



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

The Spirit
of the Lord
is upon me.

Luke 4:18



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 26, 2025

SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.*

PARISH INFORMATION: January 26, 2025

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

PARISH STAFF

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

The Office closes from 12 noon to 1PM for lunch.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This first step in planning your wedding is best begun one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: To arrange a Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held at 7PM (Date will be given when you call). Please call the office to register.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DATES

Submit announcements to be published in the bulletin to tbest@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org or to the Parish Office by the end of day Monday of the week prior to the weekend bulletin issue requested.

Please submit **flyers** to be copied and inserted into the bulletins to the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

MASS & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

ST. JOHN CHURCH: 809 Park Ave., Collingswood

**HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH: 50 Emerald Ave.,
Haddon Township**

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 PM—HS

Sunday: 8:00 AM—HS

Sunday: 9:30 AM - SJ **Live streamed (YouTube)**
11:00 AM—SJ

Sunday: 11:00 AM— HS American Sign Language
and Voice Interpreted for the hearing

Daily Masses:

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.: 9:00 AM St. John Church
Thursday: 9AM Holy Saviour Church

Adoration: Thursdays: After 9:00am Mass— 8pm (HS)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS: Call the Parish Office to schedule.

OCIA: Tuesdays at 7PM in Parish Office

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Sanctuary candles burn for the intentions of our Parishioners.

Contact the office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary Candle to illuminate the Tabernacle for a week, with your intention for a loved one.

The 2nd collection today is for the Latin America Collection



ADORATION Thursday at Holy Saviour Church 9:30am - 8pm

Silent Adoration 9:30am - 5pm
Rosary. Benediction 7PM — 8PM

Pray for Our Military

SGT Alex Coutinho, US Space Force	LT Patrick J. McKernan, USN
Michael Gregg, USMC	Johnny A. Santiago, Sgt. 1st Class
Ensign Alex Licorish, RN, USN	1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaletti, RN, SAF
Miguel Ingram, Pvt. 1st Class US Army	Salena Silvaria, NAC/AW, Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp
Ensign Margaret McKernan USN	



Lorraine Alexander	Steve Hardski	Elise Principato
Arline Barski	Sarah Jacob	Eric Roseboro
Nancy Barone	Teresa Jermyn	Susan Ratajski
Charlie Bates	Evan Kendendine	Joseph Sandone
Helen Berger	William Kinnee	Pat Schoenborn
James Beierschmitt	Ali Kite	Richard Schoenborn
Michael Cavallo	Baby Violet	Linda Simpkins
Nancy Caruso	Kozuhowski	Michael Skabla
Ed Charlton, Sr.	Nina Lopes	Dennis Siwak
Anthony Corrado	Eliane Loumeau	Constance
Joseph DeShayes	John Macauley	Steinhagen
Walt Eife	Annie Martella	Kathy Smith
Adam Forziati	Nicholas Matyas	John Tomik
Cathie Fleming	Michael McAdoo	Michael Travis
David Ford	Matthew McCann	Barbara Vollrath
Charlene French	The Miller Family	Craig Wilke
Adam Frisoli	Erin DeVoe Moran	The Williams Family
Heather Frisoli	Natale Mullen	Myra Worrell
Emma Grace	Julia Nigro Slater	Margaret Zimmerman
Violet Harden	Laz Orosze	

JOIN THE ROSARY GROUP TO PRAY THE ROSARY AFTER THE 9AM MASS DAILY TO PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS AND TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Intentions for this week's Masses

Saturday, January 25

4(HS) Christine James r/b Scharff Family
Celebration of the Baptism of Emme Julcia Cuneo r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Roni & Howard Rementer
Jasmin Diaz r/b Francisca Ferrante

