

FEBRUARY 15- SATURDAY

Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10

Vigil Readings: *See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Jerry Kleiner*6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**FEBRUARY 16 – SUNDAY***Sunday Readings:*

Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel – *Manfred Scherzinger*12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**FEBRUARY 17 – MONDAY**

Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13

FEBRUARY 18 - TUESDAY

Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

7:00 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**FEBRUARY 19 – WEDNESDAY**

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel – *David Newberry***FEBRUARY 20 - THURSDAY**

Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**FEBRUARY 21 – FRIDAY**

Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34 – 9:1

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy – *John Rosiello***FEBRUARY 22 - SATURDAY**

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Sheila Werne*6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**FEBRUARY 23 – SUNDAY***Sunday Readings:*

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;

1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Samuel – *Jan Dixon*12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**English Mass Ministry Schedule: February 22-23**

Lectors: 4:00 PM – S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – R. Schinaman

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – T. LeSaint/ H. Wesseler

11:00 AM – S. Terschack

Servers: 4:00 PM – Z. & M. Nintrup

11:00 AM – L. Finke

Offertory Family:

4:00 PM: Keller

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6,681
 Offerings received to-date: \$262,452
 Amount needed to catch up: \$18,548
 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:

Cheyenne Strotman (15), Anna McKenrick (16), Ralph Kempheus (17), Lou Weis (18), Dianne Rahe (18), John Spielmann (18), Dan Michel (19), Peggy Woodington (19), Amy Tucker (19), Dianne Berger (20), Mike Eilerman (20), Sharon Wright (21).

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 25 winners: Patricia Hartmann, St. Leo Church and Sisters of Mercy. Each won \$25.

Make a long-lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Boniface Church in your Will. For more information contact Jenni Lindgren at 513-541-1563, ext. 151.

FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION:

This past Friday, many of us celebrated Valentine's Day, a day filled with roses, chocolates, and expressions of love. But in the flurry of cards and gifts, have we ever stopped to ask ourselves: What truly makes us happy? Is it the fleeting joy of earthly pleasures, or is there a deeper, more lasting kind of happiness to be found?

In this Sunday's Gospel, from Luke 6:17, 20-26, Jesus presents us with the Beatitudes, a profound teaching that flips our understanding of happiness on its head. "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry, for you will be satisfied." These words are not only radical but deeply challenging. They speak to the eternal perspective of God—a perspective that often sharply contrasts with our worldly values.

From our human standpoint, happiness is often tied to wealth, comfort, and recognition. Yet, Jesus declares the poor, the hungry, and the weeping as blessed. Each statement He makes is a jolt to our world's twisted priorities. He reminds us that true joy is not found in what we possess but in the depth of our love for God and others. Joy is not cheap; it comes with sacrifice, humility, and often pain.

Valentine's Day, though wonderful, can sometimes highlight our tendency to seek happiness in things that don't last: the perfect gift, the flawless relationship, the affirmation of others. These are good in themselves, but they pale in comparison to the joy of a life rooted in self-giving love. This is the kind of love Jesus calls us to in the Beatitudes—a love that sees beyond the immediate to the eternal.

Humans tend to appreciate things best by contrast. We value light because we've experienced darkness, and we cherish joy because we've known sorrow. Jesus invites us to this deeper understanding of happiness, one that transcends earthly moments. When we embrace lives of service, love, and even suffering for the sake of others, we align ourselves with God's vision.

This week, as we reflect on the Beatitudes, let's ask ourselves: Are we chasing the temporary happiness of the world, or are we pursuing the lasting joy of God's kingdom? May we find courage to live as Jesus

taught, trusting that the more we give of ourselves in love, the more we will taste the true happiness He promises.

2025 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA) We thank everyone who has participated in the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our generous gifts let us impact the stories of thousands through six important Catholic ministries right here in our archdiocese. Additionally, 50% of all pledges more than our parish goal will stay in our parish in the support of [insert description of ministry or activity to which over-goal funds will be directed], so please be as generous as you can.

JUBILEE YEAR 2025: The Archdiocese of Cincinnati has launched a web page with information for the Jubilee Year 2025. Visit <https://catholicaoc.org/jubilee-2025> to learn about the Church's celebration of an Ordinary Jubilee every 25 years, obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence, pilgrimage sites within the archdiocese, and a special pilgrimage to Italy in October 2025.

JOIN ARCHBISHOP DENNIS SCHNURR ON AN 11-DAY JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY! OCTOBER 22 - NOVEMBER 1, 2025: Experience the grace of the Jubilee Year by joining Archbishop Dennis Schnurr on pilgrimage to Italy. Visiting the Eternal City offers a uniquely Catholic experience, where visitors can simultaneously take in ancient Rome, medieval Rome, and the grandeur of modern Papal Rome. The city offers one breathtaking experience after another, with awe-inspiring religious sites, world-class museums, splashing fountains, delightful piazzas, and exquisite art and architecture at every turn. This pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi, Florence, Siena, Orvieto, and Monte Cassino will carry you back through time on an unforgettable journey of Italian culture, history, art, and culinary delights. Join us on this unforgettable pilgrimage where you will encounter our Lord and forever be reminded of the beauty of Italy. For more information or to register go to: <https://stcharlespilgrimages.com/schnurr>