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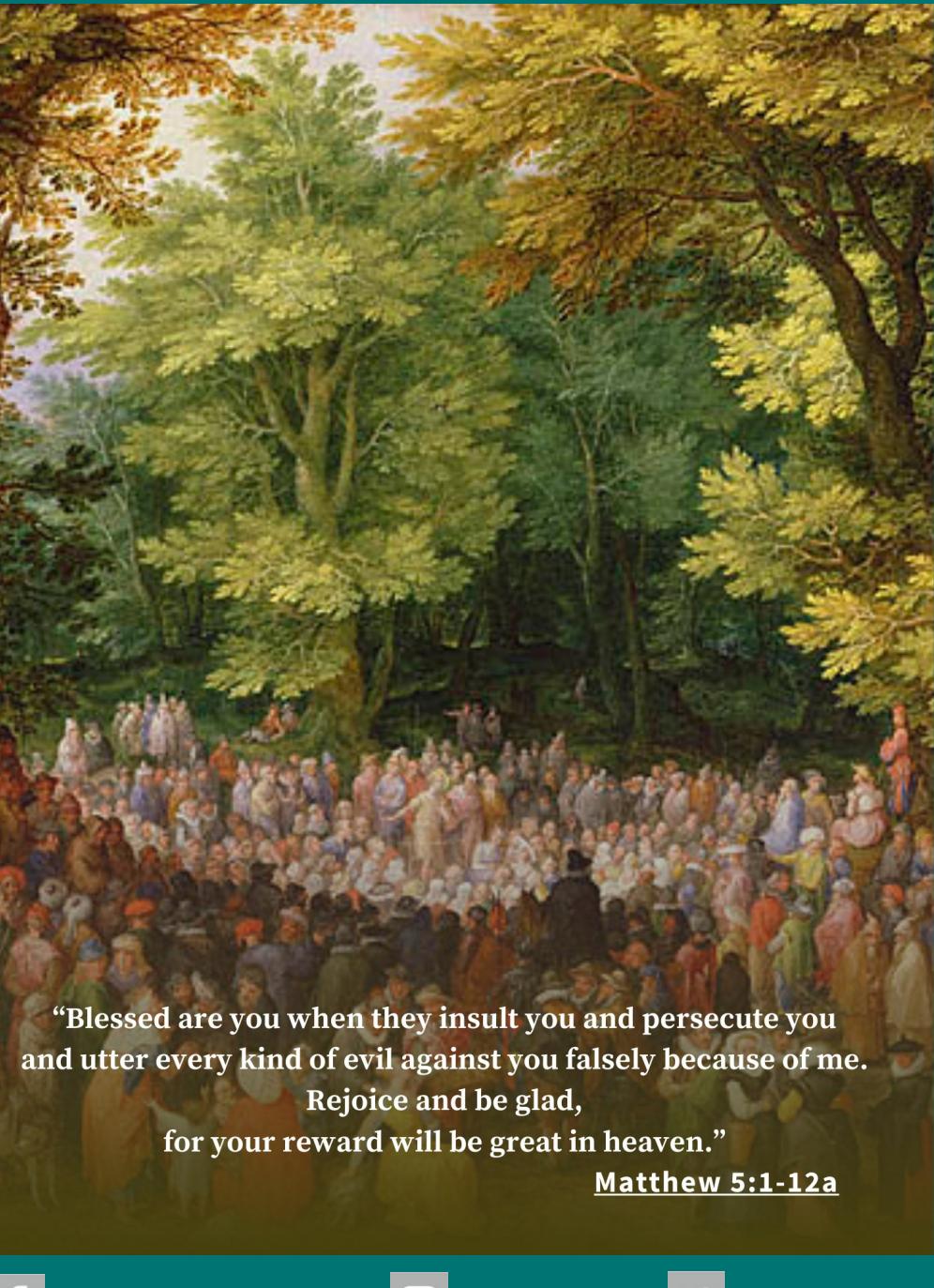
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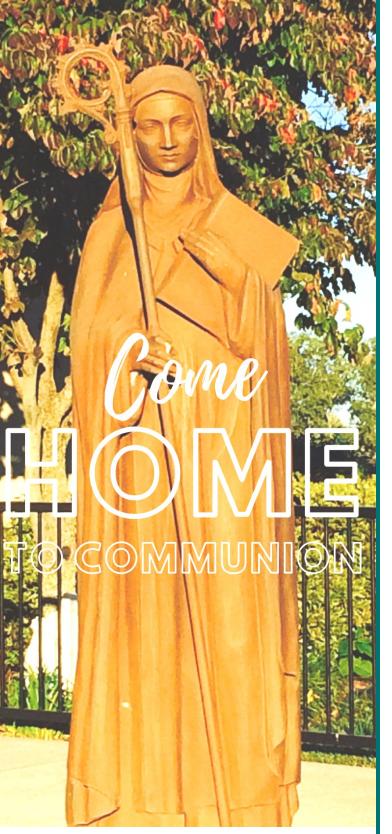
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**"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."**

