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**FIRST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:**  
 First Friday of each month: .....7:00 p.m.  
 First Saturday of each month: .....8:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Sundays .....7:00 -- 7:45 a.m.  
 Wednesdays.....5:30 -- 6:15 p.m.  
 Fridays .....11:00 -- 11:45 a.m.



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 19, 2020

FROM THE RECTOR –

On this Second Sunday after Epiphany, we are presented with The Wedding Feast of Cana, the first of the Lord’s miracles. In the Gospel from St. John we are provided the opportunity to contemplate this miraculous occurrence as we continue to rest comfortably in the mystery of the Incarnation. In both instances, our Blessed Mother plays a unique and central role to the unfolding of the realities around Her: She is the mediatrix prompting our Lord to make manifest His glory and She is the worthy tabernacle of the Word Made Flesh and the first apostle testifying to the joys of Our Savior. Our Lord performs this first of His many miracles in order to make manifest His glory and to confirm the faith of His disciples. This may also be said of the Incarnation – the Savior takes flesh to manifest His glory and the glory of the Father as well as to strengthen and confirm the faith of all who choose to believe in Him. In the final analysis this is what is required of us: to believe in the power and glory, might and majesty of Our Savior and then to go forth and witness to the truth of Christ!

CATECHESIS ON CONFESSION

One of the great graces that has come during my time as rector has been the opportunity to spend time in the confessional and to make the sacrament available to the faithful. A priest friend of mine told me from his own early experience as a pastor, that the more frequently confession is offered, the more frequently the faithful will come. That has been my experience with my life at the Oratory. I want to take this opportunity to offer a few words on the nature of our confessions needing to be entire and complete.

*The Catechism of the Council of Trent* provides a thorough and complete explication of the Sacrament of Penance. I want to draw particular attention to the exhortation that confession should be complete and entire. The Church teaches us that we are responsible for confessing all of our mortal sins in both number (how often) and kind (nature of the sin itself). As such when we come for confession, we should not only present those sins that are on our hearts or that have easily come to mind but also confess all sins we can recall after a thorough examination of conscience.

If the times for confession do not work well with your schedule, I am always willing to meet you in Church for the sacrament itself. Finally, I encourage everyone to access a thorough and complete guide for examining your conscience. This will assist you in recalling your serious sins as well as venial sins which also work against growing in holiness

FOSTERING EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

I have been approached about the possibility of having Eucharistic Adoration at the Oratory. I am very excited about the possibilities that exist before us. As the community has continued to grow, we are now able (I believe) to move forward with increasing our devotional life. There are at least two possibilities before us. Option #1: A Holy Hour after the 11:30 am Mass on the First Sunday of the month. Option #2: Extended Eucharistic Adoration from the conclusion of Holy Mass on First Friday until to the evening Mass on First Friday. Option #2 provides a longer period of time for Adoration which I think would be spiritually profitable for the whole community.

In order for Option #2 to be viable there needs to be enough interest from the faithful to make sure that at least two people are present with Our Eucharistic Lord every half hour during the period of adoration.

In the coming weeks, a survey will be made available to the community to see in which direction we will be able to move. As you wait for the survey please prayerfully consider what time you might be able to make available to be with Our Eucharistic Lord.

BAPTISMS at the ORATORY

The celebration of the sacrament of baptism is just one of the many signs of our growth and health. Over the last several months, there have been a number of baptisms. Please pray for these new members of the Catholic faith, for their parents and godparents.

- Adeline Elizabeth Kiel, daughter of Justin and Elise
- Lorenzo Fulton Primo, son of Salvatore and Claire
- Ambrose Oliver Winkels, son of Gavin and Carli
- Andrew Joseph Pieper, son of James and Natalie
- Maximilian Jude Rheinheimer, son of Mark and Stephanie

FRESH OR FROZEN MEALS FOR THE RHEINHEIMER FAMILY

A meal train has been set up for the Rheinheimer family who recently welcomed their new baby - Maximillian Jude. Help us welcome Max by assisting the family with meals. Please use the link below to sign up to bring them a meal:

FRESH OR FROZEN MEALS FOR THE SOLDINIE FAMILY

A meal train has been set up for Ricky and Leah Soldinie who just welcomed their fifth baby, Valor Joseph, on January 7. Help us welcome Valor Joseph by assisting the family with their meals. Please use the link below to sign up to bring them a meal:

ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS

Annual Giving statements will be available starting Sunday, 19 January 2020. You will find your statement in the boxes on the back table in the Church vestibule. Please notify the office (via email please) immediately if any changes to your contact information need to be made regarding your name or address. This is also an opportunity to notify the office with any changes to phone number, cell number or email address. Again, please make every effort to notify the office of these changes through email. Our email address [osgaoffice@gmail.com](mailto:osgaoffice@gmail.com). In advance thank you for your generosity and attentiveness to these details.

