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LEX ORANDI, LEX CREDENDI, LEX VIVENDI (THE LAW OF PRAYER, THE LAW OF BELIEF, THE LAW OF LIVING)

OUR PRAYER LIFE SHAPES OUR BELIEFS, AND THESE BELIEFS SHAPED BY PRAYER INFLUENCE HOW WE LIVE

JAN. 18 ✓ SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✓ IS. 49:3,5-6 ✓ PS. 40:2,4,7-8,8-9,10 ✓ 1 COR. 1:1-3 ✓ JN. 1:29-34

THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS!!!

FROM THE INSTITUTES OF JOHN CASSIAN

ON THE SIN OF ANGER, AND HOW MANY EVILS THIS PASSION PRODUCES

The deadly poison of anger has to be utterly rooted out from the inmost comers of our soul. For as long as this remains in our hearts, and blinds with its hurtful darkness the eye of the soul, we can neither acquire right judgment and discretion, nor gain the insight which springs from an honest gaze, or ripeness of counsel, nor can we be partakers of life, or retentive of righteousness, or even have the capacity for spiritual and true light: *“for,” says one, “my eye is disturbed by reason of anger”*. Nor can we become partakers of wisdom, even though we are considered wise by universal consent, for *“anger rests in the bosom of fools.”* Nor can we even attain immortal life, although we are accounted prudent in the opinion of everybody, for *“anger destroys even the prudent.”* Nor shall we be able with clear judgment of heart to secure the controlling power of righteousness, even though we are reckoned perfect and holy in the estimation of all men, for *“the wrath of man works not the righteousness of God”* (James 1:20). Nor can we by any possibility acquire that esteem and honor which is so frequently seen even in worldlings, even though we are thought noble and honorable through the privileges of birth, because *“an angry man is dishonored.”* Nor again can we secure any ripeness of counsel, even though we appear to be weighty, and endowed with the utmost knowledge; because *“an angry man acts without counsel.”* Nor can we be free from dangerous disturbances, nor be without sin, even though no sort of disturbances be brought upon us by others; because a *“passionate man engenders quarrels, but an angry man digs up sins.”* (CONTINUED ON PAGE 4)

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY: FOR THE GRACE TO BUILD A MORE FRATERNAL AND MISSIONARY CHURCH



The flowers this weekend are donated by Leolyn Cuello. Donations for flowers are greatly appreciated! Kindly sign up for any available weekend you want in the note book in the hallway, and give \$70-75 (CASH), in the envelope provided, to Linda Voeltz shortly before your designated dates. Thank you very much!

BASIC MINIMUM NEEDED PER WEEK \$ 4,000.00

LAST WEEK OFFERTORY COLLECTION

IN CHURCH \$ 1,464.00 & ONLINE \$ 365.00

\$ 1,829.00



HALL RENOVATION (REQUIRED) \$ 1,500,000

RAISED SO FAR \$ 683,582.00

IN CHURCH \$ 620.00 & ONLINE \$ 30.00

BALANCE TO BE RAISED \$ 815,768.00

BINGO: 6PM IN THE PARISH HALL FRIDAYS! WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP RUN IT. KINDLY HELP

↳ **RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY:** Contact: Trudy Hudson (904) 614-5125 trudyhudson7@gmail.com or Michelle White (904) 504-0459 mlwhite722@gmail.com ✓ <https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-guides>

↳ **HAVE YOU A PRAYER REQUEST?** Contact Ms. Susie Taylor, 9049454327. Your request will be added to the prayer-request-text-line, and our prayer team will pray for your requests!

↳ **PRAY FOR:** Beth Spreitzer, Trish Thorpe, Asia Paige, Abby Keller, Angelo Tauro, Mary Roberts, Rose Johnson, John Payne, Monte Willey, Julie, Jim & Bonnie Palleschi, Mary Baeb, Theresa Taylor, Kathy Johnson, Joan Fiore, Joanie McCarthy, Victor Crawford, Stacie Adams, Karen & Richard Dolan, Daniel Harrigan, Allan Lahoski, Ann Smith, Bob Rozumek, Christy Long, Cindy Schillig, Dawn Phillips, Diana Rumpt, Sarah Zarrella, Edward Robinson, Gladys Page, Janis Price, Jeannie Hendrix, Joanne Hodges, John Singleton, Judy Gentile, M. Akridge, Marge Keller, Marianne Glass, Mary Ford, Mary Knoche, Mifuk Huh, Pat Doyle, Paul Boehnke, Sandra Schwarz, Xavier Smith, Schaidy Parme, Diane Arwine, James Nelson, Sal Carrasquillo, Mary Pregler, John Norton, Alex Robinson.

↳ **JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM:** CONTACT MS. KAREN DOUGHERTY AT K.DOUGHERTY200@COMCAST.NET

✓ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Meet on the first Sunday of the month. We encourage all men of the parish to attend. For more information, please contact Mr. Steve Hudson.

