

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

02: Bob Burke  
09: Biff Gilliam  
10: Helen Ravagli  
11: Barbara Luna; Zina Talya  
14: Paul Harmon  
18: Cecilia Chan; Wyatt Simonton  
19: Sandra Burke; Kelsey Brown  
20: Carol Donato  
24: Ronnie Haney  
26: Caeli McCabe

## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

24: Edwin & Nurium Alvarado

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com).

Dylan Anderson	Melanie Furlough	Kimberly Martin	Bernadette Servis
Sid Barr	Linda Gardner	Chefley Matthews	Ray Servis
Robert Berry	Elizabeth Gillam	Rhonda Mayberry	Jane Sliwinski
Patricia Bonnewitz	Lynn Goss	Willard Mock	Don Smith
Gloria Bowden	Mary Graf	Greg Moore	Margaret Smith
Kellsei Boyce	Kathleen Hamilton	Jane Moreton	Maureen Smith
Millie Budney	Ronnie Haney	Beverly Moyer	Chere Tew
Sandra Burke	Jeanne Harper	Chris Moyer	Jim Tew
Julie Byron	James Heady	Ray Moyer	Amy Tracy
Deacon John Carey	Pablo Ignacio	Don & Patsy Notestein	Emilia Walker
Riordan Cavoris	Patrick Ignacio	Angel Ortiz	Wardell Family
Suzi Crawford	Meja Irvin	George Perry	Charles Watson
Justin Curtis	Leslie Jarrett	Gary Peters	Danielle Weedon
Trish Decresce	Maggie Kreiser	Laurie Peters	Laura Williams
Alessia Destefano	Fran Lecco	Frank Powell	Louise Williams
Carol Donato	Paul Lent	Nelson Sanchez	Michael Williams
Islea Duncan	Patel Mahendra	Princess Sanchez	Betty Jo Wolfrum
John Evans	Carolyn Martin	John Seaquist	

### *The Financial Corner*

Collections: Feb. 1: \$377; Feb 8: General: \$1583; Breakfast: 106; Maintenance: \$135  
Attendees: Feb 8: 41; Feb 8: 72

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Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy them, but to fulfill them

Matthew 5:17

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**February 15, 2026**  
**Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Holy Eucharist**  
**Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM**  
**Thursday: 12:15 PM**

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact  
Bonnie Toth at [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com)

## **A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FATHER JIM**

Lent is upon us! Where did the Ordinary Time go between the Christmas Season and Lent? I like a longer break, yet here it is.

Tuesday of this week is Shrove Tuesday, At 7 pm will burn our palm that was given out last year at evening prayer. Then, the next day is Ash Wednesday. There will be three services: one at 12:15 pm with mass and ashes; one at 4 pm with "the little children of the corn"; and one at 7 pm with mass and ashes.

Lent comes from the word, "lengthen." As the days lengthen (more daylight), we journey towards Easter. The goal of Lent is to "recapture" our Baptismal innocence. When we were baptized, we were innocent and without sin. God, the Father, said of us "This is my beloved son or daughter of whom I am well pleased. But there are those among us like Catechumens (adults preparing for Baptism at the Great Vigil of Easter). There are several ways to prepare. They are through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We pray more than usual. I turn off my radio in the car and put myself before the Lord as I travel to Our Lady of Peace, St. Victoria or Holy Cross. I allow the Lord to have a more conscious part of my life. Fasting - yes, I need to fast from food, especially unhealthy food, but I can also fast by going without my Facebook, the internet or evening television watching. I can also fast from negative and cynical thinking and toxic thoughts.

Almsgiving can be through volunteering at Mac's Kitchen at Our Lady of Peace or St. Phoebe Food Pantry at St. Victoria. I can be more dedicated to visiting those homebound or ill.

We pray that we might be even a little better as Christians when that Easter water is sprinkled on us at the Great Vigil of Easter or on Easter Sunday morning.

Let us do it together and support one another. Bon voyage! Happy Lenten journey!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **TODAY'S MASS INTENTIONS**

Joan Melcher (wife of Leon Melcher)  
Chuck Haney (husband of Ronnie Haney)

### **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER** **FEBRUARY 17 @ 6:00 PM**

The Social Committee has planned a pancake supper for Shrove Tuesday. Pancakes, coffee and tea will be provided. However, there is sign-up sheet for food donations of meats and deserts if you plan to bring something.

***Did you know that Shrove Tuesday is also known as "Fat Tuesday?"*** Fat Tuesday is one of the most loved celebrations of the year for Catholics and non-Catholics alike! It's the last day before Lent begins and the last chance to feast and celebrate before the 40-day season of fasting and reflection. It is a joyful conclusion to Ordinary Time and a joyful preparation for one of the most important Catholic seasons: Lent.

### **SHROVE TUESDAY SERVICE** **FEBRUARY 17 @ 7:00 PM**

Please join us for the Shrove Tuesday Service at 7:00 pm in the worship area followed by the burning of the palms outside. This is our last opportunity to sing "Alleluia" until the Great Vigil of Easter. Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

### **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES - FEBRUARY 18**

Ash Wednesday Masses with Ashes: 12:30 pm and 7:00 pm  
Service for our Religious Education children: 4:00 pm (all are welcome)

### **LENTEN PACKETS**

We offer a big shout out to our Religious Education children for doing such a great job preparing the packets for Lent. Please be sure you get one before you leave today.