

JANUARY 25 - SATURDAY

Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18

Vigil Readings: *See Sunday*

4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Ed Kuderer*

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JANUARY 26 – SUNDAY

Sunday Readings:

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30;

Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samue – *In Thanksgiving*

12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JANUARY 27 – MONDAY

Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30

JANUARY 28- TUESDAY

Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35

7:00 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy

JANUARY 29– WEDNESDAY

Heb 10:11-18; Mk 4:1-20

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel – *Fred Meyers*

JANUARY 30 - THURSDAY

Heb 10:19-25; Mk 4:21-25

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JANUARY 31 – FRIDAY

Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy – *Reynolds Kock*

FEBRUARY 1 - SATURDAY

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*

4:00 PM – *English* – Rev. David Sunberg –

4 Chaplains

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

FEBRUARY 2 – SUNDAY

Sunday Readings:

Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40

9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy

11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel – *Intention of*

Landen Washam

12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy

English Mass Ministry Schedule: February 1-2

Lectors: 4:00 PM – R. Schinaman

11:00 AM – S. Orth

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – L. Ashbrook/J. Chesher

C. Roosa/J. Ruter

11:00 AM – S. Terschack

Servers: 4:00 PM – S. Heidemann/D. Mercer

11:00 AM – M. Crosby

Offertory Family:

4:00 PM: Keller

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$9,311
Offerings received to-date: \$241,958
Amount needed to catch up: \$15,042
Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. ***Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.*** To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563.

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Robert Dennis (25), Ray Renner (26), Deborah Luebbe (26), Tito Sanchez (26), Steven Zapf (26), David McKenrick (27), Roger Thesken (28), Denise McElwain (28), Mary Wright (28), Ralynn Chesher (28), Abigail Randolph (28), Kathleen Landers (29), Alex Shields (29), John Pablo Reed (29), Emily Eilers (30), Teresa Thacker (30).

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 22 winners: Joe & Debbie Rahn, David & Barbara Bracken, and Mr. & Mrs. James Deidesheimer.

Make a long-lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Boniface Church in your Will.

FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION:

Imagine a young man who grew up in a small town, humble and unassuming. Years later, he returns as a celebrated figure—perhaps a successful author, athlete, or entrepreneur. The townspeople gather to hear him speak, proud of their local boy who has “made it.” But imagine their shock if his words challenge their expectations, speaking truths that are difficult to hear. Their pride might turn to confusion or even anger. How could someone they thought they knew so well say such things?

This is a glimpse of what happened when Jesus returned to Nazareth. In the synagogue, surrounded by those who had known Him since childhood, Jesus stood to read from the scroll of Isaiah: *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me... He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free.”* When He finished, He declared, *“Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”*

The congregation was stunned. Could this be true? Could the young carpenter they had watched grow up claim to fulfill this profound prophecy? They had expected the Messiah to establish a powerful political kingdom, liberating them from Roman oppression. Instead, Jesus announced a kingdom rooted in goodness, love, and spiritual freedom. He came to address the deeper, universal captivities such as cruelty, despair, and injustice. His words upended their expectations, and many struggled to accept them.

Jesus' message is as relevant now as it was then. As Pope Francis beautifully reminds us: *“The Word of God is always ‘today.’ When you read the Word of God, a ‘today’ begins in your soul, if you understand it well.”* The prophecy Jesus fulfilled in Nazareth wasn't merely an event in history; it is alive in every moment, including this very one.

Jesus isn't just a historical figure or a distant concept. He is real. He is “I Am.” He is present in every aspect of our lives, speaking through events, people, and even the quiet of our hearts. When we open our hearts to Him, we allow His kingdom of goodness to take root within us. Jesus makes the difference—not

in abstract ways, but tangibly, transforming our lives and calling us to be part of His mission to heal the world. Today, as we reflect on His words, let us embrace the challenge and the grace of listening to His voice. Let His “today” begin anew in us.

FOUR CHAPLAINS MEMORIAL SERVICE: Next weekend at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, we will host the 51st annual observance held at St. Boniface. Appropriate music and hymns have been chosen for a service memorializing veterans' past and expressing our support and prayers for current active-duty military personnel and First Responders. A Candle Service memorializing the Four Chaplains is incorporated into the Mass which includes “Ringing of the Ship's Bell” and “Taps.” Veterans and anyone with a family member or friend on active duty will especially appreciate this service. We hope that you will be with us for this tribute to the “Heroic Four Chaplains of World War II.”

Additional information is available at <https://www.stbonifacecincinnati.com> or contact Bob Schinaman (513-257-5703).

2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA) Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Join us in supporting these ministries! You can mail your pledge card or bring it to Mass next weekend. For more information about the CMA or to donate online, visit <https://catholicaoc.org/cma> Thank you!

“THE CHURCH'S RESPONSE TO RACISM” – LECTURE BY THE MOST REVEREND SHELTON J. FABRE, ARCHBISHOP OF LOUISVILLE: This talk is taking place on February 12, 2025, 7:30 p.m. in the Bartlett Center at Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology (6616 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45230). It is free and open to the public.

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