# Diocese of Peoria St. Malachy Church and School

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# The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 26, 2025



## Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

**Reconciliation:** Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to: <u>http://catholicquadcities.com</u> Traveling? <u>www.masstimes.org</u> to find Masses

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Anointing of the Sick:Emergency ph	
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Bereavement:	
Prayer Chain:	
Divorced Ministry:	
OCIA	Dcn. Mike Sigwalt

We warmly welcome new parishioners and invite them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 27 8:00 am Lorin Meade + St. Angela Merici

TUESDAY, January 28St. Thomas Aquinas8:00 amAlana Wachtel & family +

WEDNESDAY, January 29 Weekday 8:00 am Rachel VanMeenen + 9:00 am Nathan Francoue +

THURSDAY, January 30 Weekday 5:45 pm Karen Vogel +

FRIDAY, January 31 St. John Bosco 8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

**SATURDAY, February 1** 8:00 am Margie Fitzgerald + 5:00 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY, February 2 8:15 am Fr. Duane Jack + 10:30 am Don Beck + The Presentation of the Lord

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word February: 8:15 am - Kate Kies 10:30 am - Kaila Woods

Altar Servers: January 27 - February 2 M-T-W: Easton Patterson, Delilah Hulsbrink Saturday: 5:00 pm: Collin Griffith, Samantha Minnaert Sunday: 8:15 am: Lenna Bolme, Jake Turner Sunday: 10:30 am: Joey Thoene, Camryn Hawkins



#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

St. Anthony/Atkinson Sa 4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

Sacred Heart/Annawan 8:00 am Sunday Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than **Noon** on Tuesdays.

## Readings for Sunday, February 2, 2025 The Presentation of the Lord

Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

1st Reading: Malachi 3:1-4

There will come to the temple the Lord whom you seek.

**Responsorial: Psalm 24** *R./: "Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord!"* 

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18

He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way.

**Gospel: Luke 2:22-40** *My eyes have seen your salvation.* 



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, January 27 Mass 8:00 am Reconciliation 8:45 am Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Parish Chapel Parish Council 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm CR

### Tuesday, January 28

Mass 8:00 am Reconciliation 8:45 am Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Women's Support Group 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Rm C OCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR

Wednesday, January 29

Mass 8:00 am School Mass 9:00 am (Catholic Schools Week) K-5 CCD 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm The Rock 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm YR Oasis 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm YR Celebration Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm

### Thursday, January 30

Adoration 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Reconciliation 5:00 pm Mass 5:45 pm

Friday, January 31

Communion Service 8:00 am Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm YR

## Saturday, February 1

First Saturday Mass & Devotions 8:00 am Marian Consecration Prayer 9:00 am –10:00 am Reconciliation 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Candlemas - Blessing of the Candles at the beginning of Mass Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, February 2

Mass 8:15 am Children's Liturgy of the Word Catholic Schools Week Open House 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Mass 10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

## Welcome Committee Cinnamon Rolls & Coffee

Free - Free - Free

Join the Welcome Committee after both Masses Sunday, February 16 for FREE Cinnamon Rolls & Coffee.



William Gifford Grandfather of Fr. Gifford

## **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Next Session: Tuesday, January 28, 2025 6:00 pm in the Conference Room Topic: Sacrament of Healing: Anointing of the Sick If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Dcn. Mike Sigwalt <u>msigwalt23@gmail.com</u> 309-502-9243

> EMMAUS KNIGHTS FOR YOUNG MEN GRADES 7-12

February 9, March 9, April 13 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Join Fr. Chase for a Sunday night of faith, fraternity, and formation at the Emmaus House 2327 W Heading Ave, West Peoria

Emmaus Knights is an experience for young men who desire to grow in friendship and faith with some food and some fun.

Fathers, drop your sons off & stay for a time of fraternity.

Scan the code to let us know you are coming and to have your parent fill out a digital permission form!



# Candlemas

The blessing of the candles Saturday, February 1

At the beginning of the 5:00 pm Mass. There will be a display of candles in the baptistery. If you have candles you intend to use for prayer at home, you are welcome to add them to the base of the display to be included in the blessing.

# A Letter from the Pastor



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

"Your words, Lord, are spirit and life." These words of our psalm response are very fitting for this Word of God Sunday. Pope Francis gave us the gift of this new special celebration in the church calendar as recently as 2019. The timing is especially fitting, as we begin our

Ordinary Time journey through the Gospel of Luke for this new liturgical year. In March, we will have our Gospel of Luke Challenge. Meanwhile, the chronology of this fresh journey through the gospel will be broken up next week, as we will celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. We have been preparing for this Sunday, to which Dr. Mark Barber has referred as the "end of the Christmas cycle." We will have much to celebrate next week, as we are given one more opportunity to remember the infancy of Our Lord. "When a woman is in labor, she is in anguish because her hour has arrived; but when she has given birth to a child, she no longer remembers the pain because of her joy that a child has been born into the world." (John 16:21).

