

MAKE YOU *Fishers of Men*

MATTHEW 4:19

January 25, 2026



GOD HAS CREATED ME
*to do Him some definite service
He has committed some work to me
Which He has not committed to another*

I HAVE MY MISSION
*I may never know it in this life
but I shall be told it in the next*

I AM A LINK IN A CHAIN
*a bond of connection between persons
He has not created me for naught
I shall do good - I shall do His work
I shall be an angel of peace
a preacher of truth in my own place
while not intending it
if I do but keep His commandments*

THEREFORE I WILL TRUST HIM
*whatever I am, I can never be thrown away
If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him
in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him
If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him*

HE DOES NOTHING IN VAIN
*He knows what He is about
He may take away my friends
He may throw me among strangers
He may make me feel desolate
make my spirits sink
hide my future from me - still*

HE KNOWS WHAT HE IS ABOUT

Cardinal Newman

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church

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Today's answer provided by Catholic Answers' Fr. Hugh Barbour

Why should I go to Mass?

You may ask, Why can't I worship God anywhere? Why do I have to go to mass? Externals don't matter. It's just a matter of my heart. But, we Catholic Christians recognize that we have a God who took our human nature, flesh and blood with its senses and all its powers. We are saved, whole and entire as human beings. And the way we have access to God, is the way we have access to everything else. That's through our bodily senses, through the outward signs of the sacraments, through acts of worship. You don't have a relationship with any other human being that is totally spiritual, so that you don't have to see them, touch them, hear them.

Would you want a husband and wife to say, "Well, our relation is spiritual. We don't really have to see each other physically." You'd say, "I don't think they really love each other."

The mass is the sacrifice of the body and blood of Christ. It's the offering up by the priest in union with the faithful, the present of this perfect sacrifice. And when you prayerfully assist at the sacrifice and you pray in union with the intentions of the heart of Christ who's offering himself under the appearances of bread and wine, you receive an immense spiritual fruit.

Our Lord directs personally, "Do this in memory of me." One thing he asked was the Eucharist. And then, that we love our neighbor; those two things. So, it's all very simple. The holy Mass and, "Love one another, as I have loved you."

For further answers to your Catholic questions, visit Catholic.com

Ministries Center/SVdp (734) 425-9771



The pantry needs help with our ongoing service to the community. We are most in need of rice-a-roni, grape or strawberry jelly, peanut butter, canned carrots, soup, beef stew, chili, bar soap, dish soap, toothpaste & toothbrushes, and paper towels.

If you would like to receive items from the pantry, please call (734) 425-9771.

Scripture Readings for the Week of January 25, 2026

Sunday, January 25, 2026

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17;
Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday, January 26, 2026

Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10;
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 28, 2026

Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church

2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday, January 29, 2026

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14;
Mk 4:21-25

Friday, January 30, 2026

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a,
6bcd-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday, January 31, 2026

Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17;
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday, February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10;
1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a



**Come enjoy great food while
supporting a great cause on February 9th!**



The Society proudly announces our annual St. Valentine's Wine Dinner!

When: Monday, February 9, 2026 from 6:00 - 10:00 pm
Where: E. G. Nick's, 500 Forest Ave, Plymouth, MI 48170
Cost: Only \$125.00 per person

Please join the Society as we celebrate St. Valentine's Day with a specially prepared four-course dinner, featuring a different wine with each course! All proceeds go to benefit needy families in our area.

Checks can be made out to SNDDBS, and sent to:
SNDDBS, 125 N. Wing Street, Northville, MI 48167

Please RSVP to NDDBS@YAHOO.COM

Please Join Us!



