



## Mass Intentions

- MON., 2/1 - WEEKDAY**  
8:00 A.M. - Dot Walde (Birthday) (Bob & family)
- TUE., 2/2 - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
8:00 A.M. - Lois Miller (John & Anita Clarkin)  
*Blessing of throats after Mass*
- THU., 2/4 - WEEKDAY**  
8:00 A.M. - Vickie Benner (Mary & Joe Purnell)
- FRI., 2/5 - ST. AGATHA**  
8:00 A.M. - No Mass or Communion Service
- SAT., 2/6 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:00 A.M. - No Mass or Communion Service  
5:00 P.M. - The Parishioners
- SUN., 2/7 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
8:00 A.M. - Othmar Miller (M/M Gary Gorski)  
10:30 A.M. - Blaine Fuller (Mom & family)



Last Sunday's offertory, \$2,470.00 (374 envelopes mailed and 177 envelopes received) and loose, \$324.01. Children's offering, \$12.52. Average gift of envelope users: \$13.95. Second collection for the people of Haiti., \$6,514.32. **And also from our children . . .** "I attended the March for Life in Washington, D.C. . . . I prayed for an end to abortion . . . I helped sort the laundry . . . I helped out at a nursing home . . . I made dinner and did the dishes . . . I had a good sportsmanship in a hockey game . . . I put away the groceries . . . I said the blessing on my own . . ."

There will be a display and sale of **handmade olive wood religious articles** in our parish hall after all Masses **next weekend**, February 6 and 7. These represent the work of about 10 families who try to assist Christian families in the Holy Land who suffer because of bad situations and the interruption of tourist trade in Bethlehem. Come and purchase an item or two and help out this worthy cause.

Friday of this week is the **First Friday of February**. The Eucharist will be brought to our parish homebound on **Thursday**. There will be **NO** Mass on Saturday morning of this week. Thanks for your understanding!

**Vote for #1410!! Gabriel's picture is now on line for you to enjoy! Just go to Meadvilletribune.com and then click on the "Pet Extravaganza" icon, go to "those who have already entered" . . . and there he is: #1410.**

## *The Week Ahead*

- MONDAY** Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from after the 8:00 morning Mass, until 11:30.
- TUESDAY** Blessing of throats after the 8:00 Mass. Altar Rosary Society meets at 7 P.M. in the Hall.
- THURSDAY** Communion calls to the homebound will be made today instead of Friday.
- SATURDAY** **No** first Saturday Mass today. Holy Land gifts in the Hall after Mass.
- SUNDAY** Liturgy of the Word for children during the 10:30 Mass. Holy Land gifts in the Hall after Masses. RCIA after 10:30 Mass. Pastoral Council meets at 1:30 today. Avalanche Xpress Family Day 1-4 P.M. Grade 8 class Mass today at 10:30.



Bible Quote: **"But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away."** Luke 4:30

\* Grade 8 will lead us in prayer at next Sunday's "Youth Mass". \* Coffee and Donuts will be available after the 8:00 and 10:30 Masses today. Please join in this time of fellowship! \* Sunday, **February 7th** join us as we celebrate a family fun day at *Avalanche Xpress* **from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.!** Cost is \$7.00 per person. Please contact Pam Davis @382-7256 **by today, January 31st** for more information. \* Sunday, February 21st is **Candle Day** for the students preparing to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation and their parents. This meeting will be held from 1:00-2:30 P.M. in the parish hall. \* **Katie Hall** is the winner of this month's "Test Your Catholic Knowledge". **Katie** won a \$10 Gift Card to Wal-Mart! Congratulations!!

**"Test Your Catholic Knowledge"**: The saint who is invoked every year in the blessing of the throat is (a) St. Peter; (b) St. Blaise; (c) St. Valentine. Write your answer on a piece of paper along with your name and phone number and place it in the collection basket for a chance to win our monthly drawing. Good Luck to ALL!

**Altar Rosary news . . .** Join us for a fun and informative evening of dolls, dolls, dolls with Sis Lane as our guest speaker (and all of her doll friends). We will see and learn of the different historical eras of dolls. If you have a favorite doll or one that is especially important to you, please bring it with you. **THIS** Tuesday, February 2nd at 6:30 P.M. in the parish hall. All women of the parish are invited!

