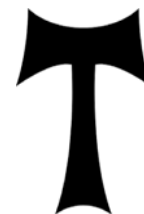




*St. Francis of Assisi Parish  
Humphrey, Nebraska*

*The Tau*

February 2024 Volume 16, Number 6



Dear Parishioners,

The month of February, which is the shortest month of the year, though this year it is a day longer, is the month of love. Valentine's Day - the day of sweethearts.

Ladies, I don't like to be the bearer of bad news, but this year Valentine's Day is also Ash Wednesday in our Catholic faith. Therefore, no candy, no night out to eat a wonderful meal and, guy's, no steak; for it is a day of Fasting and Abstinence, so all one can do is flowers and fish. It will truly be a task of finding ways to show one's love in a special, meaningful way.

As we begin the season of Lent, we may wish to step back and take stock of our life in Christ; how well are we following Him? With all the things going on in the parish and school, it's easy to be upset and angry - that is understandable, but Jesus still calls us to be loving towards our neighbor. Lent is that time to reflect on what needs to change in our lives to be transformed more to Jesus Christ.

There is a Gospel we often read during the Lenten season about the Blind Man. He has no physical sight and calls out to Jesus to heal him, "Son of David, have pity on me!" Jesus asks him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He replied, "Lord, please let me see." (Lk. 18:39, 41)

There is a story told about a young man who was complaining about not having things go his way, wanting things to remain the same. He whined that other people get this and that, but I have practically nothing.

An older and wiser man heard him and remarked, "My son, things change. You have your health, don't you? You have two strong hands, haven't you?"

The young man admitted both of these were true. Then the old man spoke slowly and deliberately, "And you can see. What would you take for your eyes?"

"I wouldn't take a million dollars for my eyes," blurted the youth. "Why I wouldn't even give up one eye for that."

"See," said the old man, "you have more right now than hundreds of thousands ever hope to have."

Yes, sight is a precious gift, one we do not appreciate until we lose it or meet people who have lost it. Jesus gave sight to the man born blind; he was blind of body. But there is another blindness much worse than physical blindness; it is spiritual blindness, that of the man or woman who cannot see the value or even the meaning of spiritual things of the soul. Too many are blind spiritually.

There is an old saying I heard from my grandmother, "*The more attached you are to the things of this world, the less attached you are to Christ and the Heavenly Kingdom.*" You may have many "things" in this world, but don't have an over zealous attachment to them is what I think she was trying to tell me.

During this season of Lent, let us not allow our spiritual eyes to be sightless. Let us ask Our Lord to help us to see:

Lord, that I may see the value of my Catholic Faith.  
Lord, that I may see the value of going to Holy Mass.  
Lord, that I may see you carrying Your cross and dying on it for me.  
Lord, that I may see clearly where You are leading our parish and school.  
Lord, that I may see how much You love me and how I can love you in return.


May this Lenten season help our eyes to be opened and our lives spiritually transformed/transfigured so as to be Christ for others.


A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Stan Schief".