Call us to reserve a table at 734-446-5588

Nankin Family of Parishes



Mass Schedule

St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy (734) 425-4421
8200 N. Wayne Road, Westland

St. Mary, Wayne (734) 721-8745
34530 Michigan Avenue, Wayne

St. Richard (734) 729-2240
35851 Cherry Hill Road, Westland

St. Thomas the Apostle (734) 427-1533
31530 Beechwood Street, Garden City

Monday	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	12:00 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland (followed by Eucharistic Adoration)
Tuesday	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
Wednesday	12:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
Thursday	9:00 am	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland
Friday	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	9:00 am	St. Mary, Wayne
Saturday	4:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	4:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	5:30 pm	St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
Sunday	8:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	9:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	10:00 am	St. Richard, Westland
	11:00 am	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
		St. Mary Cause of Our Joy, Westland
	11:30 am	St. Mary, Wayne
	2:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne (SPANISH)

Confessions (also by appointment)

Tuesday		St. Richard, Westland (after 9 am Mass)
Saturday	3:00 pm	St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City
	3:00 pm	St. Mary, Wayne
	6:30 pm	St. Mary, Cause of Our Joy, Westland

Perpetual Help Devotion

Every Tuesday after 9:00 AM Mass

Eucharistic Adoration (one hour)

First Friday of Each Month after 9:00 AM Mass



WORLD FAMOUS FISH FRY
FEBRUARY 20th

Bakers....get ready to bake!



 **NPM DETROIT PRESENTS:**
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SATURDAY FEB 14 ST. MARY WAYNE

34530 W. MICHIGAN AVE.
WAYNE, MI 48184

**JOIN US FOR OUR SECOND ANNUAL
HANDBELL WORKSHOP AND PERFORMANCE!**
DR. RICHARD SCHNEIDER, CLINICIAN

8:00 AM LOAD-IN
8:30 WORKSHOP
11:30 LUNCH BREAK
(LUNCH PROVIDED)
12:15 WORKSHOP
1:00 PERFORMANCE
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

REGISTER BY 12/1/25
\$15 PER PERSON
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FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:
RICHARDSCHNEIDER1959@GMAIL.COM

Worship Schedule		January 31 & February 1, 2026	
MINISTERS	SAT 4:00 PM	SUN 9:00 AM	SUN 11:00 AM
CELEBRANT	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI	FATHER LAWRENCE ZURAWSKI
ALTAR SERVERS	JERRY KOWALCZYK	JOHN GALDES	DAVID GERSTENBRAND ANDREW GERSTENBRAND
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	DENNIS LAZORKA DIANE PROUTY TONY SIVAKO VIKKI WOROSZ	TEDDY LUTHER JOAN PALMER JESSICA PIETKA EILEEN POHL	SUZETTE ARSENAULT DENISE MAIER JOHN SANREGRET JOE SMITH
LECTORS	JEFF GORMAN	DAN LOBB	MIKE WELDON
SACRISTAN	CAROL STEC	MARGARITA LOPEZ	SALLIE QUINN
MASS INTENTIONS	KAPANKE-OMILIAN FAMILY	+ MARK NESBITT + DAVID BUTKA + JERILYN LOBB	+ EDWARD & CECELIA SURMACZ + EDWARD & ANGELINE KASKE

2025 Quarterly Collection Summary

Month	October	November	December
Registered Contributions:	\$ 39,435.00	44,357.55	45,094.74
Based on # of day in the month	31.00	30.00	31.00
Monthly Budgeted amount:	\$ 43,875.54	42,460.20	43,875.54
Above / Below the Budgeted	\$ (4,440.54)	1,897.35	1,219.20
Special Collections			
Utility Fund:	\$ 1,632.00	2,068.00	1,673.00
Processing Fees:	\$ 39.00	44.70	54.40
Christian Services	\$ 3,249.00	1,647.00	6,153.00
Retirement for Religious	\$		2,101.00
GIFT to GOD	\$	6,870.00	47,273.40
Christmas Flower Collection	\$ 50.00	30.00	360.00
Holy Day Collections	\$ 105.00	2,455.00	1,717.50
Mass Stipend	\$ 570.00	715.00	345.00
Missionary	\$ 857.00	1,065.00	1.00

Total Quarterly Contributions Collected

Offertory collection is reported quarterly.

Thank you for your support and may God bless you!

Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle when writing your will.

Bulletin Editor

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Bulletin article deadline is Monday before the issue date by 8:00 a.m. During holidays, articles must be submitted two Mondays before issue. All articles and submissions are subject to approval and editing.