Sunday, January 26

8(HS) Marie Hall r/b Bill & Terri Hall
9:30(SJ) Deceased bishops, Priests & Religious r/b the Knights Of Columbus
11(SJ) FAMILY MASS
Lorraine Rudderow r/b Kathy & Greg Keller & Family
Mia Marie Lipski r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Rosario Como r/b Knights of Columbus Santa Maria Council #1443
Oluremi Abinusawa r/b William Johnson
Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Stephen Hendricks
Intentions of Colin Murray r/b Faith Formation Families
11(HS) No 11AM Mass at HS. Please attend 11am at St. Johns

Monday, January 27

9(SJ) Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Pat O'Connor

Tuesday, January 28

9(SJ) John Hoban r/b the Family

Wednesday, January 29

9(SJ) Intentions of Scarlett Steel r/b Daniela Perez

Thursday, January 30

9 (HS) Elvia Gomez r/b the Lim Family

Friday, January 31

9(SJ) Olive Osler r/b Pat O'Connor

Saturday, February 1

4(HS) Margaret Mary Farley r/b Nancy Scharff

Sunday, January 26

8(HS) For the People of the Parish
9:30(SJ) Carol Rose Bakey r/b the Penney Family
Rosario Como r/b Tom & Loretta Hauber
Kathleen Leimkuhler r/b Nancy Beard
Doris McMahon r/b Fr. Bertonazzi & STC Parish
Jasmin Diaz r/b Francisca Ferrante
Danica Campanale r/b Ann Todd
11(SJ) Rosario Como r/b Rolland & Gracy Coutinho

REFLECTION

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Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

You may know the long-running TV series 'Law and Order' and its trademark 'plink plunk' sound between scenes. Each show featured an incident of law violation followed by the court trial. Evidently a winning formula as the franchise has continued to produce spin-offs.

Generally speaking, in real life, most people prefer to live under authentic law and consistent order. It's the criminal element among us who "ply their trade," so to speak.

Joseph and Mary, the holy parents of a Holy Child, certainly knew the law of their nation and kept them in good order. That is why they entered the great Temple on a day long ago to participate in the established rite of presentation that all Hebrew mothers had to go through forty days after the birth of their male child. Obviously, Mary did not have to undergo any purification, but she, with Joseph, did so to preclude any scandal. So, in all humility they lined up with the other couples and their boys.

The topic of law and order enters our thinking from time to time. It often proceeds from "something out there" to something personal. We believe that Our Lord Jesus provided us guidelines. He fulfilled the Old Testament Law. He passed on the same to what would eventually become His Catholic Church through His Apostles and their successors. Twenty-one centuries later the obligation to obey remains, even if the idea of obedience these days is culturally foreign.

Sad to say, a growing number of those who call themselves Catholic have chosen not to agree. So, we note their absence from Sunday Mass in a downward trend that underscores the prediction of our late pope Benedict XVI that the Church will grow smaller and poorer.

It is difficult to understand how a rational person could decide to ignore Christ's words 'Do this in memory of Me,' spoken at the Last Supper to His Apostles is beyond the scope of this reflection. I will just say the words "relativism" and "self-referential morality" for the time being. You can explore them.

Honestly though, a person's bias against law in general certainly threatens order. How safe would it be to cross a busy street? Or board a plane? Or ride a New York City subway?

I began this piece with reference to a popular TV show. Let me close with some homespun wisdom I found that recognizes the problem. "Many people believe in law and order as long as they can lay down the law and give the orders."

God love you and give you His peace.



PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Santa Maria Sisters' Luncheon

Santa Maria Council #1443, K of C will once again host our annual Sisters' Appreciation Luncheon on Saturday, February 22 at 1 pm. For over 50 years, this event has been held for all sisters within the Camden Diocese to show our appreciation for the good work they do.

If you know any sisters we should invite, please contact Anthony Albanese with their names and contact info (e.g., phone, email, address, etc.). Anthony: 908-763-7327 or anthony.albanese74@gmail.com

MORE USHERS ARE NEEDED TO SERVE AT MASS

Are you a parishioner looking for a way to meaningfully participate in the Mass at St. Teresa of Calcutta? Please consider becoming a Greeter/Usher at your Mass. In this role, you'd help to distribute parish bulletins at the start of Mass, help gather the collections, and assist in the flow for the Eucharist and you can be a friendly person welcoming parishioners. Please contact Jim Ely at jsely@verizon.net.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

YOUR continued support is appreciated throughout the year.

