

# The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2025



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*OUR MISSION AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER IS TO PROMOTE SPIRITUAL GROWTH, RELIGIOUS FORMATION, FELLOWSHIP AND STEWARDSHIP WITHIN OUR PARISH. WE SHALL GIVE WITNESS TO CHRIST BY MINISTERING AND LIVING THE WORD OF GOD.*

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

#### Schedules of Masses/Liturgy

Tuesday through Friday	4:30 p.m. Adoration Confession 5:00 p.m. Vespers 5:30 p.m. Mass
Saturday	4:00 p.m. Adoration Confession 4:30 p.m. Holy Rosary 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass
Sunday	10:00 a.m. Holy Rosary 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass

#### Office Hours

Monday	9:00 a.m. - Noon
Tuesday - Friday	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

#### Religious Ed Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.  
Call or text: 719-501-2771 If you leave a message or text,  
you will get a response during their office hours.

#### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Peter John Abogado, SSS	Parish Admin.
Cathy Walkup	Secretary
Juan Casaus and Candy Madrill	Rel. Formation CRE
Parish Volunteers	Maintenance
Parish Volunteers	Music Director

In case of an Emergency, call: **Jim Vigil** 719-369-7658

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

#### MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. (Fr. Stephen Olamolou)  
FIRST FRIDAY MASS 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration  
(Fr. Peter J. Abogado, SSS)

#### CONFESSION

SUNDAY 7:30 am - 7:55 a.m.

### ST. ALOYSIUS

#### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

#### CONFESSION

Before Sunday Mass 8:15 a.m.

#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

Mass 8:30 a.m.  
Adoration 9:00 a.m.  
Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

*"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Luke 2:29-32*



## MASS INTENTIONS For 02/01/25 through 02/07/25

**Saturday - February 1st - 5:00 p.m.**

+**EDDIE** and +**MARY VIGIL** by Nancy, Rena, Jim & Family

**Sunday - February 2nd**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES - 8:00 a.m.**

For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER - 10:30 a.m.**

+**DANNY** and +**ISAIAH VIALPANDO (birthday)**  
by the Cordova & Vialpando Family

+**MARY COONEY** by Pearl Casaus

+**BARBARA GARCIA RAYAS** by Rose & Jenny  
Martinez

+**BEATRICE BROWN** by Rose & Jenny Martinez

+**JOSEFINA MASCARENAS MOSQUERA (birthday)**  
by the Mascarenas Family

+**ELI** and +**SOFIA MASCARENAS** by the  
Mascarenas Family

+**FREDDIE MARTINEZ** by Richard & Rose Martinez

+**VELKIS McCULLEY (health)** by the McCulley Family

**Monday - February 3rd**

No Mass Scheduled

**Tuesday - February 4th - 5:30 p.m.**

No Special Intentions

**Wednesday - February 5th - 5:30 p.m.**

No Special Intentions

**Thursday - February 6th - 5:30 p.m.**

For the People of Our Lady of Lourdes

**Friday - February 7th - 5:30 p.m.**

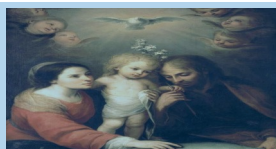
No Special Intentions

### OTHER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Feb. 1st: +Rev. Agatho Strittmatter, OSB Feb. 3rd: +Deacon  
Merle Runck Feb. 4th: +Rev. Patrick Conway Feb. 6th:  
+Rev. Joseph F. Weber, SJ Feb. 7th +Rev. Edward  
Berkmeyer; +Rev. Vicente Pazenla Casa

### All You Can Eat Soup/Chile Fundraiser

Religious Education will be hosting this fundraiser on Sunday, February 16th, from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$8 per person (includes dessert), drinks are separate. During this time we will have a Chile Contest! The winner will receive a gift card! If you would like to donate any soup/chile, dessert, monetary donation, or you would like to be part of the contest, please contact Juan or Candy. The deadline for donations or to enter the contest is this Tuesday, February 4th.



**HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH**, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen.

### Readings and Feast Days for 02/02/25 through 02/08/25

#### 2 SUN THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

white *Feast* Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

#### 3 Mon Weekday (Fourth Week in Ordinary Time)

green/red/white [*Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop*] Heb 11:32-40/Mk 5:1-20

#### 4 Tue Weekday green Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43

#### 5 Wed Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr red

*Memorial* Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6

#### 6 Thu Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs red

*Memorial* Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13

#### 7 Fri Weekday green Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29

#### 8 Sat Weekday green/white/white/white [*Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM*]

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34

#### Saint Josephine Bakhita - Feast Day February 8th

Five things that you should know about her life and legacy.

1. She is the patron saint of victims of human trafficking. When working in the fields with her mother at age 9, she was captured and sold into slavery.
2. She received her name "Bakhita" from captors. The trauma of being forced into slavery affected her memory of her name, and her captors called her "Bakhita," meaning "fortunate."
3. She was eventually purchased by an Italian consul, whose kind treatment transformed her life.
4. She gave her life to the Lord when she was sent to live with the Sisters of the Institute of the Catechumens.
5. She worked at the sacristy for the next 50 years, during which time she wrote her own biography. Over a 20-year period, she wrote her autobiography, and following its publication in 1930, she traveled the world, sharing her story and the hope Christ had given her.