Weekday Masses

January 26-30, 2026

Tuesday, January 27

9:00 am

PARISHIONERS OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

Wednesday, January 28

12:00 PM

+ BERNICE KARWAN

Friday, January 30

9:00 am

+ TERRY PIANCZK

ARE YOU REGISTERED AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE?

If you have been looking for a new parish we would appreciate you considering St. Thomas the Apostle as your parish. Stop by the Parish Center and fill out a registration form or download one from our website www.thomastheapostle.org.

You can stop by the office, or put it in the collection basket at Mass. Young adults over 18 should be registered on their own registration form.

Please Pray For...

Alaska, Shirley
Batherson, Barbara
Baumgardner, Patty
Berger, Ron
Beuer, Donna
Block, Karen
Boyak, Carolyn
Bringold, Bonnie
Burgess, Evie
Burke, Larry
Burris, Nikita and Family
Calley, Julie
Canini, Ricky
Carpenter, Mike
Cepko Family
Chichila, Pam

Chop, Nancy Grabel
Cielma, Genevieve
Cislo, Dan
Cole, Jean
Cole, Regina
D'Angelo, Rebecca
Dacus, Shirley
Daugherty, Kenny
Decaminada, Mona
DeGrande, Colleen
Dempsey, Sgt Joseph
Dempsey, Michele
Dewey, Thomas
Dial, Philip
Durkin Jr., Gerald Lee
Duval, Chuck
Dzendzel, Mary Ann
Eichstedt, Laurie

Eves, Debbie
Feiler, Alex Horne
Fichtner, Leanne
Filak, Julianna
Fornasiero, Joseph
Gentilia, Judy
Gozowsky, David
Hagen, Jenifer
Harte, John
Hubbard, Carl
Kapanke, Dolores
Kathan, Joann
Kathan, Thomas
LeVair, Lorraine
LeVair, Sherry
Lobb, Cindy
Lowe, Jannette
Lowe, Jonathan

Malish, Rosemary
Murawski, Veronica
O'Connell, Evan
Oliverio, Jr., Robert
Pastula, Shirley
Prosser, Cindy
Romanek, Virginia (Pat)
Ruby, Nancy
Sanak, Francene
Sanregret, John
Smith, Mary
Smitt, Deb
Smith, Patricia
Soine, Dianna
Stites, Keith
Sutherland, Eleanor
Swiercz, Bobbie
Tennent, Joan

Tsaprazis, Pete
Turcotte, Joshua
Walker, Ian
Whitfield, James
Wielechowski, Kenneth
Wildauer, Mark
Zarzycki, Stanley

Prayer list requests can be made only with the knowledge and permission of the person being added. To add, keep a person on the prayer list, or to remove a name, please call the parish office.

Pray for the First Saturday Memorial Association from July 2025-June 30, 2026

Deceased Members of Ajlouny & Blaty Families
Living & Deceased Members of Barnes & Digregio Families
Deceased & live members of the Batherson Family
In Memory of Bruce Birmingham
Loving Memory of Aunt Loretta Brandt
Deceased and Live Members of Butka & Wojtkowiak families
In Loving Memory of Walter & Mary Burdis
Loving Memory of Sgt. Bryan K. Burgess
Loving Memory of Coach Dave Cain
Deceased Members of Cielma and Niwa Families
In Loving Memory of Tommy Cockrum
Deceased Members of the Darnell Family
Living & Deceased Members of Dooley & Firestone Families
Living & Deceased Members of Duncan & Williams Families
Living & Deceased Members of Gizowski & Sovel Families
Loving Memory of Gorny and Kushnir Families
In Memory of Donald Grant
Loving Memory of Jessie & Chester Gugala
In Loving Memory of Bob and Ann Hoelscher
In Loving Memory of Robert S. Hoffman
In Loving Memory of Eugene Josphe Hynek
My Wife Joanne Who I Love and Miss Very Much
Kapanke-Omilian Family
Deceased Members of the Kattula Family
Living & Deceased Members of Keiller & Marciniak Families