In honor of **St. Blaise**, a bishop and martyr of our church who has always been associated with the "blessing of throats," we will **bless throats AFTER Mass on Tuesday** of this week. The feast of St. Blaise is on Wednesday, however, because there is no Mass on Wednesday, throats will be blessed on Tuesday. Tuesday is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Forty days after the birth of Christ, Mary and Joseph presented their child in the temple. Please try to come and celebrate Mass that day, and have your throat blessed as well.

**Virginia Anderson** was last week's **"300 Club"** winner for week 24. Her # is 298 and she won \$100. Congratulations!

		ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS	GREETERS
SAT	5:00 PM	Nicole Luoma Meghan Thomas	Pat Billingsley	Bob Bazylak, Tom & Mary Donegan	Bill Greco (c) Bob Russell Paula Greco Tuny Lauffer	Veronica Valentine
SUN	8:00 AM	Nicholas Novosel Christine Gilligan	Denny Vernesoni	Margaret Duncan, John & Sue Treacy	Rich Starn (c) Bob Harrison Ken Novosel Bob Burns	Diana Conroy
SUN	10:30 AM	Katie Hall Lynn Sobieski	Kelly Pieszak	Pat Taylor, Bonnie Morini & Sandy Ragozine	Ed Pieszak (c) Mark Sobieski Dave Perfett John Meyerhoff	Dolores Puglin



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:**  
**JANUARY 31,** Miranda Ellis; **FEBRUARY 2,** Rosann Bost, Frank Buchmann, Natalie Hornstein, Gary Stanton, Jacob Yeager; **FEBRUARY 4,** Rose Holeva; **FEBRUARY 5,** Kenzie Brancato; **FEBRUARY 6,** Shirley Arnett, Fran Pelchen. **ENJOY YOUR DAY!**



Thank you so much for your extreme generosity at last week's second collection for the people of Haiti. The second reading of the weekend—from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, reminding us that we are all part of the Body of Christ, and that we care for one another—really hit home. Once again our parish—our entire nation—the entire world community! - has responded so well to this plea for charity. Our collection at OLQA amounted to over \$6,000!! (a very generous donation matched what the entire parish had given!) I can only think what good work will be done because of our parish to these people who are suffering so much. God bless you all for your generosity.

*F. Arnett*

“Thank you for standing with the center in affirming that each child conceived is knit together by our Creator. We appreciate your support which enables us to be here for those who need to be encouraged with the truth about life, for those who need someone to stand with them as they carry life, and for those who need to heal from the wounds of abortion. Together we offer hope in Jesus.” - Kay Gage, the Pregnancy Center

Monday of this week we will have **exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** from after the 8:00 morning Mass, until 11:30. Come and spend time in private prayer with our Eucharistic Lord. You can write down prayer requests this weekend and that basket will be placed near the Blessed Sacrament on Monday morning.

*Today's Readings*

**Reading I:** Jeremiah 1:4-5 and 17-19. Before you were born, you were known, consecrated and appointed.  
**Reading II:** 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13. Love is the greatest gift of God.  
**Gospel:** Luke 4:21-30. Jesus was sent for us.  
**Question of the Week:** 1. How do you show your family or friends that you do love them? 2. How do you reach out to people who are hurting or lonely with the love of God?

The weekend of February 13 & 14 is **Commitment Sunday** for the new Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) which is about to begin. The generosity and spirit of stewardship at OLQA is to be so admired and we are always so successful in terms of meeting our goal. (This year that assessment from the Diocese for OLQA is \$32,490.) Any money that is pledged over and beyond that amount stays right here in our parish. That assessment helps to provide all the Catholic services that are offered in the Diocese: education, administration, counseling and adoption services, catholic charities, etc. The 120+ parishes of the Diocese each help to assure that these are taking place. This year, once we have made our goal, money will be used to work on the acoustics in the parish hall. Wouldn't this be a great project? So many activities take place in the hall—especially the Masses during the summer months—and it is so difficult to hear well because of the flooring, walls, and high ceilings. We can do some things to absorb so much of the “clutter noise” and make meetings, Masses, gatherings, dinners, etc. much quieter and more comfortable. If every family in the parish would pledge \$350, we could more than meet our assessment and successfully make this project a reality. So, please remember that at all Masses on February 13th and 14th, we will together pledge to make this happen again this year. In the past we have air-conditioned, painted the church, purchased new pews and carpeting, bought the new tables and chairs in the hall, re-carpeted the Religious Ed Center, paved the walkways around the church . . . just to name some of the major projects. We have really taken care of our church and can be so proud of all our accomplishments largely through the services appeal. Thanks so much!