Fr. Stan

# February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 *8:40 AM-7 PM-Adoration/ Benediction	2 *10 AM-First Friday Mass/All-School Mass *10:30 AM-5 PM-Adoration/ Benediction *Bank of the Valley Deposit Day	3 *8 AM-FFA State Degree & Proficiency Review @ Schuyler *Speech @ Wayne High/Wayne State Classic *9 AM-JHBB w/ Fullerton
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK						
4 *5 PM-"Rosary for Peace & Unity" in Church	5 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *NO Bus Service *10:30 AM-KTCH Quiz Bowl *3:30 PM-JHBB w/ Clarkson/Leigh *7 PM-Athletic Board Meeting	6 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *5:45 PM-GBB @ Aquinas	7 *Life Runner T-Shirt Day *7:30 AM-FFA Meet- ing *8:10 AM-GS Mass *2:30 PM-JHBB w/ Palmer *6:30 PM-PRE *7 PM-First Communion Parent Meeting in Parish Hall	8 *8:10 AM-HS Mass *8:40 AM-7 PM- Adoration/ Benediction *1 PM-Dismissal *2 PM-8 PM-Parent/ Teacher Conferences	9 *NO SCHOOL *Speech @ Holy Family *5 PM-GB w/ Elkhorn Valley	10 *2:30 PM-BB @ Nebraska Lutheran
11 *8 AM-12 PM- Knights of Columbus Pancake Feed *5 PM-"Rosary for Peace & Unity" in Church	12 *NO SCHOOL *7 PM-School Board Meeting	13 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *GB Sub-Districts *9 AM-Conference Quiz Bowl @ Heartland Lutheran	14 *Ash Wednesday *8:10 AM- All-School Mass *6:30 PM-PRE *ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES TBA	15 *8:40 AM-7 PM- Adoration/ Benediction *GS Sub-District Finals	16 *10 AM-GS Mass *6 PM-BB @ Twin River *7 PM-Stations of the Cross	17 *Speech @ Battle Creek *Robotics School Competition *9 AM-JHBB w/ Howells/Dodge
18 *5 PM-"Rosary for Peace & Unity" in Church	19 *8:10 AM-GS Mass 7 PM-Finance Board Meeting	20 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *BB Sub-Districts *5:30 PM Parish Circle #2 cleans the parish hall	21 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *Conference Speech @ Elba *6:30 PM-PRE *Tuition Payments Due	22 *8:10 AM-HS Mass *8:40 AM-7 PM- Adoration/ Benediction	23 *10 AM-GS Mass *FFA Ag Olympics *GB District Finals *7 PM-Stations of the Cross	24 *BB District Finals *KC Wild Game Feed *Archdiocese <i>Black &amp; Indian Collection</i> @ Mass
FFA WEEK						
25 *Archdiocese <i>Black &amp; Indian Collection</i> @ Mass *5 PM-"Rosary for Peace & Unity" in Church	26 *8:10 AM-GS Mass *1 PM-Dismissal *NO PM Bus Service *FFA District Career Development Events @ CCC *Start of Spring Sports Practice	27 *8:10 AM-GS Mass	28 *NHS Super Casual Day *8:10 AM-GS Mass *Speech @ Riverside *Freshmen Class Retreat	29 *8:40 AM-7 PM- Adoration/ Benediction *State GB		

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>February 2024</h1>						
				1 8:10am +Len & +Adele Hassenstab	2 10am Souls of the faithfully departed +Diane E. Krings +Vern Haiar +Fr. Vernon Olmer	3 6:15pm +Lorraine Ortmeier
4 10am +Tom Hastreiter	5 8:10am +Cindy Ayala (A)	6 8:10am L/D +Luke & +Arlene Weidner (WA) Family	7 8:10am +Lux Classen, +Austin Steven Classen & +Vic Labenz	8 8:10am In Thanksgiving from the Mark Brockhaus Family	9 No School/No Mass	10 6:15pm +Katherine Peterson & +Rich Wegener
11 10am For The People Of The Parish Families	12 8:10am +Len & +Adele Hassenstab	13 8:10am +Greg Weidner	14 <b>Ash Wednesday</b> 8:10am +Marcelline Foltz & +Alan Beller  TBA +Lawrence Stuhr	15 8:10am +Lorraine Ortmeier	16 10am +Alan Beller	17 6:15pm +Kerry Korth & +Tom Hastreiter
18 10am +Gerald & +Virginia Frauendorfer	19 8:10am L/D Bob & Judy Oberhauser Family & In Thanksgiving from the Vern Haiar Family	20 8:10am L/D +Kenny & +Joan Frisch Family	21 8:10am +Bonnie Ramaekers	22 8:10am L/D +Frank & +Clara Sander Family	23 10am +Len & +Adele Hassenstab	24 6:15pm Paul & Lois Beiermann Family
25 10am L/D +Max & +JoAnn Thomazin Family	26 8:10am +Kerry Korth	27 8:10am +Mark & +Marcelline Foltz (WA) & +Bill Babel	28 8:10am L/D +Kenny & +Joan Frisch Family	29 8:10am L/D +Dale & Nell Schumacher Family & +Vic Brandl		

