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Sunday Bulletin for January 15th, 2023

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Second Sunday after Epiphany {TLM}

Sunday Masses:

Sunday: 10:00 AM & 5:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary before Mass

Latin Masses: Sunday: 1:00 PM

Thursday: 7:00 PM

Weekday Masses:

Monday: 7:00 PM Mass, followed by the Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help & Benediction.

Tuesday to Saturday: 8:00 AM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Day of Reparation with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (9 AM – 6:45 PM)

Confessions:

Sunday Before each Mass.

Tuesday to Saturday Before 8:00 AM Mass.

Wednesday evening Until 6:45 p.m.

Also by appointment with Father Gerry.

Baptism:

Arrange with the pastor. Please notify six weeks before for proper preparation.

Marriage:

Arrange with the pastor one year in advance.

Devotions:

Sunday: **before the 10 AM Mass**

Chaplet at 9:15 AM, Rosary at 9:30 AM

before the 5:00 PM Mass, Rosary at 4:30 PM

Monday: evenings after the 7:00 PM Mass,

Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Before weekday morning Masses, Divine Mercy

Chaplet at 7:15 AM followed by the Rosary

Wednesday, All day Adoration, 9 AM – 12 noon

Rosary & Reparation Prayers, 3 PM Divine

Mercy Chaplet, 6 PM – Divine Mercy chaplet,

Rosary, & Litany of Loreto.

1st Fridays of the month: All Night Vigil in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mass at 7:30 PM on Friday evening, Confessions before and after, and Adoration until Mass at 8:00 AM on Saturday morning.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday – Parish calls will forward to my cell phone, please leave message or text.

Wednesday & Friday: 9 AM – 12 noon

Thursday: 9 AM – 2 PM

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Why the last command before Communion is so important

From the Aleteia webpage written by Fr. Peter John Cameron, O.P.

We are beckoned to stillness and wonder and understanding steeped in mystery as we leave behind distractions and preconceptions and presumptions.

At Mass, just before receiving Holy Communion, the priest gives a direction to the congregation. Holding high the consecrated Host, he says, “Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.”

These words belong to St. John the Baptist (Jn.1:29) who pronounces them for the sake of those within earshot to acknowledge Jesus “coming toward him” so that “he might be made known.” It’s interesting that John does not say *listen* to the Lamb of God or *study the teachings* of the Lamb of God. He says instead “Behold”. The 12th-century Cistercian Abbot Gilbert of Hoyland noted that “human reason desires something more than to believe. What more? To behold.” What is it about beholding?

St. Gregory the Great answers that “when the lover beholds the object of their love, they are inflamed even more toward it.” This is why we keep photos of family members on our desk and in places where we look often. We want our love for our loved ones to become ever more inflamed. Beholding does that.

Beholding is an act of *attention*. Jordan Peterson explains that attention is not the same as thinking. Attention is watching to see what is there in front of your eyes. We then guide ourselves as a consequence of what we perceive via attention. Paying attention is the capacity to look beyond merely what we know so as to encounter what is so much more. Attention actually transforms thought, if we let it.

“God’s radiance vivifies. And those who behold God therefore receive life.”

The priest invites us with “Behold” in order to beckon us to stillness and wonder and understanding steeped in mystery as we leave behind distractions and preconceptions and presumptions. Even more: It is precisely by beholding God that we become like God. St. Irenaeus of Lyons marvels at the way “God’s radiance vivifies. And those who behold God therefore receive life.” How much Jesus wants to impart his life to us, which is what the Eucharist is all about. ~ [Why the last command before Communion is so important \(aleteia.org\)](http://www.aleteia.org)

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9:15 A.M. CHAPLET & ROSARY – SUNDAYS BEFORE THE 10 A.M. MASS
4:30 P.M. ROSARY BEFORE THE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Sun.	Jan. 15	10:00 AM	Brandon Steranka	Steranka Family
	Jan. 15	5:00 PM	Missa Pro Populo // People of God	
Mon.	Jan. 16	7:00 PM	Mass, Holy Hour and Perpetual Help Devotion - Thanks Fr. Wilfred	
Tues.	Jan. 17	8:00 AM	Lynn Moquin	Moquin Family
Wed.	Jan. 18	8:00 AM	† Maria Du Thi Vu	Thuy Pham
	Jan. 18	7:00 PM	Thanksgiving	Hanh Dang
Thurs.	Jan. 19	8:00 AM	† Isabelle Gervais	Antoinette Magnin
Fri.	Jan. 20	8:00 AM	William Staples	Staples Family
Sat.	Jan. 21	8:00 AM	Bill & Carma Staples	Staples Family
Sun.	Jan. 22	10:00 AM	† Barbara Sandic	(GB)
	Jan. 22	5:00 PM	Missa Pro Populo // People of God	

COLLECTION FOR: January 8, 2023

Sunday Offering \$1,042.00
Latin Mass \$305.00
Sunday Loose \$444.65
Latin Mass Loose \$76.00
First Friday Devotion \$150.00
Total Collection **\$2,017.65**

FAITH MATTERS: Cont'd from p. 1 [Why the last command before Communion is so important \(aleteia.org\)](http://aleteia.org)

But why are we beholding a lamb and not a lion, or an eagle, or some other fearsome creature? Scott Hahn points out the irony of it:

The title ‘lamb’ seems almost comical in its inappropriateness. Lambs don’t usually rank high on lists of most admired animals. They are not particularly strong, clever, quick, or handsome. Other animals would seem more worthy. Yet, it is the Lamb who leads an army of hundreds of thousands of men and angels, striking fear in the hearts of the wicked (Rv 6:15-16). This last image, of the fierce and frightening Lamb, is almost too incongruous to imagine with a straight face.

But it has to be a lamb, and the 14th-century Carthusian Ludolph of Saxony tells us why:

By saying *Behold the Lamb of God*, John the Baptist meant that Jesus had been sent from God *to be a most perfect offering*. Christ is particularly identified with the lamb rather than any other beasts because the paschal lamb prefigures more expressly the innocent Christ who would offer himself in sacrifice. The lamb was led to the slaughter but did not open its mouth.

How crucial it is for us constantly to behold, in faith and adoration and thanksgiving, the Lamb who lays down his life out of love for us. The 9th-century German Benedictine monk Haymo of Halberstadt gives us this encouragement: “Behold the Innocent among sinners, the Just among the reprobate, the Reverent among the impious. No sin could be found in him, and that is why he can take away the sins of the world.” And Ludolph of Saxony shows us a perfect way to behold Jesus:

O Lamb of God, may you acknowledge me, a poor sinner, among the sheep you will place at your right hand! But first forgive my sins and offenses, so that you may recognize me even better!

PARISH REGISTRATION & CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

NEW PARISHIONERS: In order to be registered as parishioners of St. Mary's Parish, we kindly request that all new parishioners **COMPLETE A REGISTRATION FORM** (located at each entrance to the Church). Please put the form in the Collection Basket or drop it off at the Parish Office.

PARISHIONERS LEAVING the Parish, or moving to a new address within the Parish, **please complete this form** and put it in the Collection Basket.

Name _____ Phone # _____
 Address (from) _____ Postal Code _____
 Address (to) _____ Postal Code _____