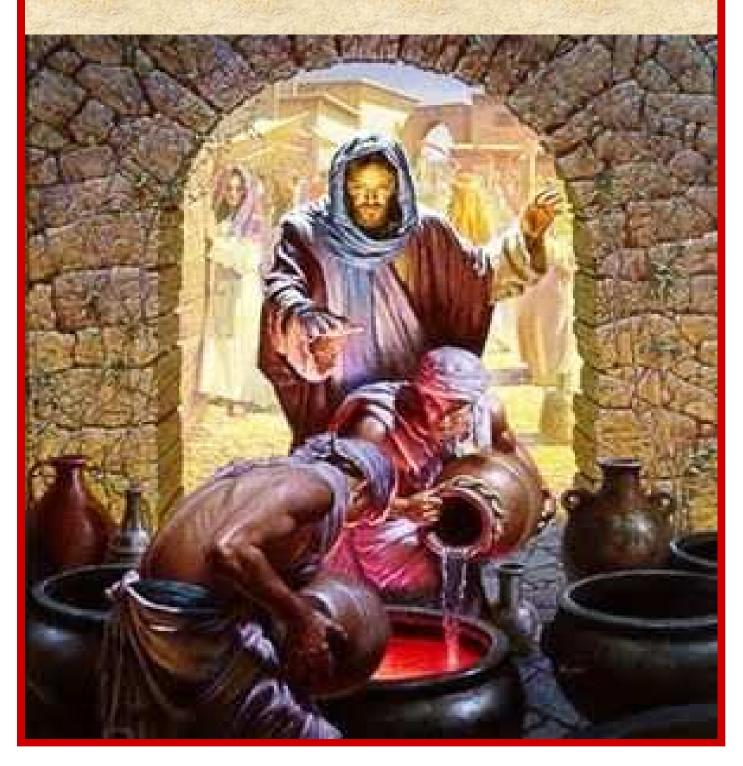
SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO CHURCH 190 NORTH MAIN STREET WOONSOCKET, RHODE ISLAND January 20, 2013

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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If you are new to the parish, WELCOME!

Please introduce yourself. We want to know you and to serve you. We hope you will favor your par-

ish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance — according to your means.





Mass Schedule Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 7:30 am and 10:00 am Brazilían Mass 12:00 noon

Rev. Herivelto Pereira, C.SsR.

Weekday Masses (lower level Chapel)

Tuesday through Friday: 9:00 am

Wednesday—Bible Study - 9:30—10:15 am Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the rectory after your baby's birth to prepare for this initial Sacrament of spiritual life.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance)

Confessions are available on Saturdays 3:00 to 3:40 pm or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the rectory at least six months prior to the date of your wedding.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (and Communion Calls)

Please notify us if anyone is ill, in the hospital or at home and unable to get to church, especially those who are homebound and may wish to receive Holy Communion at home.

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4:00 pm Saint Charles Parishioners January 19

By Tom & Anne Flood Adeline Caracuzzo (12th Anniversary) 7:30 am Sunday By the Zannelli Family 10:00 am **Hazel and Edward Norton** January 20

> 12:00 pm **Brazilian Mass**

Monday

January 21

Tuesday 10:00 am Mass of the Day January 22

Wednesday

9:00 am Lucille Blake January 23

Thursday By his sisters 9:00 am Aldo Rossi & family January 24

Friday

By his children, Lucille, 9:00 am **Ernest Trinque** (26th Anniversary) January 25

Nel and Maggie

Saturday 4:00 pm **Rose and Edward Crepeau**

By the family January 26

Saint Charles Parishioners Sunday 7:30 am

January 27 Mary Flood (42nd Anniversary) By Tom and Anne Flood 10:00 am

> 12:00 pm **Brazilian Mass**

If you have requested a Mass Intention and would like to have a family member bring up the gifts, please see the Celebrant or a Eucharistic Minister before the start of the Mass.

scripture readings

Week of January 20, 2013

20 SUN Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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21 Mon Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22 (311) 22 Tue Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28 (312) 23 Wed Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6 (313) 24 Thu

Heb 7:25(8:6/Mk 3:7-12 (314) Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18 25 Fri

(519)

26 Sat 2 Tm 1:1-8* or Ti 1:1-5* (520)/Mk

3:20-21 (316)

27 SUN Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-

30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-

21 (69)

If we approach with faith, we too will see Jesus... for the Eucharistic table takes the place of the crib.

Here the Body of the Lord is present, wrapped not in swaddling clothes but in the rays of the Holy Spirit.