We continue to support the Ronald McDonald House by collecting soda and beer tabs as well as Campbell soup lids/tabs and cat can lids/tabs. Anything with a Tab on it we can use. Drop your tabs off now because I will be making a drop off soon. Drop your "collections" at our Council Hall (front or back doors).



We also collect new or used stamps to buy children's books/coloring books for children in South America. A senior home in FL does the book donations, we simply provide the stamps. These too can be dropped off at our Council Hall or at 5 Brittin Ave, Audubon, NJ 08106.

RETRouvaille: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 14 - 16, 2025 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

SAVE THE DATES or SEE THE FLYERS in the Vestibules for more information:

- **Vitality Calls of Joy**- available anytime
- **Parish Health Ministry Survey**—Scan QR Code on Flyer in Vestibule
- **Diaconate Information Meeting**-2-18
- **Parish Mission**—Feb 26, 7pm, Gary Zimak
- **Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Retreat** hosted by the Diocese – 2/25

EVENTS AROUND US—See Flyers

- ◇ Arise & Call Her Blessed Retreat—Jan 31
- ◇ Prayer Service for Christian Unity—1/26, 3pm
- ◇ Joe Conklin Comedy Show—2/8, 7pm
- ◇ SJ Men's Emmaus Retreat—3/28 to 3/30
- ◇ Kentucky Service Immersion 5/21 to 5/30

NEW PARISH NEWSLETTER

As part of an ongoing mission to inform parishioners of events and special occasions that have occurred at St. Teresa of Calcutta we issued a Parish newsletter. Copies of this newsletter can be found in the back of both churches, as well as through the QR code found here.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

For help in times of emergency on our parish number **856-858-1444**.

Food Pantry: Hours: Mon.— Wed. 10AM – 12 noon

Volunteers—No meeting in January. Future discussion meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month in McDaid meeting room (2/18). Please join our sandwich making on the 3rd Monday of each month starting 2/17.

Thank you for your donations of food for the Homeless and those in need!

Gift card donations for Aldi are greatly appreciated.

PARISH NEWS AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Fr. Bertonazzi invites and encourages all of the Lectors, Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, music ministry & OCIA to attend this Diocesan Retreat:

DIOCESE OF CAMDEN RETREAT DAY FOR LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



JOIN US FOR A DAY OF REFLECTION, RENEWAL, AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025
8:00 AM - NOON

OUR LADY OF PEACE PARISH
32 CARROLL AVENUE
WILLIAMSTOWN, NJ 08094

THE RETREAT WILL INCLUDE:

- MASS
- ADORATION
- TIME FOR PERSONAL RENEWAL AND REFLECTION

ALL ATTENDEES WILL RECEIVE A RENEWAL OF THE THREE-YEAR DIOCESAN CERTIFICATION



SCAN THE QR CODE TO RSVP

ANN MARIE OURS | annmarie.ours@camdendiocese.org
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR PASTORAL OUTREACH

First Saturday's with the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal:

When: Saturday, February 1, 2025 10:00am – 1:00pm

Where: St. Michael's Church, Mississippi Ave, Atlantic City, NJ

Includes: Meditations on the Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Sacred Music, Confessions, Holy Mass.

THE CHURCHES OF ATCO
INVITE YOU TO

PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025
3:00 PM

CHRIST THE REDEEMER
318 CARL HASSELHAN DRIVE
ATCO, NJ 08004



A RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE
IN THE PARISH HALL

IF ATTENDING THE RECEPTION PLEASE RSVP TO THE
PARISH OFFICE BY TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025

CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH OFFICE PHONE NUMBER IS
856-767-0719



Permanent Diaconate Information Session

The Office of the Diaconate is holding a meeting to provide information and answer questions concerning the life and ministry of a permanent deacon. If you, or someone you know, believe that Christ is calling you to serve the Church as a deacon, please attend this meeting:

When: Tuesday, February 18th, 7:00pm – 8:30 PM

Where: The Diaconate Center (133 N. 3rd St., Hammonton)

Who: Any man ages 30 – 55

Please confirm your attendance by calling the Diaconate Office (856-583-2858) or emailing Linda.decosta@camdendiocese.org.

