

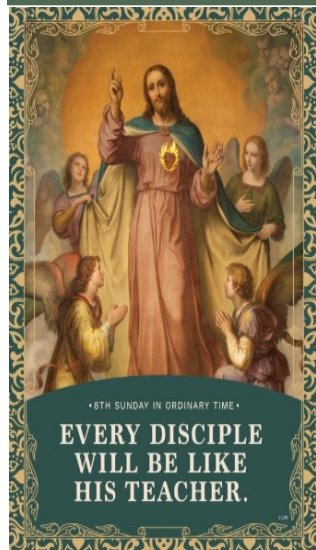


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**Rev. Donbosco, Associate Pastor**  
**Deacon Bill Vrazel**

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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**Sunday,**  
**March 2, 2025**  
**Eighth Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**



## No Fruit, No Good Prayer

One of the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, **"For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles"** (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer *and* service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray *and* serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling.

— *Father John Muir*

Today's  
 Mass  
 Readings



**First Reading:** Praise no one before he speaks, for it is then that people are tested. (Sir 27:7)

**Psalms:** Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. (Ps 92)

**Second Reading:** But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 15:57)

**Gospel:** "A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." (Lk 6:45)

**Monday:** Sir 17:20-24/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 10:17-27

**Tuesday:** Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23/Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday:** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

**Next Sunday:** Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (see 5b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Daily Mass  
 Bible  
 Readings



<b>Monday,</b> <b>March 3 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am <b>MASS</b> - Church - 9:00 am KOC Coffee and Donuts - Conference Center - 10:00 am Parish Prayer Group - Chapel	- 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Adoration - Church - 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm <b>RECONCILIATION</b> <i>offered in Church</i> - 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel
<b>Tuesday,</b> <b>March 4 —</b>	- 5:00 pm KOC Officers and General Meeting - Parish Hall - 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel - 7:00 pm <b>MASS</b> - Chapel	<b>PARISH OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>Wednesday,</b> <b>March 5 —</b> <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	- 6:30 am Java & Jesus Men's Group - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am <b>MASS</b> - Church - 9:00 am Bible Study Meet - Parish Hall	- 10:00 am Altar Society Mtg. - Multipurpose Room - 10:00 am <b>Children's MASS</b> - Church - <b>12:00 pm MASS</b> - Chapel (3/5 - 4/11 during Lent) - 6:30 OCIA Faith Formation Class - Conference Center - 7:00 pm <b>MASS</b> - Church
<b>Thursday</b> <b>March 6 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am <b>MASS</b> - Chapel - 9:00 am Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel	- 9:00 am - 2:00 pm KOC sponsored Blood Drive - Menge Parking Lot - <b>12:00 pm - MASS</b> - Chapel (3/5 - 4/11 during Lent)
<b>Friday,</b> <b>March 7 —</b>	- 8:30 am <b>Children's MASS</b> - Church - 9:30 am - 11:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Society - Parish Hall - <b>12:00 pm - MASS</b> - Chapel (3/5 - 4/11 during Lent) - 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel	- 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross - Church - 5:00 pm <b>Vietnamese</b> Stations of the Cross - Chapel - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm KOC Lenten Fish Fry - Main Church Parking on Menge Ave.
<b>Saturday,</b> <b>March 8 —</b>	- 1:00 pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall - 4:00 pm Vigil <b>MASS</b> - Church ( <b>RECONCILIATION</b> offered 30 minutes prior to Mass)	



Mary Helen Allen, Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Leota Ayuso, Lee

Ayuso, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Asher Bonura, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Cantan, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Bruce Carver, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Toby Erwin, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Hannah Gest, Gerry Gough, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Fay Hogan, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Wayne James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Thomas Koenem, Barbara Ladner, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Anita Lambert, Vickie Landrum, Dustin Leochner, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Rod Malburg, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Lori Miller, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Mottola, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Kyle Patridge, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, Emily Reaves, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Father Truong Q Trinh, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Brittany Varney, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin, Bruce Young

**In Memoriam** ~ Sally James, Edward A. Gamard III  
For additions or deletions to the Prayer List, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686.



**February 24, 2025**

**Weekly Operating Credits**

Offertory/Collection: \$9,826

Building Fund: \$707

Youth Ministry: \$53

Masses: \$170

Cemetery: \$75

Memorials: \$5

Poor Box and Charity: \$50

**TOTAL: \$10,886**

**See this Bulletin for information on Direct Debit - Forms also available in the back of the church or by calling the office at 228-452-4686**

**Weekly Fixed Expenses**

Schools: \$3210

Salaries and Benefits: \$4750

Diocese Support Tax: \$917

Utilities: \$1187.50

Janitorial, Maintenance

Grounds: \$1189.75

Insurance: \$584

**TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY**

**EXPENSES: \$13,075.00**

*"These are just the fixed expenses. There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly. God Bless!" Father Mike Austin*



*"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen".*

**Sun., March 2:** For Pope Francis

**Mon., March 3:** For Fathers Satish Adhav and Vincent O. Ajayi

**Tuesday, March 4:** For Father Godfrey Andoh

**Wed., March 5:** For Father Anthony Arguelles (Retired)

**Thur., March 6:** For Fathers Charles Arthur and Philip J. Audet

**Fri., March 7:** For Most Reverend (Bishop) Louis F. Kihneman III

**Sat., March 8:** For Father Mike Austin and Emmanuel Awe SSJ



**March 8 & March 9, 2025**

**4:00 pm - Saturday, 3/8/25**

**Vigil**

**LECTORS**

Ken Austin

**EEMs**

Gayle Nolan, Susan Samson and Lauri Wood

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Cooper W. Ferrill, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

