

Mass Intentions for the Week

1/26 Mon 9:00 AM Peter Wicks
By Jim & Bonnie Weibel
1/27 Tues 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
1/28 Wed 9:00 AM All Deceased Parishioners
1/29 Thurs 9:00AM Mary Mietzelfeld
By Mathias Mietzelfeld
1/30 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
1/31 Sat 4:00 PM All Deceased Parishioners
2/01 Sun 10:30 AM Salvatore Santoro
By Joseph L. Franzo

One Step Forward

Lenten Family Gathering

Just us in experiencing a simple Camino with stops that include prayer, reflection, crafts, and activities. This event will be engaging, family-friendly, and meaningful. The perfect way to take one step closer to Jesus this Lent. Please invite grandparents, family members, and friends. We don't want anyone to miss out.

Bring Your Entire Family!

RSVP to Faith Formation Office (607-563-7066)

By Feb. 8

Share the Bounty

This month's Share the Bounty Dinner is Jan. 29th.

4:30 – 6:30 pm

All are welcome!

Operation Merry Christmas

Operation Merry Christmas sent a thank you card, and the card is on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

We will be holding our annual soup supper on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 5:30 PM Mass. There are sign-up sheets at each of the exits for helpers with set-up, serving and clean-up. We also need people to bring in meatless soups, macaroni and cheese, Jell-O and sugar free Jell-O. Thank you for your support of this event!

Sunday of the Word of God: Called Together in Christ's Mission

This Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, we join with the universal Church in celebrating Sunday of the Word of God, a day Pope Francis instituted in 2019 to rekindle our love for Sacred Scripture. Today, we are invited to pause and rediscover the beauty and transforming power of God's Living Word that speaks to our hearts, guides our steps, and shapes our lives.

The first reading brings us to the lands of Zebulun and Naphtali, regions once crushed under Assyrian domination, long familiar with darkness and humiliation. Yet it is precisely there that God promises a great light. The prophet Isaiah announces joy, liberation, and renewal. The message is clear and consoling: God's light often rises in the very places where we feel most helpless or defeated.

The psalmist echoes this theme with a bold proclamation of trust: *"The Lord is my light and my salvation."* His words resonate in our own journey, reminding us that God is already at work, illuminating our path. We are invited to stand firm, take heart, and let hope steady us.

In the second reading, Saint Paul confronts the divisions fracturing the Christian community in Corinth. Some claim allegiance to Paul, others to Apollos or Cephas, and still others invoke Christ in a way that excludes their sisters and brothers. Saint Paul responds urgently: the Gospel is not a philosophy for debate or a banner for rival groups. The proclamation of Christ crucified reveals a love that unites, heals, and reconciles. We are called to allow the light of Christ to penetrate our minds and hearts, rejecting attitudes that fracture our relationships and weakens our witness to His love. In the Gospel, Jesus fulfills Isaiah's prophecy by beginning His ministry in Galilee of the Gentiles, a region long regarded as marginal and impure. Yet, it is precisely there that God's light breaks forth. Jesus proclaims repentance, heals the afflicted, and calls His first disciples. Peter and Andrew leave their nets behind and step into a new life of discipleship, responding to the Lord's call with trust and courage. The kingdom of God takes shape among ordinary people who offer Him their willing hearts.

We, too, are called to follow Jesus Christ with that same courage, to embrace the light of His truth, and to live in unity and love. May the Word of God transform our hearts and draw us ever more deeply into the life and mission of Christ.

Fr. Dr. Ben, Pastor.

Weekend of January 31st and February 1st, 2026

First Reading- Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Father Ben

Lector

Jane Artis

Eucharistic Ministers

Gene Walsh, Ginni Brandt, Pat Tartaglia

Altar Servers

Anderson & Garret Callender, and Ayla Gronwall

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben

Bill Babbage

Josh & Emelinda Gronwall, Ada Rice

Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

Offerings from Jan 18th, 2026:

Regular \$2077.00.00; Fuel \$ 70.00; Repairs \$30.00; Initial Offering \$50.00; Votives \$73.00



Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10th grade

1/25 9:00-10:15 AM

2/1 9:00-10:15 AM

2/8 9:00-10:15 AM

2/15 ~ No classes -

Recognition of Washington & Lincoln Birthdays

2/22 9:00-10:15 AM ~ 1ST Sunday of Lent

Rice Bowls

Rice Bowls are here!

Please ensure they are returned by April 2nd.

If you have any questions please stop in the office.



Mass Intentions

The 2026 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you have Masses that you would like scheduled for 2026 please call or stop by the office or send your requests in writing to the Parish Office.

Question of the Week

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. (Matthew 4:23)

Adult Question: To whom could you preach the gospel of Jesus Christ this week with actions rather than words?

Kids: What could you do for someone this week that would tell them something about Jesus?

Old Church Repairs

Since the pipe break during Columbus Day weekend, the damaged materials have been removed, the areas have been dried out, contractors and suppliers have submitted their bids. We met with the insurance adjuster 12/16 Tuesday, and all repairs have been approved and scheduling will soon begin to sign contracts. We are hoping for completion between February and March 2026.

January Bulletin Quotes

"Through the incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him....Each of us is made in the Image and likeness of the God, and we reflect his glory in the world."

Diocesan Appeal 2026 - Update

If you have not received your Diocesan Appeal mailing at home, there are envelopes at each of the exits for you to use to make your pledge/donation. Our assessment increased \$8,658.00 this year to \$19,152.00. We have collected as of 1/15/26 \$14,452.00. Please prayerfully consider how you can support Sacred Heart in meeting our assessment. Please be aware that all donations to the Diocesan Appeal should be mailed Directly to Albany. If our assessment is not reached the Parish is still responsible for the balance. Current balance is \$4700.00 still due. Please do not send cash.

2026 Envelopes

After January 1, 2026 all remaining boxes are in the office. **If your number changed please do not begin using the new number prior to January 1, 2026 in order to properly credit donations.** A contribution of \$5.00 in the initial offering envelope will help defray the cost of the envelopes.

Votives

Please take caution when lighting candles & votives as we have found a tipped over candle and wax drippings. Your co-operation is very much appreciated.

Christmas Cards

You can upcycle your Christmas cards by placing the front cover of your cards in the vestibule. They will be turned into next year's tags for the Giving Tree.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett,

Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldingier, Bonnie Tabone, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Stephen, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Ruling Family, Cumming Family, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan

Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual