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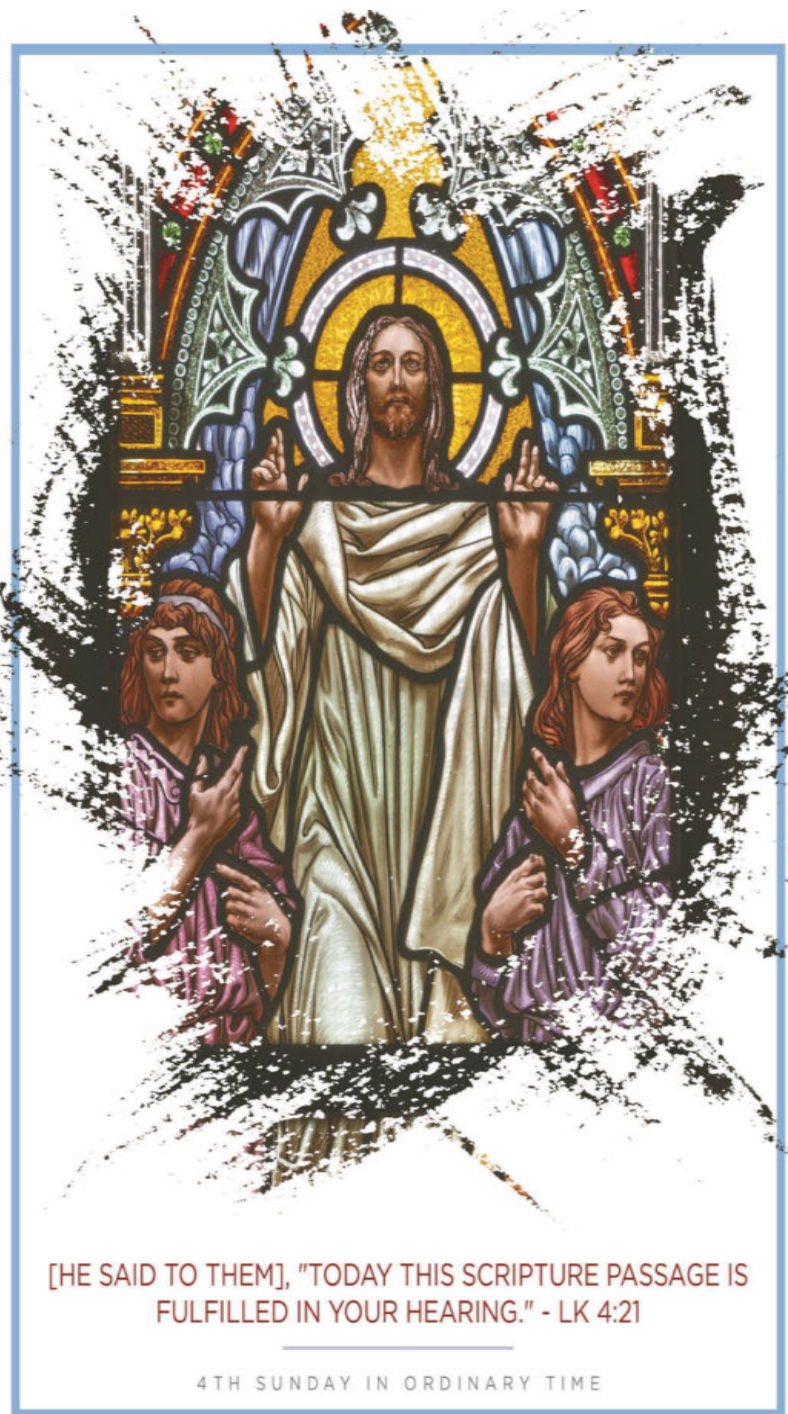
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JANUARY 30, 2022 • 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St. Mary Church — 303 West Monroe Street, Tomah

Saturday.....4:00pm

Sunday.....7:30am, 9:00am and 10:30am

St. Andrew Church — 203 May Street, Warrens

Saturday.....6:00pm

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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

St. Mary, Tomah

Tuesday.....5:30pm

Wednesday-Friday.....8:00am

Liberty Village Assisted Living, Tomah

First and Third Wednesdays.....10:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday.....4:30pm-5:15pm

Thursday.....5:00pm-6:00pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday.....4:00pm-5:15pm

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM

Are you a new or expectant parent? Baptism is the sacrament of initiation that welcomes your child into the Catholic Church and our parish community. Parents must complete baptismal preparation prior to their child's reception of the sacrament. Please contact Jon Burbach to schedule a class at 372-4516 x3.

