

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20 JANUARY 2019

**Readings for Sunday, January 20:** Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11.

At Cana in Galilee, Jesus performed the first of his signs, revealing his glory to his disciples, and later to all the nations. He has revealed as well the manifestation of the Spirit who distributes different gifts as he chooses.

**Readings for Sunday, January 27:** Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21.

**St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Monday.**  
**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Monday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 4:00 PM in the Chapel.**

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<u>Date</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
21 Jan. MON. 9:00 AM	Helen G. Hickey	Rev. Gregory J. Hickey
23 Jan. WED. 9:00 AM	Deborah Fick	Jack & Lori Carr
24 Jan. THU. 9:00 AM	Police, Firefighters, Nurses, Volunteers	Francis J. Czeiner Family
25 Jan. FRI. 9:00 AM	Reilly Family	Tom & Cathy Reilly
26 Jan. SAT. 4:00 PM	Deborah Fick	Her Mom
27 Jan. SUN. 9:00 AM	People of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	



**ETERNAL REST** grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace, especially DEBORAH FICK.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING** of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.

**REMEMBER OUR TROOPS:** Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



Flowers on the Altar are in memory of RONALD NORE requested by his wife, Cindy and daughter, Rita Templin and family.

**BAKERS NEEDED** for Bake Sale weekend of Soup Pick-up on February 2 and 3. Please drop off labeled and priced items to social hall before or after Masses on February 2 or 3. We are asking all parishioners, not just Women's Society.

**MAGNIFICAT BOOKS** - Those who purchased the Magnificat can pick up their FEBRUARY issue at the parish office.

**THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP** leads the recitation of the Rosary every Sunday before the 9:00 AM Mass. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All are welcome to join in these Marian Devotions.

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE - January 26/27:

#### 4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Melanie Warzeski  
Extraordinary Ministers - Frank Durante, Sherry Durante, John Nester, George Siver  
Altar Server - Michael Holmes  
Greeters - Ginger Scheidt and Maria DiMarco

#### 9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Tony Vitacco  
Extraordinary Ministers - Gary Huster, Debbie Huster, Kathy Bernhard  
Altar Server - Tommy Miller and Madelyn Miller  
Greeters - Sylvia and Tom Marcheskie

REFLECTIONS FROM THE DESK OF FR. GREGORY J. HICKEY

*Transition Time*

Transition! Is this a position one applies for?  
Is it a decision one makes for chaos of life,  
for the strife of up and down feelings,  
and roller-coaster chills?

Transition!

Is it a *from-to* or a *to-from* state of confusion  
that flows from an illusion;  
or does it stem from ebb-tide happenings of moving out of stress,  
of looking for peace?

What piece of discernment turns the key and  
opens the door to this place?

What grace sustains the transition-er  
through weeks of getting settled, of letting go,  
Until one knows it's ok

To hang **AT HOME** sign on the heart?

One just doesn't take off and land or travel first class through transition time!

The threads of rhyme and reason for the journey  
ravel and unravel day by day

in the daze of learning that there is no check list  
for getting through the maze of adjustment.

One wishes that there was a way to chase away the tears,  
to calm unspoken fears,  
and organize the unpredictable!

So, what is the answer?

What is the clue

that makes this **new** space a place to embrace as friend?

**Must** one move out of the fast lane of left-brain thinking  
to sit a bit with dreams?

Does one watch sunbeams sparkle on the morning dew  
and listen to the whisper of the breeze in the trees?

Is this the balm,

the incense,

the soul's anointing

That's pointing to acceptance of the **now**?

How **does** one befriend the present moment  
and patiently explore the vistas of the day

the way a clown explores the treasures in a grab bag?

Does one say to God: "Don't tease me when I'm learning how to please **You**

- **Here!**"

Ah, there is an answer to be found in prayer,  
where reality is seen as real, where retreating into silence give God a  
chance to speak.

“Slow down!” God says, “there’s glory all around you waiting to be seen.”

Oh, God, I need your grace to stop the treadmill pace!

Encircle me as breath, as light, as inspiration

while I discard this burden of expectation that weigh me down.

Let me gaze into the hourglass that mysteries autumn into winter,  
winter into spring, to what brings new life out of the strife of growing.

You’ve set this plan for me

Please give me freedom to enjoy it.

Tick-tock, tock-tick me through this transition time!

When I turn the corner,

when the stress and toil are to my back,

let me lift my face to the sun in gratitude.

Let me breathe in the full freshness of my surroundings,

And breathe out the dust, the must, the rust of tensions

long corrosive to my spirit.

Then lead me forward to the marketplace of your choice,

to where my voice can mingle with those of others,

to make a melody of praise for the ways of your Love.

Prime the canvas of tomorrow

With laughter, with rainbows and wishing stars,

with opportunity for laughter and some happy-every-after dreams.

Your **more** is before me...

**Amen**

Have a good week!

