

PRAYER CORNER

Lord, Heal our sick, may your will be done. Bring comfort to families who have lost loved ones. In Jesus Name, Amen

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May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace

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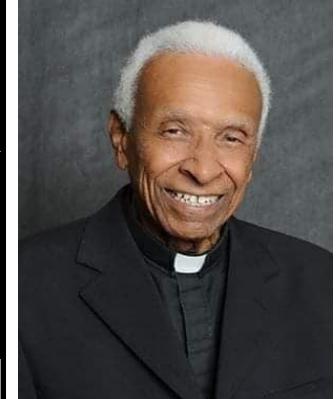
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In Loving Memory of Larry & Olga Martinez, One Day at a Time.



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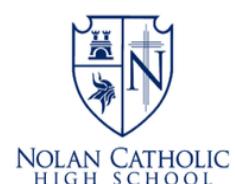
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**The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A**



The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A shows us how God calls people for a purpose. We hear about a servant in Isaiah, a faithful person who listens and obeys. We also hear how John the Baptist points to Jesus and calls him the Lamb of God. Each person has a part in God's plan. Think about your own call. God calls people in different ways, but he calls everyone to follow him. Like the servant in Isaiah, each person is meant to bring God's light to the world.

In the Gospel, John the Baptist sees the Spirit come down on Jesus. He tells everyone that Jesus is the Son of God. This moment shows us who Jesus is and why he came. God chose him, and now he is ready to bring light and life to others.

Paul also reminds the people in Corinth that they are holy and called. This message is for us too. We belong to God. He calls us to live in peace and to follow Jesus.

We are invited to listen to God's voice and follow where he leads. Like the servant, like Paul, and like John, we are sent to share hope with others. believers to think about their own call.

Prayer

Lord, you sent Jesus as the Lamb of God to take away the sins of the world. Fill our hearts with your Spirit so we may follow him. Help us to listen to your call and trust in your plan. May we bring your light to others each day. Amen.

Pastor

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Parish Office Hours
Wednesday & Thursday
11am—5 pm
Friday
10am—1pm

January 18, 2026

2nd 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: 5pm-7pm
Thursday: 7:30am-3:00pm
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm
Friday: 7:30am-noon
Saturday: 4pm-4:50pm

Rosary

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

Confession

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

Pastoral Staff
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Parish Support for week of: 1/11/2026

Regular Offertory	\$ 4822.00
Week Day Offertory	\$ 122.20
Mass Intentions	\$ 60.00
Parish Maintenance	\$ 95.00
St. Anne's Candles	\$ 177.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20.00
Priest Care Fund	\$ 60.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 573.00
	\$
	\$
Total Collection	\$ 5929.00
Total Weekend Attendance	147

Daily Readings for the Week

Jan. 18—Is 49: 3.5-6; I Cor 1:1-3, Jn 1:29-34
 Jan. 19—1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22 —MLK Holiday
 Jan. 20—1 Sm 16: 1-13; Mk 2:23-28
 Jan. 21—1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
 Jan. 22—1 Sm 18:6-9. 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12 —Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
 Jan. 23—1 Sm 24: 3-21; Mk 3:13-19
 Jan. 24—2 Sm 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3: 20-21

January Live Stream Schedule

1/18—Jennifer Rattliff
 1/25—Howard Rattliff

January Lector Schedule

1/17—Lanette Martinez Vidaurri
 1/18—Amanda Flood; Lydia Salas
 1/24—Natasha Cha
 1/25—LaWonda Peoples; Brenda Weiss

January Special Collections

1/18—Priest Care Fund

Vocations

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." (John 1:29)

John's recognition of Jesus calls us to keep our focus on Christ and His mission. Christ's mercy is made present through priests in the sacraments. Is God calling you to this ministry? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (817) 945-9321 or via email: vocations@fwdioc.org



Sunday Jan. 18 In Thanksgiving for God's Blessings on the Scratchings
Monday Jan. 19 Happy Birthday to Christopher Salas
Tuesday Jan. 20 Happy Birthday Jorge Estrada and Jack Pais
Wednesday Jan. 21 For the Souls in Purgatory
Thursday Jan. 22 —Happy Birthday Stephen McAlexander
Friday Jan. 23— Happy Birthday Carlos Velzaquez and Stephanie McAlexander
Saturday Jan. 24 8am Mass— Souls in Purgatory
5pm Mass—For the Parishioners, families and friends of OMM