MARRIAGE

At the time of engagement, but not less than six months prior to the wedding, please call the parish office to arrange for marriage preparation and to schedule your specific wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/HOME VISIT

Please contact the parish office for any sacramental ministry (anointing before a planned surgery, severe illness, etc.) or visitation to the sick or homebound.



As of January 26, 2022
221 families have pledged
\$98,771.00

Thank you so much, we have exceeded our parish goal of \$90,690!!! Everything given from this point will go to our Education Endowment Trust.

Gospel Reflection

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a “Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador’s civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica).” As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.

We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God’s message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one’s earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God’s love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you?

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On behalf of my family, we send a heartfelt thank you to all who attended Jim’s Mass of Christian Burial, especially Msgr. Kunz and Deacon Bob. Also, hats off to the PCCW for the delicious luncheon. We will never forget your thoughtfulness.

—Marilyn Ratliff

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of January 22-23

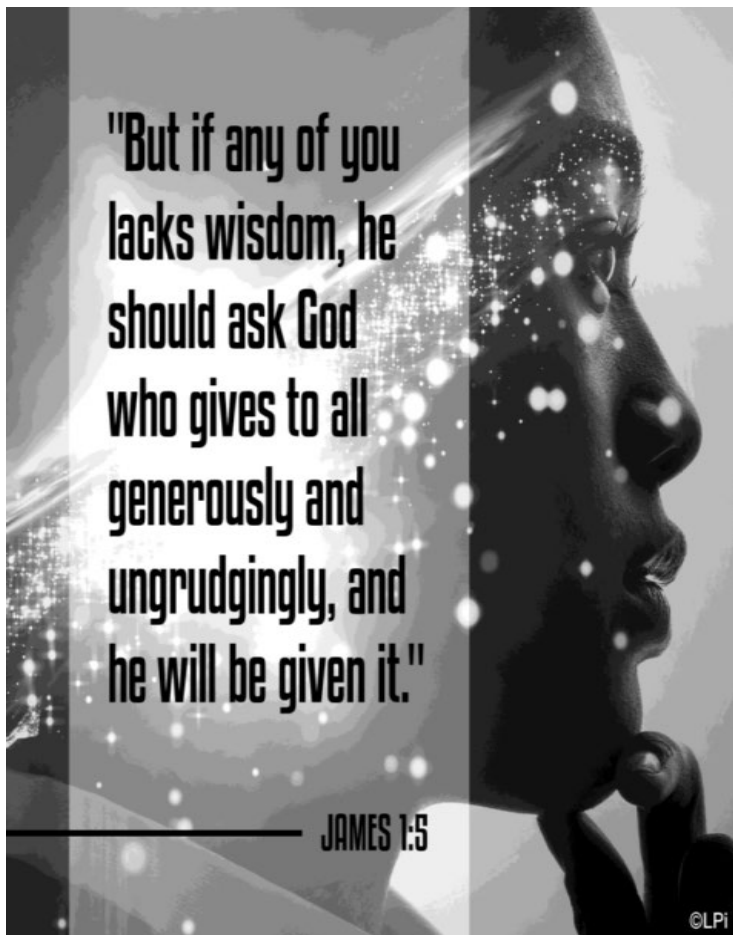
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Online Giving/ACH.....\$2,755.00

Weekly Total.....\$12,068.00

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February 18-20, 2022 — Wausau

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 MAY GOD GRANT THEM
ETERNAL REST
Fred Stephanek — January 19

KC BINGO AND SPAGHETTI DINNER
First Saturday of the Month at the KC Hall

5:00pm-6:30pm: Spaghetti with garlic bread for \$6.
7:00pm: Bingo for as little as \$1 to win all cash prizes. Twenty-one games of Bingo will be played.

A 50/50 raffle will be conducted during the evening. See you at the KC Hall on Saturday, February 5!

 Spaghetti Dinner

*Intentions for
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass*

Saturday, January 29 Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Dec. Members of the McCaskey and Zastoupil Families

St. Andrew — Warrens

6:00 PM Providence Arrigo

Sunday, January 30 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Heckman and Folczyk Families

9:00 AM QA Students and Staff

10:30 AM *Pro populo* of Queen of the Apostles Parish

Tuesday, February 1

9:30 AM *School:* Liv. And Dec. Members of Rapp, Kirchoff & Zirfas Families

Adoration — 4:00pm-5:15pm

Confession — 4:30pm-5:15pm (DK)

5:30 PM Those with Cancer

Wednesday, February 2 Presentation of the Lord

8:00 AM Patrick Bailey

10:00 AM *LV:* Mary Jane Coleman

Thursday, February 3

8:00 AM Muggs Johnson

9:30 AM *School:* Barb Grygleski

Confession — 5:00pm-6:00pm (SM)

Friday, February 4

8:00 AM Reggie Shutter

Saturday, February 5 Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Barbara Semrau

St. Andrew — Warrens

6:00 PM Theresa Anderson

Sunday, February 6 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Leona Leis

9:00 AM *Pro populo* of Queen of the Apostles Parish

10:30 AM Roland Von Haden



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Keeping Current with
Queen of the Apostles
 CATHOLIC PARISH & SCHOOL



Greetings QA Parish Family!

I hope everyone is having a great start to the new year! We here at school are chugging right along. January is a big month for two major reasons:

First, enrollment time is right around the corner. It seems early, but this is the time when we send out our pre-registrations to our families and reach out to new families to come and join our amazing school family. We are excited to once again be a Choice school which means all families who qualify can receive a voucher from the state and attend Queen of the Apostles tuition-free. This opens up so many opportunities for families who want a great Catholic education for their children but struggle to keep up with tuition costs. It's a win-win for all because not only does it benefit our families, but it also benefits our parish by lightening the financial subsidy to the school, allowing for more opportunities for parish programs and works of charity. If you are a current QA school family or are a parish family thinking about sending your children to our school, please apply to the Choice program just to see if you qualify. The worst that can happen is they say, sorry, you don't.

The second reason it's a big month is because we are about to celebrate Catholic Schools Week! It's so important to celebrate our school and the great education that we provide with the added benefit of being able to learn and talk about our faith every day! What a blessing! We have a ton of fun planned for this week: dress up days, we have two presenters coming to talk with the kids, a pep rally, a coin drive to benefit Family Promise, and we're ending the week with even more fun by catching a movie at the theater in Sparta. We are so excited to celebrate our Catholic School, and please continue to pray for us!

*O Christ, our Teacher,
 We thank you for the gift of Catholic schools,
 where the message of your life, death,
 and resurrection is proclaimed,
 discipleship is modeled,
 worship of you is cultivated,
 and community is experienced.
 Increase our zeal for ensuring
 that all children and families can benefit
 from an authentic Catholic education,
 and that Catholic schools grow in their ability
 to nurture the souls and form the minds
 of its students for generations to come.
 We ask this through the intercession
 of Our Lady, Mother of Catholic Schools.
 Amen.*

God Bless,
 Debra Pfab

School News

****Partnering with parents to provide Catholic formation and quality education extending beyond the classroom****

School Office: (608) 372-5765

Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30am-3:30pm

Mass Schedule

Grades 4K-2: Tuesday, February 1 at 9:30am

Grades 3-5: Thursday, February 3 at 9:30am

Catholic Schools Week! (See activities on next page)

Religious Education

Director of Religious Ed: Jon Burbach
 Religious Education Office: 608-372-4516 x3
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Sunday, January 30

Level 9: Large Group — 6:00pm-7:30pm

Wednesday, February 2

Levels K-5: Class — 6:00pm-7:00pm
 Levels 6-8, 10: Class — 6:30pm-7:45pm

Sunday, February 6

Level 9: Small Groups

Wednesday, February 9

Levels K-5: Class — 6:00pm-7:00pm
 Levels 6-8, 10: Class — 6:30pm-7:45pm

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Tomah Community Table

"For when I was hungry, you gave Me to eat."

