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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses
Saturday | 4:15pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

Weekday Masses
Tuesday | 6:30pm
Wed, Thur, Fri | 8:30am

Holy Days & Holidays
Consult bulletin.

Eucharist Adoration
Wednesday | 9:00am - 10:00pm
Available 24 hours / 7 days a week

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Confession
30 mins prior to Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage
Make arrangements with the Parish Office six months prior to proposed wedding date.

Sacrament of Baptism
Congratulations! Thank you for accepting and caring for one of God's greatest gifts. As part of Baptism preparation, expectant parents are required to attend Mass weekly. Please contact the Parish Office (952) 873-6564. We look forward to getting to know you and your baby.

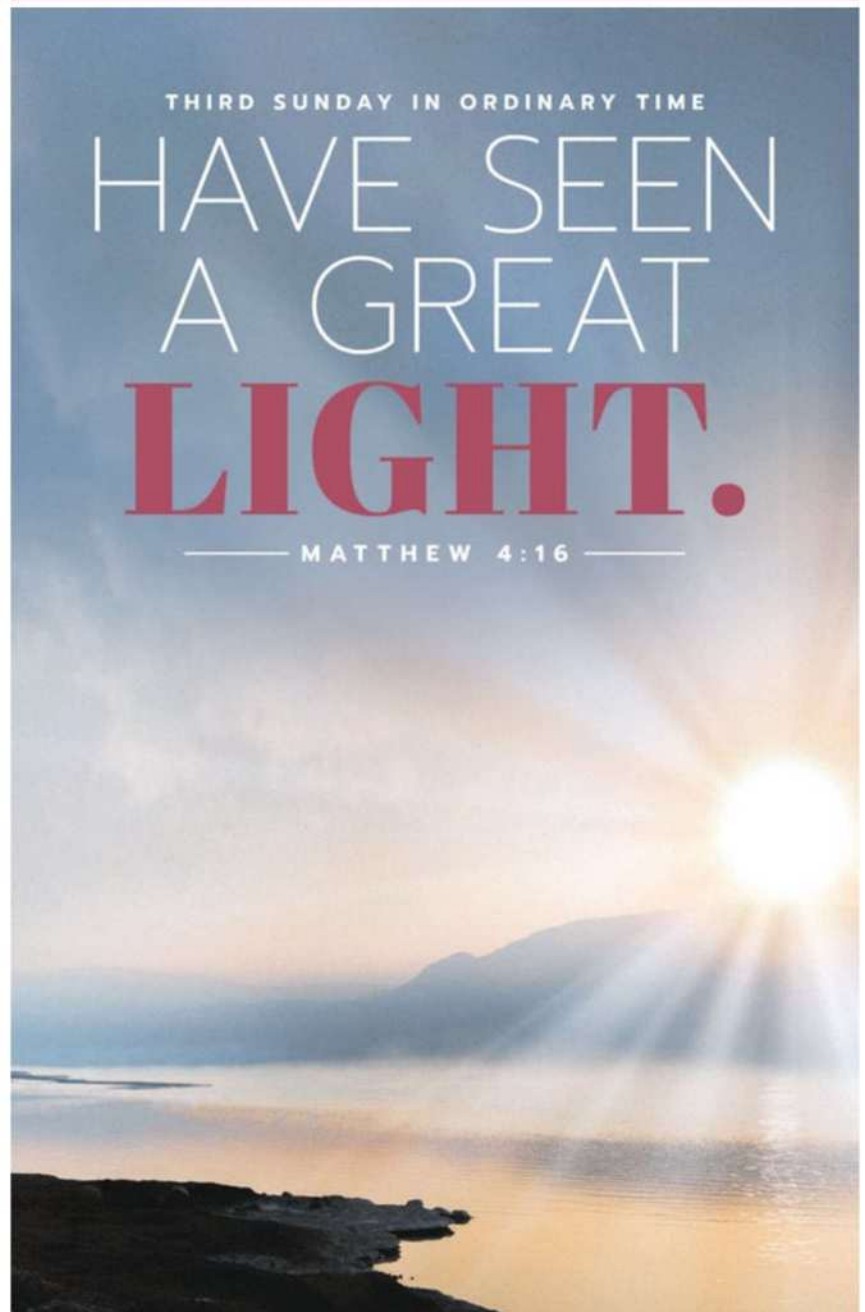
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If you would like to post in the bulletin, please send an email to: bulletineditor@olp.church by noon on Monday for the following Sunday (Holidays may have earlier deadlines).