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<h1>February 2024</h1> <h2>St. Francis of Assisi Parish Birthdays</h2>						
				<b>1</b> Deacon Dennis Anderson Tyler Beranek Marilyn Eisenmenger Deb Herchenbach	<b>2</b> Marilyn Wieser	<b>3</b> Cindy Boesch Dick Classen Chase Eisenmenger Mary Ann Kosch Brodie Korth
<b>4</b> Kenna Olmer Rosalyn Tasa	<b>5</b> Cole Classen Eli Weidner	<b>6</b> Pat Veik	<b>7</b> Evan Foltz Rita Keller Tannon Korth	<b>8</b> Danielle Bender Paige Classen Evelyn Korus Greg Olmer Michael Wegener	<b>9</b> Clifford Finkral Karen Wietfeld	<b>10</b> Leslieann Brandl
<b>11</b> Dr. Richard Albers Ken Backes Greg Hassenstab Bev Olmer Kristie Stricklin Jackson Wemhoff Reese Wieser Tom Zuerlein	<b>12</b> Celie Anderson Tom Frauendorfer Ray Hemmer Dick Kastl	<b>13</b> Taylor Czarnick Jerry Kyncl John Olmer Bo Sunderman	<b>14</b> Grayson Bender Jeff Bender Rory Beranek Elizabeth Keller Russ Korth Eugene Pfeifer Spencer Wieser Tyson Wietfeld	<b>15</b> Dillon Preister	<b>16</b> Ella Frauendorfer Alexander Mendez	<b>17</b> Ron Denkinger Craig Wemhoff
<b>18</b> Tom Kosch Brandon Morfeld Mary Beth Noonan Henry Small Dale Wemhoff	<b>19</b> Gunner Classen Anna Mae Hamling Alan Huettner Kinsley Larson Gene Schueth Brock Wegener	<b>20</b> Jami Brandl Michelle Cash Jaxton Dunn Elaine Eisenmenger Monica Heesacker Gina Weidner Gary Zimmerer	<b>21</b> Ashley Krings Kelli Reichumth	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Kollyns Frauendorfer Isabelle Krings Tanner Krings Margaret Sander Randy Zach	<b>24</b> Susan Arlt Sawyer Sunderman Josh Wessel
<b>25</b> Steve Albracht Kreo Bender Jaiden Anderson Bonnie Kosch Ron Krings	<b>26</b> Brianna Hula Jordan Krings Chelsea Werner	<b>27</b> Nick Olmer	<b>28</b> Jeanne Gronenthal Bob Haiar	<b>29</b>		

**St. Francis of Assisi Athletic Board Minutes**  
**January 3, 2024**

The St. Francis athletic board held a meeting on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, in the library. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by athletic director Erik Kessler. Members present were Eric Kessler, Josh Wessel, Erica Wessel, Adam Wietfeld, Karen Wietfeld, Ryan Preister, Megan Preister, Jason Jarosz and Heather Jarosz. Mark Geilenkirchen and Lisa Gelsenkirchen were excused.

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Eric Kessler.

Last month's meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Adam Wietfeld and seconded by Ryan Preister.

The treasurer's report was reviewed. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Ryan Preister and seconded by Adam Wietfeld.

The expense report was reviewed. A motion to approve the expense report was made by Karen Wietfeld and seconded by Josh Wessel.

The athletic department has a huge need for a bus driver. Please contact a board member to discuss CDL reimbursement if interested.

The board unanimously agreed to mail out gym advertising invoices in conjunction with the school year as opposed to the previously decided calendar year. Invoices for current advertising will be billed annually beginning in June of 2024. If your business is interested in advertising in the St. Francis high school gym, please contact a board member for details.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 5, 2024, at 7 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

Erica Wessel, Secretary

**St. Francis of Assisi School Board Minutes**  
**January 9, 2024**

The St. Francis school board met on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, in the St. Francis rectory. Members present were Fr. Stan Schmit, Mrs. Jennifer Dunn, Brent Reichmuth, Katie McPhillips, Diane Noonan, Ann Olmer, Todd Preister and Jared Wiehn.

Diane Noonan opened the meeting with a prayer.

The meeting agenda was approved by Todd Preister and seconded by Ann Olmer.

The minutes of last month's meeting were approved by Jared Wiehn and seconded by Katie McPhillips.

**MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Administrator's Report:**

Mrs. Dunn said the religion teacher arrived safely and has been getting many household supplies from the parish families.

Two students transferred in at semester time; a fourth and seventh grader.

A parishioner has offered to donate a new copier to the high school.

**Finances:**

Fr. Stan observed that finances are tight. He explained how the Len and Adele Hassenstab donation is being managed.

**President's Comments:**

The first semester went well. Fr. Stan said the boiler in the grade school is an issue that still needs to be resolved.

