

Father Richard Frank celebrated the Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time on Saturday, February 14, at 4:00 PM with 51 in attendance.

Contributions received in February  
Offertory Collection: \$ 4,374  
Other: \$ 180  
Monthly Budgeted: \$ 7,500  
-2,946

Monday February 23  
Jesus and Coffee meets  
McCarty Center @ 10 AM

Friday February 27  
Stations of the Cross 4:00 PM  
Followed by Adoration

**THE SECOND SUNDAY  
OF LENT  
CELEBRATED  
FEBRUARY 28, 2026  
3:30 PM - Rosary  
3:40-3:55 Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
4:00 PM – Eucharist  
*Leland Hemme*  
**St. Bernadette  
Pray for us****

Please pray for our Parishioner residing in  
Hermitage Nursing & Rehabilitation Center:  
Sally Fleenor.



**FEBRUARY PRAYER  
REQUESTS**

*Clif and Mary Kay Brooks,  
Helen Taylor, Bonnie Salmon,  
Tracy Rotert, Jean Precht,  
Helen Lutz, Mary Berry,  
Margaret Hastings, Norine*

*Osburn, Kathi Kessenger and Evalena  
Samborski*

**PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN  
AND WOMEN IN HARMS WAY**

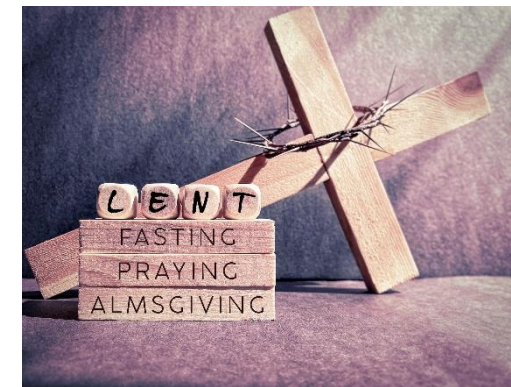


*Caitlin Schaefer, Addie Schaefer,  
and Faith Schaefer,*

*The Lenton issue of "Word Among Us" is available in the basket in Miller Hall. Please pick yours up and consider picking one up for our homebound members.*

**Pope Leo XIV's  
Prayer Intentions for February**

*For children with incurable diseases  
Let us pray that children suffering  
from incurable diseases and their  
families receive the necessary  
medical care and support, never  
losing strength and hope.*



**THE FIRST SUNDAY  
OF LENT  
CELEBRATED  
FEBRUARY 21, 2026  
AT 4:00 PM**

Office Hours: Mon, Tues, & Thurs, 8:30a.m.– 1:30p.m.

Wed. By Appointment

Pastor: Father Benjamin Nwosu

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:40 – 3:55 p.m.

Rosary: 3:30 p.m. Eucharist: 4:00 p.m.

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**ST BERNADETTE CHURCH IS A CENTER OF  
CHARITY WHERE WE PRAY, GROW, LOVE,  
AND LEARN TO LIVE LIKE JESUS CHRIS**



**April 30, 2026**  
 Missouri State Capitol  
 Jefferson City, MO

Featured Speakers:

**Mayra Rodriguez** Pro-Life Speaker and Whistleblower  
**Linda Friere** Sidewalk Advocates for Life  
**Reagan Barklage** Students for Life of America

**Holy Mass Offered by Bishop James V. Johnston**

To see typical schedule from last year, get more information, and register, visit us at:  
[midwestmarchforlife.com](http://midwestmarchforlife.com)

**First Class Relic of St. Carlos Acutis**  
 &  
**Miracles of the Eucharist Display**

We love to honor young people as they promote  
 the sanctity of life!

Tell us what your school or homeschool group has been  
 doing and apply to be the Prolife School of Year!

School bands welcome to register to perform in the March



**“Lent is a time in which the Church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our hearts from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life.”**

**POPE LEO XIV**



Keynote: **Riley Gaines**  
 NCAA Swimmer & Advocate for Women  
 Thursday, March 26, 2026

Please extend a warm welcome to Rev. Richard Frank (retired) from Jefferson City, who is officiating the Mass today. Father Frank will be with us for Saturday Masses in the absence of Father Ben. Father

The Parish Council would like your help in our church Stewardship to our community. We are collecting one or more items a month from each church family. The item(s) for February are pastas and instant potatoes. Please place items in the tub by the water cooler in Miller Hall. The items will go to Hickory County CARES Food Pantry for distribution. We thank you for your support in the act of giving.



**Warsaw Knights of Columbus**

2026  
 Take-Out Curb Side Service Available  
 \$14.00 per person

**Fish Fry**  
 Every Friday During Lent  
 February 20 thru March 27  
 4 - 7 pm

**All You Can Eat**  
 \$15.00 per person  
 1/2 price — Kids under 12

- Dine-In for all you can eat.
- Curb Side Carry Out service available.

Fish, Hush Puppies, French Fries, Coleslaw, Coffee or Tea

Come join us for a great meal and benefit your local charities!

**Knights of Columbus**  
 Jay Harris Council 8620  
 Wildcat Drive, Warsaw, MO



**Reflection for Matthew 4:1-11**

Jesus' forty days in the desert echo Israel's forty years there. Like the people of Israel in their exodus from Egypt, Jesus is out in the wilderness, hungry and tempted. "If you are the son of God," the devil says, "command these stones to become bread." In other words, if you really are either royal or divine, prove it by using your power to your own benefit. What kind of god sits around listening to his stomach growl instead of showing off his power and feeding himself? What kind of king ever goes hungry?

In response, Jesus places himself not among the privileged few but among the ordinary people of God. A human being "does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" For Jesus, being the Son of God means accepting his humanity and depending on God for daily bread. His reaction to this temptation in no way suggests that food is unimportant, or that earthly needs do not matter.

On the contrary God provided for all of Israel's physical needs during their forty years in the wilderness. During the exodus, God's children doubted God's provision, but Jesus as son of God models human reliance

on God for food, for strength, and for life itself. After the final temptation, God vindicates Jesus' trust by sending angels to wait on him.

After his first failure to lure Jesus into misusing his status, the devil tries again, taking him to Jerusalem to the very highest point of the temple. This time the tempter challenges Jesus to prove his identity by throwing himself down and letting the angels rescue him. If you're so dependent on God, he seems to say, why don't you take it a step further? You trust God to feed you. Do you trust God to protect you from harm?

Then he takes a page out of Jesus' book, quoting Psalm 91:11-12 to suggest that if Jesus jumps, he will merely be demonstrating his utter confidence in God's promises. But Jesus rebuts him with another quotation: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test". Once again the context of the quotation enriches its meaning.

What kind of faith doubts God at every turn and insists that God must do one miracle after another? By contrast, genuine faith means trusting that the One who called the people out of Egypt will see them through to the end of the journey.

In the final temptation, the devil promises to give Jesus all the kingdoms of the world if only Jesus will worship him. The implications are stunning. The devil assumes that all authority in the world belongs to him, to give to others as he chooses. But Jesus orders Satan to leave, saying, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him"