Reflection for

2nd Sunday Ordinary Time

All of us are wounded by sin. The part of us which is most deeply damaged by sin is the heart. The heart is so beautiful, so innocent, but it can be betrayed, scorned, and broken. Darkness of heart is the blackest night of all. Emptiness of heart is the greatest poverty of all. A heavy heart is the most wearisome burden of all. A broken heart is the most painful wound of all. Only love can heal the wounds of the heart. Lord, send your Holy Spirit to us, to heal the wounds of our hearts so that we may produce the fruits of love.

Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Mass

The 40th annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Mass will be held on **Saturday, January 24, 2026**, at St. Patrick Cathedral in Fort Worth at 5:30 p.m. The main celebrant will be Most Rev. Michael F. Olson, STD, MA, Bishop of Fort Worth, and the homilist will be Most Rev. Joseph N. Perry, JCL, DD, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of the Archdiocese of Chicago. All are encouraged to attend

Year End Giving Statements
 Year end statements for parish donations will mailed out by the end of January to last address on file. If you would like your statement emailed to you, send your email address to: ourmother@omomftworth.org.

Safe Environment Certification

To volunteer in any capacity for the Parish you will need to complete a Safe Environment class. The initial class is **Protecting God's Children** and is good for 2 years. The renewal class is **A Plan to Protect**. Renewals must be completed every 2 years. To renew/or start log in to www.virtus.org: For assistance, call Lydia Salas/church office.

 Are you prepared to vote in 2026?
Last day to register to vote is Feb. 2, 2026. Voting locations have changed. Go to www.tarrantcountytx.gov to find your new location.

Annual Respect Life Mass

Join us for the annual Respect Life Mass held at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 16250 Old Weatherford Rd, Aledo, TX 76008, starting at 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., as we pray together for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all the offenses to the sanctity and dignity of human life. All are invited to attend. A light reception with finger foods and desserts will follow the Mass. In order to prepare well for the light reception, registration is requested but not required.



Dear Parish Family,

Thank you to all who so generously supported our Tree of Mercy. Your kindness, time, and willingness to give made a meaningful difference in the lives of individuals and families in need. Through your thoughtful donations and helping hands, you truly lived out the spirit of mercy and compassion that we are called to share. Because of you, many people were reminded that they are seen, valued, and loved. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and for the beautiful witness of faith you continue to provide within our parish community. May God bless you abundantly for all that you do.
 With sincere thanks and gratitude,
Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Boy Scouts of America Unit Volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering to assist any of local Catholic sponsored Boy Scout units please contact us. There is probably a unit sponsored by a Catholic institution in your area that needs help.

Catholic Committee on Scouting Diocese of Fort Worth 817-925-5996

OCIA Formation Day
 Join the annual diocesan OCIA Formation Day on Saturday, January 31, 2026 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, at Most Blessed Sacrament in Arlington. All parish OCIA leaders and volunteers are welcome to attend this day of formation to grow knowledge and skills for their ministry.
 Register at: <https://fwdioc.org/ocia-formation-day>

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, 2026

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, will be observed from Jan. 18-25. The theme for this year is "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope when you were called. (Ephesians 4:4). This theme emphasizes the unity of the Christian faith and calls for believers to work together for peace and unity.

Every saved believer, regardless of talent or skill, Jew or Gentile, male or female, is saved by the same faith in the same God. Each Christian, therefore, is part of a single, universal family of believers in Jesus Christ.

National Day of Racial Healing January 20, 2026

The National Day of Racial Healing is an annual observance that aims to acknowledge the effects of racism and promote healing within community. It is part of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation's Truth, Racial healing & Transformation efforts, which encourage dialogue and action towards racial equity and justice.

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. Allow the Holy Spirit to deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is Feb. 6-8, 2026. To apply go to www.wwme.org. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a mdgallegos06@gmail.com 214-497-0188.

