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The Presentation of the Lord Sunday February 02, 2025



"This Week on Formed"

St. Josephine Bakhita: A Story of God's Rescue -AND- Bakhita: From Slave to Saint



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St. Josephine Bakhita: A Story of God's Rescue

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Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

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MARY'S ANGELS BAKE SALE!!! FUND RAISER FOR THE ROSARY GARDEN.

FEBRUARY 9th 8 AM -- 2 PM In the Parish Hall







Sign up sheets for donated items are on the Gathering Table

All Baked Goods can be dropped off on Saturday morning February 8th from 8am - 12pm



The next St. Andrew Church Ladies' Lunch will be at VILLAGE INN

1919 N. HARRISON ST DAVENPORT IA

on Monday, February 10th.

We will meet at 11:30. All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend. We hope you will be able to join us.



The Knights of Columbus's next meeting will be on **Monday**, **February 10, 2025**, **@ 7 pm** in the Parish conference center. For more information, please get in touch with Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or Clemente Escalante at 563-554-0787.

From the Desk of Deacon Matt

This weekend Lisa and I are on the Christian Experience Weekend at Our Lady of Lourdes. Our theme for the weekend is: Be the Light! We're not playing hooky; we are with you in spirit. Today we celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. It had a twofold meaning in Jewish culture, to complete Mary's ritual purification after childbirth, and to perform the redemption of the firstborn son, all done in accordance with the Torah (Leviticus 12, Exodus 13:12-15). When forty days had passed since Jesus was born, Mary and Joseph brought him to the temple to consecrate him to the Lord, as was required by the Law. While they were there, the Holy Spirit guided the elderly Simeon and Anna to the baby, as if by a guiding light, whom they recognized as Messiah and Savior. In many countries, particularly in Europe, today's feast is celebrated as Candlemas, named for the candles that are blessed today. They serve as symbols of Christ, the light of the world. When the infant Jesus was presented to the Lord in the temple, his identity and mission were revealed to the elderly Simeon and the prophet Anna, as a light reveals the contents of a room. If we listen carefully to Simeon's testimony, we hear that Christ's light revealed both good and bad, things both joyful and heartbreaking. The letter to the Hebrews explains how this baby boy whom Simeon held could become the salvation of the world. He is God made flesh so that he could take our sins upon himself, suffer and die for them, and atone for them. When we receive him in the Eucharist, we receive his Body and Blood, which he sacrificed to gain our salvation. Though Jesus would bring salvation and glory, many in Israel would fall and Mary herself would be pierced as by a sword. We recall Malachi's bracing words regarding purification and sacrifice. Jesus shines a light on our redemption, but also on the cross we must bear. Yet, Anna and Simeon exultantly testify to Jesus's destiny. Gathered here today by the Holy Spirit, we are all called to be the light of Christ to one another, through the good and through the bad. May we be the light encountering Christ in this place of worship, recognizing him in the breaking of the bread, as we are redeemed, made whole, in the Eucharist

Shalom Shalom

St. Andrew Calendar:

- ➤ Sunday Feb 02nd MASS Blessing of Throats at 10:30am.
 - Rosary @ 10:00am
 - RE CLASSES
 - Class Mass 5th & 6th Graders
 - ➤ Mass Intention Sandy Remley
- Monday Feb 03rd BLOOD DRIVE IN PARISH HALL
 2:00PM 6:30PM
- > Sunday Feb 09th MASS at 10:30am. Rosary @ 10:00am
 - 9:15AM -- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS AND FAMILIES BREAKFAST following Adoration
 - RE STUDENTS -- VALENTINE CARDS
 - BAKE SALE IN PARISH HALL 8am-2pm Sign up sheets for donated items on Gathering Table
 - CHOIR MEETING AFTER MASS
 - Mass Intention Shay Elliott
- Wednesday Feb 12th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING @ 6:00PM
 Adoration @ 5:30PM
- Sunday Feb 16th MASS at 10:30am. Rosary @ 10:00am
 RE CLASSES
 - ➤ Mass Intention Tom Pociecha
- Wednesday Feb 19th WORSHIP & PRAYER MEETING @ 6:00PM
 Adoration @ 5:30PM

