



Following upon the teaching of the [Beatitudes](#), Jesus uses the now familiar metaphors of salt and light to describe the life of discipleship. We take salt and light for granted in our society, but these commodities were more precious in ancient cultures. Just as now, salt was used in Jesus' time for flavoring, as a preservative, and as a healing agent. Similarly, the widespread use of electricity in the modern world makes us less aware of the value and importance of light in our lives.

Still, our familiarity with this passage from Matthew's Gospel speaks well to the abiding power of the imagery that Jesus presented. Jesus' call to be salt for the earth and light for the world powerfully states our mission as Church and as Christians. Our commitment to social justice flows from the exhortation that Jesus gives us in today's Gospel. Some of the activities that this commitment leads us to are given more concrete expression as the Corporal and Spiritual [Works of Mercy](#). When we feed the hungry, clothe the naked, console those who mourn, and so on, we show ourselves to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. When we do these things with the community of faith, the Church, we are indeed acting as "a city set on a mountain" that cannot be hidden!

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/second-sunday-in-ordinary-time-a-sunday-connection/>



**A reminder that there are some parishioners who are sensitive to fragrances, so please be considerate of these allergies and do not wear any perfumes, this includes after-shave lotions. Thank you**

## February 8 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Notre Dame Parish

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Office Hours - Tuesday – Friday – 9:00am – 12:00pm

Mass Times - Weekdays: 11:00 AM (Tuesdays – Fridays)

Saturday: 7:30 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Reconciliation - Saturday: 6:30 to 7:00 pm or by appointment

Pastor - Fr. Venerando Sabacan

Bookkeeper - Martha Cabigas

N.D.S. Principal - Mrs. Colleen Richard - (250)782-4923

Secretary - Gen Cabrera

**Baptism of children:** Contact the Parish Office (even prior to the birth of your child) about the process for Baptism for parents & godparents.

**Marriage:** Couples wishing to be married in the Catholic Church should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to their wedding date.

**OCIA:** Any persons wishing to join the Catholic faith please contact the Parish Office.

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday, February 10 – Sunday, February 15**

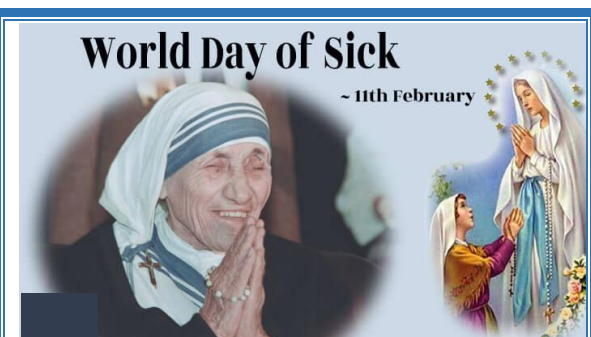
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b> <i>Kale Depositari</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b> <i>Thelma Andrews +</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b> <i>John Dumlao</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>11:00am School Mass</b> <i>Robert Manson</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>7:30pm Mass</b> <i>Deceased Priests and Religious of NDP</i> <i>Karlie Manson</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10:00am Mass</b> Notre Dame Parishioners

**Please pray for our 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion,  
Confirmation and OCIA (RCIA)  
candidates.**



Please pray for all the sick and suffering especially:  
Fran Papp, Cheryl Shuman, Carole Dufour,  
Clarrisa Aragon, Kevin Moeller, Mark  
Stanistreet, Braeden Norman, Renard  
Salamanca, Bunny Figura, Rowell Manalang,  
Judi Hammond, Irene Franke, Keri Patterson,  
Pauline Gerwien

Contact the parish office if you would like to  
add your name or the name of your loved one  
to the list.



The Ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the  
life of the Church. February 11 (Memorial of Our  
Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of  
the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick  
and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes  
the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care  
institutions and pastoral care givers to restore  
health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

**2025-2026 Diocesan Annual  
Appeal  
Parish Goal is \$25,921.**



**Monies donated to date:  
\$26,135.00**



## 2025/26 Budget

Weekly Collection Needed to cover expenses

**\$3,943.00**

Envelopes: **\$3,821.50** Loose: **\$713.**

Total Collection: **\$4,534.50**

## 2026 Sunday Mass Collection Envelopes

**There are:**

**52 Sunday Collections**

**12 Building Fund Collections (monthly)**

**4 Corporal Works of Mercy Collections  
(February; May; November and December)**

**11 Special Collections:**

- January 1st – New Year
- February 8th – Catholic Missions Canada
- February 18th – Ash Wednesday
- March 22nd – Share Lent (D&P)
- April 2nd – Holy Thursday
- April 3rd – Good Friday – Holy Land
- May 10th – The Pope's Pastoral Works
- June 7th – Notre Dame School
- October 18th – World Mission Sunday  
(Evangelization of Nations)
- November 8th – Needs of the Canadian Church
- December 25th – Christmas

## Proposed Restrictions on Religious Freedom – Bill C-9

The President of the Canadian  
Conference of Catholic Bishops, Most  
Rev. Pierre Goudreault, has written  
to Prime Minister Mark Carney and  
other members of government  
concerning an amendment to Canada's  
hate speech legislation.

The Liberal Party has made an  
agreement with the Bloc Québécois. In  
exchange for the BQ's support of  
Bill C-9, the Liberals will amend Section  
319 (3) (b) of the Criminal Code to  
remove the religious exemption  
clause, which provides an exemption  
against prosecution for hate speech "if,  
in good faith, the person  
expressed or attempted to establish by  
an argument an opinion on a religious  
subject or an opinion based  
on a belief in a religious text."

The full news release from the CCCB  
and Most Rev. Pierre Goudreault's  
letter can be read here:

[https://www.cccb.ca/media-  
release/proposed-restrictions-on-  
religious-freedom-bill-c-9/](https://www.cccb.ca/media-release/proposed-restrictions-on-religious-freedom-bill-c-9/)



Hunger has no schedule or  
day off. Please remember  
our less fortunate brothers  
and sisters with donations  
for the Food Bank.