MONEY COUNTERS

The Oratory is in search of people to assist with the counting of the Sunday collection. Currently, the money counters meet immediately after the conclusion of Holy Mass at 11:30 am. If we receive more interested and willing people to count it will reduce the frequency with which people would be asked to participate. Please consider donating your time to this necessary cause.

MEN’S CONFERENCE (FEBRUARY)

Catholic Men for Christ: Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding its annual conference on **Saturday, 1 February 2020**. For more information please visit: [catholicmenforchrist.org](http://catholicmenforchrist.org).

WOMEN’S CONFERENCE (MARCH)

Catholic Women for Christ: Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding its annual conference on **Saturday, 7 March 2020**. For more information please visit: [catholicwomenforchrist.org](http://catholicwomenforchrist.org).

YEAR-END UPDATES

If you are currently enrolled in online giving there is no need to do anything to continue your contributions for 2020. You can make modifications to your account at any time; if you do nothing, your current elections will continue. If you are still receiving envelopes and you are enrolled in online giving, please contact Donna to have the envelopes discontinued ~ it helps the Oratory save costs. If you are not enrolled in online giving...you can join at any time! Please call Donna if you need assistance. *Thank you!*

GREGORIAN MASSES

The practice of Gregorian Masses is an ancient tradition in which it is held in faith that a continuous series of thirty Masses would release the soul of a deceased person from the punishments of Purgatory. I have been requested to celebrate Gregorian Masses for John Michael Collins II and have accepted this request for the month of January. As such, all of the intentions for the month of January will be for Mr. Collins. I appreciate your generosity in requesting Mass Intentions and your patience as you wait for those Masses to be fulfilled. Please continue to pray for All the Poor Souls.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

The Oratory Directory which was begun long ago is still projected for publication. There have been several factors that have contributed to its delay: time has been spent verifying the addresses in the directory with the those in the database for the Oratory; new parishioner registration has increased, and those names are being added to the directory. It is hoped that a finished product will be available in late January or early February. I am extremely grateful to those who have worked very hard on this project – Mary Agnew, Kip Babbington, Marilyn Lonigro, and Kiera Petrick. I am also grateful for everyone’s patience as we work to complete this project. I am truly blessed by the growth of our community and thank God for the opportunity to serve as the rector.

SUNDAYS IN JANUARY/MISSAL ASSISTANCE

- 5 January – Holy Name of Jesus (p.45)
- 6 January – Epiphany (p. 51)
- 12 January – The Holy Family (p. 56)

- 19 January – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (p. 61)
- 26 January – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany (p. 65)

UP COMING EVENTS

- 26 January: Coffee Hours after 11:30 am Holy Mass
- 1 February: First Saturday
- 2 February: Purification of BVM: Candle Blessing
- 7 February: First Friday
- 9 February: Septuagesima

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 21 January – *St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr*  
7:00 am: John Michael Collins

Wednesday, 22 January – *Votive Mass for Peace*  
6:30 pm: John Michael Collins

Thursday, 23 January – *St. Raymond of Penafort*  
7:00 am: John Michael Collins  
9:00 am: Agnes Schoenfeld

Friday, 24 January – *St. Timothy, Bishop & Martyr*  
12 Noon: John Michael Collins

Sunday, 26 January – *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany*  
8:00 am: Pro Populo  
11:30 am: John Michael Collins

SERVERS SCHEDULE

- January 5<sup>th</sup> – **Holy Name of Jesus**
- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
  - 11:30 am: Austin Jackson, Lance Lavery, Tommy Lattenzi, Simon Wisniewski, Damien Filla
- January 12<sup>th</sup> – **The Holy Family**
- 8:00 am: John & Eli Colton
  - 11:30 am: Ryan Lavery, Cameron Ackerman, Philip Petrick, Sebastian Petrick, Luke Lavery
- January 19<sup>th</sup> – **2nd Sunday after Epiphany**
- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
  - 11:30 am: Cameron Ackerman, Caleb Colton, Peter Armstrong, Ben Armstrong, Sebastian Filla
- January 26<sup>th</sup> – **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**
- 8:00 am: Caleb & Eli Colton
  - 11:30 am: Gregory Grizzle, Austin Jackson, Philip Petrick, Sebastian Petrick, Luke Laavey

~ 01/12/2020 ~	
	<u>ACTUAL</u>
Weekly Collection Total	\$ 4,023.38
Online Giving	\$ 1,050.40
Total	\$ 5,073.78
Year to Date Total	\$ 161,148.41

*Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!*  
*Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!*