**BLESSING OF CANDLES:** A great tradition connected to the Presentation, sometimes called "Candlemas," is the blessing of candles. This will take place at the beginning of Mass Saturday night at 5 PM. There will be a display of candles in the baptistery. If you have candles you intend to use for prayer at home, you are welcome to add them to the base of the display to be included in the blessing.

**MARIAN CONSECRATION:** Many of us are currently preparing for a total consecration to Jesus through Mary, which will take place after all Masses next weekend. If you plan to participate in the consecration, you are encouraged to bring your own copy of a consecration prayer, but I will plan to have a few copies available. If you need help finding one, send me an email. The consecration will take place after the closing hymn of each Mass.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK:** Also, the Closing Mass for Catholic Schools Week will take place at 10:30 next weekend, preceded by the open house. This is a great celebration of our school, which is such an important and fruitful part of the mission of our parish. I hope you can share in the joy of all of the hard work of our children, teachers and families.

**ANOTHER FIRST COMMUNION:** We had the great joy of starting off this month with three consecutive weeks of young people coming into the church. Now, we will have the joy of starting this next month with yet another First Communion, with another young person coming into the church. Lili Marshall, who is in eighth grade, will be receiving her First Holy Communion at the 10:30 Mass next Sunday, February 2nd.

CHAPEL SURVEY: Our parish chapel is a gift. In addition to serving as overflow seating on the weekends, it can be a beautiful space to pray throughout the week. For many years, our parish custom was to hold Daily Mass in the chapel. I arrived here during COVID and that practice was necessarily suspended. During my first year, my observations of the attendance at Daily Mass led me guickly to the conclusion that we had "outgrown" the chapel in numbers, which is unfortunate, but is a good problem to have. Meanwhile, we have preserved the use of the chapel for personal prayer, including Eucharistic Adoration on Mondays and smaller prayer services. When we do return temporarily to the chapel for Mass, as has been our custom before the Christmas program, we often are in need of additional seating. At times, we have had to bring in additional chairs, which required advanced setup. And at other times, we have simply had people standing. When we recently returned to the chapel for the third week of Advent, prompted by the request of some parishioners, I made a survey available to find out which space is preferred for Daily Mass. This survey was left out the rest of the week for Daily Mass and Communion Service, as well as being announced and made available over the weekend. I am thankful to all who provided a response. We received 30 surveys back. 5 people preferred the chapel, 12 preferred the main church, 12 preferred a mix of both at different times and 1 did not answer the question. These results do not warrant changing the location of Daily Mass on a regular basis. However, I will give consideration to the possibility of more occasions to use the chapel for Mass. It is most likely that the Mass schedule will remain the same throughout the remainder of the school year. If there are any changes, I would not expect them before the summer or when everything begins again in Fall 2025.

In Christ through Mary, Fa and FET

Fr. Daniel P. Gifford St. Malachy, Pray for us Children's Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

# Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays, depending on availability of volunteers.

## Youth Ministry Intercessory Prayer Team

Join us as we lift up our youth in prayer! We are changing the schedule and will be gathering on the **first Wednesday of each month at 6:15 pm** in the Parish Chapel (when available) to pray the Rosary for the intentions of our youth. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together as a community and pray.

All are welcome - whether you're a seasoned prayer warrior or new to the Rosary, your prayers make a difference.



## Did you Know?

Your child can attend a Catholic School Financial Assistance Available

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2025-2026 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed.

Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under **Catholic Schools** and then under **John Lancaster Spalding** Scholarship. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist at the bottom of the webpage for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: **online.factsmgt.com/aid**. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2025-2026 school year must reapply.

**Deadline date** for the completed application is **April 25, 2025.** Notification of grant awards will be made in June of 2025.

# Youth Groups

Middle School Youth Group (The Rock) meets on Wednesdays from 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm High School Youth Group (Oasis) meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

Each week features a delicious meal, fun games/activities and the opportunity to grow in your walk with Jesus. All are welcome and feel free to bring a friend.



Saint Malachy Kids' Carnival FUNdraiser February 5th from 5:00-6:30 pm

Bring the whole family out for an evening of exciting games, fantastic prizes, and delicious treats. Sponsored by St. Malachy Youth Ministry and put on by our middle and high school students, this event offers unlimited play for a free-will donation. All proceeds benefit the Steubenville-Joliet Summer Youth Conference. Your support helps make this life-changing experience possible for our teens— Your family's fun evening can send our high schoolers to an unforgettable faith-building experience.

# Abide in Me Youth Retreat

February 15, 2025 from 9:30 am - 8:00 pm This day retreat for highschoolers will feature great speakers, praise and worship, spotlight on sacred vocations, opportunities for the sacraments, and much more that will culminate in Eucharistic Adoration. Event will be held at the Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center. Cost is \$35 per person but scholarships are available. Contact Sara Osborn, Director of Youth Ministry: <u>sosborn@stmalgeneseo.org</u> We are planning transportation from our parish if enough teens sign up.



