

January 26, 2025

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.



Holy Name Cathedral

Our Vision

A world in communion with Jesus Christ.

Our Mission

Holy Name Cathedral, as a Catholic parish and the seat of the Archdiocese of Chicago, forms a community of disciples who inspire, nurture, and join people on their faith journey to encounter and grow in Jesus Christ.



Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday

7:00am, 8:00am & 12noon (livestream)
Wednesday evenings at 5:15pm

Saturday

9:00am (livestream) & 5:15pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am (livestream),
12:30pm, 5:15pm

Saturday Reconciliation

9:00am to 12noon

Reflections from Our Rector



Dear People of God,

We may take so much for granted. God. Faith. Family. Health. Friendship. Time. All of us need to realize life is a gift from God. How we choose to spend our time and the choices we make all have consequences. Take the time and reflect upon the following story.

A young man learns what's most important in life from the guy next door. It had been some time since Jack had seen the older man. College, girls, career, and life itself got in the way. Jack moved clear across the country in pursuit of his dreams. Jack had little time to think about the past in the rush of his busy life and often no time to spend with his wife and son. He was working on his future, and nothing could stop him.

Over the phone, his Mother told him, "Mr. Belser died last night. The funeral is Wednesday." Memories flashed through his mind like an old newsreel as he sat quietly remembering his childhood days. "Jack, did you hear me?" "Oh, sorry, Mom. Yes. I heard you. It's been so long since I thought of him. I'm sorry, but I honestly thought he died years ago." Jack said. "Well, he didn't forget you. Whenever I saw him, Mr. Belser asked how you were doing. He'd reminisce about the many days you spent over 'his side of the fence,' as he put it," Mom told him.

"I loved that old house he lived in," Jack said. "You know, Jack, after your father died, Mr. Belser stepped in to make sure you had a man's influence in your life," she said. "He's the one who taught me carpentry. I wouldn't be in this business if it weren't for him. He spent lots of time teaching me things he thought were important, Mom. I'll be there for the funeral," Jack said.

As busy as he was, he kept his word. Jack caught the next flight to his hometown. Mr. Belser's funeral was small and uneventful. He had no children of his own, and most of his relatives had passed away. The night before he had to return home, Jack and his Mom stopped by to see the old house next door one more time. Standing in the doorway, Jack paused for a moment. It was like crossing over into another dimension, a leap through space and time. The house was exactly as he remembered. Every step held memories.

Every picture and every piece of furniture was the same.

Jack stopped suddenly. "What's wrong, Jack?" his Mom asked. "The box is gone," he said. "What box?" Mom asked, "There was a small gold box he kept locked on his desk. I must have asked him a thousand times what was inside. All he'd ever tell me was, 'The thing I value most,'" Jack said. It was gone. Everything about the house was exactly how Jack remembered it, except for the box. He figured someone from the Belser family had taken it. "Now, I'll never know what was so valuable to him," Jack said. "I better get some sleep. I have an early flight home, Mom."

It had been about two weeks since Mr. Belser died. Returning home from work one day, Jack discovered a note in his mailbox. "Signature required on a package. No one at home. Please stop by the main post office within the next three days," the note read. Early the next day, Jack retrieved the package. The small box was old and looked like someone had mailed it one hundred years ago. The handwriting was difficult to read, but the return address caught his attention. "Mr. Harold Belser," it read.

Jack took the box out of his car and ripped open the package. There inside was the gold box and an envelope. Jack's hands shook as he read the note inside. "Upon my death, please forward this box and its contents to Jack Bennett. It's the thing I value most in my life." A small key was taped to the letter. His heart was racing as tears filled his eyes. Jack carefully unlocked the box.

Inside, he found a beautiful gold pocket watch. Inside he found these words engraved: "Jack, thanks for your time! — Harold Belser."

"The thing he valued most ... was ... my ... time." Jack held the watch for a few moments, then called his office and cleared his appointments for the next two days. "Why?" Janet, his assistant, asked. "I need some time to spend with my son," he said. "Oh, by the way, Janet...thanks for your time!"