~St. John Chrysostom

Your kind contributions received last weekend



Offering Envelopes _____ \$ 1,929.00 Loose Money____ 513.00

Total \$2,442.00



Instead of the Pastor's column this week, please read the following article Fr. John Kiley sent to the Call recently regarding marriage:

Dear Editor:

Eighteenth century English author Henry Fielding wrote of a woodcutter forced to act as a doctor, owing to a prank played on him by his wife. The lumberman does his best to assume the role, pretending to explain a patient's symptoms in a barrage of nonsensical Latin. He also talks confidently about the liver and the heart, but unfortunately misplaces these organs.

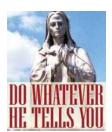
Fielding's tale is humorous but also ludicrous. The most revered physician could not alter the composition of the human body with a few clever words. But before the twenty-first century laughs at the eighteenth century, today's readers should recall that the homosexual lobby in our state is attempting to redefine the nature of marriage just as airily and dismissively as the woodcutter re-organized the human torso. The human body is a given. The Royal College of Physicians cannot alter the proper location of the heart, lungs, liver or intestines no matter how smart their Latin phrases. Nor can the homosexual lobby modify the nature of marriage. That would be an equal joke. Marriage too is a given: the indissoluble union of one man and one woman open to new life.

Although Bishop Tobin's recent statement on so-called homosexual marriage comes from a religious leader, his insights should be pondered by the secular world as well. Still, if Rhode Island's legislators do not want to listen to Mother Church, then let them listen to Mother Nature in whom authentic marriage finds its origin and its unique human significance.

The Reverend John A. Kiley

THE GOSPEL

John 2:1- 11



Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory.

"They have no wine." So what? To the servants: "Do whatever he tells you." From that instant she left it to him. To us: "Do what he says: "Love God, love your neighbor, make a home for the Spirit." We will. Let us leave everything to you. Lord, please, we are water. Turn us into wine.

PRAY ... especially Tom Flood, Fritz Page, for the Donald Hickey, Lauri Luzzi, Robert SICK Lachance, Paul Kogut, Ralph Descy and the members of our parish, our families and our loved ones — who may be hospitalized, homebound or otherwise struggling with any form of physical, spiritual or emotional illness.



...For the recently deceased, especially Mary Jane Giberson, Pauline Colerick, Paul Iben, Roland Gross, all the deceased members of our parish, our families and our friends.



... for our military — the brave men and women, who are stationed in troubled spots around the world — especially family members of our parish, the community of

Woonsocket and the State of Rhode Island.



We received the following letter from Anne Flood. Please read and consider it.

Dear Friends,

I am writing to ask for your support for this year's 9th annual CurePSP Awareness & Memorial Walk. It will be held on Feb. 9th at Mackle Park, Marco Island from 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM. I am hoping that Tom will be well enough to make the Walk this year. His condition continues to decline. It is a progressive disease as the name suggests and it is on a fast track. He no longer can walk or speak. Because of swallowing issues, he is having difficulty eating and drinking and is losing interest in one of his favorite activities - eating. Subsequently, he is losing weight.

I hope that you will be able to make a donation to help find a cure for this horrible disease. Last year, due to your generosity, I was the top fundraiser, raising over \$6000! I can't tell you how grateful and how proud that made me feel. Please make checks payable to CurePSP and send them to my address: 1752 Sanctuary Pointe Ct., Naples, FL 34110. I will turn them in on the day of the Walk.

Although Tom is not able to speak, he understands very well. While his eyes do not focus well because of the weakened eye muscles, his hearing is phenomenal. I know he would love to hear from you - 239-431-6794. He listens attentively and may even chuckle or smile. He also appreciates cards. Thank you too for your prayers and many kind thoughts.

I would appreciate anything that you can do to help this worthy cause. I will be so grateful knowing that others will be spared the suffering that comes with this disease when a cure is found.

Please feel free to forward this request to others you think may be able to help, or, that I may have missed.

Again, thanking you in advance for your support and whatever you can do to help.

Love, Anne Flood

MARCH FOR LIFE 2013 IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

All Pro-Life people are invited! Servants of Christ for Life bus departing January 24 at 6AM at St. William Parish, 200 Pettaconsett Ave, Warwick. 7PM Evening Mass & dinner. Staying overnight at Knights of Columbus hall, Maryland. Friday, January 25—Morning Mass, Pro-life speaker & National March for Life. Returning to RI by 12PM. \$80 per person. Call (401)421-0836 for reservations and mail your check to: Servants of Christ for Life, P.O. Box 72652, Providence, RI 02907.