Living & Deceased Members of Kwilos & Stecker Families
Deceased Members of LaMar and Dryja Families
The Malish and Porembiak Families
In Loving Memory of Margaret Mirabitor
In Loving Memory of Reynold Mirabitor Sr.
In Loving Memory of Audrey Mocadlo
Loving Memory of Jerry Moynahan
Living & Deceased Members of Mroz & Rutkowski Families
Angel Dr. Dominic J. Noonan
In Loving Memory of Ben and Phyllis Ornatowski
Deceased members of Pattock & Stuecken families
Angel Danny P. Pepera
My loving wife of 66 years, Mary J. Pepera
For the Prouty Family
Living & Deceased Members of Rand & Vasquez Families
In loving memory of Frances J. Read
In Memory of Richard and Eleanore Reed
Memory of Kathy Rodgers
In Loving Memory of Edward and Helen Romanowski
In Loving Memory of Mark Roy
In Loving Memory of Thomas and Barbara Stempniak
Deceased Members of the Sturm & Preba Families
Deceased Members of the Szuba & Balawajder Families
Martin A. Tofil
In Loving Memory of Edwin L. Wendrick

Pray for those Serving in the Military

Ainsworth, Sgt. Raymond
Angelovic, Adrian
Angelovic, George
Artinger, Stephanie
Baumgardner, AJ
Becker, Justin
Bregand, David
Brozek, Timothy
Burris, Peter
Campbell, Mary
Canfield, Chaz
Chokr, Jamel
Cinka, Jonathan
Coatsworth, Michael
Comment, Scott

DiCicco, Bill
Dwyer, Tyler
Ellsworth, Justin
Fisher, Bob
Gentilia, Anthony
Hunter, Cassidy
Julien, Nick
Kapelanski, Isaac
Kashou, Christopher
Laichalk, Robert
Logan, Jonathon
Logan, Sean Patrick
Logan, Jeff
Lowe, Jonathan
Masiarak, Luke

McCarville, William E.
McGahan, Wade
McGaw, Douglas
Meadows, Erin
Moody, Samantha
Murray, Daniel
Nguyen, Staff Sgt. Truong
Ohannesian, Brandon
Pastula, Michael Thomas
Porcaro, Jeff
Preba, Danny
Rosa, Brian J.
Rosa, Douglas J.
Rousseau, Philip
Sheko, Destiny

Smith, David
Smith, Sgt. Leven
Smitt, David
Spiczka, Cathy
Spiczka, Greg
Sparrow, Justin
Spohr, Raymond
Squires, Zachary
Szerszen, Michael
Waldo, Michael
Waldon, Nathan
Webb, Brian
Wiertella, Jonathan
Witt, Christopher



Missy Taylor

Director of Faith Formation / Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

FAITH FORMATION

Please be sure to join our Faith Formation students and their families for our combined Nankin Family of Parishes event this Monday, January 26th at 6pm at St. Mary of Wayne on Michigan Ave.

"Surrender" is a captivating theatrical production that brings Scripture to life through engaging scenes, beautiful music, and gorgeous costumes. Through drama, humor, and song, "Surrender" offers viewers a unique opportunity to experience Scripture and consider what they may need to surrender to grow closer to God.

Don't miss this exciting piece of Gospel Art. Attendance is free!!



ROSARY ALTAR SODALITY NEWS and REMINDERS

A great big thank you to everyone who purchased squares for the SUPER BOWL! Good luck to all! Sheets will be in the Gathering Space next week.

REMINDERS....The ladies of the Rosary Altar Sodality will gather Sunday, February 1st at 9am for our Corporate Communion Mass. We will then meet on Tuesday, February 3rd at 6pm for our regular meeting in the Father Prus Hall. Please remember to bring items for the Pantry. Be sure to check the list on page 2 for the current items needed. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Join us!

CALENDAR UPDATES

Please check out our upcoming important dates in Faith Formation:

- Monday, Jan. 26 MAGIC CARPET THEATER**
held at St. Mary Wayne
6pm
- Monday, Feb. 2** Faith Formation at 6pm
- Sunday, Feb. 8** Children's Mass at 11am
6th grade
- Monday, Feb. 9** Faith Formation at 6pm
- Monday, Feb. 16** NO CLASSES—Midwinter
Break

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