

BULLETIN 01-25-2026
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Message

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel reading we hear about the call of the first disciples right at the beginning of Jesus' ministry, Simon Peter and Andrew then James and John. We might think that these first disciples were a bit simple. While they are busy working at their daily tasks as fishermen, Jesus comes up and asks them to follow him. They immediately drop their nets and follow him.

This seems to us to be quite a strange act, something rather unwise and unconsidered. Probably they did not know much about this man, Jesus, who wanted them to become his disciples and yet they left their nets behind and followed him. Remember that Peter and Andrew had been John the Baptist's followers before becoming Jesus' disciples. Even as fishermen, they had been searching for truth and salvation. So when the time came with the calling from God, they responded to the calling with faith and trust. The key for their journey of discipleship is to "leave the nets behind." The nets were what they had and depended on for their living; but here they recognized something bigger and more important than their nets. Jesus invited them to become "fishers of men", to take on a wonderful task, to transform the world.

And we are to leave our nets behind like the first disciples of Jesus. We are not leaving our families, jobs or properties behind, rather we are to leave behind whatever blocks our journey of faith or damages our discipleship: our evil gossiping, our immoral

habits or desires, our old ways of sin. This sounds like a lot to give up. It might even be something we are very reluctant to do. But be clear, this is our discipleship; this is our calling.

Remember that Jesus has chosen us; we did not choose him. His grace has been quietly acting in our lives all along. We might think that we are not worthy or able for the task but he knows best. Let us trust in the Lord and take on our journey with faith and hope for the Lord is always with us.

May God bless us all!

-Fr. Joe

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. In case of inclement weather, we will inform you about Mass cancellation. If you wish to be informed, please give us your email address and cell phone number. Everything is confidential.
2. During cold weather, if you wish to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the church. We have extraordinary ministers who can minister to you.
3. If you need a finance statement of your contribution to our church last year, please call the church office, we are glad to do it for you.
4. The Knights of Columbus are selling raffle tickets for \$5 each for their annual raffle. See any Knight or contact Dr. John 336-886-3086 for tickets. Thanks!
5. Our parish's confirmation ceremony for this year is scheduled on Wednesday February 11, 2026 with Bishop Michael Martin. Please mark your calendar and plan

to come to celebrate with our children and also welcome the bishop into our parish family.

MASS INTENTIONS

01/24 Saturday 5:00 pm + William & Margaret Janawitz
01/25 Sunday 7:00 am + Jared Stacey
9:30 am + Gary Lang
12:00 pm + Candido Rodriguez Alvarez
+ Tomas Ibarra Olvera
01/26 Monday NO MASS
01/27 Tuesday 7:00 am + Gilbert Carter
01/28 Wednesday 7:00 am + Phero & Martha Dinh
01/29 Thursday 7:00 am + Daminh Maria
01/30 Friday 7:00 am + Phero & Anne

NEXT WEEKEND

01/31 Saturday 5:00 pm + Deceased members of
The Grubb Family
02/01 Sunday 7:00 am + George Lautz
9:30 am + Martha Montavo
12:00 pm + Tomas Ibarra Olvera

(+) Deceased (SI) Special Intention

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The "Sunday of the Word of God" is the **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**, established by Pope Francis in 2019, to focus on celebrating, studying, and sharing the Bible, recognizing Scripture's vital role in Christian life and promoting unity. It encourages deeper engagement with the Word through events like Lectio Divina, formation meetings, and family scripture reading, highlighting the Bible as Christ's living voice. Catholic Bible resources are readily available for us to use:

- ◇ Deacon Skinner's Tuesday evening Bible Study
- ◇ Lectio Divina How To: DynamicCatholic.com
- ◇ Belmont Abbey: free eBooks like "[Adoring the Word](#)" for guided prayer, [Lectio Divina](#) guides, podcast episodes on Scripture ("[Conversatio](#)"), and [video courses](#) on Benedictine spirituality (like "[The](#)

[Benedictine Hallmarks](#)") and Scripture study
◇ EWTN Online Bible & Daily Readings
<https://bible.ewtn.com/Player>

Mark your calendars! Confirmation Ceremony

**Wednesday
February 11, 2026**

We invite you to celebrate with our children and join us in welcoming Bishop Martin to Our Parish Family.

Let Us Pray For Our Parishioners...

Johnny Apodaca
Tracy Barber
Angel M. Cuellas
Marie Forbert
Theresa French-R.
Gio Ibarra Sanchez Amanda Garcia
Mario Garcia
Willa Graham
Myles Harris
Maria Hdz.
Aber Johnson
Jorge Lagueruel
Deacon Larry Lisk
Daysi Martinez
Rosario Martinez
Linda McKinney
Felicia Murphy
Nancy Nkwokolo
Gladys Ozor
Rosemary Peterson
Hector Sanchez
Maria G.Sanchez A.
Gricelda Sanchez Paula Rodriguez
Andrew Royster
Mariane Smithh
Venuste Tuyikunde

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Regular Offertory: \$ 3,381.00
Mass Intesion: \$ 370.00
Food Pantry: \$ 65.00
Restricted Donation: \$ 720.00

Total: \$ 4,536.00

THANK YOU!

UPCOMING

Feb 2&9	Rules for Life: Basil, Benedict & Augustine/InstituteOfCatholicCulture.org
Feb 11	WELCOME BISHOP MARTIN
Feb 12	Jason Evert in GSO & CLT see https://chastity.com/
Feb 13	WWME Weekend
Feb 18	40 Days for Life Spring Campaign begins
Feb 18	Ash Wednesday
Mar 08	Daylight Savings Time begins
Apr 05	EASTER SUNDAY

BIBLE STUDY with
DEACON FRANCIS SKINNER
Tuesdays @ 7:00pm
in the Parish Center

"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."
- St. Jerome

National Marriage Week USA February 7-14, 2026

The 2026 theme is "Man and Woman He Created Them: Together With Purpose," encouraging couples to build a culture of love and life through activities like date nights, educational resources, and community initiatives.

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*Lord we pray you keep in a bond of inseparable love
those who are united in the covenant of Marriage,
so that, as you make their love fruitful,
they may become, by your grace, witnesses to
charity itself. AMEN*

Catholic Charities Elder Ministry Event

You are invited to an Ecumenical Day of Reflection with Deacon Scott Gilfillan on
Thursday, Feb. 26th at Pennybyrn in High Point—***"How to Grow in Hope."***

The cost is \$10 per person and includes morning refreshments and lunch. **Please send your registration fee, no later than Feb. 16**, to Jennifer Kloss, Pastoral Care Office Pennybyrn, 1315 Greensboro Road, High Point, NC 27260.

- Parish Food Pantry Donations -

*Canned Fruit *Peanut Butter *Pasta Sauce
* Canned Pork & Beans *1 lb boxes of pasta
*Saltines (or other crackers) *Canned Vegetables
*Cookies *Canned Soup

*No glass containers,
No fresh food or outdated food, please.
As always, we are grateful for
monetary donations.*

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!