In Case of an Emergency

Please contact 952-992-0140

JANUARY 25, 2026



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MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .

God Is Calling You!

Believe it or not, God is calling you and cares enough about your salvation to found a church built on the leadership of the apostles chosen by our Lord. The Church is not just a group of Christ's followers, but in fact Christ coming to each of us! Christ comes to us in word and sacrament at each and every Mass. We receive the privilege of joining all of heaven in praising God when we gather as Church.

In choosing the apostles, Jesus gives a new identity to his apostles – from fishers of fish to fishers of men. The call to be loved as a child of God and given the mission to continue the work of our Lord in the world is a great gift to those who respond. The call is a call to discover that God given identity in a new way, in the words and actions of Jesus.

The call to be a disciple is a call to move to an even deeper understanding of who we are, who we are called to be, in the self-giving of God in the cross of Jesus. God has given us life as pure gift. Jesus' life showed us how to be a gift back to God. May we heed those life-giving lessons and allow the grace of being chosen assist us to make our lives a gift to others.

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week! I hope all of you will rejoice with me in the blessings of our school. We should be very proud that our parish is also home to a Catholic Grade School. The mission of Catholic School is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Our faith informs all that we learn, know and do and the Catholic School provides a solid foundation in making our faith the core of everything. There is much good news to share about Catholic schools and it is our duty to become informed. May we always celebrate as we continue to allow God's will to unfold in our midst.

God bless you,

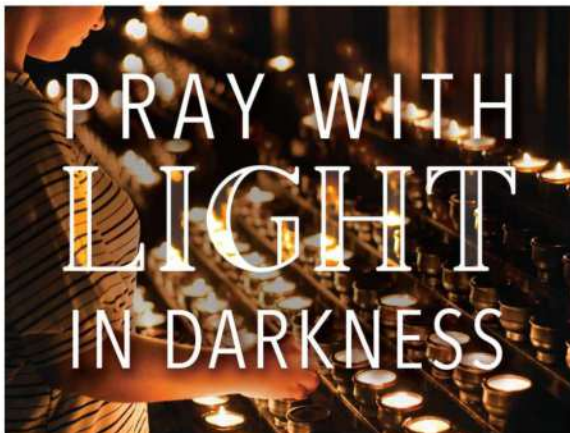
Father Michael Kaluza



Prayer
REQUESTS

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| Deacon Bob Raleigh | Pat Sexe | Ron (Franny) Gerres |
| Mona Bentfield | Betty Wolf | Annette Schmit Mann |
| Elmer Lambrecht | Mary Tuma | Mary Ann Bigaouette |
| Don Morrison | Briar Fritz | Bruce & Cathy Halloran |
| Lisa Pobuda | Doris Fahey | Barb Wentworth |
| Kurt Kruger | Katie Cates | Melissa Kjonaas |
| Fred Welsch | Bob Weldon | Maureen Millard |
| | | Betty Chard |
| | | William Busch |
| | | Dan Flynn |

If you know of someone you would like added to the prayer list, please notify the bulletin editor or Parish Office. Obtain the permission of the person you wish to add before calling or emailing. Names will remain on the list for at least four weeks.



Our Lady of the Prairie 2nd Annual Sock Hop



Saturday, January 31, 2026 5:15 PM in Roedel Hall
 The Sock Hop Band featuring The Shaw Brothers **LIVE**
 Admission: \$6 students Tickets available Wednesday nights
 \$12 adults or at the Parish Office

So, like Danny & the Juniors said back in '57...
 If you don't like Rock-n-Roll
 Think what you'll be missin'!
 But if you like to Bop and Stroll
 (or support our parish kids)
 Please come and take a listen!

Mass Intentions in 2026 are nearly filled.
 2027 calendar will open in June, 2026.
 Limit six per year.

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Please notify the Parish Office if your address or phone
 number has changed since registering,
 or you no longer use a land line.



Weather Policy

If school is delayed, closes early or is
 closed due to poor weather conditions the following
 activities will not meet:

- All meetings (e.g. CCW, Knights of Columbus, Marriage Encounter).

The following activities will continue unless further
 notification is provided:

- Daily Mass: Mass is always celebrated Tuesday – Sunday
- Religious Education classes and Adoration.



Basket Collection & attendance totals
 were not available at time of publishing
 due to an early holiday deadline.



