



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/>



February 8 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Notre Dame Parish

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Web Site: <https://notredamedc.ca> Email: nddc@shaw.ca

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

Tuesday **11:00am Mass**
Kale Depositar

Wednesday **11:00am Mass**
Thelma Andrews +

Thursday **11:00am Mass**
John Dumlao

Friday **11:00am School Mass**
Robert Manson

Saturday **7:30pm Mass**
*Deceased Priests and Religious
of NDP
Karlie Manson*

Sunday **10:00am Mass**
Notre Dame Parishioners

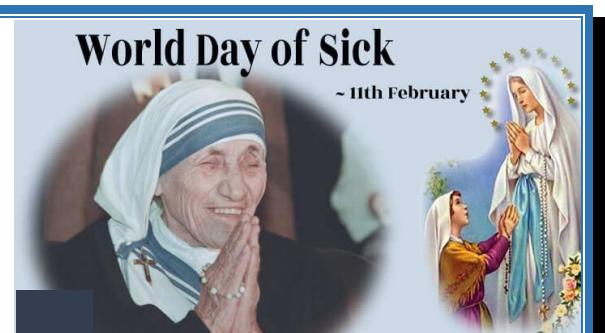
**Please pray for our 1st Holy Communion,
Confirmation and OCIA (RCIA)
candidates.**



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/>



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