

**PRAYER CORNER**

Lord, We ask that you heal our sick, bring comfort to the families who have lost love ones. May your will be done. Amen

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# OUR MOTHER OF MERCY

*Ft Worth's Historically African American Catholic Church*

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Wednesday & Thursday  
11am—5 pm  
Friday  
10am—1pm

**Let Your  
Light Shine  
Bright**



The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A calls people to live out their faith through action. The readings focus on being a light in the world, helping others, and trusting in God's strength. Jesus tells his followers to be salt and light, showing kindness and love in all they do. Paul reminds people that faith is about relying on God, not on human wisdom. Isaiah teaches that caring for those in need is part of true worship. We are called to live with kindness, courage, and trust. When we live like this, we help make the world a better place.

Jesus also gives a warning. If salt loses its flavor, it is no longer useful. In the same way, if Christians do not live out their faith, they are not fully being who they are called to be. They cannot just talk about faith. They have to live it.

Faith is not about being perfect. It is about trusting in God even when things seem difficult. Paul did not try to impress people with his knowledge. He simply focused on Jesus and let the Spirit work through him.

Living as salt and light is not always easy, but the 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds people that their actions can make a difference. Even small acts of kindness can bring hope to others. When people trust in God and live with love, they help spread His message. Faith is not just about words—it is about how people live every day.

**February 8, 2026**

**5th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**Regular Mass Times**

Sunday: 10:00 am  
Vigil Mass Sat: 5:00 pm  
Mon thru Fri—7:00 am  
Saturday: 8:00 am

**Adoration Times**

Wednesday: 5:00pm-7:00pm  
Thursday: 7:30am-3:00pm  
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00pm  
Friday: 7:30am-noon  
Saturday: 4:00pm-4:50pm

**Rosary**

Sunday 9:00 am  
(1st Sunday Live-streamed)  
Monday-Friday 6:20 am

**Confession**

Mon-Fri: 6:00am—6:50 am  
7:30am-7:55am  
Saturday 4pm-4:50pm  
By appointment during office hours

*Thank you for supporting our parish*

**The KNIGHTS of PETER CLAVER  
and LADIES AUXILIARY**

**Council and  
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*In Memoriam*

Fr. Jerome LeDoux  
Feb 26, 1930-Jan 7, 2019

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Larry & Olga Martinez,  
One Day at a Time.**



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**COFFEE TALK  
AND TOUR**

February 20 | 9:00-11:00 AM  
Use the QR Code Below to RSVP

Please join us on Friday, February 20, to learn about Nolan Catholic's educational environment grounded in our Four Pillars of Catholic Faith Formation, Academics, Character Development, and Leadership.

Come enjoy coffee and conversation with Nolan Catholic's President Clint Weber, Principal Susan LoCoco, and Chaplain Fr. Brett Metzler.



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**Daily Readings for the Week**

**Feb. 8**—Is 58: 7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16 *World Marriage Day*

**Feb. 9**—1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Mk 6:53-56

**Feb. 10**—1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 ; Mk 7: 1-13

**Feb. 11**—1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23 *World Day of the Sick*

**Feb. 12**—1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30

**Feb. 13**—1 Kgs 11: 22-32 ,12: 19; Mk 7: 31-37

**Feb. 14**—1 Kgs 12: 26-32; Mk 8:1-10

**February Live Stream Schedule**

2/8—Isabel Garza

2/15—Jennifer Rattliff

2/22—Howard Rattliff

**February Lector Schedule**

2/7—Natasha Cha

2/8—Lydia Salas Daniel Gonzalez

2/14—Natasha Cha Laura Moreno

2/15—Amanda Flood Carolyn Yusuf

2/21—Stephanie Rodriguez

2/22—LaWonda Peoples Brenda Weiss

**February Special Collection**

2/8—St. Vincent DePaul

2/15—Catholic Charities of FW

2/22—Black and Indian Missions.

**Vocations**

*World Marriage Day and National Marriage Week*

*"You are the light of the world."  
 (Matthew 5:14)*

On World Marriage Day, we honor couples who shine Christ's love through their union. Holy matrimony is a vocation of light, illuminating the world with faith and fidelity. Renew your commitment with your spouse in prayer.

