

# *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## *January 21, 2018*

### **Life Issues Forum: Girl on a Train**

A few days ago, I was in a crowded metro car during early morning rush hour. At one stop a rather ordinary, but nervous young woman boarded. As the train started moving again, she braced herself and then spoke aloud to everyone.

She tried to project her voice, with a controlled self-consciousness as she did so. She explained, haltingly, that she had recently become homeless, had nowhere to go, and would be grateful for any money or help offered. She hesitated, and then added that she had just learned she was pregnant. When finished, she looked down at the floor, eyes clouded with uncertainty.

I've been riding the metro for several years. This was the first time I have seen a young woman explaining that she was both homeless and pregnant, her words faltering as she looked around at the many faces ignoring her. Her entire appearance expressed, in a striking way, someone who was both trying to contain her fear yet summon the courage to express her urgent need.

A few people came forward, holding out \$20 bills, which she accepted with trembling hands. I felt compelled to do more, to give her something beyond the expectation that she would have to live in the streets and the subway, day by day, begging for money. I grabbed some paper and jotted down information about a local maternity home.

I offered her the piece of paper. She was startled, then took the paper and read. She looked back at me, curious. I gently explained how it was a place that could help her out. I saw a sense of longing well up in her, and something else: a flicker of hope in her eyes. I smiled at her and nodded reassuringly. She smiled in return, and thanked me quietly.

That brief encounter was very powerful. It was a small connection, with few words exchanged; but I'll never forget the look of hope in the girl's eyes. I pray that she was able to reach the maternity home so she will not have to spend nights on the streets, alone and vulnerable.

As it gets colder and we approach the holidays, let us especially keep in mind all who are homeless and all women facing unexpected pregnancies, especially young unmarried pregnant women who feel they have nowhere to go, no one to trust. If you know of any women in these circumstances, there are pregnancy help centers and maternity homes that can offer resources and support. Some homes have special programs to help mothers finish their education and get a job. Check with your parish or diocesan pro-life office about local resources.

The more we educate ourselves about what help is available to women in crisis pregnancies, the more we can be a light to others in dark situations. Even for the stranger we encounter, it is always possible to offer a bit of hope, no matter how small.

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### **DAILY MASS READINGS**

- Monday:** *Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*  
2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Mark 3:22-30
- Tuesday:** 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19; Mark 3:31-35
- Wednesday:** *Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial)*  
2 Samuel 7:4-17; Mark 4:1-20
- Thursday:** *The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle (Feast)*  
Acts of the Apostles 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18
- Friday:** *Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops (Memorial)*  
2 Timothy 1:1-8, Mark 4:26-34
- Saturday:** 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41
- Sunday:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Mark 1:21-28

### **This Week's Program Schedule**

#### **Monday, January 22**

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| 8:00AM | Mass                     | Church |
| 8:30AM | Bible Study              | Lounge |
| 6:00PM | Adoration/Reconciliation | Church |

#### **Tuesday, January 23**

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| 8:00AM | Mass   | Church   |
| 6:30PM | Charismatic Prayer Group                     | Lounge   |
| 6:30PM | Baptism Class<br>(Pre-Registration Required) | Conf. Rm |

#### **Wednesday, January 24**

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|-------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| 8:00AM      | Mass                        | Church |
| 4:00-5:00PM | 1 <sup>st</sup> Session CRE | Church |
| 5:15-6:30PM | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Session CRE | Church |
| 6:45-8:00PM | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Session CRE | Church |

#### **Thursday, January 25**

#### **Friday, January 26**

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| 4:30PM      | Mass                                      | Church |
| 4:00-9:00PM | 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation Retreat | Lounge |

#### **Saturday, January 27**

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| 6:15AM | That Man Is You! | Church |
| 3:30PM | Reconciliation   | Church |
| 5:00PM | Mass             | Church |

#### **Sunday, January 28**

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| 9:00AM | Mass | Church |
| 6:00PM | Mass | Church |

### **Something for our Children!**

Can you unscramble the following words from today's Gospel?

SPLEOG	GIKNMDO	NHAD
RPTNEE	SSERHFI	TBAO

*Answers on the next page→*

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

*Give back to the Lord a sacrifice, a share of what the Lord has so generously given to you.*

Last Sunday's Offertory: \$ 6,718.29

**Thank you and God bless you!**

### MASS INTENTIONS

5:00PM Saturday, January 20 Robert Anderson†  
9:00AM Sunday, January 21 Andria Farinha†  
6:00PM Sunday, January 21 All Saints Community  
8:00AM Monday, January 22 Marie Ursich†  
8:00AM Tuesday, January 23 Steve Goracke

### DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTION, THIS SUNDAY:

This weekend is a combined diocesan collection for Black & Indian Missions, Catholic Home Missions Appeal, and Latin America. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity!