**Matthew 5:1-12a**



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**Regular Mass Times for**  

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Wednesday	6:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am
<b>First Fridays</b>	6:00 pm
Holy Days	See Bulletin

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Tuesday	8:25 - 8:50 am
Wednesday	5:25 - 5:50 pm
Thursday	8:25 - 8:50 am
Thursday	6:15 - 6:45 pm
<b>First Friday</b>	5:25 - 5:50 pm
Sunday	7:20 - 7:50 am
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Date	Servers	Ushers	Lectors	Sacristans	Rosary Leaders	Cantors Musicians	Homebound Ministers	Church Cleaners	Money Counters
Saturday February 7	Curtiss S Wiley S	Henry Saubers	Katy Crabtree	Barry Schaller Piper S	Shirley Baldwin	David Orson / Corbin Trimble		CJ Team February 6	
Sunday February 8	Alex H Joseph H Bodon R	Tim Davis	Tim Haake	Don Ring	Chris Porter	David Orson / Judy Wolf	Scott Bennett		Nancy's Team February 9
Saturday February 14	Emmett T Maxx S Bodon R	Chris Thornsberry	Don Ring	Patty Hennrich Abrah Sullivan	Marilyn Anderson	Kaitlin Long / TBA			
Sunday February 15	Patrick O Richard B Bennett S	Ryan O'Hanlon	Laura Long	Joe Bouchard	Olivia Carrasco	David Orson / Judy Wolf	DJ Breitbach		Chris' Team February 16



#### Mass Intentions † Indicates deceased person

Tuesday, February 3	9:00 a.m.	† Denine Battaglia	by St. Bridget Parish
Wednesday, February 4	6:00 p.m.	† John Murphy	by St. Bridget Parish
Thursday, February 5	9:00 a.m..	† Tony Mazur	by Gary & Katie Crabtree
Friday, February 6	6:00 p.m.	† John Ruehter	by St. Bridget Parish
Saturday, February 7	5:00 p.m.	† Paul Brownsberger	by the Svatos Family
Sunday, February 8	8:00 a.m.	For the People of St. Bridget	

#### Special Collections

2026

February 18 Ash Wednesday

February 22 Catholic Charities (CCEAAO)

March 1 Dream Fund

#### Charity Opportunity

Do you desire to help our Lord Jesus Christ by seeing Him in the poor and needy in our area? Consider donating towards The Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Council, our local food pantry and charity organization. This is a 501C3 organization, thus your donation is tax deductible. There is no electronic giving yet, but you can write checks to "Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy," mail your donation to 100 Veterans Parkway, Pleasant Hill, MO 64080. If you desire to assist (i.e. Meals on Wheels - making and delivering low cost meals, then call 816-987-3952, working at the food pantry, working at the thrift store, etc.) OR have other questions, please contact the Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy at: (816) 987-3600.

GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH			
OFFER RIGHT SACRIFICES & PUT YOUR TRUST IN THE LORD. PS 4:5			
Week ending 01/25/2026	Collection	EFT	Total
St. Bridget Parish	\$7131.00	\$1589.00	\$8720.00
Dream Fund	\$0.00	\$105.00	\$105.00
Dream Fund MTD	\$1297.50	\$105.00	\$1402.50
Youth Group	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Votive Candle	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
Special Collection -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Special Collection -	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Please remember the Dream Fund. Month to date: \$1402.50

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#### Bulletin Announcements

Bulletin announcements must be e-mailed one week prior to the weekend of distribution to [secretary@stbridgetph.org](mailto:secretary@stbridgetph.org).

#### Sacraments

**Baptism** Parent preparation session is required. Please call the parish office prior to the birth.

**First Communion** A sacramental preparation program is required through SOR or an approved other curriculum.

**Confirmation** Program for high school students, according to Diocesan guidelines.

**Marriage** Please call the parish office when engaged. A nine month preparation period is required (diocesan policy). One party should be a registered, attending parishioner.

**Anointing of the Sick** As requested after Mass and by appointment.

#### Devotions and Info

##### \*\*\*New Parishioners\*\*\*

Welcome! Please register by downloading a registration form from our web site, [stbridgetph.weconnect.com](http://stbridgetph.weconnect.com) or contact the parish office. We are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you! \*\*\*

##### Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday After Mass—7:00 p.m.  
Fifth Fridays 24 hrs. 5:00pm—Sat. 4:45pm

##### First Friday Mass and Devotions

6:00 p.m.; devotions, adoration, and benediction follow  
Rosary

Before Mass Tuesday, Saturday, Sunday; First Thursday at 6:30pm w/ Altar Society; Second Thursday at 6:30pm w/ KofC

**Prayer Chain Requests** If you wish to be added to the prayer chain, please contact Roberta Klein at (816) 540-5980.

**Blessing** Have you experienced a miscarriage?  
Contact Father Vogel or Deacon Morgan to receive a blessing.

#### Office of Child & Youth Protection

Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Phone: 816-714-2357

Email: [victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org)

Independent Ombudsman:

Phone: 816-213-6024

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#### Reporting Abuse



The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church.

If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18).
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911.
3. If the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee, or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, report the suspected abuse to the Diocesan Ombudsman, at [ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:ombudsman@ombudsmankcsj.org) or 816-213-6024

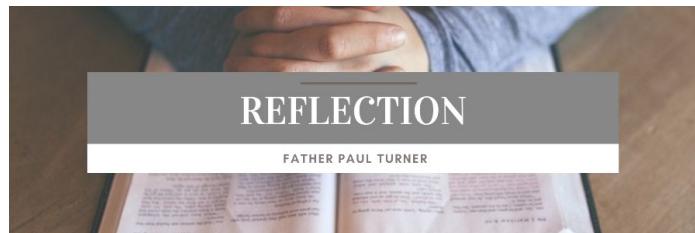
The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.  
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## REFLECTION

FATHER PAUL TURNER

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

#### God's Choices

Jesus did not choose the best. He chose disciples who were dense, who fought with each other, who jockeyed for leadership, who asked stupid questions, and who ran away while he hung dying. They were not the best. They had no experience in public speaking, anger management, catechesis, team building, or chairing committees.

And yet the church survived. One of the proofs that Christianity is divinely inspired is that our founders did not know what they were doing, and still the faith spread far and wide.

St. Paul told the Corinthians that God chose "the foolish of the world to shame the wise," "the weak ... to shame the strong," "those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something." He was not talking about the apostles. He was talking about the Corinthians. God chose them, even though they were not the best. God did this so that people would not trust in their own strengths, but would trust in God. God can use people no matter how limited their gifts are.

