb was the preeminent sacrifice at the Temple. What were they to make of John's designation of Jesus as the Lamb of God? John was clearly pointing out the reason Jesus was born: He was born to die. John was foretelling Mount Calvary, where Jesus was destined to suffer as the sacrificial Lamb of God. This would be the vocation of Jesus, to be a suffering Messiah. For us who want the honor of being a disciple of Jesus, then we must also embrace the vocation of suffering, because Jesus did remind us in the Gospels that unless we carry our cross daily, we cannot be His disciple. How do I react to suffering in my life? Why do I try so often to avoid it? We must remember that Jesus did not create suffering, but that He is always with us when we suffer. Our suffering will also conclude in glory.

Difficult Scripture Passages

“But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason, a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife and the two shall become one flesh. So, they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined, no man must divide” (Mark 10:6-9).

In His preaching, Jesus unequivocally taught that the marriage of man and woman is indissoluble; God Himself has determined it. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, *“Thus the marriage bond has been established by God Himself in such a way that a marriage concluded and consummated between baptized persons can never be dissolved”* (#1640). If this is Church teaching, then how does one justify the tradition of annulments? Isn't an annulment simply a “Catholic divorce.” No.

A civil divorce is the dissolution of a civilly valid marriage contract; it is a legal procedure. On the other hand, no human power can dissolve a valid sacramental marriage brought about through the consent of a bride and groom, legitimately manifested before at least two witnesses and a minister of the Church (priest or deacon). An annulment does not say that a marriage ended in divorce. Rather, it says in the eyes of the Church that a sacramental marriage never existed on the day of the wedding. The wedding took place, but the couple never married. The annulment (decree of nullity) determines that there was some radical defect, present before and/or on the wedding day, which rendered the marriage inefficacious; the sacramental union of husband and wife did not take effect. An annulment simply states that two people were not married in the eyes of God.

We may ask what radical defects would cause the union of a man and woman not to be a valid sacramental marriage. These defects fall into three categories: those concerning consent; those concerning impediments; and those concerning a lack of canonical form. Consent is an internal commitment expressed externally during a marriage ceremony... “I do.” The ability to offer consent effectively requires that one has a minimal amount of maturity, knowledge, intention, and freedom. When these are altogether lacking or seriously impaired, then one's consent is rendered defective and a valid marriage is impossible. The second source of marital invalidity is an impediment, a circumstance or a condition which relates directly to a person and makes that person incapable of contracting a valid marriage. Examples would be a prior marriage bond, impotence, marriage to a relative who is too closely related by blood, being not of age (fourteen for women, sixteen for men) or a prior vow (priesthood or religious life). Some impediments may be dispensed, but until they are, one may not validly marry in the Catholic Church. The last source of marital invalidity is a lack/defect of form. If man and woman did not externally express consent before at least two witnesses and a properly delegated minister (priest or deacon), the marriage is invalid.

Marriage tribunals study the nature of consent, the presence of impediments, and the presence of canonical form to determine if a valid sacramental marriage occurred on the day of the wedding. The Catholic Church expects marriage to last forever (“until death do us part”), but at the same time recognizes that some couples who were wedded were not capable of developing or maintaining a lifelong loving union. Because the two people were not married, they are free to marry someone else in the Church... the person God intended for them.

Padre's Picks: Parishioners from our parishes are welcome to Fr. Gary's home for a winter movie night series. The first will take place on **Friday, January 30th, at 7:00 PM** and the movie that evening will be ***Lilies of the Field***. When traveling African American handyman Homer Smith (Sidney Poitier) stops by a farm in rural Arizona, he is welcomed by a group of Roman Catholic nuns who have emigrated from Germany. Realizing that the farm needs a lot of work, Homer takes on a number of repair projects for the women, who are led by the headstrong mother superior, Mother Maria (Lilia Skala). Impressed by Homer's kindness and strong work ethic, the nun's come to believe that God has sent him to help them build a chapel. If someone wants to stop by at 6:00 PM that night to help me pop some popcorn and prepare some other snacks and drinks, I would appreciate the help. God bless you and know that this movie is appropriate for parishioners of all ages, young and old. The movie will take place in the rectory living room and there are plenty of chairs to accommodate the movie patrons. If you want to explore the rectory before the movie, please feel free to do so. But do not smoke any of the Cuban cigars I have in my cigar room. You can smoke the cigars from the Dominican Republic, but not the good ones from Havannah.

Away for a Spell: From Sunday after Mass until Tuesday afternoon of this coming week, I will be away from the parishes at Cross Ranch State Park for a little post-Christmas rest and relaxation. If an emergency should arise, please feel free to contact me on my cell phone.

Thank You for Your Kindness and Generosity: Last Sunday, representatives of Saint Gianna's Maternity Home came to our communities to pick up the items from our donation campaigns. They were so impressed by the outpouring of your love and generosity and want you to know that they are eternally grateful. Thank you for being so good to the young mothers and children of Saint Gianna's Maternity Home; you are truly living the Gospel of Life.

A Christian Point to Ponder: *"God can do a lot with a little."*



Saint Gianna Maternity Home Baby Shower was a success!

From Joan Schanilec: "Every single item, every single gift that was given by your two parishes will be cherished and greatly appreciated."

Thank you to those that donated items, money and gift cards for the mothers and babies and for everyone that donated their time as well! God bless you!