Reflecting with you,
Fr. Greg

P.S. A reminder that today begins Catholic Schools Week in the Archdiocese of Chicago. We have much to celebrate with Frances Xavier Warde School. We are proud of the outstanding school, and together, we give thanks!

Upcoming Events



Sunday, January 26

15-minute Cathedral Tours	9:30 & 11:30 AM
OCIA cohort	10:00 AM
Boy Scout Recognition Ceremony	2:30 PM
Young Adults - The Waltz Dance Class	6:00 PM

Monday, January 27

Finance Council meeting	6:00 PM
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Tuesday, January 28

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	6:00 PM
Men's Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM
Women's Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 29

Wednesday Evening Bible Study (via Zoom)	6:30 PM
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Thursday, January 30

Blessings in Backpack	9:00 AM
Thursday Morning Bible Study Group	10:15 AM

Saturday, February 1

VITA - Volunteer Income Tax Assistance	8:30 AM
Confessions on the Lower Level of Cathedral	9:00 AM
YA Small Groups (Exodus 90)	9:30 AM
Fiat 90 Young Adult	11:00 AM

Sunday, February 2

15-minute Cathedral Tours	9:30 & 11:30 AM
Full Cathedral Tour (45 min.)	1:30 PM
Migrant Mass – in Spanish	2:30 PM
Lector Training	3:00 PM
Young Adult Monthly Gathering	6:00 PM



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Weekly Rector's Update
(delivered to your inbox every Friday)



Join Us Today to Celebrate 175 Years of Holy Name!

This year, we are celebrating a special milestone — our 175th anniversary as a Faith Community! Here is our next exciting events that is coming up:

✠ **'DAMIEN' PLAY:** The story of 19th Century St. Damien of Molokai resonates today. He ministered to an outcast population — the marginalized, abandoned men, women and children living with leprosy, which was an incurable and thought-to-be highly contagious disease. These people were living in exile in an isolated leper colony in Molokai, Hawaii.

Chicago sports icon Wayne Messmer will transform into "Damien" in a one-man play by Aldyth Morris on Sunday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral.

Tickets are free, but need to be reserved by scanning the QR code. Preferred, reserved seating is available for \$15 and includes a pre-play light dinner. **Find out about St. Damien and read more on page 4.**

For the latest updates, check out our website, the bulletin and newsletter, the 175th monthly newsletter, and social media. Scan the QR code to visit our web page. If you have any questions, email 175@holynamecathedral.org.



On the Cover

Photo by the Chicago Sun-Times, February 1968.

Hundreds of Boy Scouts attend a ceremony at Holy Name Cathedral where Chicago Auxiliary Bishop Thomas Grady presented awards to the Boy Scouts.

Learn & Be Inspired by St. Damien of Molokai

Come see 'Damien' Play with Wayne Messmer on March 2, 7:30pm in the Cathedral

Part 1 of 2: Last week, we learned how Fr. Damien discerned his call to care for the people suffering from leprosy in a forced quarantine on the island of Molokai. He began his journey of care for these people in 1873.

He was supposed to work only in the colony for a time, and then he would be replaced by one of three other volunteers. But the leper colony was to become his permanent home. After working with the people for a time, Fr. Damien grew attached to the people and his work. He asked permission to serve at the colony. His request was granted.

Leprosy is not as contagious as most people of the period assumed. However, five percent of the human population is susceptible. The disease can also take several years to show symptoms. Fr. Damien became one of those people. He contracted leprosy in 1885, after several years of work.

He realized he had the disease when he placed his foot into scalding water by accident but felt no pain. This inadvertent way was common when people discovered they were infected. Leprosy attacks nerve endings, and a victim may



hurt themselves but not feel any pain.

Fr. Damien continued his work despite his illness, which slowly took over his body. He derived strength from prayer and devotion, often going to the cemetery to pray the Rosary or spending time in the presence of the Eucharist. "It is at the foot of the altar that we find the strength we need in our isolation," he wrote.

