

**January 22, 2012**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**Jonah 3: 1-5, 10**      **Psalm: Psalm 25**  
**1 Corinthians 7: 29-31**      **Mark 1: 14-20**

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. LUDVIK**



I thought a story would be appropriate this week. Take time to ponder it's meaning. Share it!

**The Fence** There was a little boy with a bad temper. His father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he lost his temper, to hammer a nail in the back fence. The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. Then it gradually dwindled down. He discovered it was easier to hold his temper than to drive those nails into the fence. Finally, the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper at all. He told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy now pull out one nail for each day he was able to hold his temper. The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone. The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence. He said, "You have done well my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. It won't matter how many times you say I'm sorry, the wound is still there. A verbal wound is as bad as a physical one. Friends are a very rare jewel indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share a word of praise, and they always want to open their hearts to us." We are all encouraged to learn from this story. It has spoken deeply to me.

**Fr. John J. Ludvik, Pastor**

**NEWCOMERS WELCOME**

If you are new to the parish, we welcome you, and to become part of our community we ask that you register as parishioners. Any questions please call the office and leave a message, or call Fr. Ludvik on his cell at 425-749-6349.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

Join the Western Washington Catholic Schools this week in their week-long celebration about excellence in education. Catholic Schools Week is a long-standing tradition in the Archdiocese. We affirm the families attending either grade or high school or Catholic Universities. Certainly there is a great sacrifice.

**AUBURN, HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**



Please join our staff and students for our Open House at Holy Family School in Auburn on Tuesday, **January 31<sup>st</sup>** from 9am to 11:30pm or from 1:00 pm to 2:30pm. Come and see our school in action! It's located at 505 -17th St. S.E. Auburn. If you need more information please call 253-883-8688 Ext. 214.

*Calendar for the week*

<b>Sunday, January 22</b>	
Mass at OLOL	8:30 AM
Mass for parishioners/intentions	10:30 AM
<b>Monday, January 23</b>	
Rosary	3:00 PM
Religious Education K-8	5:30 PM
Religious Education Youth Group	6:30 PM
<b>Tuesday, January 24</b>	
Mass	8:00 AM
Legion of Mary	8:45 AM
<b>Wednesday, January 25</b>	
Mass	8:00 AM
<b>Thursday, January 26</b>	
Mass	8:00 AM
Stewardship	9:30 AM
Finance Council	7:00 PM
<b>Friday, January 27</b>	
Mass	8:00 AM
<b>Saturday, January 28</b>	
Confession	3:30 PM
Mass	5:00 PM

**PRAYER REQUESTS, BULLETIN AND PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Prayer requests must be made through (Rita Anderson 253-332-0631). Please do not call the office with names. Prayer requests made for a third party must be approved by the third party. Items for the bulletin, please email to Kathy Stanley at [kds.consulting@comcast.net](mailto:kds.consulting@comcast.net) or call her at 253-447-7412 with a Thursday deadline. For pulpit announcements, email to Fr. Ludvik at [jjludvik1@juno.com](mailto:jjludvik1@juno.com) or call him on his cell at 425-749-6349 and attempt to do this by Friday of each week.

**Vocation Awareness: [www.HeedTheCall.org](http://www.HeedTheCall.org)**

The priests of tomorrow are in our midst. They are members of this parish. They are members of our own families. Encourage Vocations, pray for the gift.



**Prayer Requests**

*Please Remember all those who have asked for prayer.*

The most recent requests for prayer:  
 N/A

**We've missed you and now we are glad to reconnect. Make yourself at home. Just introduce yourself to our priest or call (360) 829-6515 to make an appointment and we will move from there.**

**CATHOLICS**  
 COME HOME.org

**WE ARE CALLED TO BE LIGHT, TO EVEN SMELL LIKE A PIZZA**

A mother tells how her daughter used to work for a pizzeria, and Mom had the job of picking her up from work every evening. When her daughter would get into the car she'd smell so much like pizza that often times Mom would go back into the store and buy a pizza. When we give our lives to Christ, when we spend time with Christ and seek to live for him; when we let His love, grace and forgiveness cover us, then we'll have Christ's aroma in our lives. His love will spread and shine through us for others to see and breathe in. And when we live like that, our lives become an invitation. And when our lives are an invitation, others will be compelled to seek him and ask questions about our faith. This is what our Gospel is about this weekend. Embrace it!

<http://www.parishworld.net/plus/staloysius98321/home.html>

In bulletins since the late fall, Fr. Ludvik has been trying to update parishioners about a grant we had received for a new website from parishworld.net. They had chosen St. Aloysius and Our Lady of Lourdes as the first small parish to assist in updating a website. We are way behind on getting info to it, but each week, besides Fr. Ludvik's homily, there will also be other priests with their reflections on our website. Each weekend's bulletin also is present. Looking for your comments and suggestions, too, to help us be inclusive of parishioner's hopes for this website. It is ready to use but more is to be added. Soon we will be back at our former website, [www.saintaloysiusbuckley.org](http://www.saintaloysiusbuckley.org) with these changes. Check our Parish World. Thanks.

**THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES**

Matthew makes a deliberate connection between the light that shines in the darkness and Jesus, the new light that will show us the way. We are called to always walk in the light

**BE YOURSELF**

A 54 year old woman had a heart attack and was taken to the hospital. While on the operating table she had a near death experience. Seeing God she asked "Is my time up?" God said, "No, you have another 43 years, 2 months and 8 days to live. Upon recovery, the woman decided to stay in the hospital and have a face-lift, liposuction, breast implants and a tummy tuck. She even had someone come in and change her hair color and brighten her teeth! Since she had so much more time to live, she figured she might as well make the most of it. After her last operation, she was released from the hospital. While crossing the street on her way home, she was killed by an ambulance. Arriving in front of God, she demanded, "I thought you said I had another 43 years? Why didn't you pull me from out of the path of the ambulance?" God replied: "I didn't recognize you."

**CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK**

January 25th, Wednesday is the final day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Our Mass honors St. Paul's Conversion on this day as we celebrate the occasion with all Christian Churches.

*Christians around the world praying that all may be one....that the world may believe. (Jn 17:21)*

*Important DATE!*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP**

This event is for boys and girls, ages 10-14. It will be held on **January 28<sup>th</sup>** from 9am to 12:00pm at Southwood Elementary School in Enumclaw. Proof of age is required. Come early as there will be registration forms to fill out.



**LEGION OF MARY**

**Exercise your Baptism.** Become a soldier for Christ in His mothers army, check out the Legion of Mary. We provide spiritual formation and training in evangelization and Catholic home visitations. We call on those who most need it. Won't you give this postulate of love a try. Contact Betty Ann Peterson for more information.

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE  
YOUR RETURN FOR BLESSINGS RECEIVED**

**St. Aloysius**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>January 15, 2012</b>			
Weekly Revenue	\$2,514.60	\$2,481.00	\$33.60
Fiscal YTD Rev.	\$62,043.61	\$73,849.00	(\$11,805.39)

**Our Lady of Lourdes**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>January 15, 2012</b>			
Weekly Revenue	\$ 463.00	\$ 425.00	\$ 38.00
Fiscal YTD Rev.	\$14,595.00	\$14,185.00	\$ 410.00