All around us are people God has chosen for ministry. They may not be the best at what they do, but they do it because God wants it done.

God does not always choose the best. But God chooses people anyway. God wants you for something too. Have you ever said no because you thought you could not do it? Might it be that God will do it, once you say yes?

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## REFLECTION

DIVINE MERCY

### Trials Transformed Into Virtue

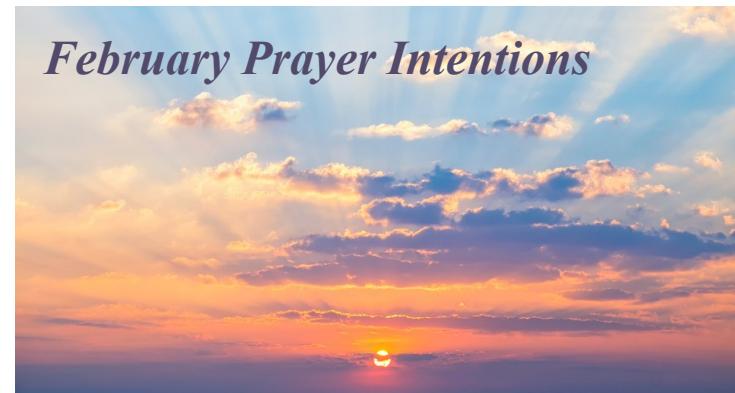
At times God imposes trials upon us. This is done out of love to strengthen us and to deepen our love of Him. Look at what it is that you experience as a trial. Ask God if this is from Him and what good He wants to bring from that trial. Trials always have the potential of making us stronger. If you are experiencing a certain interior trial in life, know that it is in this moment, more than any other, that God wants you to renew your trust in Him. Do it even if you do not feel like doing so. Trials are the greatest opportunity for our faith, hope and love to grow (See Diary #24).



What is your greatest trial right now? Identify whatever that may be and know that Jesus understands. Reflect upon Him coming to You in this moment, embracing this trial with you and in you. His strength is perfect and He will lead you through all things. In the process, He will fill you with a greater faith, hope and love.

*Lord, I know that my trials in life are a grace. They may not seem to be at the moment I endure them but they are. Help me especially with (state your current intention). I surrender this situation to You and thank You for Your perfect love and strength. Jesus, I trust in You.*

(This free reflection can be found at <https://divinemercy.life/2026/01/26/reflection-27-trials-transformed-into-virtue-2/>)



## February Prayer Intentions

**Bishop Johnston:** For an end to human trafficking and for the rescue and healing of its victims.

**Holy Father:** Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

**1-DAY ENCOUNTER**

FOR YOUNG MEN GRADES 7 - 10

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026 7:45 AM - 8:20 PM

What: One day retreat  
Where: Conception Seminary College  
Donation: \$30 per person. Scholarships available if needed.

Transportation will be provided.  
Two pick-up and return locations:

Departure:  
7:45 am: St. Pius X High School  
8:30 am: Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, St. Joseph, MO  
Return:  
7:30 pm: Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, St. Joseph, MO  
8:20 pm: St. Pius X High School

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## CALENDAR

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Monday, February 2

#### Tuesday, February 3

8:25 a.m. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet  
8:25 a.m. Confessions  
9:00 a.m. Mass

#### Wednesday, February 4

5:25 p.m. Confessions  
6:00 p.m. Mass  
**6:30 p.m. WoF / Men's Group**  
**6:40 p.m. SOR / OCIA**

#### Thursday, February 5

8:25 a.m. Confessions  
9:00 a.m. Mass  
9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration Begins  
6:15 p.m. Confessions  
6:50 p.m. Benediction

#### Friday, February 6

9:00 a.m. Bible Study  
**5:25 p.m. Confessions**  
**6:00 p.m. First Friday Mass & Devotions**