By all accounts, Fr. Damien was courageous, headstrong, and resilient. His toughness served to inspire others. After 16 years of selfless service in the colony, Fr. Damien succumbed to leprosy on April 15, 1889. His legacy, however,

lives on. His work, his devotion, and his sacrifice continue to inspire and guide those who follow in his footsteps. His impact is immeasurable, his memory eternal.

On May 10, we celebrate the feast day of Saint Damien, a day of reverence and honor for his life and his contributions. Pope John Paul II beatified him in Brussels, Belgium, on June 4, 1995. Pope Benedict XVI confirmed his sainthood on Oct. 11, 2009.

Source: Catholic Online – Saints and Angels



Come See The 'Damien' Play on March 2 at Holy Name

We will have a special presentation of "Damien," a one-man play by Aldyth Morris starring Chicago sports personality Wayne Messmer as Father (St.) Damien of Molokai on Sunday, March 2 at 7:30pm in the Cathedral.

The play tells a powerful true story of how a Belgium priest ministered to thousands of marginalized, abandoned men, women and children living with leprosy, which was an incurable and thought-to-be highly contagious disease in the 19th Century. These people were living in exile in an isolated leper colony in Molokai, Hawaii.

Tickets are free, but need to be reserved by scanning the QR code. Preferred, reserved seating is available for \$15 and includes a pre-play dinner. This reception starts after the 5:15pm Sunday Mass and runs until the play begins at 7:30pm. Reception attendees will be admitted through a separate door.



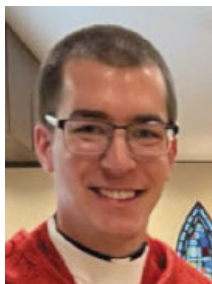
Special thanks to our Knights of Columbus for sponsoring the play and the Daughters of Isabella for sponsoring the pre-play reception. For more information, email Deacon Dan Welter at dwelter@holynamecathedral.org.

Catholic Illuminations

Resolutions to Deepen Your Relationship with the Lord

By Fr. Andy Matijevic

As we move into this new year, some of us have kept our New Year resolutions, and others have not. And regardless of what camp you fall into, that's okay because, with Jesus, there is always a time to begin anew. Maybe that's all it takes, starting with Jesus, with our faith and relationship with him, and allowing those habits to change for the better before we tackle a more significant resolution, like going to the gym or reading a book a month.



There are a few things we can do to deepen our relationship with and our awareness of the Lord every time we gather for the Eucharist. It may be basic, but proper etiquette allows us to be drawn deeper into union with the divine.

Arriving on time: Every week, Mass begins at the same time as listed in the bulletin. Here at the Cathedral, it is 5:15pm on Saturday and 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm, and 5:15pm on Sunday. These times do not change from week to week. Whether you are traveling or coming each week, it is essential to be on time to allow yourself to rest in the presence of the Lord and let the words and movements of the Liturgy affect you from within. Maybe this year, you plan to come to Mass five minutes early.

When you enter, remember the church is a sacred space because Jesus dwells here in the Eucharist, which is reposed in the tabernacle. So when entering a church, remove your hat, throw away your coffee, dispose of your gum, and bless yourself with holy water found at the entrance. Before you enter the pew, genuflect, meaning bend your right knee in awareness of God's presence. The church is God's house, a foretaste of the life to come, so let's be aware of whose presence we are entering.

Reception of the Eucharist: In the United States, the preferred practice is to stand and receive either on your

hand or your tongue. If you prefer to receive on the tongue, it is important that you literally stick out your tongue so the minister can place the host on it. If you receive on the hand, it is important that you immediately consume the host before you move beyond the minister. Please do not hold on to the host or walk back to your pew with it. If you are not Catholic or have not made your First Communion, cross your arms over your chest to indicate to the minister you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion.

The chalice: Those who wish to partake of the precious blood can do so when offered at the Mass. It is not the time to take a big gulp, but to allow the precious blood to touch your lips. One does not receive "more Jesus" if they receive both the body and blood because the fullness of Christ, body, blood, soul, and divinity are contained equally in both the host and the chalice.

