

**January 31, 2021**  
**Fourth Sunday of ordinary time**



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**WEEKEND MASSES:**

*Livestreamed on Facebook at Greg Oligschlaeger*

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 8:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 7:30 a.m.  
 Friday – 8:20 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>January 30</b> Kenny & Amy St. Clair and Family Judson Stewart
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>January 31</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Joe Miles Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 1</b> No Scripture Service
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>February 2</b> Rink Benson Johnny Hays
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>February 3</b> Families of Holy Rosary & St. Stephen Living and Deceased
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>February 4</b> Rita Jo Kendrick
<b>Friday</b> 8:20 a.m.	<b>February 5</b> Amanda, Austin and Logan Conner
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>February 6</b> Matt & Lorene Hays Allen Long
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>February 7</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Brandon & Cecelia Gervais and Family

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**

January 3	\$ 6,602.25
January 10	\$ 6,044.25
January 17	\$ 10,502.25
January 24	\$ 6,247.45

**Prayer Intentions for the month of February**

**Intention of Pope Francis:** We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

**Intention of Bishop McKnight:** For parents: may they have the spiritual and material resources they need to provide their children a home in which charity and mercy are practiced, and knowledge of our faith is shared.

Dear Parishioners,

What a treasure we have, to have two Catholic schools in our area that serve our parishes here in Indian Creek, Monroe City, Hannibal, and the surrounding towns. Let us celebrate Catholic Schools Week well, for we have been blessed and have a lot for which to be grateful in regard to our catholic school and Parish School of Religion programs. Remember this week to celebrate the time you give and the sacrifices you make for us to provide this Catholic education for our students at Holy Rosary and St. Stephen parishes and how that diligence is helping to reap a bountiful harvest. We thank God for the support of the parish and our school parents that make this investment in the faith and future of our church. We thank God for the investment of time and resources that our families from other Christian faiths bring to our school. We thank God for Sr. Sue Walker, O.P., who is the principal and administrator of Holy Rosary School, and for the devoted teachers that take the time to do all the extras that help a small school like ours thrive. Their love and concern for our children make their teaching more than a job because they are concerned about helping parents to form their children into young women and men who are well educated and who know and live their Christian faith. This year of pandemic (that started shortly after Catholic Schools Week 2020) is a testament to how much our teachers and staff are willing to serve our children.

Our school's theme for this year is: **Holy Rosary School-Stepping Stone to Faith and Knowledge.** This



year's National theme is: **"Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service."** At

Catholic Schools our children learn faith, not just the basics of Christianity, but how to have a relationship with God and put faith into practice. Students benefit from high academic standards, which help each disciple reach his or her potential. Service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Students also learn the importance of service both as an expression of faith and a manifestation good community involvement. This focus on faith, academics and service prepares students for meaningful lives in their families, communities and the Catholic Church.

Holy Rosary School thrives by the Grace of God and the 100% support of the prayers, time, and financial commitment of our parishioners. Thank you for supporting this important mission of our parish.

At Mass on Tuesday of this week, we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. It is tradition to bless all the candles used in church and at Mass on that day. The candle blessing will take place at the beginning of the Mass. On Wednesday, we celebrate the memorial feast of St. Blase. It is on this day that we have the tradition of blessing throats. St. Blase cured a man from choking to death and has long been the saint invoked to heal ailments of the throat and all other illnesses. We use the candles blessed the day before to impart the blessing. Please try to come to Mass on Wednesday for the blessing of throats, I will also offer the blessing after the weekend Masses on February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> for all who are not able to be at Mass on Wednesday. Have a blessed and well celebrated Catholic Schools week.

*F. Greg Oligschlaeger*

World Day for Consecrated Life is February 2. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank Sr. Sue and Sr. Loretta on this special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.



**Liturgical Ministries**

**February 6 - 5:30 p.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Leanna Moss & Audrey Fuemmeler  
**Servers:** Naaron Hays and Camryn Hays  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** David Pfaff, Cathy Jo Pfaff, Ruth Ann Lorenson  
**Lector:** Lori Watson  
**Ushers:** Regina Miskell, Kevin Bichsel, John Ritter

**February 7 - 9:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Frank Harris  
**Servers:** Raina Stone and Grace Thome  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** David Little, Marie Little, Jerry Copenhaver  
**Lector:** Dennis Long  
**Ushers:** Mark Yager, Danny Benson, Carl Thompson

**Readings for February 7, 2021**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Job 7:1-4, 6-7** Job lamented his “months of misery and troubled nights.” Could human life on earth be no more than drudgery? Shall he never see happiness again?