PARISH AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministers are available to assist parishioners through difficult times. Please pray for our Stephen Ministers and those to whom they minister. You may either contact the office for an appointment or for more information email Jack Callaghan or Pat O'Connor: stephenministry@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Live Stewardship

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." - NEHEMIAH 8:10

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have in Stewardship, without expecting anything in return.

GRATITUDE

Your Parish Community is

GRATEFUL

for your consistent contributions.

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker.

In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the N.J. Division of Child Protection and Permanency and law enforcement. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE – FEB 1-2

Mass	LECTOR	EM	SACRISTAN
4:00	B. Steele	D. Olsen	T or P Howell
8:00	J. Reed	Deacon Rocks	S. Campbell
9:30	B. Pascal	Deacon Leo	MA Mercer
11:00 SJ	B. Summer-hayes	J. Belonia	T. Howitz

PARISH MISSION—Guest Speaker—Gary Zimak GIVE UP WORRY FOR LENT

Wednesday, Feb. 26 @ 7pm to 8:30pm @ St. John's Church. Gary's talk/ presentation, based on his bestselling book, is "Give Up Worry For Lent".

DINNERS TO DOORSTEPS

We provide meals for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for individuals and families who are struggling to put food on the table. Call Michele Santiago at: 609-598-1787 or grandmarose73@yahoo.com

SENIOR'S MINISTRY

This is a Parish outreach program to assist people who are shut-in either at home or in a nursing home. Our Mission is to assist the parish's senior citizens who need companionship and support. We contact family members of shut-ins, visit nursing homes and private residences to see where we can be of assistance. Contact Ed Charlton by text 215-284-1365

JOE CONKLIN COMEDY SHOW

with Dennis Horan & Vince Valentine

Saturday,
Feb. 8, 2025

Doors open: 6:00pm

Showtime: 7:00pm

\$50 per person* (incl. snacks)

BYOB - 50/50 raffle

Tickets: Weekend Masses
(Saturday: 5pm, Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30am) or at Parish office

Online Sales: JoeConklin.com

*non-refundable ticket/additional fee with online sales



Catholic Church of St. Mary - PARISH HALL

2001 Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

(856) 424-1454

Life-Long Faith Formation

High School Youth Group

The Next Youth Group will be meeting on Wednesday, January 29th from 8-9PM in McLaughlin Hall

For more information contact
dperez@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Coffee & Faith Sharing

Co-led by Barry Steele & Daniela Perez



Wednesdays at 10AM in McLaughlin Hall

Join fellow Parishioners for a meaningful morning of faith, fellowship, and sharing on the Gospel

All ages are welcome

Bibles are not required

No Faith Sharing on the first Wednesdays of the month



SERVANT OF GOD BROTHER JUNIPER FEAST DAY: JANUARY 29

"Would to God, my brothers, I had a whole forest of such Junipers," said St. Francis about this humble friar.

Brother Juniper joined the Franciscans in 1210 and was known for his simplicity, humility, and devotion to Jesus' Passion. He consoled St. Clare on her deathbed and helped establish Franciscan communities in Italy.

Known for his exasperating generosity, Juniper once cut a pig's foot to feed a sick man, later convincing the owner to donate the rest of the pig! Another time, obeying orders not to give away his clothing, he allowed a man in need to take his tunic instead.

Juniper's virtues—humility, patience, and joy—shine through these tales. He died in 1258 and is buried in Rome at Ara Coeli Church.

How can I be more generous with my time, talents, or possessions this week?