In Christ We Live Forever

Please remember in your prayers
Patricia Irene O'Laughlin

We extend our sincere sympathy to
 her family, friends and loved ones and pray for
 her eternal peace



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Celebrate Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools Week
 January 25-31, 2026



Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic School
IN CHRIST WE GROW









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Our Lady of the Prairie
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
January 25 - 30, 2026



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

DAY	EVENT	DRESS/THEME OF THE DAY
<p>25 SUNDAY</p>	<p>8:00 AM - 12N Waffle Breakfast 10:00 AM All School Mass (PreK-6) Alumni Choir Family Testimony</p> 	<p>School Mass Uniform</p> 
<p>26 MONDAY</p> 	<p><u>PreK</u> Wacky Games, Chocolate milk/popcorn & Veggie Tales movie <u>K-6</u> Ice Rink Boot Hockey/Skating Hot Cocoa/popcorn, & the movie "King of Kings"</p>	<p>Wacky Wear</p> 
<p>27 TUESDAY</p>	<p><u>K-6</u> Skateville (9:15-1:15) Pizza & bag lunch <u>PreK</u> Gingerbread Day, bag lunch</p> 	<p>Spirit Wear (K-6) Favorite Color (PreK)</p>
<p>28 WEDNESDAY</p> 	<p>All School Mass (PreK-6) 10:00 - 10:30 AM Service Project: Tie Blankets 10:45 AM-12:45 PM Bowling</p>	<p>COLOR DAY</p> <p>PreK Blue K Green 1st & 2nd Red 3rd Yellow 6th Orange</p> <p>Mass uniform not required</p>
<p>29 THURSDAY</p>	<p>3rd & 6th Science Fair 2:00 PM Present to PreK-2nd Students</p>	<p>Career Dress Day</p> 
<p>30 FRIDAY</p>	<p>Grandparents/Special Guest Day All School Mass Library/CGS Scavenger Hunt, Talent Show Early Release: 11:30 AM</p>	<p>Dress Your Best</p> 

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Monday, January 26	
Catholic Schools Week	
Tuesday, January 27	
1:30 pm Mass at Kingsway 6:30 pm Mass at OLP	
Wednesday, January 28	
8:30 am Mass - donuts & coffee after mass 12:00 pm Deanery Meeting 6:20 pm Religious Ed (K-8)	
Thursday, January 29	
8:30 am Mass	
Friday, January 30	
8:30 am Mass	
Saturday, January 31	
4:15 pm Mass - <i>Blessing of Throats after Mass</i> 5:15 pm 2nd Annual Sock Hop in Roedel Hall	
Sunday, February 01	
8:00 am Mass 9:00 am Choir Practice 10:00 am Mass - <i>Blessing of Throats after both Masses</i>	

We recognize **Saint Blaise** on his feast day, **February 3rd** by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:
“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen”

MASS INTENTIONS				
MON	26	JAN	No Mass	
TUE	27	JAN	6:30 pm	† d. Msgr. John Richter
WED	28	JAN	8:30 am	† d. Susan Flaschenriem
THU	29	JAN	8:30 am	† d. Gerold Adamek
FRI	30	JAN	8:30 am	† d. Dick Hayden
SAT	31	JAN	4:15 pm	† d. Father Pat McLaughlin
SUN	01	FEB	8:00 am	† d. Robert Keonig
			10:00 am	† For the Parish

Saturday, January 31, 4:15 pm	
Greeters	Volunteers
Lector	Sue Schultz
EMHC	Charlotte Mulroy, Betty Weldon Dan Flynn, Joe Shimota
Ushers	Keith Heitkamp, Randy Schumacher, Brad Schultz, Matt Schultz
Servers	Volunteers (4)
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
Sunday, February 1, 8:00 am	
Greeters	Eric and Lisa May
Lector	John Walsh
EMHC	Susan Cole, Janice Teal Volunteers (2)
Ushers	Paul Guertin, John Edberg, Volunteers (2)
Servers	Teresa Fogarty, David Fogarty, Jeffrey Teal, David Koehn
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
Sunday, February 1, 10:00 am	
Greeters	Rick and Ginny Morgan
Lector	Regina Wilson
EMHC	Mary Randklev, Paula Covington, Jim Covington, Terry Feddersen
Ushers	Jim Covington, Jim Gerres, Jeff Klein, Volunteer
Servers	Kaiden Palo, Jaxson Palo, Gabriel Vandermark, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
EMHC	Mary Moriarty (Kingsway) Sue Halloran (Lutheran Home)