Active participation: Since the Second Vatican Council, the Church has encouraged full, conscious, and active participation among the faithful. This is done through song, response, and posture. Attending Mass is not a passive spectator sport. To be in the Liturgy is to actively offer yourself with the Son to the Father on the altar for the salvation of the world. That is why when we receive the Eucharist, we are invited to see what we believe in, and become what we receive.

These are just a few ways to deepen your awareness of God's presence at Mass and focus on a resolution that is easy and helpful to your spiritual life as we move into 2025.

Tours After 8:30, 10:30 Masses

Each week, our Cathedral Docents lead short, 15-minute tours following the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. Our Docents are excited to share with you the art, architecture and history of the Cathedral. These free tours will begin immediately after Mass and will start at the front of the main, center aisle. No reservations needed!

Spiritual Accompaniment



Join Our Next Mass in Spanish

Sunday, Feb. 2 at 2:30pm in the Cathedral

Our next Mass in Spanish for February will be on Sunday, Feb. 2 at 2:30pm in the Cathedral. All are welcome! We are celebrating the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the temple, also known as Candelaria. You may bring candles to be blessed for home use.

Nuestra Próxima Misa en Español

Nuestra misa mensual en español para febrero será el domingo 2 de febrero de 2025 a las 2:30 p.m. ¡Todos son bienvenidos! Estamos celebrando la Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor Jesús en el templo. Esta Misa es también conocida como la Candelaria. Podrían traer velas para bendecirlas para uso en su hogar.

Monthly Holy Hour: Praying for Vocations

Wednesday, Feb. 12, 5:15pm to 8:00pm

Pope John Paul II, once said, "From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others." Inspired by his words, we invite you to join us for this Monthly Holy Hour dedicated to praying for vocations.

The theme for this month's Holy Hour is Healing and Forgiveness. Join us on Wednesday, Feb. 12 In the Cathedral. The schedule is as follows:

✠ **After 5:15pm Mass:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Quiet time for personal prayer. ✠ **6:00pm to 6:30pm:** Rosary with Scripture Reflections and guided scripture reflections. ✠ **6:30pm to 7:00pm:** An Introduction of Praying with Lectio Divina. ✠ **7:00pm to 8:00pm:** Topical Reflection on Healing and Forgiveness.

Come and pray with us for the renewal of hearts and a deeper response to God's call.

Young Adult Retreat

Saturday, Feb. 8, 10:00am – 5:00pm

Begin the New Year by slowing down and finding rest in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist by coming to our Young Adults retreat. Mark your calendars for Saturday, Feb. 8 from 10:00am to 5:00pm in the Parish Center (please enter via the Courtyard doors).

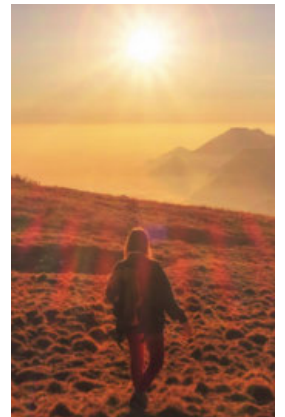
Whether you're feeling stressed or seeking a deeper connection with God, this retreat offers a chance for peace and renewal. Save your spot by scanning the QR code.



Women's Retreat – Falling in Love with God

Saturday, Feb. 15, 9:00am – 3:00pm

Have you ever thought about the immense love of the heart of Jesus, and how much Jesus loves you? Knowing how much God loves you can transform your life! Our Loving God knocks at the door of your heart and wants to have a deep relationship with you. We invite you to carve some time out of the busyness of your life to renew your spirit, refresh your soul, and allow yourself to bask in God's love for you. Come to this retreat on Saturday, Feb. 15 at the Rectory and take that next step of falling in love with the God who loves you more than you will ever know!



Our retreat leaders are Sr. Katie Mitchell, FSPA and Michele Sotak, who will make two presentations on 1.) Jesus's Heart and Our Hearts, and 2.) A Spiritually and Physically Healthy Heart. There will be prayer together and individual quiet time for reflection along with Mass and the Rector's blessing. There is a retreat fee of \$35 per person. Registration opens next week. Lunch and retreat booklet included.