**8:30 am - Sunday, 3/9/25**

**KOC Corporate Communion**

**11:00 am - Sunday 3/9/25**

Pip Brennan

Chad Burge, Carl Mayeaux, Gayle Parker, Don Smith and Jean Smith

Elleigh James Burge, Jameson Burgge and Anna Claire Thomas

**5:00 pm - Sunday, 3/9/25**

Daniel Huck

Richard Bohn, Michelle Hoskins and Jo Johns

Carleigh Russo, Ellie Kate Thompson and Maci Thompson

# MARCH

Sunday, March 1 - 7am - *First Saturday Mass and Breakfast - Church and Parish Hall*

Monday, March 4 - Office CLOSED for Mardi Gras

Wednesday, March 5 - *Ash Wednesday - See "Weekly Events" and Flyer in Bulletin for Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule*

Wednesday, March 5 - 10am - *Altar Society Meeting - Church Multipurpose Room*

Monday - Friday During Lent, March 5th - April 11 - *NOON Mass - Chapel*

FRIDAYS During Lent - 5:00 pm - *Stations of the Cross - Church*

FRIDAYS During Lent - 5:00 pm - *VIETNAMESE Stations of the Cross - Chapel*

Friday, March 7 and 21 - 3pm - *Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel*

Sunday, March 9 - *Daylight Savings Time Begins*

Sunday, March 9 - *Youth Raffle Drawing - at 5pm Mass*

Sunday, March 9 - 6pm - *Lenten Mission - Opening Dinner, Reflection and Adoration to follow - Conference Center*

Tuesdays, March 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8 - 7pm - *Lenten Mission for Women - Conference Center*

Thursdays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10 - 7pm Mass - *Lenten Mission for Men - Conference Center*

Saturday, March 15 - *Vigil Mass returns to 5pm*

Wednesday, March 19 - *Penance Service - 6:30 pm - Church*

Saturday, March 22 - 1pm - *Baby Shower Honoring Sarah Goris - Conference Center*

Friday, March 26 - 6:30 pm - *Healing Face of Jesus Healing Ministries Service and Sacrament of the Anointing - Church*

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 1, 2025	4:00 pm	† Shelly Bentz † Leola and Robert Demetz Healing for Wayne James
Sunday, March 2	8:30 am	† Charles Currie † Jimmy Austin † Edward Gamard
	11:00 am	† Pat Browne † Alfredo Alarcon † Lonnie Necaize
	5:00 pm	† Joanna Laphand
Monday, March 3	8:00 am	† Knost Family † Roe Roberston Special Intentions for Jennifer Lee
Tuesday, March 4	7:00 pm (Church)	† Father Harry Tompson † Sally James † Joanna Laphand
Wednesday, March 5 <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	8:00 am	† Knost Family † Patricia Schmidt
Thursday, March 6 <i>(Chapel)</i>	8:00 am	† Sally James † Charles Currie
Friday, March 7	8:30 am <i>*† The Repose of the Soul</i>	† Charles Currie † Roe Robertson † Sally James Special Intentions for Finley Pace

## REMINDER

- **Tuesday, March 4th** - Holy Family Parish Office will be **CLOSED** in observance of Mardi Gras
- **Sunday March 9th, 2am** - Time Changes to **Daylight Savings Time**. Set you clocks forward 1 hour
- **Saturday, March 15th** - Saturday Vigil Mass returns to 5:00 pm

## 2024 Contribution Statements

If you would like a copy of your *Holy Family 2024 Contribution Statement*, please call the Parish Office at 228-452-4686. **THANK YOU.**



Please join us every **FIRST & THIRD FRIDAY** of the month for the **CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**

The next Chaplet is **Friday, March 7th and 21st**  
3:00 pm at St. Paul's Chapel

*For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*



## Upcoming 2025 Second and Special Collections

**March 1 - 2: St. Paul Cemetery**

**March 5 (Ash Wednesday): Churches in Eastern Europe and Africa**

**March 8 - 9: Black & Indian Missions**

**April 5 - 6: St. Paul Cemetery**

**April 18: Holy Land**

**April 26 - 27: Catholic Home Missions Appeal**



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## Upcoming MARCH Events:

- **KOC Coffee and Donuts:** 9am First Monday of each month following 8am Mass – Conference Center – **March 3, 2025**
- **KOC Monthly Meetings:** 5pm – 8pm - First Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **March 4, 2025**
- **KOC Sponsored Blood Drive:** 9pm – 2pm – Church Parking Lot on Menge Ave.– **March 6, 2025**
- **KOC Lenten Fish Fry:** Fridays in lent – 5pm – 7 pm – Conference Center– **Friday, March 7 – April 16, 2025**
- **KOC Monthly Corporate Communion:** Sunday 8:30 am Mass following the first Tuesday of the month. Parish Fellowship will follow in the Conference Center with coffee and donuts – **March 9, 2025**
- **Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meetings:** 6:30 pm - Second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **March 11, 2025**
- **KOC Fifth Sunday Rosary:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month following 8:30 am Mass – **March 30, 2025**

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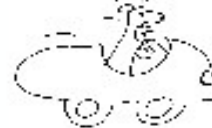


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