#### Saturday, February 7

4:30 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Mass  
**6:00 p.m. Blessing of Sacramentals**  
**6:15 ish Ladies Dinner**

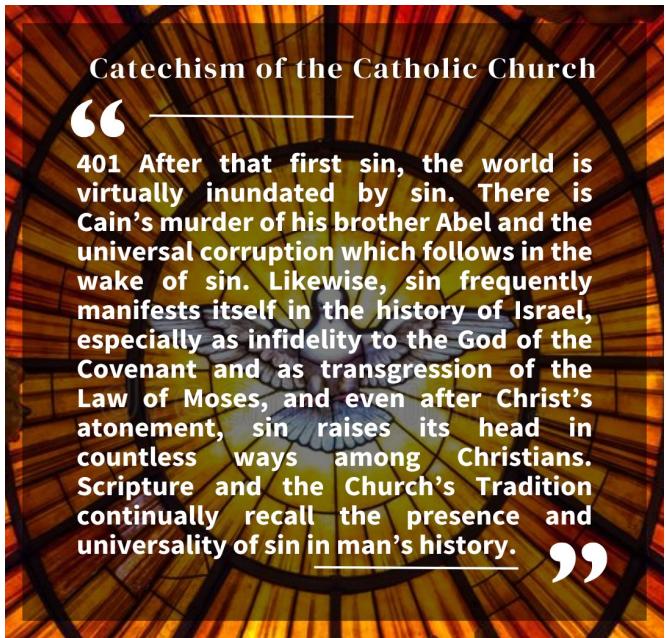
#### Sunday, February 8

7:30 a.m. Confessions  
7:30 a.m. Rosary  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
**9:00 a.m. Blessing of Sacramentals**

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**COMMANDMENT OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUARY 2026**

*If you love me, you will keep my commandments.*  
John 14:15

**WEEK 1**

The 6th Commandment  
***You shall not commit adultery***

What are you doing to protect the children in your life from being victims of the temptations and confusion of today's sexualized culture? Their very lives and souls are at stake. Therefore, we can't continue to hope they learn the truth about the sacredness and purpose of their body from they TV and social media. Instead, we need to take meaningful and appropriate steps to inform and protect our children and grandchildren. Here are a few steps you can take.

1. Make the decision to not shy away from conversations about sexuality with your children and grandchildren. They are going to learn about it somewhere, so wouldn't it be better for them to learn the holy and sacred purpose of sexuality from you.
2. Refresh your knowledge of the Catholic teachings on the goodness and purpose of human sexuality.
3. Be intentional to have age-appropriate conversations about their bodies with them. Instead of focusing on inappropriate behavior, highlight how their bodies should be honored, revered, and safeguarded. Use the analogy of how they honor and safeguard their most prized possession, such as autographed baseball or an heirloom from a favorite grandparent.

The Catholic Catechism provides wonderful insights we can all learn from. [Scan the QR code.](#)

**Prayer Intention for February**

For the married members of our parish family. That their love be renewed through the example of Jesus's love for His bride, the Church.



**Called By Name**

**SUNDAY**

January 31 and February 1, 2026

Deadline for submissions: February 15, 2026

Do you know someone age 16 and over who may be called to priesthood or religious life?

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**Ash Wednesday**

{INTO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN}

**FEBRUARY 18, 2026**

MASS TIMES:

**9:00 AM - ST. BRIDGET (FR. VOGEL)**

**7:00 PM - ST. BRIDGET (FR. MILLER)**

7:00 PM - ST. PATRICK (FR. VOGEL)



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- TO JOIN IN ON THE CHILI COOK-OFF
- TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP WORK THE CHILI COOK-OFF
- TO BRING A CAKE FOR THE CAKE WHEEL
- TO RSVP

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE**

February 2, 2026

(Celebrated in Parishes Jan 31 - Feb 1, 2026)



In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples.

The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