READINGS
Readings for the week of January 25, 2026
Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5 (520)/ Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 /Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Blessing of Throats 8:00am d. Robert Koenig 10:00am For the Parish Treats & Fellowship following Masses - hosted by CCW	2 Presentation of Our Lord 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	3 Blessing of Throats 6:30pm d. Connie Steuwe 7:00pm KC Meeting(PH) 7:00pm CCW Meeting(RH) Parent/Teacher Conferences(K-6) (Prek optional)	4 8:30am d. Ed Seeberger 12:00pm Ecumenical Lunch 6:20pm Religious Ed Class(K-8) 6:20-7:30pm First Reconciliation Retreat/Parent Meeting	5 8:30am d. Terry Fahey 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	6 8:30am d. Elizabeth Glisczinski	7 4:15pm For the Parish
8 World Marriage Day 8:00am d. Brent Meyer 9:00am Choir Practice 10:00am Shannon & Lajeunesse Families Treats & Fellowship - hosted by ME 7:00pm Marriage Encounter(RH)	9 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	10 Father Kaluza out of Office Father Dvorak presiding 6:30pm d. Orlando G. Tatel 4:00-6:00pm Preschool Open House Cookie Decorating event	11 Father Kaluza out of Office Father Dvorak presiding 8:30am d. Mike Fogarty 6:20pm Religious Ed Class(K-8)	12 Father Kaluza out of Office Father Dvorak presiding 8:30am d. Teresa Fritz 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	13 Father Kaluza out of Office Father Dvorak presiding 8:30am d. Rev. Victor C. Valencia	14 Valentine's Day 4:15pm d. Donald & Mary Jane O'Brien
15 8:00am d. Debbie Patronik 10:00am For the Parish	16 President's Day No School Parish Office Closed Teacher Workshop 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	17 6:30pm d Rita Goblirsch 1:30pm Kingsway Mass 7:00pm Liturgy Committee	18 Ash Wednesday 8:30am liv.&d. John & Therea Keonig 11:00am Lutheran Home Ashes 11:30am Kingsway Ashes 2:00pm Staff Meeting 6:30pm CCW Members No Religious Ed Class(K-8)	19 8:30am ,. Florence Leonard 2:00pm Lutheran Home Mass 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	20 8:30am liv. & d. Dolores Karnitz Family 9:00am Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Stations of the Cross 6:30-9:00pm Youth Group (Gr. 9-12)	21 Anointing Mass 11:00am d. Jim & Mary Daly Brunch following Mass 4:15pm d. Jeremy Endres
22 First Sunday of Lent 8:00am CCW Members 10:00am For the Parish Treats & Fellowship - hosted by KCs	23 7:00pm - 9:00pm CI Online Application Class (RH)	24 5:30pm First Reconciliation 6:30pm d. Mary A. Ott	25 6:20pm Religious Ed Class (3-8) attending Communal Penance 6:30pm Communal Penance	26 8:30am d. Michael John Leuwer 6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Grp(CR)	27 8:30am Joseph & Thelma Ott 9:00am Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Stations of the Cross	28 4:15pm d. Father Pat McLaughlin
		<i>Notes:</i> Adoration: Every Wednesday 9:00 AM-10:00 PM Sacrament of Confession: Half Hour before mass each day *RH - Roedel Hall (Gathering Space) *PH - Parish Hall				



February

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p>1</p>	<p>2 The Presentation of the Lord</p>	<p>3 Ney Center 6th grade Parent/Teacher conferences - PreK-6th grade (optional) Saint Blaise Feast Day</p>	<p>4 6th grade mass Orchestra Hall Field Trip 3rd & 6th grades Reconciliation Retreat 2nd grade</p>	<p>5 Parent Teacher Conferences PreK only</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8 World Marriage Day</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 Ney Center 6th grade Preschool cookie decorating event 4-6pm</p>	<p>11 3rd grade mass Teacher/Staff meeting Our Lady of Lourdes</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 Rosary 10:00 Saint Valentine's Day Parties</p>	<p>14 Saint Valentines Day</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16 Teacher Professional Development President's Day - no school</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 1st-2nd grade mass Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 C-STEM</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22 First Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 Divine Mercy 8:30am (note date change) First Reconciliation 2nd grade</p>	<p>25 6th grade/Saint mass Newsletter Article Due Technology Pathways Professional Development 3:05-4:05</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 C-STEM</p>	<p>28</p>

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