Filling Your Spiritual Backpack

Women Visionaries: Religious Sisters, 1846-1904

Sunday, Feb. 16, 1:30pm in Club Room

Did you know that five religious orders of women and three orders of Brothers ministered to the children of Holy Name Parish/Cathedral?



Join us for our next installment of our “Filling Your Spiritual Backpack” series. This month features a conversation about four of the women’s congregations, including the Daughters of Charity seen in this photo. Dr. Kenneth Ortega, Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, will facilitate the gathering on Sunday, Feb. 16, 1:30pm in the Club Room (located on the lower level of FXW School).

New Year’s Resolution: Get Confirmed This Year!

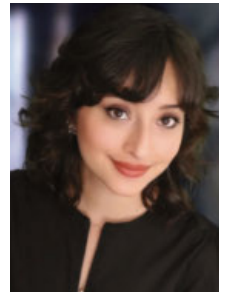
In this Season of Hope, make a resolution that you can keep. No matter the reason, if you still need the Sacrament of Confirmation, we offer a realistic goal. Beginning Feb. 20, we offer an eight-week preparation with the Confirmation Mass on May 1. Register now, and set the dates on your calendar.



Join Us for our Upcoming Mini-Concert: Alexis Langlois

Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025, at 11:45am

As part of our 175th Anniversary year celebration, we invite you to our next mini-concert in the Cathedral on Sunday, Feb. 9, at 11:45am. This month our mini-concert will feature Alexis Langlois, Soprano, a member of the Schola Cantorum and a young artist with the Opera Festival of Chicago, accompanied by David C. Jonies, Director of Music & Organist, Holy Name Cathedral.



Alexis Langlois

Alexis Langlois is a Houston, Texas native and is currently based in Chicago. She completed her Master’s Degree in Vocal Performance at DePaul University in 2023, and her Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance at Loyola University of New Orleans in 2020.

Her recent operatic highlights include Zerlina from Mozart’s Don Giovanni, Norina from Donizetti’s Don Pasquale, Despina from Mozart’s Così fan tutte, Giunone from Monteverdi’s Il ritorno d’Ulisse in patria, Paquette from Bernstein’s Candide, and Linfea from Cavalli’s La Calisto with the DePaul Opera Theater.

Save The Date

Concert with Ross Beacraft and David Jonies

Sunday, Feb. 16, 2025, at 7:00pm

Save the date for a rousing and exuberant concert of trumpet and organ repertoire performed by Mr. Beacraft, Principal Trumpet with the Chicago Opera Theater and the Elgin Symphony Orchestra, with the Cathedral’s Director of Music & Organist, Mr. David Jonies.



Next Order Deadline: April 11

Honor a Loved One with Our Mother Cabrini and Courtyard Commemorative Paver Programs

Mother Cabrini Commemorative Paver

Holy Name Cathedral is home to the Mother Cabrini Statue and Garden honoring the life and legacy of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini. Mother Cabrini dedicated her life in service to others and is the Patron Saint of Immigrants and the first United States citizen to be canonized a saint. The Mother Cabrini Garden offers pavers for engraving. Memorialize a loved one, honor someone special, or commemorate a significant event through the purchase of a paver.

Courtyard Commemorative Paver

Our courtyard features a private Marian Shrine where the faithful say prayers to the Blessed Virgin and leave offerings of flowers. Commemorate a special event, loved one, or celebrate a family member or friend's wedding, baptism, anniversary or other milestone through the purchase of a paver in the Cathedral's courtyard.

If you would like to order an engraved paver, the next deadline for ordering is April 11. Purchase forms can be found on our website under Giving – Special Intentions. For more information, contact Regina Zielinski at (312) 573-4432 or rzielinski@holynamecathedral.org.



