

**February 2, 2025**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**



**The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

Today, February 2, we celebrate the traditional Feast of the Presentation of the Lord – one of those feasts that reveals the divinity of Jesus Christ from the very beginning. This feast invites us (Catholics) and the rest of our Christian brothers and sisters to reflect on the profound mystery of Christ's entry into the Temple. This event marks not only the fulfillment of the Law but also the revelation of Jesus as the light for all nations, as proclaimed by Simeon, who recognized Him as the Messiah. The words of Scripture resonate deeply: “Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll, Behold, I come to do your will, O God.’” (Hebrew. 10:7).

Mary and Joseph’s faithful adherence to the Law exemplifies their unwavering trust in God’s plan. Their humble obedience serves as a model for all believers, encouraging a commitment to embrace one’s vocation with dedication and humility. As the light of Christ shines through them, so too are we called to reflect His love and obedience in our daily lives.

On this feast, let us renew our commitment to be beacons of Christ’s light in the world, inviting others to encounter Him through our

actions and words. Let us also allow the light of Christ to shine forth in our lives by how generously we share our time and talents with our others, especially our parish church and the people who are in most need of our help. May the celebration of this feast obtain for us the grace to forgive ourselves and the people who have wronged us. May it inspire a deeper recognition of Christ in our lives and a fervent desire to live out our faith actively, just as Mary and Joseph did.

Happy Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

*Fr. Peter*

**Save the date!**

Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lacrosse, WI

Friday - Saturday  
May 9-10, 2025

**Details will be available next weekend!**



**St. Jude’s Novena**

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved, and preserved throughout the world now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. I will never forget thy graces and favors you obtain for me and I will do my utmost to spread devotion to you.

Pray an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Say this prayer 9 times a day for 9 days.

Thank you, St. Jude, for Prayers Answered.

**Instructions for Transition in Online Giving:**

**Part One:**

Setting up a new recurring gift using Pushpay. Visit <https://www.stjude.dio.org/online-giving> and set up your automatic gift using Pushpay. The recurring option should already be selected, and you can simply set up your automatic gift, after which you will be prompted to complete the setup of your new account.

**Part Two:**

Cancel scheduled gifts in Vanco. Once you have set up recurring gifts in Pushpay, please cancel any scheduled gifts in Vanco. There will be an email sent with the steps to cancel recurring gifts. It is also recommended that you delete any saved payment methods as well. If you would like us to assist you with this or if you have questions, please contact Sara Garcia at the Parish Office at (217) 498-9197 and she will assist you. We are so blessed you have made the commitment to give in this way and are honored with your decision to continue to support the Church of St. Jude.

Blessings, The Pushpay Staff and Management



**Congratulations to Bow Britz and Raymie Strawkas on their first time serving on their own this past weekend at the 8am Mass!**

*Ash Wednesday  
Mass Schedule*



7:00am  
12:15pm  
6:30pm



*Adult Faith Formation!*  
Catholicism 101 with Fr. Peter  
Thursday evenings  
6:30pm, during Lent  
More information to come!

**NEW!**



Mondays: 5:30pm  
Tuesdays-Fridays: 7:30am  
With the exception of First Fridays. First Fridays will NOT have a morning Mass. Beginning at 4:45pm on First Fridays, we will offer Adoration and Confession followed by Mass at 5:30pm.

# Faith Formation Update

## Rosary Wednesday!

Please join us in the church at 6pm each Wednesday that PSR is in session!



It is that time of the year to make plans for the National Youth Conference in Indianapolis. This event is ONLY for those who will be IN high school beginning the fall of 2025 (current 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders). The event is from Thursday 11/20-Sunday 11/22. If you have not received the detailed information via email and your youth is interested in joining us please contact Jennifer

## Cursillo

Is a 3-day experience! Those attending pray together, celebrate Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. A Cursillo weekend

begins on Thursday evening with candidate registration from 7:30-8:30p, culminating on Sunday evening with closing and Mass at 4 pm. If interested, please talk to Joe and Kristin Kohlrus. You can reach them at (217) 652-5393 or (217) 971-7765.

**Upcoming Dates:**  
#374 February 20-23 (Women's)  
#375 March 20-23 (Men's)  
#376 April 24-27 (Women's)



## VBS!

Now is the time to get your VBS dates down on that calendar!

We will be doing VBS

Monday, July 21-

Friday, July 25, 2025.

