

# February 15, 2026

## 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sunday Mass - 11:15 AM

Tuesday - 9:00 AM

Confessions - Saturday 2:00 PM

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Sunday Mass - 9:00 AM

Wednesday - 9:00 AM

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Mon - Thurs 9:00 AM - 12:00PM

### Liturgy Schedule

#### **Saturday**

**February 14, 2026 - 4:00 PM**

✠ Patricia Dannhardt - By: Doris & Mel Madison

#### **Sunday**

**February 15, 2026 - 11:00 AM**

✠ Mary Barrett - By: Peg O'Connor

#### **Tuesday**

**February 17, 2026 - 6:00 PM**

✠ Pardon & Pancakes

#### **Ash Wednesday**

**February 18, 2026 - 11:00 AM & 6:15 PM - 7:00 PM**

✠ Meditative Rosary - 12:00 PM

✠ Kingsway - 2:00 PM & 3:00 PM

#### **Friday**

**February 20, 2026 - 3:00 PM**

✠ Stations of the Cross

#### **Saturday**

**February 21, 2026 - 4:00 PM**

✠ Edward Kulesa - By: Ruth Kulesa

#### **Sunday**

**February 22, 2026 - 11:15 AM**

✠ Donald Culbert - By: B. Schulte & Family

#### **Tuesday**

**February 24, 2026 - 9:00 AM**

✠ Tom O'Connor - By: Peg O'Connor

#### **Wednesday**

**February 25, 2026 - 12:00 PM**

✠ Meditative Rosary

#### **Friday**

**February 27, 2026 - 3:00 PM**

✠ Stations of the Cross

### **Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound**

Dennis Corbett, Jeff Stuto, Deacon Larry, Addie Breitenstein, Jean Jonker, David Ciancetta, Janine Dowling, Corrie Ann Keller, Richard Kennedy, Rami, and Patrick

**2/7 & 2/8**

Candles	\$ 43.00
Collections	\$ 2,744.85

Thank you for your contributions

### **Beatitudes of Christian Living**

" Love is a marvelous and heavenly thing. It never tires and never thinks that it has done enough." ~ St. Robert Bellarmine

Embrace God's love for us because His love is never ending.

### **New Mass Time**

Beginning next Sunday, February 22, 2026 (the First Sunday of Lent) our Sunday Mass will begin at **11:15 AM**.

After consultation with our Pastoral Council, we came to the consensus that Fr. Tom Zelker needs to have more time to drive safely between parishes and to spend time with parishioners, after the 9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Valley Church, where there is hospitality and fellowship after every Mass. We hope we can adjust together and apologize for any inconvenience. This change will also help our music ministry people in their service to several congregations.

### **Lent For Us**

The liturgical season of Lent is rich with the themes of Christian discipleship. Like all seasons, it passes, but is also an opportunity to (re) adopt its themes of introspection, examination of conscience and life, self-denial and self-donation, and ongoing conversion in what it means to live as Christ-followers, as a way of thinking and being, as a whole identity. Drawing on biblical themes, Lent is meant to have ongoing implications and applications in real-world practical ways with the way we live our lives, how we treat others, the sort of persons we become. For these reasons the scriptural readings resound with the biblical imagery of desert and journey, and practices such as fasting and almsgiving. The readings also focus on the state of human alienation from God, neighbor, nature, and oneself-sin. They call us to take sin and its destructive outcomes seriously, whether personal, interpersonal, social, global, or environmental. Simultaneously the scriptures call us to take the love of God even more seriously. For God's love is able to heal, restore, regenerate, transform, and able to open up possibilities where no potential seems possible. It is in Jesus that God has loved us with a human heart and loved us "to the end". It is a love that saves us "in every way that a human beings can be saved" and therefore divine salvation is also a very this-worldly experience. For this reason, the Christian experience of divine grace expressed in, and strengthened by, the scriptural; witness focuses how we live our lives in light of the gospel of the life, teaching, passion, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent is also a journey leading toward the "Great Week" of the Christian calendar. Each year Christians walk this journey in preparation to renew our baptismal promises during Easter. Lent is an invitation toward transfiguration of ourselves and of our world.

In and through Holy Week, the Great Week of the Christian calendar, Christian communities everywhere participate in the suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through our liturgies, scriptures, traditions, and prayers we unite ourselves to Jesus Christ as he united with us. We accompany him in his suffering and are united in his victory over death. We are present to him, and he is present to us as he joined humanity in our many forms of crucifixion-poverty, war, prejudice, oppression, and all forms of personal suffering-all the "passion" of the human experience, of the experience of being human. The Paschal Mystery transforms us each year. The scriptures tell a story that we need, because it is our living story because of the Holy Spirit's work in and through us.