**New Business:**

The board members had questions about the organization of the new high school. Mrs. Dunn reported that teachers from both high schools were visited with regarding employment next year. A transition team composed of members from both parishes is in the process of assisting Father with the transition to the new school.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer led by Katie McPhillips at 7:50 PM.

The next meeting of the school board will be held on Monday, February 12, 2024, at 7 PM.

Diane Noonan, Secretary

## Liturgical Ministers for February 2024 - March 2024

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Weekend	Lectors	Servers	E.M.H.C.	Hospitality/Greeters	Offertory
<b><u>Saturday</u> February 3, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Taylor Werner	Cade Wietfeld Tate Wietfeld	Glenn & DeAnna Heinen	Dorothy Brandt Mary Korus	Russ & Terri Wilshusen
<b><u>Sunday</u> February 4, 2024 10 AM</b>	Jordan Bender	Isabella Tasa Brisa Reigle	Deacon Kent Sachau Dean Korus	Ryan & Karla Zach	John & Beth Keller
<b><u>Saturday</u> February 10, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Chris Braun	Phillip Keller Tyson Wietfeld	Deacon Kent Sachau Doug Eisenmenger	Tim & Anita Brandl	Mary Ann Babel Betty Brockhaus
<b><u>Sunday</u> February 11, 2024 10 AM</b>	Gary Braun	Jaiden Anderson Brenna Wieseler	Deacon Tim Howard Roger Baumgart	Jim & Lisa Classen	Ken & Jane Backes
<b><u>Ash Wednesday</u> February 14, 2024 TBA</b>	Ethan Bruland	2 Volunteers: Adults or Children	Deacon Tim Howard Jeanne Brockhaus	Karen Werner Betty Brockhaus	Tim & Anita Brandl
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> February 16, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Gavin Geilenkirchen Mason Geilenkirchen	_____	_____	_____
<b><u>Saturday</u> February 17, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Jennifer Dunn	Gage Braun Jameson Small	Paul & Jodie Eisenmenger	Francis & Connie Jaixen	Leon & Barb Bender
<b><u>Sunday</u> February 18, 2024 10 AM</b>	Kim Jarosz	Jacob Classen Wyatt Brandl	Dan & Ginny Fehringer	Joe & Lori Classen	Kent & Carolyn Korth
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> February 23, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Olivia Braun Grace Braun	_____	_____	_____



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<b><u>Saturday</u> February 24, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Ken Classen	Carter Howard Harrison Howard	Deacon Tim Howard Karen Wietfeld	Milo & Rita Herink	Ferd & Helen Weidner
<b><u>Sunday</u> February 25, 2024 10 AM</b>	Jocelyn Dunn	Trevor Czarnick Tucker Czarnick	Melvin & Karen Sueper	Marge Albracht Laurie Eisenmenger	Kevin & Paula Kosch
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> March 1, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Max Wegener Jameson Small	_____	_____	_____
<b><u>Saturday</u> March 2, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Jodie Eisenmenger	Cade Wietfeld Tate Wietfeld	Deacon Kent Sachau Missy Braun	Pat & Melissa Duesman	Tom & Ann Olmer
<b><u>Sunday</u> March 3, 2024 10 AM</b>	Ginny Fehringer	Jameson Dunn Tatum Classen	Deacon Tim Howard Janet Osten	Debbie Huettner Mary Anne Haschke	Ryan & Sheila Goetsch
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> March 8, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Phillip Keller Tyson Wietfeld	_____	_____	_____
<b><u>Saturday</u> March 9, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Paul Eisenmenger	Gavin Geilenkirchen Mason Geilenkirchen	Sally Classen Makenna Wietfeld	Tim & Connie Foltz	Larry & Jeanette Frauendorfer
<b><u>Sunday</u> March 10, 2024 10 AM</b>	Sharlene Hamling	Jett Dunn Grant Keller	Deacon Kent Sachau Michelle Meyer	Dan & Ginny Fehringer	Richard & Susan Braun
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> March 15, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Gage Braun Claire Wegener	_____	_____	_____