The Tomah Community Table is in need of help for its weekly carry-out dinners. Sponsors prepare a meal, transport it to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, serve it into carry-out containers (provided), and distribute it through the church's drive-by. Presently about 110 meals are being distributed. Meals are served each Monday at 4:30pm and there are a lot of Mondays available! Monetary sponsors are also appreciated. Call Laura Bishop (608-343-7039) for more details.



Monday, January 31 — Class Colors

- *Pep Rally
- *Living Rosary

Tuesday, February 1 — School Spirit

- *Valentine Making for Assisted Living

Wednesday, February 2 — Favorite Book Character

- *Science Presentation with Dr. Scheckel

Thursday, February 3 — Dress Your Best Day

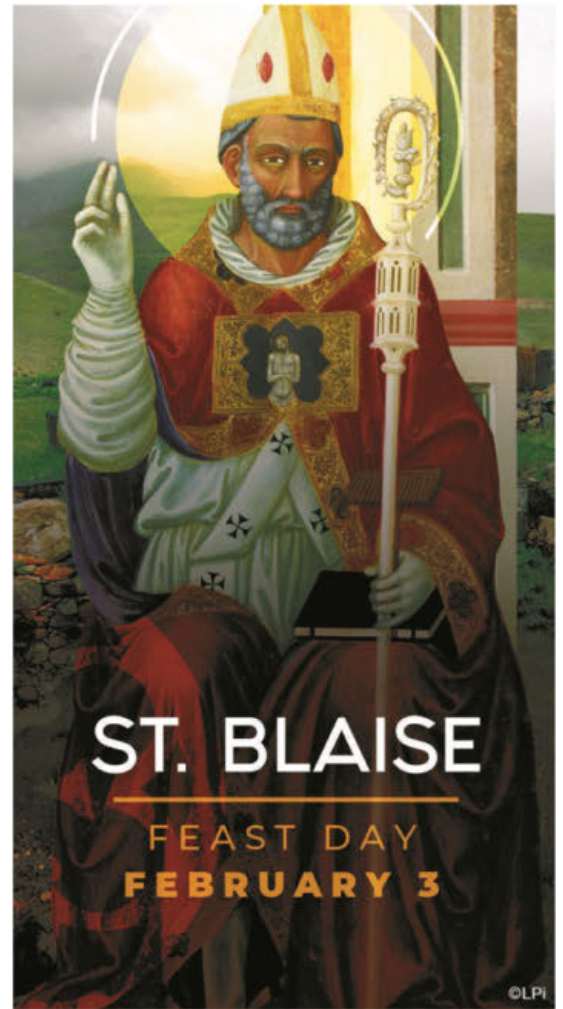
- *Presentation with Energizer Olson

Friday, February 4 — PJ Day

- *Movie Theater Field Trip

We are excited to have Larry Scheckel and his awesome science presentation, and Carl "Energizer" Olson who comes from the Sun Prairie area to present on teamwork, bullying, and attitude and is faith-based.

Anyone is welcome to join us for these presentations, just give us a call at school and we'll fill you in on when and where.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr, St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**— FEBRUARY —
IS THE MONTH OF THE**

Holy Family



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FEBRUARY IS BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND LENT WHICH FOCUSES ON CHRIST'S PUBLIC LIFE. IT ALLOWS US TIME TO MEDITATE ON THE HIDDEN LIFE OF CHRIST WITH HIS FAMILY.

"... THE HOLY FAMILY IS THE ICON OF THE DOMESTIC CHURCH, CALLED TO PRAY TOGETHER."

— POPE BENEDICT XVI

GOD CHOSE TO ENTER HUMAN HISTORY THROUGH A FAMILY."

— ST. JOHN PAUL II

"THE CHARITY WHICH BURNED IN THE HOUSEHOLD AT NAZARETH SHOULD BE AN INSPIRATION FOR EVERY FAMILY." — POPE ST. JOHN XXIII

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