7th-12th Grade Youth Choir Rehearsals:

- Thursday, February 6th
- Thursday, March 6th
- Tuesday, April 8th

All rehearsals will take place from 7-8PM at St. John's Church. The Choir will be singing during the 11 AM Family Mass.

For more information contact Kate Chmelko at
kchmelko@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org

Family Mass:

- **February 9**— 5th Grade Family Mass
- **March 9**— 6th Grade Family Mass
- **April 13**— 8th Grade Family Mass

All Family Masses are held at the 11 AM at St. John's Church

Join us for fellowship and refreshments after Mass in the cafeteria.



Thank You for Participating!



Back in August, parishes throughout the diocese invited parishioners to complete a survey about their faith.

While our parish set an ambitious goal of 500 responses, we are thrilled to share that 160 surveys were completed—an amazing 32% of our target!

Your participation provides valuable insights that help us grow as a parish community. To view the full survey results, scan the QR code below!



OFFICE OF THE MINISTRY WITH THE DEAF AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES & Community Information

Masses of Welcome and Inclusion

Every Sunday The Mass is signed in American Sign Language (ASL) for Deaf Members of the Church and voiced for hearing members of the Church. **11:00AM Mass at Holy Saviour Church**, (St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish), 50 Emerald Avenue, Westmont, NJ (GPS: use Haddon Township).

2nd Weekend of the Month

St. Andrew the Apostle, 27 Kresson-Gibbsboro Road. Gibbsboro, NJ. Mainstream Mass Saturday, 4:30pm Mass
Holy Eucharist Parish 344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ Mainstream Mass Sunday (Oct. - Apr.) 9:45AM
For more information, please contact Fr. Hugh Bradley: hugh.bradley@camdendiocese.org.

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES (POST CANA)

If you're a young married couple, we'd love to see you at our upcoming events this fall/winter!
If you have kids, they are welcome to all events:

- 1/26 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall
- 2/8 (Saturday) Time TBD: **St. John Neumann Shrine Tour**
- 2/23 (Sunday) after 9:30 am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall
- 3/22 (Saturday) at 10am: **Zoo Trip** (inquire for free tickets!)
- 3/30 (Sunday) after 9:30am Mass: **Coffee & donuts social** in McLaughlin Hall

We host some events at home, so we'll share address information with those who join the email list.

Tax Contribution Statement

I would like a report of 2024 contributions to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish.

This year's tax contribution statement can be picked up at the Parish Office or mailed to you, if requested.

Please allow 10 days for this to be completed.

Name _____

Address _____

Town & Zip _____

Phone _____

_____ I will pick it up in the dropbox outside the parish office.

_____ Please mail.

Kentucky Service Immersion



- Our team partners with St. Vincent Mission in rural Appalachia to repair homes.
- All skill levels, abilities, and ages are welcome!
- Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Program fee of \$450 covers housing, group meals, and reflection materials. It does not cover transportation (participants will carpool).
- Financial aid available for COL parishioners.
- Questions? Contact jdemareo@christourlight.net.
- Register by March 10, 2025 using the QR code or at christourlight.net.



**MAY
25 -31,
2025**



Healing in His Grace

A day of **Prayer and Anointing on the World Day of the Sick**. You are **invited** to join us for a special evening of **Prayer and Anointing for the sick, elderly, those preparing for surgery, and anyone in need of God's healing touch**. Theme: **Healing in His Grace** Date: **Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 7:00 pm at Saint Simon Stock Parish, 178 West White Horse Pike, Berlin 08009, New Jersey** Sign-up forms are available in the office and at the Church entrance. Submit forms by Friday, February 2/7/25. *"Is anyone among you sick? He should summon the presbyters of the church, and they should pray over him and anoint [him] with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person, and the Lord will raise him up. If he has committed any sins, he will be forgiven."* - James 5:14-15
Peace and Grace, Rev. Michael de Leon, AM, Pastor