✓ **INTERESTED IN PRISON MINISTRY?** Please contact John Chick at jchick@dosafl.com

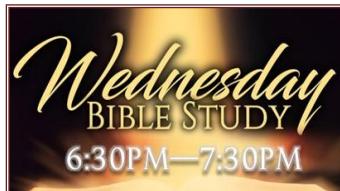
THE DIOCESE OF SAINT AUGUSTINE TREATS all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deals with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. TO REPORT ABUSE, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873 or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosafl.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org

ADORATION ★ CHAPLET ★ ROSARY

4:30 PM SATURDAY & 9:30 AM SUNDAY
 4:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
 8:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY

**HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST**

5:00 PM SATURDAY & 10 AM SUNDAY
 5:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY
 9:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY

**FRIDAYS: ADORATION 9 AM TO 5:25 PM & HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST 5:30 PM**

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION & ADORATION 5:00 TO 5:45 PM & HOLY MASS 6 PM
 ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION: ANYTIME UPON REQUEST
 CONFESSION & 45 MINUTES BEFORE HOLY MASS & BY APPOINTMENT

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HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST

JAN. 17 Vigil SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	⌘. SYDNEY, JAMES & CLARINE TIMMONS ⌘. JONATHAN ROJAS
JAN. 18 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	⌘. JONATHAN ROJAS ⌘. FIRST COAST WOMEN'S SERVICE
JAN. 19 MON. OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	⌘. ⌘. FOR SOULS THAT HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY
JAN. 20 TUE. OF THE SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	⌘. ⌘. FOR SOULS THAT HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY
JAN. 21 WED. ST. AGNES ⌘. ST. SEBASTIAN, MEMORIAL	⌘. ⌘. FOR SOULS THAT HAVE NO ONE TO PRAY
JAN. 22 THU. DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PREBORN CHILDREN	⌘. SYDNEY, JAMES & CLARINE TIMMONS
JAN. 23 FRI. ST. MARIANNE COPE, MEMORIAL	⌘. NENA RAILEY

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LECTORS**MAY GOD BLESS US ALL EVERYONE!****ALTAR SERVERS**

B. LANCHO, B. PALLESCHI & J. MACKEY	SAT. JAN. 17	B. LANCHO
J. CHICK SR., C. CHICK & J. MACKEY	SUN. JAN. 18	M. CHICK, A. MCKENDREE & M. MCKENDREE
M. STECK, P. DECURTINS & C. CRAWFORD	SAT. JAN. 24	B. LANCHO
M. MCKENDREE, T. HUDSON & S. HUDSON	SUN. JAN. 25	J. SMITH, D. CHICK & M. MCKENDREE

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✓. **CCD: SUNDAYS BEFORE HOLY MASS 8:45-9:45 AM. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: MICHELLE WHITE ⌈ MLWHITE722@GMAIL.COM ⌈ 9045040459**

✓. **OCIA & OCIC: WEEKLY CLASSES ARE HELD ON SUNDAYS AFTER HOLY MASS FROM 11:30 AM TO 12:30 PM IN THE LEARNING CENTER. CONTACT: PEG DECURTINS AT PEGDECURTINS@NEFCOM.NET**

**A JESUM PER MARIAM TO JESUS THROUGH MARY
ORATORY: CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
ON WEDNESDAYS 5:15 PM-8 PM
HOLY MASS 5:30 PM; CONSCIENCE-CHARACTER 6:15 PM;
FUN ACTIVITY 6:45-7:30 PM; DINNER/REFRESHMENTS 7:35 PM
CONTACT: MRS. CATHERINE CHICK (904) 293-3827  CHICKCA@GMAIL.COM**

**A STUDY OF SACRED SCRIPTURE ROOTED IN CATHOLIC TRADITION
FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND RECENTLY GRADUATED STUDENTS
SUNDAYS AT 6 PM IN THE LEARNING CENTER
FOR MORE INFORMATION:
MR. MIKE MCKENDREE (904) 400-9250**

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION is for Respect Life ministry to support pregnancy resource centers, college outreach, parish-based respect life activities, and advocacy initiatives to promote the dignity of all life from conception to natural death. Let us continue to serve the community in this way by giving generously to this collection.

U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS: You are invited to take part in 9 Days for Life, an annual Respect Life novena beginning Friday, Jan. 16. A novena is nine consecutive days of prayer offered in penance and preparation for the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on Jan. 22.  Participants may access the novena or sign up to receive daily prayers by email or text in English at 9daysforlife.com or in Spanish at respectlife.org/9-dias-por-la-vida. Sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Pro-Life Activities, the novena began in 2013 and now reaches hundreds of thousands of people worldwide.  Each day includes a prayer intention, reflection and suggested action focused on protecting life and supporting mothers and children. For updates, follow @USCCB on social media.

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**OF THOSE WHO SAY THAT ANGER IS NOT INJURIOUS, IF WE ARE ANGRY WITH THOSE WHO DO WRONG,
SINCE GOD HIMSELF IS SAID TO BE ANGRY**

We have heard some people trying to excuse this most pernicious disease of the soul, in such a way as to endeavor to extenuate it by a rather shocking way of interpreting Scripture: as they say that it is not injurious if we are angry with the brethren who do wrong, since, say they, God Himself is said to rage and to be angry with those who either will not know Him, or, knowing Him, spurn Him, as here: "And the anger of the Lord was kindled against His people;" or where the prophet prays and says, "O Lord, rebuke me not in your anger, neither chasten me in your displeasure;" not understanding that, while they want to open to men an excuse for a most pestilent sin, they are ascribing to the Divine Infinity and Fountain of all purity a taint of human passion.