



Monday, January 16

8:30 am Ann R. Semanic
7:00 pm Prayer for Christian Unity

Tuesday, January 17 - Weekday

8:30 am Deceased of the Parish

Wednesday, January 18 - Weekday

8:30 am Max Ovnick

Thursday, January 19 - Weekday

8:30 am Communion Service

Friday, January 20

8:30 am Margaret Johnson

Saturday, January 21 - Vigil - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am First Reconciliation
11:00 am First reconciliation
3:00 pm Confessions
4:00 pm For the Parish

Sunday, January 22 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Jon3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

9:00 am Anthony Serio
11:00 am Eleanor Krakowski

Minister Schedule

Saturday, January 21

4:00 pm - E: R. Minick, S. Kohut, A. Armstrong, C. Twigger, L. May, K. Armstrong, P. Miller, Diane Rider
L: Ted Conelongo and Terri Kean

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am - E: B. Withers, R. Withers, M.A. Sekerak, C. Milano, M. Ilenin, K. Mullins, P. Zajc, N. Belsito
L: Jim Ritzert and Andy Morean

11:00 am - E: F. Nunney, L. Berdysz, R. Gallagher, D. Bednarz, D. deVillie, K. Jones, M. McGreal, D. Lowe, S. Bard
L: Rosemary Woods and Karen Lukas

Servers Schedule

Saturday, January 21

4:00 pm - Ashley David, Brian Murar, Alyssa Ursem

Sunday, January 22

9:00 am - Alex Horvath and Benjamin McMillen

11:00 am - Chris & Phillip Dougherty and Cate Ziegler

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time!

Today, the Church *returns*, as it were, to **Ordinary Time** as we celebrate not a particular feast of the Lord, but a time to reflect on the life of Jesus and our vocation as Christians. During this winter time the deeds and the teachings of the Old Testament, of the early Church, and of Jesus of Nazareth are told to nurture, calm, inspire and animate us. Today's Gospel from St. John is an **INVITATION** for you and me, to **"Come and you will see!"** The Messiah is *now here* and we have been invited and encouraged to *tag along* with him in order to be inspired and animated to **FOLLOW** in his ways!

What resolves have you made as an individual or as a family to **FOLLOW** the ways of the Lord this New Year! *How will our lives (your) life be different?*

Thanks

To all who took the time and gave their talent to DECORATING and UNDECORATING our church for the Christmas Season! Many hands truly make light work! Thanks for your special interest!

Christian Unity Week

Begins on **Monday, January 16th** with the Opening Prayer Service **HERE** at Ss. Cosmas & Damian at 7:00pm. The following evenings of this week will be hosted by our area Churches. The Pastors and Faith Leaders will be delivering an inspiring message on unity! Again, **Come and you will see** each night at 7:00pm and make this prayer for Christian Unity a special intention.

Congratulations

To our **First Reconciliation Candidates** who will be making their **First Reconciliation** on Saturday, January 21st. Please keep them in your prayers as they make their First Confession AND as they continue to prepare to receive their **First Eucharist**.

Generations of Faith

Next Sunday, January 22nd is **Generations Sunday** and the theme is **Right to Life!** **Come and you will see** - from Noon - 2pm.

Blessings and Thanks

For your **CONTINUED** gifts of time, talent and treasure to the Church!

Father John

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Our next GOF meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18th at 7 pm. This will be a fun hands-on work night. Our theme for January is Respect Life, and we mean human life at all stages and under all circumstances! Come and help us prepare for a very engaging Generations of Faith session. The plan is already in order, but we still need helping hands to help us cut out, assemble, etc. Just show up in the parish center on the 18th, and we will direct you as to what help is needed.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS!

Many students are preparing for their 1st Eucharist & 1st Reconciliations this year. A special reconciliation service will take place January 21st, so we ask you to keep these students and their families in your prayers. Support them as they grow in faith, and continue to pray as they prepare for their 1st Eucharist celebrations which will be at the Sunday Masses on May 6th.

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT, January 27/28th!

High school students at all grade levels are invited and encouraged to treat yourselves to a very special retreat on Friday/Saturday, January 27 & 28th. "**Made in His Image**" will give you a new appreciation of who God is, and who YOU are in relationship to God. You will come away with a much better understanding of what it means to be "made in the image and likeness" of God. It will challenge the way you see yourself, and help you reassess your worth in this great big world. Come and check out our very special and peaceful "spa room" as well as the tranquil chapel that we have designed especially for you. ALL high school students will benefit greatly from this experience. Using interactive community builders, hands-on activities, the opportunity for private prayer and reflection, and great food, this retreat has everything you are looking for. The charge for students who are NOT part of this year's Confirmation program is \$15 to help cover the costs of food and supplies. (Since this is a required retreat experience for all students being Confirmed this year, and is included in your sacramental fee, there is no additional charge for Confirmation students.) Registration is required. Forms are available from Mrs. Smith X 348, or check the gathering area of the church.

Thank You

Many thanks for all the cards and gifts received over the holidays.

May the New Year be filled with peace and joy.
Father Friedel

Rest in Peace

May the souls of Louis Narducci and Kevin Armstrong rest in peace in the arms of our savior. Their funeral Masses were celebrated on January 9, at SS. Cosmas and Damian Church

COME JOIN IN PRAYER CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK JAN. 16 – 20, 2012

Monday – Ss. Cosmas and Damian Catholic Church 10439 Ravenna Road
Tuesday – Christ the King Lutheran Church 10285 Ravenna Road
Wednesday – Christ Community Fellowship 10900 Ravenna Rd
Thursday - First Congregational Church of Twinsburg 9050 Church Street
Friday – Sanctuary of Praise 8788 Hadden Rd

All services begin at 7 p.m. with services reflective of each denomination and guest preachers. Please join us.

From the Desk of Darlene Bednarz

Looking at the parish calendar, I can see it's going to be a great and opportunity packed year. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the following:



On Monday, January 16th, we begin the **Week of Christian Unity** sponsored by The Twinsburg Ministerial Association. A prayer service will be held at five different churches in Twinsburg at 7 p.m. each evening. Monday, the week kicks off here at our parish. Please come and stay afterwards for fellowship and

refreshments. The listing of other sites is located elsewhere in the bulletin.

Bible Study will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. during the month of January in room 114 of the Parish Center. We hope that changing the day will give others the opportunity to join us to study about our father Abraham and the book of Genesis.

Book Club has been changed to Monday, January 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. Grab a copy of "The Little Prince" and join us for a spiritual pilgrimage. Refreshments are always served.

Please support our parish by attending the **Nite at the Races** on January 28th. If you can't attend, you can still help by naming a horse for \$15 and buying a \$10 pre-sale side board. With your help, everyone can be a winner.

It's hard to believe we are talking about Lent, but women, mark your calendar for the **Women's Day of Reflection** on Saturday, February 25th. It is always a faith filled and fun day.

Men, we aren't leaving you out! On Saturday, March 10th, we will have a **Men's Morning of Reflection** from 9 a.m. til noon. The speaker is yet to be determined but last year was a wonderful morning. Please plan on joining us.