



**BE HOLY IN BODY  
AND SPIRIT.**  
1 COR 7:34



**LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)**

We've arrived at the 4th week of the Church's season of Ordinary Time, which, this year means we're already beyond the half-way point of O.T. that follows Christmas! We've just recently experienced the many special solemnities, memorials, and feasts within the Church, as well as a ton of celebrations with family and friends, at a very rushed pace, that sometimes the slowing down of O.T. can almost feel as if we're idling. Because Ordinary Time doesn't fit the playbill of being "extraordinary," we sometimes don't give it its due. We tend to look at it as the filler between those liturgical seasons that tend to hold more meaning or importance; leaving Ordinary Time to feel secondary or even inferior in our minds and hearts. In the context of the liturgical year, Ordinary Time is closely linked with "ordo," the Latin word for "order." The season of Ordinary Time then, is connected to our daily "order" or "discipline" of life: our rituals and routines. This "Ordinary" season encourages and enables us to become better followers of Jesus as we meet him in the Gospels. By doing this we too, can hear what his followers heard and see what his followers saw. We can see the systems and people that Jesus was confronted with in his time. As we learn to follow Jesus more closely, we will begin to look for Him and seek Him in the everyday walk of holiness – living a Christian life here and now. I'd like to share with you a mini-reflection used at LIFE last week. *The strings of a guitar on their own are important. They are separate, different and unique. When they come together they can make great sounds. It is the same with moments. Each day is made up of many moments and the vast majority of them are good and positive. God calls us to do our best with each moment that comes our way. This puts us in the best place for the next moment. We're called to let the light within us shine outward, sometimes it shines very brightly while other times it's very dim – so dim, in fact, we sometimes wonder if the light of faith is "on." We need to stop and look at our lives: look at our month, week, or even day; it has been a collection of many moments. It is always good to look back and reflect. Take a few moments – right now to reflect on your day so far... (pause)... \*What has gone well for you today? (pause)... \*What are those moments that were negative, unhelpful, or better-off forgotten? (pause)... \*What are your moments that were filled with love and blessings? (pause)... I challenge you to check in with God (minimally) twice a day to review your day. It doesn't have to be anything elaborate, and you don't even have to use words! Just breathe in and let the Spirit do the rest, but DO it – spend some minutes and you'll be amazed by how much you will see God in your day and your life and, on the flip-side you'll notice how your living will reveal God's goodness!*

Written by: Colette Savaria, LIFE Coordinator

**Visiting the Sick:** Please notify Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x 205) when a family member is in the hospital.

**All Saints STEAM Academy,** Pre-S through Grade 8, will host an **Open House** on Sunday, Jan. 28 from 10am to 1pm. For more information, please call 848-4300.

**MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE**

- Saturday, January 27  
 5:00pm (O) Mary K. Connerton and Eva B. Mello (Birthday Remembrances)
- Sunday, January 28 **Confirmation Student Retreat (12 to 5)**  
 8:00am (S) St. Lucy's Parishioners  
 10:30am (O) Tony Raposo  
 5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
- Monday, January 29  
 9:00am Fae Fisher
- Tuesday, January 30  
 9:00am Irene Champagne  
 6:30pm **First Reconciliation Service**
- Wednesday, January 31  
 9:00am St. Lucy's Parishioners
- Thursday, February 1  
 9:00am Communion Service
- Friday, February 2  
 9:00am (S) Katherine Headlyn, Jerry Potts  
 Pauline Amaral (5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)  
 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet,  
 Litany to Mary  
 7:50pm Benediction
- Saturday, February 3  
 5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
- Sunday, February 4  
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners  
 10:30am (O) George and Helen Leeber  
 5:00pm (O'N) St. Lucy's Parishioners

In the above celebrations:

- O = Rev. John O'Brien
- O'N = Rev. Thomas O'Neill
- S = Rev. Saji Joseph

Please **pray** for all the men and women who have served and who currently serve in the armed forces, and the military commanders who lead them. **Pray** for our homebound Parishioners and the sick of the Parish (including those in hospitals and nursing homes). **Pray** for the unborn, the premature, and the fragile among us so that we may deepen our respect for life at all stages.

**Eucharistic Ministers** are needed to bring communion to residents of Grand Islander. Please notify Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) if you can help with this ministry.

