

Mass Intentions for the Week

2/09 Mon	9:00 AM	Mary Alice Bagley By The Family
2/10 Tues	9:00 AM	Mary & Joseph Komornik By Paula Ciborowski
2/11 Wed	9:00 AM	Thomas Mackey By Paul Ciborowski
2/12 Thurs	9:00 AM	Raymond & Ray Keckeisen, & Msgr. Cox By Lorraine Keckeisen
2/13 Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
2/14 Sat	4:00 PM	Family Members Of Marianne Johansen
2/15 Sun	10:30 AM	Madeleine DeFalco Franzo By Joseph L. Franzo

One Step Forward
Lenten Family Gathering
Sunday February 15, 2026
1:46 PM – Parish Center

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)
Bv Feb. 8

Ash Wednesday Soup Supper

We will be holding our annual soup supper on Ash Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 5:30PM 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 and Jell-O.

Thank you for your support of this event!

Old Church Repairs

Everything is going well towards the repairs.

We are hoping for completion by the beginning of March 2026.

Palms/ Ash Wednesday

In preparation for Ash Wednesday, please bring your old palms in and place it in the basket in the vestibule. Thank you.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Becoming What God Calls us to Be

This Sunday's readings invite us to reflect more deeply on who we are as disciples and what God calls us to be - people whose faith shines through action. They remind us that we are meant to become instruments of transformation, revealing God's visible presence in the world through the witness of our words and deeds.

In the Gospel, Jesus uses the familiar images of salt and light to describe our mission: "You are the salt of the earth and light of the world."

Salt preserves, heals, and enhances flavor; light dispels darkness, reveals what is hidden, and guides the way forward.

These images speak powerfully to our vocation as disciples. We are called to enrich the world with God's goodness, and to give flavor to life through our compassion and loving service to others.

The first reading from Isaiah shows us what faithful living looks like in action. God desires more than ritual observance, calling us to live lives marked by mercy and justice-feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, and caring for the oppressed.

When we act with compassion, God's light breaks forth in our little world and turns places of darkness into hope.

The responsorial psalm echoes this message, praising those who are generous, steadfast, and kind. Such people reflect God's heart by tending to the needs of others and bringing encouragement where there is hardship.

In the second reading, Saint Paul reflects on his own ministry in Corinth. He came in weakness and humility, relying not on his own abilities but on the power of God. Yet through his faithfulness, he became a light that led others to Christ. His example reminds us that God works through our limitations when we trust Him and allow His grace to guide us.

We are called to make a difference in the world. With God's grace, we can be salt that enriches the world and light that reveals His truth. We can mirror His compassion by lifting the weary, encouraging the discouraged and welcoming the lonely.

As we enter this week, may we choose to live our discipleship with purpose, allowing our words and actions bring healing, hope, and the joy and freedom that come from walking with God.

Fr. Dr. Ben, Pastor.

Thank you all for your generous response in last week's collection! Your contribution ensures that we are able to meet our operating costs.

Weekend of February 14 & 15th, 2026

First Reading- Sirach 15:15-20

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Father Ben
Lector: Dorothy Yaiser
Eucharistic Ministers Gene Walsh, Ginni Brandt, Pat Tartaglia
Altar Servers Anderson & Garret Collender, Ayla Gronwall

Sunday 10:30AM

Father Ben
Kathy Saludo
Kristin Reuter, Lorraine Keckeisen, Terry Maggio

Offerings from Feb, 2nd 2026: Regular \$2833.00; Fuel \$ 30.00; Repairs \$165.00; Evangelist \$108.00;
Initial Offering \$10.00; Solemnity of Mary \$55.00; Votives \$14.00; Black & Native Offering \$5.00



Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10th grade

2/15 ~ No classes ~

Recognition of Washington & Lincoln Birthdays
2/22 9:00-10:15 AM ~ 1ST Sunday of Lent

Ladies Retreat Weekend

Gentlemen, don't know what to get your darling? How about a retreat weekend? Our Ladies Retreat is May 1-3, 2026 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center. Register now at dslcny.org or see Ellen Reuter or Paula Ciborowski.

Question of the Week

Jesus said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

Adults: In what way might you be hiding the light of Christ from others? What could you do to improve this?

Kids: How can you let the light of Christ in you shine for others this week?

Sacred Heart Lenten Activities

As we prepare for the sacred season of Lent, our parish community is invited to deepen prayer, reflection, and spiritual renewal through the following opportunities.

Please plan on joining us:

Tuesdays During Lent

- *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration* immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass in the Private Chapel.
- *Benediction* at 12:00PM. Spend time in quiet prayer before the Lord, drawing closer to Christ through Eucharistic Devotion.

Fridays During Lent

• *Stations of the Cross* at 5:30PM ~ Benediction to follow. Journey with Jesus along the path of His Passion as we reflect on His profound love and sacrifice for us.

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.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers:

Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, 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 Keckiesen, Maria LaBar, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, 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, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoGasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glau, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, 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 Pondolino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldering, Bonnie Tabone, 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, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan

February Bulletin Quotes

The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life.

Every person is cherished.

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Respect Life Reflection

[Usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection](http://usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection)

2nd Collection/ February 21 & 22, 2026

We ask your continued support in the Diocesan Collection for Black, Native American & Latin American Missions. Funds from this combined collection support projects and are used to help fund catechesis and evangelization programs throughout the United States and the Church of Latin America and the Caribbean. Your gifts will fund catechesis, pastoral programs, marriage and family life programs, seminarian education, and many other necessary programs. The Black and Native American Mission Office provides grants for projects that promote Native American and Black evangelization efforts throughout North America including programs in the Diocese of Albany. By contributing to this collection you will provide seeds to grow the faith for years to come. Please support the Black and Native American Missions of the United States and the Church in Latin America.

The Evangelist

In this week's Evangelist there is an article and pictures from the March for Life on January 23rd in Washington D.C. You can learn more about happenings in the Diocese of Albany by subscribing to The Evangelist. The yearly subscription is \$18.00. Contact the Parish Office for more information. If you currently subscribe please use the envelope in your box of envelopes to pay for your subscription.

Rice Bowls

Rice Bowls are here!

Over the next 40 days of Lent, we will encounter Christ through people in Ghana, Guatemala and Timor-Leste, who are finding ways to break the cycle of hunger and malnutrition and build better livelihoods for their families. May our hearts be moved to prayer and action to support our sisters and brothers in need around the world.

Please ensure they are returned by April 2nd.

If you have any questions please stop in the office.

