

## THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 30, 2022

*Faith, hope, and love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love.*

— 1 Corinthians 13:13

### TO BE A PROPHET

Today's readings show us what it is like to be a prophet. As Jeremiah recounts his call, God warns him that he will need strength and perseverance to withstand the hostility he will face from "Judah's kings and princes" and "its priests and people" (Jeremiah 1:18b). God also assures him that they "will not prevail over you, for I am with you" (1:19). The psalm reflects both of these struggles as well as deliverance from them ("salvation").

This is exactly what Jesus experiences in today's Gospel. After he claims that his own mission is the same as what Isaiah proclaimed, at first the people marvel at his "gracious words" (Luke 4:22). Soon, however, they become suspicious, skeptical, and hostile, even threatening to kill him. But just as God promised to deliver Jeremiah, so Jesus "passed through the midst of them and went away" (4:30).  
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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — God appoints Jeremiah as prophet to the nations (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

**Psalm** — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

**Second Reading** — Love with its many facets is the most important of the virtues (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

**Gospel** — When Jesus claims his salvific mission is for all people, not just the Jews, he is expelled by the enraged members of the Nazarean synagogue (Luke 4:21-30).

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$2,790.00	\$2,735.00
Number of Families contributing	72	70
Total Pledge for 2022	\$160,375.00	\$163,292.00
Pledged to Date (4 Weeks)	\$13,536.00	\$13,668.00
Received to Date	\$6,926.00	\$6,115.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$6,610.00	\$7,553.00

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$121.00	\$372.00

Thirteen ladies made a contribution last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$210.00	\$3,280.00

Three people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

### BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$69,865.00

**POOR BOX** totaled \$315.00.

6 **CHILDREN** contributed \$53.00.

**BAA** totaled \$105.00.

**CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA** totaled \$55.00.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**With wrinkled brow and flushed face, the homebuilder related what had happened the previous day: he had shown a beautiful home to a new couple in our area. The wife fell in love with the house, and the husband was delighted at the prospect of finding such a good buy. Everything was going well. The couple and builder had moved to the front yard below the porch. Suddenly the young son came running out of the house and off the edge of the porch, which was about twelve feet above the ground. What could have been a tragedy was avoided because the father was "in the right place in the nick of time." He caught his son as he fell over the edge and saved him from plummeting to the pavement below. (Needless to say, the incident killed the sale.)**

**How wonderful it is to have the arms of God for our spiritual support. The Scripture says that His arms are "everlasting arms." It should be a source of joy to know that we are secure forever in His arms of love. The fearful child; the ailing, weakened saint; the broken hearted ones; and every man, woman, boy, and girl need the security of His tender, divine grace.**

***It's refreshing to know He is with us not only "in the nick of time" but all the time, for He said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."*** (Heb.13:5.)

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Jack's Cathy in loving memory of her on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of her death;
2. the Duggan's in loving memory of Duggan on his 82<sup>nd</sup> Birthday;
3. the Family of Hambone in loving memory of him on the 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of his death, Hambone's Mary Catherine in loving memory of her on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of her death, and Jabber in loving memory of him on his 67<sup>th</sup> Birthday;
4. and a Parish Family member in thanks to St. Expedite.

**WELCOME HOME FR. CHERIAN** Even though Fr. Cherman was only away for a few weeks, he was greatly missed by all of St. Edward's parishioners.

### NEVER REGRET A DAY IN YOUR LIFE

Good gives you **happiness**, bad days give you **experience**, worst days give you **lessons**, and the best days give you **memories**.

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE** St. Blaise is the patron saint of those with throat maladies. We shall celebrate the Feast of St. Blaise this Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 A.M. with Solemn Mass and Blessing of Throats.

### YOU WILL NEVER GO WRONG

All the right things are not always possible, and all the possible things are not always right....  
So, be true to both your mind and heart,  
then you will never go wrong.

**THANK YOU** to a parish member for their donation in thanks to St. Raphael, St. Mother Theresa and Padre Pio; a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite; a parish member for their donation in thanks to St. Jude; and a parish member in thanks to Our Lady of Undoer of Knots.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK** A man went to apply for a job. After filling out all of his applications, he waited anxiously in an empty office for the outcome.

The interviewer came in and sat down across from him.  
"We have an opening for people like you."  
"Oh, great," the man said, "What is it?"  
The interviewer replied, "It's called the door!"

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday:** Catholic Schools Week
- Monday:** St. John Bosco
- Wednesday:** The Presentation of the Lord;  
World Day for Consecrated Life;  
Groundhog Day
- Thursday:** St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; Blessing of Throats
- Friday:** First Friday
- Saturday:** St. Agatha; First Saturday

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday:** For the repose of the soul of Barney Pole on his Birthday and for the repose of the soul of Catherina Ann Pole on the Anniversary of her death.
- Tuesday:** For the repose of the soul of Jack's Cathy on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of her death.
- Wednesday:** In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory and for the repose of the soul of Beasley on the 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death and for the repose of the soul of Beasley's Bridget Ann.
- Thursday:** For the repose of the soul of Underdog on the 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death.
- Friday:** For the repose of the soul of Pete Jason Carroll on the 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his death and for the repose of the soul of Maggie Taylor on the 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her death.

**IN THE VALLEY**

***When we are lost and wondering  
And seeking for His love,  
We only need to cry out to Him  
And wait for grace above.***

***The good and faithful Shepherd  
Takes us by the hand,  
And in the bleak of darkness,  
He leads to safer land.***

***Our heavy hearts hear, "Peace be still."  
We know we are not alone.  
From the valley where we wandered,  
He leads us now back home.***

**READERS**

- Sat. Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Cathy Lisa & Reed
- Sat. Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Leah & Dayna
- Sun. Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Jersey & Bridgette Anna
- Sat. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 P.M.** Christina & Julie Ann
- Sat. Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M.** Ritz & Savannah
- Sun. Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** Jersey

**READERS – WEEKDAYS**

- Monday** - Skylar
- Tuesday** - Gwen
- Wednesday** - Christina Apple
- Thursday** - Mary Ashley
- Friday** - Dayna

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY**

- Monday** - Kim Gallon
- Tuesday** - Nora
- Wednesday** - Catherine Ann
- Thursday** - Mary Cat
- Friday** - Rosie Cat

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND**

- Saturday 4:00 P.M.**  
**Front** Winnie Ann  
**Right** Cathy Pole  
**Left** Catherine Ann
- Saturday 7:00 P.M.**  
**Right** Mary Regina  
**Left** Mary Cat
- Sunday**  
**January 30<sup>th</sup>** Rose Marie
- Sunday**  
**February 6<sup>th</sup>** Rose Marie

**PERSON**

A **nice person** will always be in **memory**.  
A **better person** will always be in **dream**.  
But, a **sincere person** will always be in **heart**.

**WISDOM OF FULTON SHEEN**

*Because God is full of life, I imagine each morning Almighty God says to the sun, "Do it again;" and every evening to the moon and the stars, "Do it again;" and every springtime to the daisies; "Do it again;" and every time a child is born into the world asking for a curtain call, that the heart of the God might once more ring out in the heart of the babe.*

**~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~**

**A PRAYER FOR FRIENDS**

*Guardian Angel watch over those whose names you can read in my heart. Guard them with every care and make their way easy and their labors fruitful. Dry their tears if they weep; sanctify their joys; raise their courage if they weaken; restore their hope if they lose heart, their health if they be ill, truth if they err, repentance if they fall. Amen.*