

THE 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-JANUARY 26, 2025

Sat. 1-25	5:30 p.m.	The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (St. Francis) +Braedin Voorhies
Sun. 1-26	8:00 a.m.	The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun. 1-26	10:00 a.m.	The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (St. Francis) +Baby Elizabeth Ann Coomes
Mon. 1-27	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) No Mass
Tue. 1-28	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Jim Vitt
Wed. 1-29	6:15 p.m.	(St. Francis) +Tim VanLeeuwen
Thur. 1-30	8:30 a.m.	(St. Ambrose) +Francis Voltz
Fri. 1-31	9:00 a.m.	(PMRV) +Ray Carter
Sat. 2-1	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) Our Loved One's Return to the Faith
Sat. 2-1	5:30 p.m.	The Presentation of the Lord (St. Francis) +Tom Duling
Sun. 2-2	8:00 a.m.	The Presentation of the Lord (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun. 2-2	10:00 a.m.	The Presentation of the Lord (St. Francis) +Jane VanLeeuwen

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Francis
 Wednesday 5:30-6:00 p.m. at St. Francis
 30 minutes before each Mass.

ST. AMBROSE LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, February 2nd-8:00 a.m.

Lector: Ed Spielbusch
Altar Server: Laura Hoppas
Gifts: M/M Jim Carlson
Ushers: Asa & Donna Bohrer

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Total Amount Needed

St. Francis \$4,745.05 \$6,348.40
 St. Ambrose \$865.00 \$1,128.85

Please remember your parish in your Will.

If you are 70 1/2 or older, consider making a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from your IRA. For more information on this tax free donation, contact your IRA trustee.

HOMEBOUND: If you know of someone who is elderly or can not attend Mass, please let the office know. Thank you.

Please pray for:

Fr. Sam Pinkerton, Robyn Burke, Jill Coomes, Mary Lee Wellington and the sick and homebound in our parish. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list call the office at 620-449-2224. The prayer list will be updated the first of each month.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you are going to have a significant surgery, please call for Anointing of the Sick before you enter the hospital.

ST. FRANCIS LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, February 1st-5:30 p.m.

Altar Servers: Megan, Jorja, Kaydra
Lector: Cindy Schoenhofer
Eucharistic Minister: Judy Fager
Gifts: M/M Mike Brown
Rosary: Cindy Schoenhofer
Sacristan: Ron Reeves
Sunday, February 2nd-10:00 a.m.

Altar Servers: Cassie, Katie, Anderson
Lector: Seth Born
Eucharistic Minister: Terry Diskin
Gifts: Kenny Paisley Family
Rosary: Teresa Grosdidier
Sacristans: Mike/Debbie Mann
February Ushers:

Saturday-5:30 p.m.-Steve Grosdidier, Dan Spielbusch, Keith VanLeeuwen
Sunday-10:00 a.m.-Broc Mattox, Mike McCracken, Kenny Paisley
Church Cleaners-February 1st-Coleen Carter, Kris Casey, Marlene Clark

Fr. Matthew's Email:

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Sacramental Emergency Number:
620-236-0705

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:



Benefit Breakfast and Beef Raffle for Emma Mason. Sunday, January 26th, St. Francis Parish Hall. Serving from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Emma's benefit also includes a raffle to win a \$200 Casey Beef Bundle. Raffle Locations are in St. Paul, Walnut, Erie and at the Breakfast. (see posters in the churches and internet for details.)

RCIA, ADULT EDUCATION: Fr. Matt will have class on Tuesday, January 28, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Francis Parish Hall. All are welcome. The topic will be the "Eucharist."

PSR will meet in the classrooms on Wednesday, January 29th. If you have questions at any time call Bridget Paisley at 316-833-1722.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be at St. Francis on Wednesdays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Adoration at St. Ambrose will be on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to drop in anytime during Adoration to make a visit. **"I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament."** (Jesus speaking to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)

BIBLE STUDY, THE GOSPEL OF JOHN, will be Sunday, February 2nd from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the St. Ambrose Parish Hall. All are welcome. Bring you Bible.

SENIOR CITIZEN VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER will be Sunday, February 16th after 10:00 a.m. Mass in the St. Francis Parish Hall. There will be delivery available for any homebound seniors in town.

NEW PARISH DIRECTORY: We are planning a new Parish Directory book for St. Francis and St. Ambrose. The photos will be taken in the St. Francis Parish Hall on Saturday, February 15th by appointment and Sunday, February 16th will be a walk-in only. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for February 15th scheduling. We are hoping to get every parishioner in our new book!

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations,

Conner Beachner
 Ruby Brennon
 Krew Burns
 Granger Hudson
 Zoe Hundley

Aria LaForte
 Benny Martin
 Sammy Martin
 Jagger Norris
 Lincoln Winter

PASTOR MUSINGS: This week is celebrated across the country as "Catholic Schools Week". We don't have a Catholic school in town in St. Paul or Erie, but I don't think we should miss out on this celebration. I, myself am a Catholic school graduate out of Wichita, K-12 grades. And I am grateful to my parents for my Catholic education and valuing that for my life. It has had a tremendous impact on who I am and my worldview. Now, before you get too riled up, I'm not advocating for parents to pull their kids out of St. Paul schools for the sake of Catholic schools...but I *am* advocating for a greater recognition of the importance of Catholic education. Not just children, but for adults. Maybe even more so. The famous quote from St. Jerome comes to mind: "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." He translated the entire Bible, both Old and New Testaments, from Hebrew and Greek into Latin. He knows the importance of study and education on the faith. The truth is, when we've stopped seeking to be educated in the faith, we've stopped pursuing Christ and our faith has gone dormant. I am incredibly appreciative of all our catechists who teach our children PSR on Wednesdays. I'm confident they would all agree with me that it's a rewarding experience to strengthen our own faith in preparing lessons. Join me in celebrating our catechists during this Catholic Schools Week by thanking them but also seeking to better learn our faith ourselves! An excerpt from FORMED.org is always included in the bulletin, as well opportunities like the "Man Fully Alive" conference. Go ahead, tell me something that's more worth your time than learning about Jesus Christ and His Church He founded.

THE STEWARDSHIP FORMS: Thank you to the 70 parishioners who have completed their Stewardship forms. Please take one from the back table and return it if you have not done so. It is very helpful to update the information and update the ministries you are able to serve. You may return the form to the parish office, put in the large basket in the church foyer or mail it to St. Francis/St. Ambrose, P.O. Box 216, St. Paul, KS 66771. Thank you for your help!

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Ongoing Formation

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