Fr. Hickey

### *Parish Support*

WEEKLY BUDGET.....	\$5,000
DEPOSIT FOR JANUARY 13, 2019.....	\$3,650
Regular Sunday Collection -	\$3,560
Parish Giving -	\$90
WEEKLY DEFICIT. ....	(\$1,350)
Year to Date Budget.....	\$145,000
Year to Date Collections.....	\$127,227
Average per week Collection.....	\$4,387
Year to Date Deficit. ....	(\$17,773)
Average per week Deficit.....	(\$613)

#### *JANUARY 14, 2018*

Deposit. ....	\$3,280
2017-2018 Deficit to Date. ....	(\$15,735)
Difference from previous year.....	(\$2,038)

#### **MASS ATTENDANCE for January 12/13:**

4:00 PM Mass - 206

9:00 AM Mass - 126

Total Attendance - 332

Mass Attendance for January 13/14, 2018 - 347

#### **“ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK”**

**ST. GABRIEL LODGE**

610-326-4137

**“CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.”** For further information, please call the parish office.

**2018 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUESTS** can be made by email ([contact@sgsm62.org](mailto:contact@sgsm62.org)) or phone (610-326-5127). Statements are available for registered parishioners (those who receive and use their envelopes). Statements will be available by January 31, 2019.



**PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET** based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening

Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis. The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. Tickets are available after the Masses on weekends and at the parish office on weekdays. **This is our major fund raiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month. Your support is greatly appreciated.**

**LOTTERY CALENDAR RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS**

- January 7 - #316 - Michael Burke - \$50.00
- January 8 - #392 - Elaine Norman - \$50.00
- January 9 - #768 - Joe Donnelly - \$50.00
- January 10 - #064 - unsold
- January 11 - #639 - unsold
- January 12 - #162 - unsold
- January 13 - #250 - unsold

**2019 MASS BOOK** - Requests for Masses to be offered on a specific day during 2019 can be made at the parish office. Mass stipend of \$10.00 for weekday Masses and \$15.00 for weekend Masses must be paid at the time you request the Mass Intention.

**ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER PARISH MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS** received in memory of:

RALPH MURGIA from Mary & Dick Frantz;  
DEBORAH FICK from Blanche & Jeff Lesik, Mary Lenhardt, Barbara & Michael Hipszer, Kathy & Ron Bernhard, Jack & Margie Bucciaglia and family, Betty Skokowski.

**JOB OPPORTUNITY** at St. Philip Neri Catholic Family Life Center, East Greenville - part-time Administrative Assistant. Must be familiar with Word, Excel and Publisher for Windows and have good time management and organizational skills. Times and days flexible - 16 hours per week. Email resume to Tom Dewees ([tdewees@spncflc.org](mailto:tdewees@spncflc.org)) or mail to St. Philip Neri Catholic Family Life Center, 26 E. Sixth St., East Greenville, PA 18041.

**CARDINAL FOLEY LECTURE SERIES** on Monday, January 28 featuring Kim Daniels at 7:00 PM at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Topic -The Church and Social Communications. Event is free - to register call Sharon Presta (610-785-6287) or email [spresta@scs.edu](mailto:spresta@scs.edu).

**UPCOMING WOMEN'S SOCIETY EVENTS**

- February 23/24 - Meatball and Sauce Sale
  - March 15 - Pizza and Movie Night
  - April 12 - Pizza and Game Night PLUS "Bags and Baubles"
  - April 28 - Ladies Springtime Tea
- Mark your calendars! More details on all events will be published at a later date.

**HOAGIE VOUCHERS** are on sale in January after all Masses. 8" hoagie vouchers from Valentino's in Stowe will be \$7.00. When you redeem your voucher at Valentino's, you will have your choice of Italian, Ham and Cheese or Turkey Hoagie. Vouchers will not expire until March 31, 2019 so you can begin using them in January and come back for more until the end of January then use them until March 31.

**BAGS AND BAUBLES** - Ladies, do you have a purse that you are not in love with any more or jewelry you are just plain tired of? Before sending it all to the thrift store, save them for the Women's Society. We will be hosting a "Bags and Baubles" event during our Pizza and Game night. Drop off details will be announced at a later date but start sorting NOW!

**"Souper" Bowl Sale**

1 Qt. Italian Wedding Soup - \$8.00  
 Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

1 Qt. Pulled Chicken BBQ - \$10.00  
 Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

1 Qt. Halusky and 1 lb. Kielbasa - \$8.00  
 Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

For pick up after Masses on February 2 and February 3.  
**Order by January 27.**

**RELIC PILGRIMAGE** of St. Jean Vianney's Incorrupt Heart at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, Philadelphia. Saturday, Feb. 2 - 2 PM Solemn Reception and Veneration until 5 PM; Veneration after 5:15 PM Mass until 7 PM. Sunday, Feb. 3 - Relic Veneration from 7 AM to 6:15 PM, before and after Masses.