The VBS program will be from 9-11:30am and will include Pre-K-5<sup>th</sup>

graders! Childcare and

meals will be available for those who sign up in advance from 8-9am and from 11:30a-1pm to assist parents more with transportation to and from this event!



## HS Youth Group "Propelled"



If interested in joining us, please contact Jennifer or just join us and bring a friend!

ALL meetings, for now, are on Wednesdays from 7:45-8:45pm.

Over the last two weeks we have discussed with Fr. Peter about going to heaven and what we think we have done in our lives to help us get there. It's been encouraging to hear our youth be so open and honest about their faith.

We continue to work on our prayer journals and reading our book Rediscovering Jesus!

## CLOW

Please consider joining the line up to help teach the lessons on Sundays at the 10:30am Mass!

Lessons are provided for you OR you can create your own following the readings!

Contact Jennifer if you'd like to help!



## Lasagna Pick-Up Schedule



**If you ordered FROM a participant, they will take care of delivering your order and collecting payment!**

**If you ordered through the church you will need to pick up at the church OR contact Jennifer to arrange delivery.**

**Lasagnas will be ready to be picked up FOLLOWING the weekend Masses on February 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Please come over to the Parish Center and be sure to have payment.**

**If you are unable to pick them up after the Masses, they will be available for pick up during the week as well:**

**Monday 2/10, 9a-2pm  
Tuesday 2/11, 9a-2pm  
Wednesday 2/12, 2-9pm  
Thursday 2/13, 9a-2pm  
Friday 2/14, 9a-2pm**

**Additional times can be added and if delivery is needed, please contact Jennifer Frericks.**

## Wednesday Night Update!



Our Kindergarten/Frist Grade Class learned about how Jesus has many friends. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders learned about David and Goliath!. Our 3-5<sup>th</sup> graders took their turn for the Child Safety Class with Mrs. Frericks. Our 6-8 graders continued signing up for their play and furthered their discussion on the Bible.

**Sorry, we didn't get any pictures this week!**



## Mardi Gras

Please join us for our annual Parish Mardi Gras Party on **Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. The party is 5:30-7:30pm!** As always, we will have dinner, desserts, games, a parade, and

lots of fun!

I am still collecting prizes and a basket is in the back of the church!

Please RSVP your family for this fun night by signing up in the back of the church, at PSR, or by contacting Jennifer!



## Faith Formation Schedule

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|-------------------------|---|
| Feb. 5:                 | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm  |
| Feb. 12:                | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm  |
| Feb. 19:                | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Parent Meetings for 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm |
| Feb. 26:                | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm  |
| March 4:                | Parish Mardi Gras Party, 5:30-7:30pm  |
| March 5 <sup>th</sup> : | Ash Wednesday Masses<br>Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>NO PSR<br>Propelled will meet following the 6:30pm Mass                            |
| March 12:               | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm  |
| March 19:               | Rosary Wednesday, 6pm<br>PSR, 6:30-7:30pm<br>Parent Meetings during class<br>Propelled (HS), 7:45-8:45pm                            |
| March 26:               | NO Rosary Wednesday, PSR, or<br>Propelled due to Spring Break   |

**Mass Intentions & Times († indicates deceased)**

**Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>:**  
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: Carrie Haney)  
**Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>:**  
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Diana McClelland†)  
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Sharon Saner†)  
**Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>:**  
 5:30 pm Mass (Int: Brent Manning†)  
**Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Suzanne Camp)  
**Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Suzanne Camp)  
**Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: James Felts†)  
**Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>:**  
 7:30 am Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)  
**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>:**  
 4:30 pm Mass (Int: William Crouser†)  
**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>:**  
 8:00 am Mass (Int: Bob Parnell†)  
 10:30 am Mass (Int: Ed Bedore†)

**Liturgy Schedule**

**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>- 4:30 pm**  
**Euch. Min.:** Fr. Peter, Dcn. Walker, V. Walker, and F. Yocum  
**Lectors:** T. Bertrand and D. Day  
**Servers:** A. & N. Horstman  
**Hospitality:** H. & M Bruno and J. Sponser  
**Sacristan:** **NEEDED**

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 am**  
**Euch. Min.:** Fr. Peter, D. Anderson, S. Garcia, and C. Vogt  
**Lectors:** J. & H. Hendrickson  
**Servers:** B. Howard  
**Hospitality:** L. McWard, D. & L. Wuellner  
**Sacristan:** E. Van Dyke

**Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 am**  
**Euch. Min.:** Fr. Peter, Dcn. Roth, S. Roth, and S. Warren  
**Lectors:** H. Crusen and L. Warren  
**Servers:** R. Roth, and A., J. & M. Zucco  
**Hospitality:** The Brewer Family  
**Sacristans:** J. & R. Militello  
**CLOW:** Jennifer Frericks

**Sacrificial Giving, July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025**

	This Week	Year to date
Ordinary Env's	\$ 3,185.00	\$ 119,606.00
EFT-Ordinary	\$ 2,995.00	\$ 46,045.00
Dev. Fund Env's	\$ 65.00	\$ 6,047.00
EFT-Dev. Fund	\$ 100.00	\$ 2,881.00
Loose Checks	\$ 50.00	\$ 46,716.01
Loose Cash & Coin	\$ 413.40	\$ 13,132.60
<b>Total this Week:</b>	<b>\$ 6,808.40</b>	
<b>Fiscal Year Total:</b>		<b>\$ 255,355.06</b>

**Diocesan Victim Assistance**

To report an allegation of sexual abuse of a minor.  
 Victim Assistance Diocesan Hotline: (217) 321-1155

**February 2025 Volunteers: Week #1**

**Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Counting Day:**  
 Team #1

**Church Dusters:**

Barb Scheufele & Mary Jo Duesterhaus

**February Aluminum Cans Recycle:**

Gleason Family

**February St. Martin de Porres Food:**

Wuellner Family

**Advertiser of the Week:**

**Imperial Cleaning, Inc.**

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Connor Brewer (217) 836-8208

**St. Monica Club**



Are you heartbroken because your loved ones have left the Church? You are invited to the Springfield-area St. Monica Club monthly gathering. This ministry is a dedicated prayer network offering hope and support to families and friends of Catholics who have walked away from the practice of the Faith. Please join us for prayer, conversation, and solidarity.

Animated by hope and grounded

in faith, we rest secure in the knowledge that, in the words of St. Monica, “Nothing is far from God.” This month we will be discussing Ch 1 in Return: How to bring your Child Back to the Church by Brandon Vogt.

Third Monday of each month @ 7:00pm at the Cathedral. **Monday, February 17, 7:00pm @ Cathedral School Library.**

### **Spiritual Support for the Sick**

Request the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one facing illness or surgery. The Sacrament may be administered privately or after any Mass. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, Father would like to know so it is possible for him to visit. Please call the Parish Office at (217) 498-9197 for the anointing and/or a hospital visit.

Eucharistic Ministers taking communion to Carriage Crossing & Rochester Estates at 9:15 am every Sunday,

Frances Yocum is having a Communion Service at 2:30 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at Rochester Estates.

**It is a privilege to pray for those who are ill. In hopes of keeping our list current, parishioners and parishioners' family and friends will be on the prayer list for 1 month unless the office is contacted to notify us that additional time is necessary. We are happy to keep people on the list as long as needed.**

**Please remember the elderly and homebound of our parish in your daily prayer.**

God bless them all, and ....

**Pray for Parishioners** – JoAnn Camille, Ann Carel, Carolyn Carmichael, Evelyn Conboy, Shirley Crawford, Lenna DeGroot, Carrie Downey, Herta Duban, Helen Dulle, Gary Dumonceaux, Paul Harris, Jerry Jasinski, Janet Kalb, Jillian Kohlrus, Betty Limper, Andrea Miller, Scott Moss, Jim Nelson, Ginger Rentschler, Ray Roland, Rene Runions, Brittany and Steve Smith and family, Owen Smith and his family (Kristin, Paisley, and Adam), Frances Tomashavich, Al Urbanckas, Bill White, Patrick Witcik, Laurie White, and Ron Wojcicki.

**\* = new this week**

**Pray for Family and Friends of Parishioners**

**Mary Aplington** – sister of Beth Yong  
**John Aplington** – brothers of Beth Yong  
**Maryann Bailey** – mother of Dean Bailey  
**Carolyn Binion** – friend of Paulette Dumonceaux  
**John Brunsman** – father of Laura Horstman  
**Steven Butts** - brother of Michelle Bullock  
**Suzanne Camp** – friend of Beth Yong  
**Virginia Chineke** – mother of Fr. Peter  
**Leo Conway** – father of Gary Conway  
**Judy Conway** - friend of Maggie Patterson  
**Eddie Cook** – friend of Lenna DeGroot family  
**Dave & Trish Crusen** – brother of Tom Crusen  
**Chris Crusen** – brother of Tom Crusen  
**Linda Curtis** – sister of Connie Leach  
**Bill Davis** – friend of Donald & Lou Ellen Markovitch  
**Kelly Diaz** – niece of Stan & Mary Jo Duesterhaus  
**Alison Donoho** – friend of Jane and Harry Hendrickson  
**Sarah Egizio** – daughter-in-law of Mary Ann Egizio  
**Frank Emerson**- brother-in-law of Jean McDonald  
**Lynne (Auxier) Feece** – sister-in-law of Beth Auxier  
**Cindy Frericks**- mother-in-law of Jennifer Frericks  
**Jody Frese** – sister-in-law of Barb Scheufe

