



**January 22, 2023**  
**Third Sunday in Ordinary  
 Time**

**Collection January 15, 2023**

<i>Regular Collection</i>	\$720.00
<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	40.00
<i>Catholic Virginian</i>	35.00
<i>Respect for Life</i>	75.00
<i>Attendance</i>	41

**January 29, 2023**

Lector: *Terrie Hancock*  
 Commentator: *Guenter Schlottmann*  
 Ushers: *Stanley/Klima*

**Readings for January 29, 2023**

*Reading 1*    *Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13*  
*Reading 2*    *1 Corinthians 1:26-31*  
*Gospel*        *Matthew 5:1-12a*

**Information about St. Edwards-** *Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at:*  
<https://stedwardpulaski.org>

**Prayer List** - *Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Bill Jennings, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Jim Trowbridge, Orlando LoMascolo, Rommy LoMascolo, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Caroline Jewell, Jim Hopkins, Joy McComb, Raegan Ray, Alexandria Hayes, and Danny Coalson*  
**Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions.**

**Bishop's Visit-** *If you haven't yet signed up on the sheet in the Hall to attend Mass in Wytheville on Feb. 5, please do so. We need a number count for planning purposes. Everyone is welcome. **That Mass begins at 9:00am** and will be followed with a Reception.*

**2023 Calendars-***Bliley's Funeral Home in Richmond has again given us our Catholic wall calendars. They are available in the hall---one per family!*

**Save the date-***Annual chili cook-off February 12!!*

**January Birthdays**

<i>Brenda Lessard</i>	<i>Jan. 1</i>
<i>Larry Riffey</i>	<i>Jan. 3</i>
<i>Jessi Williams</i>	<i>Jan. 8</i>
<i>Cora Wojciechowski</i>	<i>Jan. 18</i>

**January Anniversaries**

<i>Bill &amp; Jean Jennings</i>	<i>Jan. 13</i>
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## **Daily Prayer This Week**

This week is set at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the pictures we get of how challenged and pushed he is prepare us to hear the simple parables he tells us. All of us get challenged and pushed in our daily lives. Even when we are on the right road and following a faithful path, there are forces, conflicting demands, tempting alternatives, differing values that batter us. It takes grace and courage to trust our real mission and that our Lord will be with us through it all.

Each morning this week, we can take a moment, to ask for what we desire. The entire day will be different just by spending 20 seconds sitting at the edge of the bed saying, "Lord, I want to keep my eyes open today. Whatever comes at me today, I want to stay in touch with you. Thank you." Another morning I may be aware of a big decision I have to execute that day or a conflict I am planning to face, and I might pray, "Okay, Lord, this is the day. This is how I live out my relationship with you. Be with me and give me what I need. Keep reminding me I can't do it without you."

Each day will offer a different brief moment of connection with our Lord, but each will ground the day. Then it is so very easy, while in the shower or walking down a hall, for just brief moments here and there in the background of our day, to stay in touch with our Lord. These guides can help keep us focused on the nourishing Word which interacts with our daily life. Every day can seem like a living Parable of the Sower. There is seed being scattered all around us and we can see and experience our degrees of receptivity. And while we are doing the best we can, all day, every day, in a variety of things, we can be consoled by the Lord's smile reminding us that the Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The real graces come from very small seeds, the smallest of efforts that make a big difference. Most of all, when things get rough, during any day, we can pause and take a breath and ask him to calm the wind and sea in our hearts.

Every night we can thank him for his presence and ground our growing relationship with him.