BEACON HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Beacon Hospice provides quality end-of-life care to local terminally-ill patients. We are looking for caring and compassionate individuals to spend time with our patients. Many patients have little to no visitors and really enjoy friendly visits from a volunteer. We are also looking for pet therapy volunteers, veterans, reiki certified or musicians. We will be offering a training that begins on Tuesday, February 5 at 1PM and will run for 4 weeks. For more info, interested volunteers should contact Kristy Corbett, Volunteer Coordinators at (401) 438-0008 or

Kristy.corbett@beaconhospice.com If you are interested in volunteering and cannot attend this training, please call above #. See bulletin board notice.

NO SONG LIKE YOUR OWN: A WOMEN'S RETREAT will be held at Miramar Retreat Center in Duxbury, MA <u>January 27-29, 2013</u>. For more info, contact Peggy Patenaude at (508) 548-9149 or email her at timeoutretreats@comcast.net. For more info, visit www.timeoutretreats.com

THE CATHOLIC TOUR LLC, a 33 year old Catholic Pilgrimage Apostolate is pleased to announce the 4 'at cost' pilgrimages called "Specials" for travel March 6-12, 2013 for each pilgrimage.

Fatima, Portugal from Newark Airport - \$1,399.00 Lourdes, France from JFK Airport - \$1,859.00 Krakow, Poland from Newark Airport - \$1,349.00 Rome, Italy from JFK Airport - \$,799.00

All prices include superior tourist class hotels with private bath, most meals, airfare from gateway listed, motorcoach, full time escort, fuel surcharges, airline taxes, and daily Mass. Deadline for sign up is <u>January 15. 2013</u>. "First Come—First Served"

OPEN HOUSE FOR 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

The Greater Woonsocket Catholic Regional School System will be holding an Open House on Sunday, <u>January 27th from 11:3AM—1:00PM</u>. Parents interested in enrolling their children for the 2013-2014 school year are welcome to visit Msgr. Gadoury Catholic Regional School located at 1371 Park Avenue, Woonsocket (Grades Pre-K 3 year olds through grade 2) and Good Shepherd Catholic Regional School located at 1210 Mendon Road Woonsocket (grades 3—8). Please call the Regional Office at 401-762-1095 for more information.

REFLECTION ON THIS WEEKEND'S READING

"MY DELIGHT"

A new season of the Church year is upon us. Yes, "Ordinary Time" has replaced the "Christmas season."

Last Sunday climaxed the stories of Jesus' birth, early life and baptism. Now it is time to hear about his active work as God's Word as spoken to us. That work is the content of "Ordinary Time," in spite of the season's mundane name.

How long will Ordinary Time last? It will include every Sunday that is not in the Advent/ Christmas season, the Lent/Easter season, or any other special celebration of the Lord. There are three different years worth of Ordinary Time readings, each year with a clever name such as A, B, or C. In each of these years one particular "synoptic" Gospel writer is featured, either Mark, Matthew or Luke.

We are in year C, and we will begin hearing the Gospel according to Luke. The following words will be proclaimed before the Gospel reading each Sunday: "A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke."

To make it more complicated, however, this particular week, the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time does not have a reading from Luke's Gospel. The Church has used instead a reading from the Gospel of John, one about an event which took place before Jesus' public life had begun, as he says explicitly. The other readings go with it.

One way to look at this anomaly is to say that the present Sunday is a brief transition, meant to console us and raise our expectations concerning the Messiah and the Good News.**

This it does.

Isaiah says in the First Reading that God is going to give his people a new name. They will be called "My delight." Their land will be known by the name "Espoused." The Lord will marry them and bring forth abundance from their lands.

In the familiar Gospel we are at the wedding feast of Cana in Galilee and the wine has run out. Jesus is able to transform water into the very best wine, just as the Father can change a forsaken people into ones that are his delight.

Water turned to wine is a wonderful image of people who are fresh out of hope and need to drink of the promise and its satisfaction. Only God in Jesus can supply the real thing. Thus the Gospel story has even more symbolic depth than the simple story of an amazing miracle at first indicates.

Mary says simply to Jesus, "They have no wine." In other words, the human race has no real life left in it.

Jesus replies strangely: "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." He is saying that his public life has not yet begun. In that public life he will have to preach, heal, suffer, die and rise again, as we will see in the coming weeks. But Mary knows him too well. She does not take seriously all the reasons why God's promise cannot be fulfilled at this time. She knows that the people need the full, rich wine of life, which is love, and she trusts her son.

She says to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

So, after all, this Sunday we begin to watch Jesus make us into "his delight." Let us use our eyes. We are ready for the life of Jesus.

Fr. John Foley, S. J.

**This makes sense narratively since the Baptism of Jesus could be considered a beginning of his public life. But, not so. Neither it nor the time in the desert qualify as public time. They are preparation for his going back to Nazareth in the "power of the Holy Spirit," and beginning to actively preach the Kingdom of God.