

MASSES FOR MARCH 2 - 8

Monday, 2	8:30am (SF)	Todd Barnes (<i>Rita Means & Family</i>) Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday, 3	8:30am (SJ)	Jay Smith (<i>John & Janice Scalley</i>) Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday, 4	8:30am (SF)	For the People Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday, 5	8:30 am (SJ)	Evelyn Bahen (<i>Jim & Diane Orsini</i>) Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday, 6	8:30 am (SF)	Bill Wickham (<i>Jodi & Terri Jo Stock</i>) Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday, 7	5:00 pm (SF)	Carl Oprisch (<i>Tim & Agie Rock</i>)
Sunday, 8	9:00 am (SJ)	Paul Trudics (<i>Butch & Theresa Scalley</i>)
	11:00 am (SF)	Marion Wilson (<i>Family</i>) Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26 39a, 40-42

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**WEDNESDAY: Parish School of Religion - 6:00pm (SJH)****FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross- 6:00pm (SJ)****Confessions - directly following Stations****SATURDAY: Confessions - 10:30am (SJ)****SUNDAY: Vespers and Benediction - 6:00pm (SF)**

Confessions - directly following Vespers

Adult Choir Practice - directly following Vespers

As of 02/24/2026: Trinity West.; Trinity East; Weirton: ; Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. **If a family member is admitted into a hospital, please be sure to contact the parish office so Father may go and visit them.**



Please join us for **Coffee and Donuts** after morning Masses this weekend! It is a nice opportunity to socialize with your fellow parishioners.



Don't Forget! Next Sunday morning begins Daylight Savings Time so remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour before you going to bed on Saturday night.

LENTEN RETREAT OPTIONS

Franciscan Sisters TOR are offering a Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 14 at the TOR Motherhouse in Toronto.** To register or for additional information please go to their website at www.franciscansisterstor.org/events/lenten-retreat-2026.

Men's Day of Renewal: The annual Lenten retreat for the men of the Diocese of Steubenville will be held on March 7th at St. Stephen Church in Caldwell. Fr. Bradley Greer and Fr. Tim Shannon will be the presenters for the day. You can register online at athenscatholic.org/Steubenville-men-day. The cost is \$25; lunch is included. Information can be found at the entrance of each church.

A Lenten Day of Spirituality for all women of the diocese will be held on March 21 at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption in Marietta. The retreat speaker is going to be Sr. Edie Strong, Sister of Charity. Make reservations through your CWC President..



CHURCH SUPPORT: St. Francis: Adult: \$2,299.00; Loose: \$214.00; Candles: \$31.00; Ash Wednesday: \$210.00; Initial: \$40.00; Steubenville Priest Retirement: \$250.00. St. Joseph: Adult: \$813.00; Loose: \$58.00; Candles: \$31.00; Initial: \$25.00; Ash Wednesday: \$63.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! **Weekly Mass Attendance for February 22nd: 5:00pm: 91; 9:00am: 60; 11:00am: 86. Average Mass Attendance for February: 5pm: 81 9am: 71 11am: 85**

MASSES: For **Marion Wilson** by Tim & Agie Rock; Greg & Gloria Zamborsky; for **Jeananne Brandsbery** by Marlene Mehalko; for **Shirley Carnahan** by Ginny & Jerry Popson; Linda Kay Burkey & Family; Kacz & Lorie Kaczmarek; Family; Jim & Linda Miller; for **Pete Graceffa, Michele Barnes, Kathleen Rawson, & Hank Barto** by Greg & Gloria Zamborsky.

MEMORIALS: For **St. Francis Church** in memory of **Marion Wilson & Pete Graceffa** by Carol Rogers; in memory of **Marion Wilson** by Marie Bernabei; for the **SF/SJ Educational Fund** in memory of **Shirley Carnahan** by Sally Wenner.

MINISTERS FOR MARCH 7 & 8

Altar Servers:

5pm: Hank Bodnar, Haley Bodnar; **9am:** Brody Winters, Wyatt Winters, Olivia Perdue;
11am: Aiden Myslinsky, Anthony Mitch, Giovanni Guerrero

Lectors:

5pm: Jim Orsini; **9am:** Jennie Herrick; **11am:** Jim Lamantia

GROW AND GO GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

GROW: What struck me when I first read this passage from the Book of Genesis, in which the Lord speaks to Abraham, is God's proclamation that it is through *his will* and *his work* that the blessings and goodness of Abraham's future will come about. It is not a vague statement, in which the subject is omitted. God clearly says, "I will make your name great." Abraham was a faithful servant of God and sought to obey God's will, but that is not what made his name memorable. It is due to God's will and generosity that Abraham's blessings came about. I sometimes struggle with giving up credit for the good things in my life. I want to believe that *my work*, *my talents*, and *my dedication* have brought about these good things. But the reality is that all of who I am and the skills that I have is a gift. I was created by God and formed by others to hone certain dispositions and talents that have led to my accomplishments. When we come to realize that all we have is a gift, we are able to offer our lives back to be transfigured and glorified by God, who creates and gives all things.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

GO: Many scholars identify this moment of the Transfiguration as the climax of the narrative arc of the Gospels, after which Christ's actions lead to his suffering and death. In his passion, Christ demonstrates the ultimate submission to the will of God, taking on the weight of human sin in order to redeem us. In this moment of Transfiguration on the mountain, we glimpse the beauty of the glorification that will result from this perfect obedience to God's will. We, too, are called to surrender ourselves fully to God. Following Jesus' model of humble submission to the Father's will does not involve false humility, in which we are self-deprecating or overly critical of ourselves. Instead, we are called to acknowledge and celebrate our gifts and accomplishments, while also recognizing that who we are and the gifts that we have come from our generous and loving God.

REFLECT: Reflect on the gifts and talents you have been given, as well as the accomplishments that have come about because of these gifts. Take a moment to thank God for all that he has given to you, and ask him to reveal how you can be a witness to his goodness through the prudent use and celebration of these gifts.