Call to Worship

ENTRANCE HYMN: "All Creatures of Our God and King" Breaking Bread: 537

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voic-es,
2. Great rush-ing winds who are so strong, You clouds a-bove that
3. Swift flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, Make mu-sic for your
4. Dear moth-er earth, who day by day Un-folds your bless-ings
5. All you with mer-cy in your heart, For-giv-ing oth-ers,
6. And e-ven you, most gen-tle death, Wait-ing to hush our
7. Let all things their Cre-a-tor bless, And wor-ship him in



1. let us sing: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Bright burn-ing sun with
2. sail a-long, O—praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! Fair ris-ing morn, with
3. Lord to hear, Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Fire so in-tense and
4. on our way, O—praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! All flow'rs and fruits that
5. take your part, O—sing now! Al-le-lu-ia! All you that pain and
6. fi-nal breath, O—praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! You lead back home the
7. hum-ble-ness, O—praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! Praise God the Fa-ther,



1. gold-en beams, Soft sil-ver moon that gent-ly gleams, O praise him!
2. praise re-joice, Stars night-ly shin-ing, find a voice, O praise him!
3. fierce-ly bright, Who gives to us both warmth and light, O praise him!
4. in you grow, Let them his glo-ry al-so show: O praise him!
5. sor-row bear, Praise God, and cast on him your care: O praise him!
6. child of God, For Christ our Lord that way has trod: O praise him!
7. praise the Son, And praise the Spir-it, Three in One: O praise him!



1-7. O praise him! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Text: LM with additions; St. Francis of Assisi, 1182–1226; *Laudato sia Dio mio Signore*;
tr. by William H. Draper, 1855–1933, alt. Music: *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, Cologne, 1623.

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Online Giving

Please consider online giving as a way of supporting the Sunday, holy day, and special collections. It is a convenient and secure way of continuing your financial support of our Parish.

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
MASS READINGS—January 26, 2025**

FIRST READING :

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Ater Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it — for he was standing higher up than any of the people —; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, "Amen, amen!" Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: "Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep" — for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law. He said further: "Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 15

SECOND READING:

1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. Now the body is not a single part, but many. If a foot should say, "Because I am not a hand I do not belong to the body, "it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. Or if an ear should say, "Because I am not an eye I do not belong to the body, " it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as he intended. If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

The eye cannot say to the hand, "I do not need you, " nor again the head to the feet, "I do not need you." Indeed, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary, and those parts of the body that we consider less honorable

we surround with greater honor, and our less presentable parts are treated with greater propriety, whereas our more presentable parts do not need this. But God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.

Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

GOSPEL:

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.*

Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

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.

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man", all bow.

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.

YOU ARE THE LIGHT

Sarah Hart



1. You are the light that stands a - lone in depth of night and eye of
2. You are the word that's writ - ten deep with - in the hearts of all who
3. O you are God who spoke the dawn; the sav - ior son who came in



1. storm. Where shad - ows fall, you en - ter in; ig - nite with
2. long for end - less days be - yond the skies, for peace on
3. flesh to be a lamp for wan - d'ring hearts, to steal our



1. hope what dark has dimmed. And though our eyes may fail to
2. earth, a king - dom come. We sing the name that heals our
3. dark - ness by your death. And as you rose, you gave us



1. see, it is the heart that's giv - en sight through night and
2. souls, and share the way, the truth, the life. For hearts that
3. peace, your Spir - it - gift to kind - ly lead. Sweet mys - ter -



1. storm, to trust in you. Up - on our path you are the light.
2. long, both lost and found, we speak the word: you are the light.
3. y, how true you guide. We look to you; you are the light.

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CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Bernadette Farrell

Verses



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark - ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou - bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth-ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

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**Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.**



TAKE THE WORD OF GOD WITH YOU

Christopher Walker

Verses



1. Take the word of God with you as you go.
2. Take the peace of God with you as you go.
3. Take the joy of God with you as you go.
4. Take the *love of God with you as you go.



1. Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.
2. Take the seeds of God's peace and make them grow.
3. Take the seeds of God's joy and make them grow.
4. Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow.

Refrain



Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world.



Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.

*Add other words if needed, such as "faith," "hope," etc.

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