COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

01/19 (II Ordinary Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Catechism class for children.

Coffee hour (fellowship hour) follows the Mass.

01/26 (III Ordinary Sunday) Holy Mass at 10am. Catechism class for children.

Coffee hour (fellowship hour) follows the Mass. No Mass Intention so

<u>far!</u>

FREE FOOD PANTRY in the Church Hall.

ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY NEWS

- Recent project: renovation of the choir space (catechism classroom): additional heating and security camera, windows' sealing and painting, wall painting, monitor for catechism classes...
- Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: JACQUELINE GIROUARD (01/19), MICHAEL PAPALEO (01/25). Happy birthday!

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II SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + JOHN GIROUARD (req. by his sister, Jacqueline)

INTROIT

C: Jesus did this as the beginning of His signs in Cana in Galilee and so revealed His glory,

R: And His disciples began to believe in Him.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



HOLY MASS

. 10 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

IS 62:1-5

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God.

No more shall people call you "Forsaken," or your land "Desolate," but you shall be called "My Delight," and your land "Espoused." For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse.

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 96

"Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations."

READING 2

A reading from the First Letter of St.

Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters:

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit;

1 COR 12:4-11

to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL JN 2:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel of the Wedding Feast at Cana was the normal reading for the Sunday after the Baptism of the Lord in the old order of readings when there was only one set of readings for Sundays (as opposed to the three-year cycle we use presently). It was still part of the Epiphany season since it was the Epiphany (Manifestation) of the Lord Jesus at the beginning of His public life – His first sign (or miracle). In John's Gospel, the miracles (signs) were meant as manifestations (epiphanies – revelations) through which people came to believe. It seems appropriate that John focuses on Jesus' first "sign" (miracle) which takes place at a wedding celebration. It also is appropriate that we begin this Ordinary Time by reflecting on purpose of the gifts and blessings we receive during our every day life – the purpose of revealing the glory of the Lord Jesus and His Abba, and helping other people develop their belief in the Lord Jesus.