## STEWARDSHIP

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### January 2025

Rosary Schedule

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	D		1 Glorious Mysteries OR 1st Joyful Mystery (Annunciation)	2 Luminous Mysteries OR 2nd Joyful Mystery (Visitation)	3 Sorrowful Mysteries OR 3rd Joyful Mystery (Nativity of Our Lord)	4 Joyful Mysteries OR 4th Joyful Mystery (Presentation)
5 Glorious Mysteries OR 5th Joyful Mystery (Finding in the Temple)	6 Joyful Mysteries OR 1st Luminous Mystery (Baptism of the Lord)	7 Sorrowful Mysteries OR 2nd Luminous Mystery (Wedding Feast at Cana)	8 Glorious Mysteries OR 3rd Luminous Mystery (Proclamation of the Kingdom)	9 Luminous Mysteries OR 4th Luminous Mystery (Transfiguration)	10 Sorrowful Mysteries OR 5th Luminous Mystery (Institution of the Eucharist)	11 Joyful Mysteries OR 1st Sorrowful Mystery (Agony in the Garden)
12 Glorious Mysteries OR 2nd Sorrowful Mystery (Scourging at the Pillar)	13 Joyful Mysteries OR 3rd Sorrowful Mystery (Crowning of Thorns)	14 Sorrowful Mysteries OR 4th Sorrowful Mystery (Carrying of the Cross)	15 Glorious Mysteries OR 5th Sorrowful Mystery (Crucifixion and Death)	16 Luminous Mysteries OR 1st Glorious Mystery (Resurrection)	17 Sorrowful Mysteries OR 2nd Glorious Mystery (Ascension)	18 Joyful Mysteries OR 3rd Glorious Mystery (Pentecost)
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+++ Alternatively, if you are only praying a decade each day, on non-consecutive days, you may start one of the sets of mysteries on the first day you pray and pick up where you left off the next time you pray, until you finish that set of mysteries.

## FEBRUARY LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### **GREETERS**:

5:00 pm – Joyce Webb, Mary Ellen Doherty (Front); Mary Ann Peterson, Karen Humbert (West) 8:15 am – Joyce Mattan, Veronica Minnaert (Front); Ilene Hamer, Ellen Scranton (West) 10:30 am – David Heitzler & Shirley Heitzler (Front); Steve & Maggie Mroz (West)

### USHERS:

5:00 pm – Mark Robets, Jason Snyder
8:15 am – Mike Croegaert, Tom Curnyn, Dick Mattan, Jim Mattie
10:30 am – Steve Egert, David Hone, Jeff Hulsbrink, Monica Paxton

### LECTOR/ COMMENTATOR

5:00 pm – Karen Humbert (L); Pat Boelens (C) 8:15 am – Bill Hanford (L); Cynthia Wells (C)

10:30 am – Kyle Ganson (L); Michelle Ganson (C)

### EMHCs

5:00 pm – Chuck LoGiudice (Chalice); Mary LoGiudice (Chalice); Virgil Thurman, Mary Beth Peterson 8:15 am – Shannon Carroll (Chalice); Melanie Rice (Chalice); Ryan Wilson, Judy Kanke 10:30 am – Nicole Freadhoff (Chalice); Cynthia Miller (Chalice); Larry Vandersnick, Jim Luikart

## FEBRUARY ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 1 - 5:00 pm Collin Griffith, Samantha Minnaert Sunday, February 2 - 8:15 am Lenna Bolme, Jake Turner 10:30 am Joey Thoene, Camryn Hawkins Saturday, February 8 - 5:00 pm Brook Murtha, Trace Hager Sunday, February 9 - 8:15 am Garren Boelens, Leona Werner 10:30 am Kate Vorac, Anna Vorac Saturday, February 15 - 5:00 pm Avery Emmerson, Charlee Cherry Sunday, February 16 - 8:15 am Remington Rahmus, Hayden Rahmus 10:30 am Lincoln Anderson, Shawn Pobanz Saturday, February 22 - 5:00 pm Declan Gillespie, Grady DeWolfe Sunday, February 23 - 8:15 am Garren Boelens, Leona Werner 10:30 am Roger Winkleman, Ivan Hone



# **PRO-LIFE ROSARY**

Sunday, February 2nd, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church Silvis, Illinois Please make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament any time between now and then. Questions? Call Marc Possin (309)714-3735





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# A GLOBAL OUTREACH PROJECT



We are 4 women from the Quad Cities who have come together to form a stained-glass ministry to

raise money for clean water projects in under-developed countries. Our goal is to raise \$2,500 each year by making stained-glass heart sun catchers. We are now starting our twelfth year and have raised over \$33,000 so far.

We will be selling these hearts for \$10 each at St. Malachy Church on **Saturday, February 8**, and **Sunday, February 9**. We will be available after all Masses. All proceeds from our sale will be sent to Father Charles Niwagaba to be used for wells in his village of Buhinda in Uganda.

These hearts make great Valentine's gifts and gifts for any special occasion throughout the year. Your support of this worthwhile cause will be greatly appreciated. Hearts can also be ordered by contacting Therese Roman at (563) 271-5176. Thank you!



Therese Roman, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Silvis Linda Mitton, Christ The King, Moline Beth Ricke and Barb Brooks, St. Anne, East Moline