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Cross Bearer	Anakin Lance	Anakin Lance
Eucharistic Ministers	Phyllis Avesing, Mary Nelson	Megan Kocal, Shirley Schmidt
Gift Bearers	5th Grade RE Class	Herbers Family
Hospitality	5th Grade RE Class	BAKE SALE in Parish Hall
Lectors	5th Grade RE Class	Tina Gipple, Shirley Schmidt
Altar Servers	Kasyn Kurtz, Koy Kurtz, Matt Carlson	Kenna Kurtz, Carter Lucas, Phyllis Avesing
Cantor/Song Leader	Larry Ewers	Kamrin Varela
Ushers	5th Grade RE Class	Chris & Lynn Rubley
Greeters	5th Grade RE Class	Yvonne Friedrichsen, Becky Escalante
Sacristans	Chris & Lynn Rubley	Phyllis Avesing
10:00AM Monday Money Counters	Deb Ehrecke, Deb Herbers	Steve Geering, Steve Herbers
Homebound	02-06 Deb Herbers	02-13 Shirley Schmidt



FUND RAISER FOR OUR ROSARY GARDEN
On Tuesday, February 18, 2025 ALL DAY
At 3005 W. Kimberly Road Davenport, IA
Mention St Andrew Fund Raiser and
We will receive 25% of your order
See insert for more details

❖ Sacraments-to schedule participation in any of these please contact Deacon Matt:

- **Confession** If you are in need of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please send an email to Father Bud. He can make time for appointments either prior to Mass or just afterwards.
- **Baptism** A preparation class is required for a family's first child. Please contact Deacon Matt at least 1 month prior to the proposed event.
- Marriage contact at least 7 months prior to the proposed event.
- **Anointing** Anyone having surgery or experiencing illness may ask for the Rite of Anointing of the Sick. Father Bud will anoint immediately after Mass. Contact Deacon Matt.
- **Funeral Preparation** if you would like help in preparing the Mass and Worship service for you or a loved one's funeral, please contact Deacon Matt. A great booklet is available to help.
- ❖ Helping those Becoming Catholic or Joining the Catholic Church. Now is the time to ask those who regularly visit us, or anyone interested in learning more about our faith, to join our OCIA process. OCIA stands for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. It's a process through which non baptized or baptized non-Catholic men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by Study, Prayer, and Rites at Mass. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith please contact Deacon Matt.
- Questions / Concerns If you have <u>ANY</u> concerns or questions, please contact Deacon Matt Levy, Trustees – Chris Rubley or Mike Moellenbeck, Parish at Large Council Member – Kristal Schaefer and Bob Brus, or Parish Council Chairperson - Deb Ehrecke.
- ❖ New Parishioners: Anyone interested in joining our Parish are welcome to complete a yellow card located on the Bulletin board in our Gathering Area. The completed card may be left on the table or returned to the Church Office located in the Parish Hall. A member of our Welcoming Committee will then contact you directly for more information. Deacon Matt is, also, available after Mass on Sundays or in the office on Wednesdays.
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- ❖ Mass Intentions for the deceased are \$5.00 each. Please indicate who the Mass is to be said for and how many Masses are requested. We will try to honor requested Mass dates.
- *Blessings & Prayers Offered. Blessings or Special Prayers for your family or any family event or gathering such as an engagement, birthday, etc., or for your home, pets, livestock, crops, new buildings or for any other reason are offered to celebrate God's goodness or ask for His grace. Blessings and Prayers with our family and friends help all of us recognize that God is always among us and wants to be active in our lives. Please contact Deacon Matt for more information.