**Lauren Friedmeyer & her baby, Nellie** – granddaughter & great granddaughter of Bill & Laurie White

**\*Dorothy Georg** – sister of LuAnn White  
**Steven Godar** - father of Dennis Godar  
**Jennifer Harbeck** - cousin of Brad Zack  
**Jennie Harling** - sister of Leanne Collings  
**Roger Helling** – brother of Gary Helling  
**Mark Hill** – friend of Hartzel and Mary Bruno  
**Chad Kunkle** – friend of Pat & Steve Jones and Family  
**Jim Kirbach** – friend of the Hendricksons  
**Dale Laningham** – friend of the Hendricksons  
**Glen Limper** - son of Al & Betty Limper  
**Rochelle Lynam** – daughter of Tom & Helen Crusen  
**Robin Mahnken** – friend of Jerry & Mary Jo Jasinski  
**Ann Martin** – sister of Betty Downey  
**Mark Maxwell** – brother-in-law of Beth Auxier  
**Paula McDonald**- sister-in-law to Jean McDonald  
**Donna Meyers** - mother of Kellie Brewer  
**Wayne Michels** – friend of Beth Auxier  
**Cindy Murdock** – sister of Carolyn Carmichael and aunt of Leanne Collings  
**Fred J. Naffziger** – brother of Michele Naffziger  
**Theresa Oldani** – friend of Diane Bortmess, friend of Kelly Conlon & Family  
**Margie Palmatier** – friend of the Hendricksons  
**Dolores Pantoja Salgado** – mother of Diego Garcia  
**\*Ann Pardieck** – family friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno  
**Emily Parnell** – daughter-in-law of Peggy Parnell  
**Ozzie Ostrowski** – grandson of Marty & Debby Coe  
**\*Ariella Rentschler** – granddaughter of Ginger Rentschler  
**Mark & Chris Riedle** – family of Tess & David Riedle  
**Teresa Rouse** – friend of Jane Molohon  
**Bud Saputo**- brother of Vito and Edna Saputo  
**Joe Saputo** – brother of Vito & Edna Saputo  
**Gary Schmidt** – friend of Hartzel & Mary Bruno  
**Special Intentions** of Andy Mihelich  
**Special Intentions** of Barb Scoggins  
**Rita Spannagel**, mother of Jill Whitney  
**Russ Steil**- father of Teresa O'Sullivan  
**Mary Stewart** – friend of Suzanne Moss  
**Tom Uzzo**- brother-in-law of Jane Molohon  
**Ashlee & Conrad Van Dyke** – grandchildren of Phil & Emma Van Dyke  
**Kathy Whitaker** – friend of Peggy Parnell  
**Mike Wilkin**- brother of Leigh Ann Szabados  
**Vicki Will** – sister-in-law of Brian Sommer  
**\*Connie & Marc Wilson** – niece and nephew of Ginger Rentschler

### **Springfield March for Life!**

On Tuesday, March 25, you are invited to join thousands of pro-life advocates, at the Illinois Pro-Life March. The day begins with Mass at 10 a.m. at the Sangamon Auditorium on the campus of U of I Springfield. Registration for this is required. Link to register is coming soon.

After the Mass, there is a rally at the capitol at noon and then a march around the capitol at 1 p.m. Adoration and Confession will also be available at the Cathedral from 1-5pm.

# PARISH PILGRIMAGE

FRIDAY-SATURDAY

MAY  
9-10, 2025



## Pilgrimage Cost

The Parish and the Knights will subsidize the cost. Participation will be on First-come First Serve.

1. Children (18 and below) sharing rooms with their parents - \$100.00
2. Shared Queen Size Bed- each person - \$200.00
3. King Size Bed for one person - \$270.00
4. King Size Bed for couples - \$370.00
5. Family in one King Size Bedroom - \$420.00
6. Family in Two Queens Size Bedroom - \$520.00

in a world filled with constant noise - both literal and metaphorical - spiritual pilgrimages provide a crucial opportunity for renewal and reflection. They allow individuals to step away from the chaos of daily life and reconnect with their inner selves and the sacred.