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6**  
Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23** By preaching the good news, Paul said, he willingly made himself a slave to all in order to win them over. He did everything for the sake of the good news.

**Gospel – Mark 1:29-39** Jesus healed ill people and exorcised possessed people. So many sought him that he had to seek out deserted places for prayer and rest.

**On the Calendar...**

- February 1** – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon
- February 1-5** – Catholic Schools week
- February 6 & 7** – School Open House for visitors
- February 13** – Lucky Hearts Banquet
- April 10** – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass

Mary, Full of Grace, spiritual Mother to those in need, we fervently request your heavenly intercession for those who are ill and seek God’s miraculous assistance.

Please pray for:

- Rusty Adam Regina Hays Tim Quinn P.A. Turnbull
- John Kendrick Bonnie Werner Michael Kellerman
- Deacon Mike Long Trent Zeiger Hazel Smith
- Sue Gilbert Natalee Amos Rosemary Evans
- Deanna Buckman Jackie Ryan Logan Maher
- Mark Leake Daniel Patrick Mudd Troy Ritter
- Kenneth Ryan Bonnie Ess Barbara Kendrick
- Connie Kendrick Nick Mudd William P. Smith
- Teresa Ritter Toland Pete Schuman

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue to be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration. Please contact Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552 for questions or open hours.



**Catholic Stewardship Appeal**

Parish goal -- \$ 24,500.00  
Amount pledged: \$ 22,126.00  
Diocese goal - \$ 2,450,000.00  
Amount pledged - \$ 2,755,402.00

**KC Chili Supper:** The Swinkey KC’s will have their annual Chili Supper on Sunday, January 31 in the Swinkey Gym. The social hour will begin at 4:00, and chili served around 5:00. All Swinkey and Monroe City Knights are invited to attend.

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**School News**

Catholic Schools Week is celebrated from February 1-7. We will not be able to have our usual Open House with lunch and an evening meal of soup. However; the school will be open for families to come and visit the classrooms and view the various activities of the students. The school will be open on Saturday, February. 6, from 1:00 – 5:00 and also open on Sunday, February. 7, from 9:00 – 5:00.

As this week is celebrated, many *thanks* are extended to the all of the parishioners/individuals who support Holy Rosary School! Our school community is blessed in so many ways. Through these challenging days of COVID we are very grateful that we have been able to stay *in session* without the need of providing virtual learning. The extreme efforts of all teachers, parents and students is certainly appreciated as everyone works together to provide a solid education to the students. Catholic Schools Week gives us the opportunity to recognize the many gifts that are realized at Holy Rosary School.

Mass at 8:20 on Friday, February 5, will be led by the students in 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Lucky Hearts Banquet** will be held virtually on Saturday, February 13. Tickets for the drawing will be sold and prime rib dinners will be available for carryout. Pick up your meal and watch the drawing in the comfort of your own home! Information has been mailed, but if anyone needs this information or needs additional tickets, please contact the school (573-735-2422) Please support this major fundraiser for Holy Rosary School. You could be a big winner!

**Following God’s Lead along with Donna**



**PSR/Youth Groups - will resume in February!!** – Grades K-6 will resume on February 3 and Grades 7-12 will resume February 7. The mask requirement while in the buildings is still in effect.

**Simon Scholarship** - The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university of the student’s choice. The scholarship is \$1,000 per semester to assist the student in meeting educational needs. Scholarship funds are paid directly to the institution or to the student upon presentation of receipts paid to the institution for tuition, fees, and/or room and board. It is the intent to award three new scholarships each year; however, the actual number of new awards will be contingent upon the current number of previous recipients that are eligible for renewal. Applications for the 2021-2022 Simon Scholarship are being accepted through March 31, 2021. Applications can be acquired through the pastor or parish life collaborate.

**FORMED.org** - *The Presentation of the Lord* - Tuesday, February 2 is The Presentation of the Lord. There is a wonderful, very short video presentation by Dr. Edward Sri about The Presentation. I really enjoyed it. I encourage you to log into FORMED.org to listen; the video is less than 6 minutes but gives us a great deal to think about.

To inquire about faith formation/religious education contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718, my office hours are 8:00 am to Noon, Monday through Friday.