Parish Support for week of: 2/1/2026	
Regular Collection	\$3,781.00
Weekday Mass	\$160.00
Mass Intentions	\$95.00
Parish Maintenance	\$355.00
St. Anne's Candles	\$79.37
KPC Utilities Reimburse	\$354.58
Bulletin Ads	\$15.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$80.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$75.00
Catholic Charities	\$75.00
Total Collection	\$5,069.95
Total Weekend Attendance	101

**Mass Intentions**  
 FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday Feb. 8**

*Happy Birthday Howard Rattliff III  
 Repose souls of Natividad &  
 Mauricio Pulido & Lucia Esquivel*

**Monday Feb. 9**

**Tuesday Feb. 10**

*Repose soul of  
 Guillermo Rodriguez*

**Wednesday Feb. 11**

**Thursday Feb. 12**

**Friday Feb. 13**

*Conversion of Andy Garza*

**Saturday Feb. 14**

*8am Mass—Happy Birthday  
 Valentin Rosales*

*5pm Mass—Repose souls of  
 Bennie and Herman Peters*

**Reflection for  
 5th Sunday Ordinary Time**

The most important thing about each of us is our capacity for goodness. We can be a source of light. We have hands that can care, eyes that can see, ears that can hear, tongues that can speak, feet that can walk, and above all hearts that can love. Unfortunately, through laziness, selfishness, and cowardice, our light can be dimmed, so that we become shadows of the people we could be. Lord, help us to believe in our own goodness, and to let the light of that goodness shine. On seeing this light others find their way, and you will be glorified.



Ash Wednesday will be on Wednesday, **February 18**. At OMM Church, distribution of ashes will be at 7:00 am mass and at 7:00 pm. This day marks the beginning of Lent, a period of fasting and reflection.



Join us in praying the Stations of the Cross on **Friday, Feb. 20, 2026 at 7:00 pm**. Leading prayers: St. Anne's Altar Society.

**St. Andrew Breakfast**

The next St. Andrew Breakfast will be on Saturday morning February 21, 2026 at St. Patrick Cathedral, 1206 Throckmorton St, Fort Worth, TX 76102, at 8:00 AM. The day will begin with Mass followed by breakfast and fellowship. We encourage young men in high school and college in the Diocese of Fort Worth to attend. Please reserve your spot by February 19, 2026, through the Vocations Office **Vocations@FWDIOC.org** or by calling 817-945-9321.



In celebration of Black Heritage Month, St. Anne's Altar Society will be serving its annual Sunday Dinner on **February 22**, in the PLC. For a donation of \$12, the meal is a choice of Baked or Fried Chicken. Dinners include Mac & Cheese, Collard Greens, Yams, Cornbread and cake. Take a break from cooking this Sunday. **Text 682-365-6375 to reserve your dinners.**



**St. Vincent De Paul**  
 Serving those in Need

**Save the date! 2-21-26**

The annual **"42" tournament** benefiting the St. Vincent de Paul Society, HFN conference, will be Saturday, Feb 21 at Holy Family of Nazareth, 2323 Cheyenne in Irving. This is not a competition but trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd places. So, please come enjoy the fun and camaraderie of players from all over the state while playing the "National Game of Texas"! Registration starts at 7:30am, play begins at 9:00am. \$50/team. We have door prizes, a 50/50 drawing, a silent auction, and food will be available. **Contact John Perkins, 214-808-4898 or email svdp\_hfn@yahoo.com for more information.** A "warm up" tournament is being held on Friday, Feb 20. Register at 6:00pm, play at 7:00pm. \$30/team.

**Happy World Marriage Day  
 World Marriage Day  
 February 8, 2026**

The purpose of World Marriage Day is to emphasize the beauty of marriage and to honor husbands and wives for their faithfulness and sacrifices. World Marriage Day highlights the promise of a marital union and the beauty of being a lawfully wedded couple under the eyes of Christ.



**Roots & Wings  
 Nurturing Black Families & Youth  
 Black History Month Program**

Feb. 21, 2026 10:30 am-11:30 am Holy Cross Parish/Thea Bowman Hall 5004 Bonnie View Rd., Dallas, TX

**POP-UP FOOD TRUCK- COMING MARCH 1 WATCH FOR IT!!!!**



Sponsored by the Knights of St. Peter Claver

**World Day of the Sick  
 Anointing of the Sick**

February 11 is World Day of the Sick, an observation introduced by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes and is an important opportunity for those who serve in Catholic health ministry to reflect on caring for those who are sick as well as those who provide care to them.

You are invited to attend 7:00 a.m. mass **Feb. 11** for the Anointing of the Sick, presided by Fr. Peter.

**Mass for the Deceased**

"From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic Sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God" Fr. Peter will have mass for the deceased on **Feb. 25 at 7:00 a.m.**

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." Let the light of your marriage sacrament shine for all. Make your light bright by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter is Apr. 10-12, 2026. To apply go to [www.wme.org](http://www.wme.org). Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [mdgallegos06@gmail.com](mailto:mdgallegos06@gmail.com) 214-497-0188.

