

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 26, 2020

Wait for the LORD with courage;
be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.
— *Psalm 27:14*



SEEKING THE LIGHT

In today's readings we find ourselves being drawn more deeply into relationship with Jesus. We are getting to know more about him as we see how he struggles with the news of his cousin John's arrest. His first response is to withdraw, to leave Nazareth and go to Capernaum. There he is perhaps both consoled and challenged by the words of Isaiah that Matthew quotes: "the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, / on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death / light has arisen" (Matthew 4:16). Jesus contemplates his cousin's death, perhaps his own death, and he seeks the light. Maybe it is these words of Isaiah that move Jesus out of his withdrawal and into action. He begins to preach, teach, cure disease and illness, and proclaim the gospel of the kingdom.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God has restored the land, and brought great joy to the people (Isaiah 8:23 — 9:3).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — Paul exhorts the believers at Corinth: As there is one Christ, so too must there be no divisions among you (1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17).

Gospel — After calling his first disciples, Jesus goes throughout Galilee (Matthew 4:12-23 [12-17]).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	January 27 † Jeanne Walsh
Tuesday 8:00 am	January 28 † Vincent and † Frank Camilleri
Wednesday 8:00 am	January 29 Communal Service
Thursday 8:00 am	January 30 † Frank and † Vincent Camilleri
Friday 8:00 am	January 31 † Emanuela Palazzo
Saturday 8:00 am	February 1 † Paul, † Theresa and † Joseph Vella
Sunday 7:30 am	February 2 † Salvador Velasco
9:30 am	† Antonetta and † John Perata
11:30 am	People of the Parish † Tessie, † Joseph and † Saviour Schembri

† Denotes deceased – (L) Living

For any available Masses listed above please see the priest before Mass with your written intention and stipend.

Sunday Collection January 19, 2020

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,346.00
Over/Under	\$ 1,654.00
Church Project	\$ 845.00

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ST. ELIZABETH MALTESE SOCIETY THIRTY SIXTH ANNUAL

ST. PAUL OF THE SHIPWRECK FESTA
SATURDAY-FEBRUARY 8, 2020
MASS: 4:30 pm
ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

Dinner: 6:00 pm in Cantwell Hall
Menu: Rotisserie Chicken, Salad, Mostaccioli, Wine and Dessert
Wayland and Gottingen Streets
San Francisco

ADULTS: \$25.00

CHILDREN: (12 and under) \$10.00

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