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<b><u>Saturday</u> March 16, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Celie Anderson	Grace Braun Olivia Braun	Deacon Dennis Anderson Kevin Small	Joe & Lori Classen	Mary Classen Elaine Eisenmenger
<b><u>Sunday</u> March 17, 2024 10 AM</b>	Bob Haiar	Jadyn Olmer Dominick Preister	Rita Baumgart Katie Morfeld	Ken & Jane Backes	Ken & Sarah Classen
<b><u>Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> March 22, 2024 7 PM</b>	_____	Jocelyn Classen Jameson Small	_____	_____	_____
<b><u>Saturday</u> March 23, 2024 6:15 PM</b>	Corrine Haiar	Max Wegener Cade Wietfeld	Alan & Jayne Ternus	Tim & Beverly Zach	Spencer & Brandi Eisenmenger
<b><u>Palm Sunday</u> March 24, 2024 10 AM</b>	Kim Jarosz	Brisa Reigle Nathan Preister	Deacon Dennis & Celie Anderson	Jackson & Halee Schnitzler	Gene & Maureen McPhillips
<b><u>Holy Thursday</u> March 28, 2024 TBA</b>	Rita Keller	Gage Braun Max Wegener Wyatt Brandl Jameson Dunn Jett Dunn	Deacon Tim Howard Lynn Teply	Glenn & Joyce Ternus	Michael & Natalie Ramaekers
<b><u>Good Fri-Stations of the Cross</u> March 29, 2024 TBA</b>	_____	Brenna Wieseler Isabella Tasa	_____	_____	_____
<b><u>Good Friday-Lord's Passion</u> March 29, 2024 TBA</b>	Larry Korth Dave Krings	Tate Wietfeld Tyson Wietfeld Cade Wietfeld	Deacon Kent Sachau Dustin Ternus	_____	_____

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<b>Sunday</b> <b><u>Easter Sunday</u></b> <b>March 31, 2024</b> <b>10 AM</b>	<b>Need <u>One</u> Volunteer</b> See sign-up sheet on back tables in Church	<b>Need <u>Three</u> Volunteers</b> See sign-up sheet on back tables in Church	Deacon Kent Sachau <b>Need <u>One</u> Volunteer</b> See sign-up sheet on back tables in Church	<b>Need <u>Two</u> Volunteers</b> See sign-up sheet on back tables in Church	<b>Need <u>Two</u> Volunteers</b> See sign-up sheet on back tables in Church



## Fast & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

## Congratulations to the January 2024 Prize-A-Day Calendar Winners!

Cal. Date	Event	Amount	Calendar #	Winner	City	State
1/01	Solemnity of Mary	\$200	374	Larry VanDyke	Fort Collins	CO
1/02	Weekday	\$50	90	Ray & Mary Hemmer	Humphrey	NE
1/03	Weekday	\$50	679	Ainsley Huettner	Humphrey	NE
1/04	Weekday	\$50	76	Brandon & Courtney Pfeifer	Omaha	NE
1/05	Weekday	\$50	175	Owen Schulte	Council Bluffs	IA
1/06	Weekday	\$50	231	Denise & Jeremy Wilber	Council Bluffs	IA
1/07	Sunday	\$75	852	Barb Bender	Humphrey	NE
1/08	Weekday	\$50	472	Adam & Karen Wietfeld	Humphrey	NE
1/09	Weekday	\$50	553	Jenaya Wemhoff	Humphrey	NE
1/10	Weekday	\$50	859	Fr. Matt Gutowski	Humphrey	NE
1/11	Weekday	\$50	383	Jerry Sand	Lenexa	KS
1/12	Weekday	\$50	487	Gerald Wegener	Lindsay	NE
1/13	Weekday	\$50	600	Jarrett Weidner	Humphrey	NE
1/14	Sunday	\$75	414	Renee Classen	Humphrey	NE
1/15	Weekday	\$50	285	Jerry Christopher	Dunedin	FL
1/16	Weekday	\$50	463	Sally Classen	Humphrey	NE
1/17	Weekday	\$50	777	David & Kelli Wegener	Humphrey	NE
1/18	Weekday	\$50	327	Trel Wemhoff	Blair	NE
1/19	Weekday	\$50	782	F.M. & Helen Weidner	Humphrey	NE
1/20	Weekday	\$50	516	Claire Wegener (Ross)	Humphrey	NE
1/21	Sunday	\$75	896	Kinley Merchant	Kearney	NE
1/22	Weekday	\$50	13	Keith Ternus	Madison	NE
1/23	Weekday	\$50	315	Dick & Jane Kastl	Humphrey	NE
1/24	Weekday	\$50	618	Sheridan Eisenmenger	Monroe	NE
1/25	Weekday	\$50	872	Taylor & Chelsea Werner	Humphrey	NE
1/26	Weekday	\$50	608	Tristen, Ty & Tatum Classen	Humphrey	NE
1/27	Weekday	\$50	198	Micheline Creager	Lincoln	NE
1/28	Sunday	\$75	932	Linda & Bob Ternus	Humphrey	NE
1/29	Weekday	\$50	794	Deb Bender	Lindsay	NE
1/30	Weekday	\$50	580	Larry Frauendorfer Family	Humphrey	NE
1/31	Weekday	\$50	628	Dean & Ann Preister	Humphrey	NE