### PLEASE WATCH FOR OUR UPCOMING BMA CAMPAIGN:

The 2018 Bishop's Ministry Appeal campaign will be the weekends of January 27-28 and February 3-4.

**WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST 2018:** Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on **January 27, 2018**. There will be Mass at 9:30AM celebrated by Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone at St. Mary's Cathedral. The rally begins at 12:30PM in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30PM. For complete information about the Walk, call 415-658-1793 or visit [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com). Sacred Heart, Turlock, Our Lady of Assumption, Turlock, St. Joseph's, Modesto, and St. Stanislaus, Modesto are offering bus rides to the *Walk for Life* festivities. Tickets are on a first come, first served basis so contact their offices for more details.

**ATTENTION MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES:** Has anyone every clearly explained the beauty of marriage and Natural Family Planning? Learn about your faith and discover a natural method of family planning that goes beyond the physical. A course starts Thursday, January 25. Register at [www.live-the-love.org](http://www.live-the-love.org) or call Mary-Lynn 209-572-5136.

**2018-2019 SCHOLARSHIPS:** All Saints is offering scholarships to church members who are attending or planning to attend any university, community college, or trade school. In addition, any student, regardless of religious affiliation, who is attending or planning to attend CSU Stanislaus is eligible to apply for a scholarship. For application forms, call the church office at 669-0473.

*Please note: If you would like to offer a scholarship in your family's name or in the name of a loved one who has passed away, please contact the church office.*

*This week's helpers include ...*

Altar Linens ~ Elaine Sullivan

Children's Liturgy ~ Grace Delgado

*Thank you and God bless you for your unselfish service!*

**PUZZLE SOLUTIONS:** GOSPEL, KINGDOM, HAND, REPENT, FISHERS, BOAT. *How did you do?*

### TIPS FOR TITHING

Our gift to God is a sacrifice. To give in a sacrificial way means that our giving comes from the heart. Jesus sacrificed his entire life for us and His gift was His very life. We are to return a portion of our time, talent, and treasure so the work of Jesus can continue on earth. *What return can I make to the Lord for all the blessings He has poured out on me?*

### SPECIAL PRAYERS

*Please pray for our sick community members and friends:*

Gustavo Delgadillo	Socorro Aguilar	Ed H
Peggy Howard	Rita Yonan	Taylor Holt
Sarah Anderson	Linda Seymour	Stephen...
Jim Perdomo	Flynn Hillman	Janet Fiorini
Taurino & Concepcion Lopez	Keith Bentley	Shelly...
Infant Rosie	Jack B. Shaw	Karen ...
Cynthia Basco	Jackie Ferreira	Thelma Tamis
Edie Ferrari	David & Linda Back	Sharon...
Patti & Tom Scott	Charlie W.	Ed Rocha
David & Paula Baca	Catherine Harris	William Jackson
Joanne Mattos	Isabel Rodriguez	Edward Lytle
Bishop Stephen Blaire	Pat B.	Kevin Downs
Bernard & Ann Pannella	Katarina Renenger	Raul Campusano
Maritza Dominguez	Cecilia Renenger	Brian Diehl
Mike Baer	Jeanne Neu	David Rodriguez

*Your special prayers for these and others suffering from illness are gratefully appreciated. Thank you and God bless you!*

Notify the office if you have anyone you would like to place on our list of persons in need of prayer due to illness. So that space will always be available for your loved ones, names will be kept on our list for three months. (However, your prayer requests can be renewed.)

### CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CRE)

**1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation Retreat, Friday, January 26** at All Saints from 4:00—9:00PM. All 1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation students are required to attend. Dinner will be provided. Please call the office if you have any questions.

### THE FACTOR

**Monday, January 22:** The Factor will meet at 6:30pm at the church. All students 8<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grades are welcome.

### RCIA

Any adult wishing to embrace the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to be confirmed should contact Michael Fuller by calling the church office at 669-0473.

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** Our Lady of Assumption is offering a Grief Support Group starting January 23. Anyone who has lost a loved one is invited to attend. The group meets Tuesdays at 6:00pm. To reserve your space, please call 634-2222.

**SACRED HEART WOMEN'S SCRIPTURE STUDY** is offering a Lenten study of Bishop Robert Barron's video, "Seven Deadly Sins and Seven Lively Virtues" for seven Thursdays beginning February 8 from 1:00-2:30pm. They will meet in St. Cecelia's room, 1301 Cooper Street. Register at the Sacred Heart parish office and pick up your handout. There is no book with this series. For more information, call Peggy at 209-620-0672.

### A Moment with Max

*"I don't fear death, I fear sin, for death is not the end, but the beginning."*

- St. Maximilian Kolbe

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Live Theatrical Drama Coming  
**Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m.**

All Saints University Parish

StMaxDrama.com