Support the Seminary at the Celebration of Mundelein

Thursday, April 24, 6:00pm– 9:00pm at the Four Seasons Hotel

Join us at the Four Seasons Hotel for an evening of honor, community, and support at our annual Celebration of Mundelein. This year, hosted by Very Reverend John Kartje and Cardinal Blase Cupich, we are thrilled to recognize three outstanding individuals from Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Glenview whose dedication and contributions have profoundly impacted the community: Sr. Paulanne Held, Fr. Jerry Boland, and Dr. Amy Mills.



Their unwavering commitment to faith, education, and service embodies the spirit of Mundelein Seminary. A Mundelein Seminary seminarian will emcee the evening.

This event serves as a cornerstone in supporting the future of our seminary and nurturing the next generation of parish priests. Your support directly impacts the training and formation of our seminarians, empowering them to carry forth the light of faith and service. Enjoy an evening filled with entertainment by our seminarian musicians, excellent food and an opportunity to join the Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic community in supporting our men who are following Christ's call to the holy priesthood.

More information about the event, sponsorships, and ticket reservations can be found by scanning the QR code.



Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

In the 13th century, St. Francis and St. Clare said yes to the Lord's call to renew the Church in Assisi, Italy, through lives of prayer, peace, and love for the poor. Their example inspired the men and women of their time to embrace the Gospel and dedicate their lives to God as religious brothers and sisters.

Nearly 800 years later, women continue to answer God's call following St. Clare's example by taking up lives of prayer at the Monastery of St. Clare in the Dominican Republic. Women who enter the monastery begin a formation process that encompasses prayer, study, and adaptation to separation from the world in a cloistered community. With funding through the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the monastery has been able to cover the food, clothing, and educational expenses for 18 sisters in various stages of formation.

Vocations to religious life are fulfilled through the prayers and contributions that sustain men and women religious in their mission. Helping the sisters at the Monastery of Saint Clare say yes to God's call is just one of the many positive impacts made by your support for the Collection for the Church in Latin America in strengthening the relationship between Catholics in the United States and those in Latin America and the Caribbean.

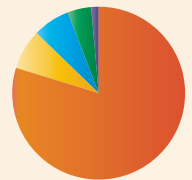
For more information about how donations help the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

2023 CLA Financials

Expenses

- Grants and Donations: **77.60%**
- Program Costs: **7.91%**
- Allocations—Internal Grants: **8.22%**
- Promotions and Fundraising Expenses: **4.66%**
- Administrative Expenses: **1.61%**

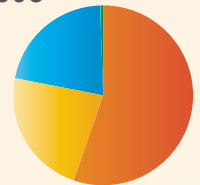
Total Expenses: \$5,725,947



Total Number of Grants Approved: 252

Total Amount Approved: \$6,227,608

- General Pastoral*: **53.00%**
- Formation of Clergy and Religious, and Vocations: **19.44%**
- Emergency Disaster Funds: **27.56%**



*Includes evangelization, religious education, family, and other pastoral ministries



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Ministers of Care Available to Visit You with Communion

What is the Ministry of Care? It is a group of people who have been trained and commissioned to visit with, pray with, and bring communion to those in our parish who are sick and unable to attend mass; those who are homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home.

We have several Ministers of Care available to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Email us at mycathedral@holynamecathedral.org or call us at (312) 787-8040 and one of our Ministers of Care will be in touch.



Light a Prayer Candle

Lighting a candle for your family and friends or for a personal prayer is an important Catholic tradition. We know many of you may not be able to come into the Cathedral to light the candle yourself. It would be our honor to have one of our resident priests light a Cathedral Candle on your behalf. They will pray to our Lord to intercede on behalf of your personal intention. Scan the QR code to complete the request form.



