

Welcome To Our Tri-Parish

*St. Catherine
Of Siena
Piedmont*



*St. George
Van Buren*



*Our Lady of
Sorrows
Williamsville*



Following Jesus in the Foothills of the Ozarks

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JANUARY 22, 2023 – 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2023 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond *immediately* to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

Mass Schedule Week of January 15, 2023

Intentions

Monday	8:00am Piedmont		Novena for Life
Tuesday	8:00am Piedmont	vocations	Novena for Life
Wednesday	8:00am Piedmont	prolife conversion	Novena for Life
Thursday	8:00am Piedmont	deceased priests	Novena for Life
	5:15pm Van Buren*		
Friday	8:00am Piedmont	dec. parents of priests	Novena for Life
Saturday	4:30pm Williamsville	prolife centers	Novena for Life
Sunday	8:30am Van Buren *	parish family	
	11:00am Piedmont		Novena for Life

No Saturday eve. Mass in Piedmont til time change

Sun. 6:00pm study of the faith ; the Chosen

Tues. 6:00pm Hour of Adoration: the Light is on for you, opportunity for confession

Thurs 5:45pm Van Buren Adult Study

Sun. Second collection for Church in Latin America

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Confessions: ½ hr. before mass, or by appointment 247 0277

Homily: 2nd Sunday Where do you hear those words before 'behold the Lamb of God'? At every mass just before communion. Three times we say: 'Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.' and then the priest says: 'Behold the Lamb of God'. John is the only one who uses this term as John the Baptist introduces Jesus and then in the Book of Revelation he uses it 8 times. How are we to think of the Lamb? First of all the first acceptable sacrifice offered to God was a lamb by Abel and it cost him his life. The last mentioned sacrifice is the 'lamb as if having been sacrificed standing on the altar', the lamb of God who would die on the altar of the cross. Then we hear Abraham being asked by God to sacrifice his son. When the son asks where is the lamb Abraham says: 'God will provide'. God stops the sacrifice of Issac and provides a ram. God's people asked for the sacrifice of the 'lamb of God' and did not stop the sacrifice. The 'lamb of God' was sacrificed on the altar of the cross but then rose to be the lamb standing on the altar. Then we can't help but think of the Passover sacrifice when God called his people to sacrifice a lamb; mark the doorposts of their houses with its blood and then eat the lamb before being led to their new home. Jesus, the Lamb of God, was sacrificed on the Passover at the time the lambs were being sacrificed asking his people 'unless you drink his blood (mark the doorposts of your lips, and eat this lamb) you do not have life (you do not enter into the new kingdom)'. Each time it was the beginning of something new and so John uses the term 'Lamb of God' 8 times in Revelation indicating God was again doing something new, a new kingdom. 8 is always something new. And so christians would offer the sacrifice of the mass on the 8th day after the Passover, Sunday. And so we hear Paul say 'do not forsake the gathering of the assembly on the day of the resurrection.



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Catechism in a Year.

How great it would be for all of us, yes, all of us to review the catechism this year as we celebrate 150 years. Can you make that a goal for you? And you children?
<https://www.youtube.com/@TheCatechismInAYear>

NOVENA FOR LIFE – START JAN. 19 FOR 9 DAYS

Intercession: May the tragic practice of abortion end.

Prayers: Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

Reflection: At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love. The presence of an illness, disability, or other challenging situation never diminishes the value of a human life. God does not call us to perfection of appearance or abilities, but to perfection in *love*. Christ invites us to embrace our own lives and the lives of others as true *gifts*. Abortion tragically rejects the truth that every life is a good and perfect gift, deserving protection. This violent practice ends the life of a human being at its very beginning and horribly wounds all those involved. But Christ came that we "might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10), taking on human flesh for the sake of our redemption. May our culture experience the power of God's transforming love, that all eyes may be opened to the incredible beauty of every human life. **Acts of Reparation** (Choose one.) Take a break from television and movies today. Consider spending some of that time praying with today's reflection. Pray the short prayer "Every Life is Worth Living," reflecting on the gift of human life. (The prayer is also available to order or download at usccb.org/worth-living.)