Pilgrimages help to quiet the distractions of modern technology and pressures of society, creating space to listen to the whispers of the soul.

As journeys that hold both physical and spiritual significance, they remind us of importance of simplicity, intentionality and presence.

In a time when noise dominates, pilgrimages offer the stillness needed to realign with our purpose, faith, and a deeper sense of meaning.

Father Peter is leading our St. Jude Parish on a spiritual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in LaCrosse, WI. He invites us all to join!

SAVE THE DATE!

# WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH

@ 5:30 PM

CHURCH OF ST. JUDE PARISH CENTER

*Food and refreshments provided*

# February Birthdays & Anniversaries



## Happy Birthday!

### On February...

1 - Darlene Kratz  
2 - Kolton Reiser  
2 - Mark Schudel  
2 - Cathy Vollmer  
2 - Adam Western  
3 - Jenna Dorman  
3 - Ashley Fitzsimmons  
3 - Arianna Gillespie  
3 - J. Michael Presney  
4 - Melissa Curtin  
4 - Stan Duesterhaus  
4 - Sharon Petrilli  
4 - Brinley Rae Torres  
5 - Troy Adams  
5 - Simon Cullen  
5 - Ken Feraris  
5 - Samantha Kerley  
5 - Helena Lafferty  
5 - Camryn Sapetti  
5 - Truman Schudel  
6 - Brayden Joseph Cullen  
7 - Cassidy Conlon  
7 - Nicholas Garceau  
7 - Nicholas Mrozowski  
7 - Adam Palazzolo  
8 - John Bradley Alewelt  
8 - Jack Carlson  
8 - Carly Spurlock  
8 - Adele Zucco  
9 - Michael Cochran  
9 - Jillian Kohlrus  
10 - Alexander Copp  
10 - Olivia Joyce

10 - Julia Runions  
11 - Jayce Bialas  
11 - Collin Biesiada  
11 - Truman McKenzie  
11 - Kal Reiss  
11 - Brayden Ward  
12 - Pam Blackorby  
12 - Amy Bruno  
12 - Jack Bruso  
12 - Steve Colantino  
12 - David Fischer  
12 - Michael Mankowski  
12 - Jane Molohon  
12 - Talon Thornton  
13 - Patricia Jones  
13 - Rebecca Ryan  
14 - Lori Ernst  
14 - Jeffrey Fjelstul  
14 - Melissa Gass  
14 - Mia LaFata  
14 - John Western  
15 - Marcy McBride  
15 - Barbara Scheufele  
16 - Levi Bialas  
16 - Joe Dorman  
16 - Carolyn Grenda  
16 - Aidan Horstman  
16 - Eric Nieders  
17 - Barrie Blough  
17 - Janice Catalano  
17 - Anna Deen  
17 - LuAnn Eifert  
17 - Jeanann Maloney  
17 - Karen Mankowski  
17 - Carsyn Messmore  
17 - Lorene Warren  
18 - Marty Coe  
18 - Liam Ferrill  
18 - Michele Naffziger  
18 - P. "Mike" Vaughn  
19 - Carrie Zucco  
20 - Tim Monical  
20 - Braden Prather  
20 - Mary Margaret Tweedt  
20 - Carrie Ward  
21 - Janice Kerley

21 - Katie Leinum  
21 - Chelsea Weitekamp  
22 - Elijah Carlson  
22 - Jerry Jasinski  
22 - Keith Jones  
22 - Colleen Meadows  
22 - David Ross  
22 - Sara Vig  
23 - Kathleen Elizabeth Cochran  
23 - Daniel Merriman  
24 - Dylan Dambacher  
25 - Susan Arnish  
25 - Janet Foster  
25 - Kathleen Quinn  
25 - Brayden Trello  
26 - Austin Dowis  
26 - Gary Oldani  
27 - Carlo Catalano  
27 - Diane Urbanckas  
28 - Kyle Nolan  
29 - Leo Curtin



## Happy Anniversary!

### On February...

4- Alfred & Betty Limper  
4- David & Karen Ramsey  
4- Frank & Rosanna Stefano  
14- Roger & Rita Williams  
15- Raymond & Pamela Bruzan  
16- Shane & Andrea Miller  
18- Tim & Kathy Prosser  
20- Vito & Edna Saputo  
25- Steve & Susan Gragert  
29- Shawn & Gina Frawley