**Please pray for our young parishioners** who will be experiencing God's merciful and unconditional love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the very first time this Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Church. These young people include: *Emma Byrd, Joshua Caetano, Cameron Carlisle, Maya Ferris, John Fiske, Wyatt Gauch, Malenniya Lincoln, Jorge Pacheco, Gabriel Pidgeon, Angelise Prieto, Cecilia Raposa, and Layne Stevens.* Any Parishioner who would like to bring NUT-FREE baked goods or snacks to the Parish Center for our Reception immediately following the Service, is asked to drop off the "goodies" in the Parish Center on January 30th between 9am-2:30pm. Many Thanks!!

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: Mal 3:1-4/ Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

**Community Action Committee (CAC)**

**Unused Christmas and all occasion cards** are being collected for distribution to the ACI inmates and juvenile offenders at the RI Training School. There is a need for Spanish language cards. All donations may be deposited in the appropriate bin at the entrance of the Church. Thank you!

**CHURCH SUPPORT January 20/21, 2018**

**Weekly Collection \$5191.00**  
**Catholic University Collection \$1332.00**  
 This week's second collection is for the Church in Latin America.  
**Thank you for your continuing generosity.**

**The Diocesan Office of Family and Life** will offer the *Our Lady of Sorrows Bereavement Support Program* at **St. Lucy's Parish Center.** The free program is offered each Thursday from 7 to 8:30pm from February 1 through March 22. This support group which offers a peaceful place to share and learn about grief is most appropriate for adults at least 3 months beyond their loss. For registration/information, please contact Peter A. Magnotta at 421-7833 (x 217).

**January 2018 Clements receipts will count twice** for all purchases made at Clements' Marketplace in Portsmouth during the month of January 2018. Please place your receipts in the box on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for your participation.

**A Community Lecture, Preventative Cardiology for Women,** will be held at Newport Hospital on Feb. 8 from 6:30-7:30pm. For more information/registration, please call 845-1505.

**FORMED:** Catholic Faith on Demand. Ben Gazzara stars in this classic film about St. John Bosco, the beloved nineteenth century Italian priest who sought out the homeless youth of Turin to help them have a better life. He overcame incredible challenges, including the government who wanted him out of the way, and even put a price on his head, and an archbishop who tried to silence him. But nothing could stop Don Bosco from rescuing the poor and outcast street children to give them a loving and safe home, teach them work skills, and catechize them in the Catholic Faith. Don Bosco founded the Salesians, which is now a worldwide religious order that carries on his work with youth everywhere. Don Bosco's feast is January 31. Use the parish code B84KHM to register at formed.org and watch this movie today. It's free!

**END OF YEAR STATEMENTS**

**Waltz Envelope Users** will receive their 2017 contribution report in the mail directly from The Waltz Co., not the Church. **EFT Users** will not receive a 2017 Year End Contribution Statement (for tax purposes). If you would like to generate a contribution history report: Log in to [www.parish-giving.org](http://www.parish-giving.org) with your username and password/ Click on the "My Contribution History" tab/ Leave the contribution name blank so that you can capture all contributions/ Type in start and end dates/ Click "Refresh"/ List of contributions in chronological order will be shown/ Click on the Adobe Acrobat icon to convert the report to a printable or e-mailable PDF file.

**A Special Word of Thanks** for your response to replenish St. Lucy's Food Pantry. You have filled the bins and shelves to overflowing. Thank you for the wonderful support and care for our neighbors. No one will go hungry during these winter months.

**40 Days for Life Lenten Campaign:** The Diocesan Office of Life and Family Ministry and R.I. Right to Life will be co-sponsoring the Lenten Campaign beginning on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 through Palm Sunday, March 25. They are asking parishes to adopt a day or for individuals to adopt an hour for a peaceful prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood, 175 Broad St., Providence during this 40 day period from 7am to 7pm. Please encourage women who are in a crisis or unplanned pregnancy to call us for confidential assistance! If you are interested in learning more about the Campaign that calls for prayer, fasting and community outreach, contact: Carol Owens, Office of Life and Family Ministry at 421-7833 x 218.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter.** "Remember that my life is like the wind." Let us make the best of our time together with our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are March 9-11 and April 21-22. For information, call Stephen and Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit <https://wwmema.org>.