**Thank you for your support!**



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS/ADORATION

St. Francis, Humphrey - Fridays @ 7:00 PM  
 Holy Family, Lindsay - Fridays @ 7:00 PM

We will begin with Exposition of the Eucharist and follow with Adoration during the Stations of the Cross, then following with Benediction and Closing.  
 All are invited to join us!

### CRS RICE BOWLS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.



Pick up a rice bowl for you,  
 and one for a friend.

With this rice bowl, this Lent you can make a difference in the lives of others!

## FEBRUARY 2024 - 500 CLUB WINNERS

- #375 Milton & Karen Wemhoff
- #136 Tim & Jill Werner
- #16 Jim & Lisa Classen
- #13 Betty Sueper

**Congratulations and thank you for your support!**

## Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast



**THE KC's INVITES EVERYONE TO JOIN  
 THEM FOR THE PANCAKE FEED  
 HELD IN THE  
 ST. FRANCIS PARISH HALL**

*Rescheduled date:*  
**Sunday, February 11, 2024**  
**8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Come enjoy a hot breakfast with your family & friends!



### Prayer for Candlemas Day—February 2, 2024

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true light enlightening every soul born into the world. Today we celebrate the feast of Candlemas. Before Holy Mass, the priest blesses the candles, whose wax is the humming summer's work of countless bees. The flame of these candles will shed their light upon the altar at the Holy Sacrifice. Help us to realize, this day and every day, that our own humdrum daily work, if it is done for love of You, and in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, will be a super natural work, and will shine brightly before You for all eternity. Help us to realize, too, each time we see the blessed candles at Holy Mass, or at the bedside of the sick, that they are a symbol of Yourself, the Light shining in the darkness of this world. Help us to live in that light, to make it our own and to kindle it in the souls of others, increasing the area of light and lessening the darkness in the world this, dear Lord, help us do through the merits of Your own dear mother, Mary, who did everything for love of you, from the moment she brought You into this world till the day she jointed You in the realms of light at her death. Then we, too, working for You shall be light bearers who will help to spread Your kingdom on earth and increase the number of those who dwell in heaven, the city of eternal light. Amen





**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL***

burns in the month of  
February 2024

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Paul & Jodie Eisenmenger***

***God's strength & comfort for people with cancer***  
in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental  
Presence in the tabernacle of our prayer chapel.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** by the statue of  
***ST. PEREGRINE***

burns in the month of  
February 2024

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Dean & Ann Preister***

in gratitude for the intercession of St. Peregrine,  
and asking God to give his healing grace to all those  
who suffer from cancer.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***CHURCH SANCTUARY***

burns in the month of  
February 2024

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Ron & Judi Brandl***

***in memory of +Vic Brandl***

in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental  
Presence in the tabernacle of our Church.



**OUR SANCTUARY LAMP** in the  
***HIGH SCHOOL CHAPEL***

burns in the month of  
February 2024

by the request of and for the intentions of  
***Mike & Sandy Classen***

***in memory of +Austin Steven Classen***

in grateful recognition of Our Lord's Sacramental  
Presence in the tabernacle of the Chapel where  
our student pray.

**This February Issue of the Tau is sponsored by Andy & Lisa Krings  
for the intention of L/D +Herman & +Heni Krings & +Gene & +Mary Ellen Zach Families. Thank you!**

**The deadline for putting anything in the Tau is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. If you are interested in  
sponsoring the Tau or any of the Sanctuary Candles, please contact Karen in the parish office.**