**We gather, we pray, and we serve**  
Our Lady of Fatima Parish

- **Ash Wednesday** February 18 11:00 AM Prayer with Ashes 6:15 PM - 7:00 PM Prayer with Ashes
- **Fridays of Lent** - Stations of the Cross 3:00 PM
- **Wednesdays of Lent** - Rosary Meditation 12:00 PM
- **Saint Casimir Day** Wednesday March 4, - 5:00 PM  
Prayer and Polish and Mexican Foods at Our Lady of the Valley Hall
- **Saint Patrick's** Corned Beef Dinner Saturday March 14  
sponsored by our Knights of Columbus
- **Saint Patrick's Day** Tuesday March 17, 12:00 PM  
Leftovers Lunch
- **Sunday, March 29**, After Mass - Seafood Lasagna  
Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
- **Reconciliation...**Confessions Saturdays at 2:00 PM
- **Little Black Books** - Meditations on the Passion from the Gospel of Mark (the first Gospel, written around 70AD)
- **The Word Among Us** - Daily Scripture insights
- **Rice Bowls** - We look outward to help the poor of our World
- **Our Church** is open for prayer, reflection, walking, and peace everyday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

### Our Lady of Fatima Mission Statement

At our Lady of Fatima, Delanson, we are God's people sharing a responsibility to witness God's unconditional love and to bring God's healing presence to our world through our service to our community and beyond.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, 2/14	Saturday, 2/21
<b>LECTOR</b> Mary Brusoe	<b>LECTOR</b> Joe Oehler
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Linda Snow Ruth Kulesa Mary Ann Conway	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b> John Hochmuth Jeannette Coppolo Linda Snow
Sunday, 2/15	Sunday, 2/22
<b>LECTOR</b> Janet Korwan	<b>LECTOR</b> Santino Bailey
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Kris Zedaker Christine Hennessy	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Jose Flores James Keller Raquel Okayay
<b>COUNTERS</b> Fred Crisafulli Julie Ann Crisafulli	<b>COUNTERS</b> Janet Korwan Noel Luby Ellen Snowdon



**GIFT:** Our next GIFT Session at Our Lady of the Valley on Sunday, February 22 after the 9AM Mass Our program for adults will be centered on "The Holy Spirit and Our Sanctification". Our young disciples will center on a story of St. Claire and create ideas to prepare for Lent. Continental breakfast will be provided. Please note: If you missed GIFT this past weekend (2/8), you are welcome to attend at OLV on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>. Projects for the season are due at our GIFT sessions in March. More details to follow....

### WE PRAY LENT

Our worship space is simple, stark, and prayerful. Purples remind us of our call to continual conversion. Reds beckon us to live as a holy sacrifice for others. Bold willow branches help us to look forward to eternal spring; their winding twigs lead us along our pilgrim journey. The waters of our Baptismal Font are stilled until Easter. Our Eucharist is a sacred conversation with God and a sacred conversation with each other. The Cross centers us in our mission. We reverently gather together asking our Lord to keep us ever near the healing, freedom giving Cross of Jesus; may the Glory of God uplift us in life giving faith. We acknowledge the sin and need for our own healing among us and the whole world. We invoke God's Spirit in chant: "Holy Spirit, come to us, kindle in us the fire of your love. Holy Spirit, come to us, Holy Spirit come to us." We trust that God lead us and accompany us as we follow Jesus as credible disciples of faith. Our response to the Hebrew Scriptures is Psalm 103: "Loving and forgiving are you O Lord; slow to anger, rich in kindness, loving and forgiving are you." We recall how our Creator has always been among us, sharing the Divine gifts of wisdom and peace; as Heaven soars above, so God's mercy abounds. We approach the Gospel in stillness, with wonder and awe, as we hear God's story unfold among us. The Lord invites us to gather around the Table to be renewed by Christ's real presence as food for our journey. We sing of our mystery: "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again." We are empowered to embrace the Cross of our neighbors as a community of life. Our Eucharistic prayer engages us to be the sacrament of Christ in our whole world. We sing: "We are God's People, beloved in Christ." The Great Amen culminates our prayer of thanksgiving. After sharing Communion, we listen and hear God speak tenderly, gently to each one of us, "I have loved you with an everlasting love, I have called you and you are mine." We respond wholeheartedly, invigorated in hope and faith to go forth as beloved, yet humble people abounding in peace, compassion, and love for our world! And Christ is with you.

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