Source: Butler's *Lives of Saints*, ed. Bernard Bangle



#### The Superbowl Board

There is a Superbowl Board in the back of the Church. The cost is \$20.00. Half of the winnings will go to our Church and the other half will go to the winner. If you are interested, please be sure to sign the board.

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*St. Francis Xavier*  
*January 26, 2025*  
*Our Giving to God*

Offertory \$ 1,348.25  
2nd Collection/Latin America \$ 271.66

*Our Lady of Lourdes*  
*January 26, 2025*  
*Our Giving to God*

Offertory: \$ 1,185.00  
2nd Collection/Latin America: \$ 165.00

### Announcements

Our First Friday Mass will be this Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> is our First Friday Mass. Father Peter will be our celebrant.

Our food drive is on-going through February. Please bring non-perishable items to the church over the next four weeks.

The Month of February is dedicated to  
The Holy Family

In the words of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII, "Nothing truly can be more salutary or efficacious for Christian families to mediate upon than the example of this Holy Family, which embraces the perfection and completeness of all domestic virtues."

**FORMED** THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.



### Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and *ipogrificas* press

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES MINISTERS February 9, 2025

**Commentator** Kathy Serena  
**Lectors** Rich Concialdi  
Karen Ortiz  
**Eucharistic Ministers** Wayne Huber  
Tara Stosek  
**Altar Server** Ken Montoya

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER MINISTERS February 8th and 9th, 2025

**Commentator** Pat Muniz  
**Lectors** Monica Lucero  
Maria Nunines  
**Eucharistic Ministers** Paul Montez  
Karen Aguilera  
Tony Baca  
Juanita McCulley-Santos

### WEEKLY OFFERING/ DONATION

Make your weekly offering or a donation to the church by scanning the QR Code located on the right.



### ONLINE MOBILE APP



Sign up for the online/mobile app by scanning the QR Code located on the left.

Pope's Intentions for the month of February:  
For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

### PARISH INFORMATION

**Legion of Mary** Meets every Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the classroom  
**Divine Mercy** Meets every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the classroom  
**Finance Committee** Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.  
**Parish Council** Meets every 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.  
**Hall Rental** Call Jamie Vigil 719-250-6630  
**Knights of Columbus #557** 1200 Acero Ave 719-564-9620

## The Old Testament Reading and Its Fulfillment in Christ

The Old Testament, spanning centuries of human history, is the foundation of God's redemptive plan for humanity. Its narratives, prophecies, and laws set the stage for the arrival of Jesus Christ, who fulfills its promises and reveals the fullness of God's salvation. Understanding how Christ fulfills the Old Testament deepens our appreciation of Scripture's unity and the unfolding of God's eternal purpose.

### ***The Old Testament as a Prelude***

The Old Testament introduces themes and patterns that foreshadow the coming of the Messiah. Central to this is the covenantal relationship between God and His people. Through figures like Abraham, Moses, and David, God establishes promises that point to future fulfillment. For example, God's covenant with Abraham in Genesis 12 includes the promise that through his offspring, "all nations on earth will be blessed." This finds ultimate fulfillment in Christ, through whom salvation extends to all people.

Similarly, the Mosaic Law, given to Israel, reveals humanity's inability to attain righteousness on its own. The sacrificial system and priesthood were temporary measures to address sin, yet they pointed forward to a perfect and eternal solution: Jesus, the ultimate High Priest and perfect Lamb of God. As Hebrews 10:1 states, the law was "only a shadow of the good things that are coming—not the realities themselves."

### ***Messianic Prophecies***

The Old Testament is rich with prophecies about the Messiah. Isaiah 53 vividly describes the suffering servant who would bear the sins of many, a clear foreshadowing of Christ's atoning death. Micah 5:2 predicts the Messiah's birthplace in Bethlehem, while Zechariah 9:9 envisions His humble entry into Jerusalem on a donkey. These prophecies not only authenticate Jesus' identity but also demonstrate God's sovereign orchestration of history.

The Psalms also play a significant role in pointing to Christ. Psalm 22, for instance, describes the suffering of the righteous one in terms that align closely with Jesus' crucifixion, including the piercing of hands and feet and the casting of lots for His clothing.

### ***Jesus as the Fulfillment of the Old Testament***

In the New Testament, Jesus Himself affirms that He fulfills the Old Testament. In Luke 24:44, He says, "Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms." His life, death, and resurrection complete the narrative begun in the Old Testament.

Jesus fulfills the role of the second Adam, succeeding where the first Adam failed. He is the ultimate descendant of Abraham, bringing blessings to all nations. As the Son of David, He establishes an eternal kingdom, transcending earthly reigns.

Moreover, Christ transforms the meaning of the Old Testament sacrifices. His death on the cross is the once-for-all offering that achieves what the sacrifices in the temple could only symbolize. Through Him, the separation caused by sin is removed, granting believers direct access to God.

### ***The Unity of Scripture***

The Old and New Testaments are not separate or contradictory but are parts of one continuous story. The Old Testament anticipates Christ, while the New Testament reveals Him. Together, they testify to God's unchanging love and faithfulness.

For us, Christians, reading the Old Testament through the lens of Christ opens a deeper understanding of its purpose. It is not merely history or law but a testament to the relentless pursuit of humanity by a God who fulfills His promises in Christ.