Wedding Banns



I Trinity Nguyen & Mason Siwa

III Kate Twesten & Michael Khuans

In Memoriam



- Olivia Clarke
- Virgilio Mondero

Mass Intentions

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Week of January 27 to February 1

○ Monday, January 27 (Saint Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder)

- 7 AM + Elsa, Norma, Norberto & Isidra Sabas
- 8 AM + Darius Bolling
- 12 PM + Malley Ann Yacopino

○ Tuesday, January 28 (Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church)

- 7 AM + Cyriac Pullapilly
- 8 AM + Craig M. Henriksen
- 12 PM + Donovan Drigo

● Wednesday, January 29 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

- 7 AM + Ken Weinstock
- 8 AM + Francis Joelerich
- 12 PM + Carolina Elli
- + Adolfo Longoni
- + Emilia Vignati
- + Domenico Rebughini
- + Mather Natalina Rebughini
- + Giovanni Eli
- 5.15 PM + Maureen Manning

● Thursday, January 30 (Weekday in Ordinary time)

- 7 AM + Dr. Terry Wall
- 8 AM + Georgia Mascio
- 12 PM + Ruben Villa-Ignacio

○ Friday, January 31 (Saint John Bosco, Priest)

- 7 AM + Megan Geraghty Kontus
- 8 AM + Fritz Degenhard
- 12 PM + Amelia Zamora

● Saturday, February 1 (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

- 9 AM + John Huston

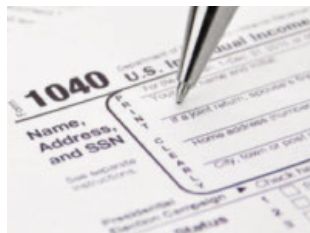
A Little Humor from the Rector



**“A million teens want to clean up the earth.
A million parents want them to start
with their rooms!”**

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Begins Feb. 1

Holy Name Cathedral is pleased to announce it will again sponsor the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program this year. Tax preparation is available on Saturdays Feb. 1, Feb. 22, March 22, and April 12 (these dates only) for clients with incomes below \$70,000. The site is open 9:30am-3:30pm. Clients are assisted on a first-come, first-served basis provided they arrive by 12:30pm. For assistance, please bring a government-issued photo ID and Social Security card for all individuals listed on the tax return -including dependents and all tax documents. There is no charge for this service. Any questions, please email the VITA team at hncvita@yahoo.com.



The Stump of Jesse

Strengthen Your Faith Journey with Exodus 90

By Fr. Ton Nguyen

Think of taking cold showers, unplugging from social media, fasting, and embracing intentional changes — not as crazy competitions but as steps toward true freedom. As Fr. Boniface Hicks, a Benedictine monk, puts it: “Initially, I approached Exodus 90 with skepticism, thinking it was just about muscling through Lent. What I discovered was a life-changing formation program, balancing challenges in prayer and ascetical practices with excellent teaching and the strength of brotherhood. It’s a journey for both beginners and seasoned believers, helping us grow closer to Christ and one another. I wholeheartedly recommend it!”



Exodus 90

Whether exploring Exodus 90 or looking for other ways to deepen your faith this Lent, we designed our small groups to inspire and uplift you. Together, we’ll embrace daily growth with a simple, faith-filled structure to keep us intentional and accountable.

Here are the two options for Lenten groups:

1. Exodus 90 Kickoff: Started Saturday, Jan. 18, but you can still join!
2. Lenten Small Groups: First meeting on Saturday, March 1

Don’t let the world shape you — step into the freedom of the sons and daughters of God. Join a group of like-minded individuals as we grow in faith, prayer, and community this Lent.

Are you ready to take on a challenge that will reshape your heart, renew your mind, and draw you closer to Christ? Scan the QR code to register and join us!



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Voluntary in D Major

John Blow

Entrance Hymn

God Is Here! As We His People #835

Penitential Rite

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Gloria

Gloria for Christmastime

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First Reading

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 15

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-30 OR 12:12-14, 27

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Gospel Acclamation #328

Gospel Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Offertory Hymn

We Are Many Parts #822

Holy, Holy

Mass for the People of God #290

Memorial Acclamation

Mass for the People of God #293

Amen

Mass for the People of God #294

Lamb of God

Mass for the People of God #295

Communion Antiphon

This is a holy day in the house of the Lord.

Communion Hymn

One Bread, One Body #931

Recessional Hymn

In Christ There Is No East or West #824

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