

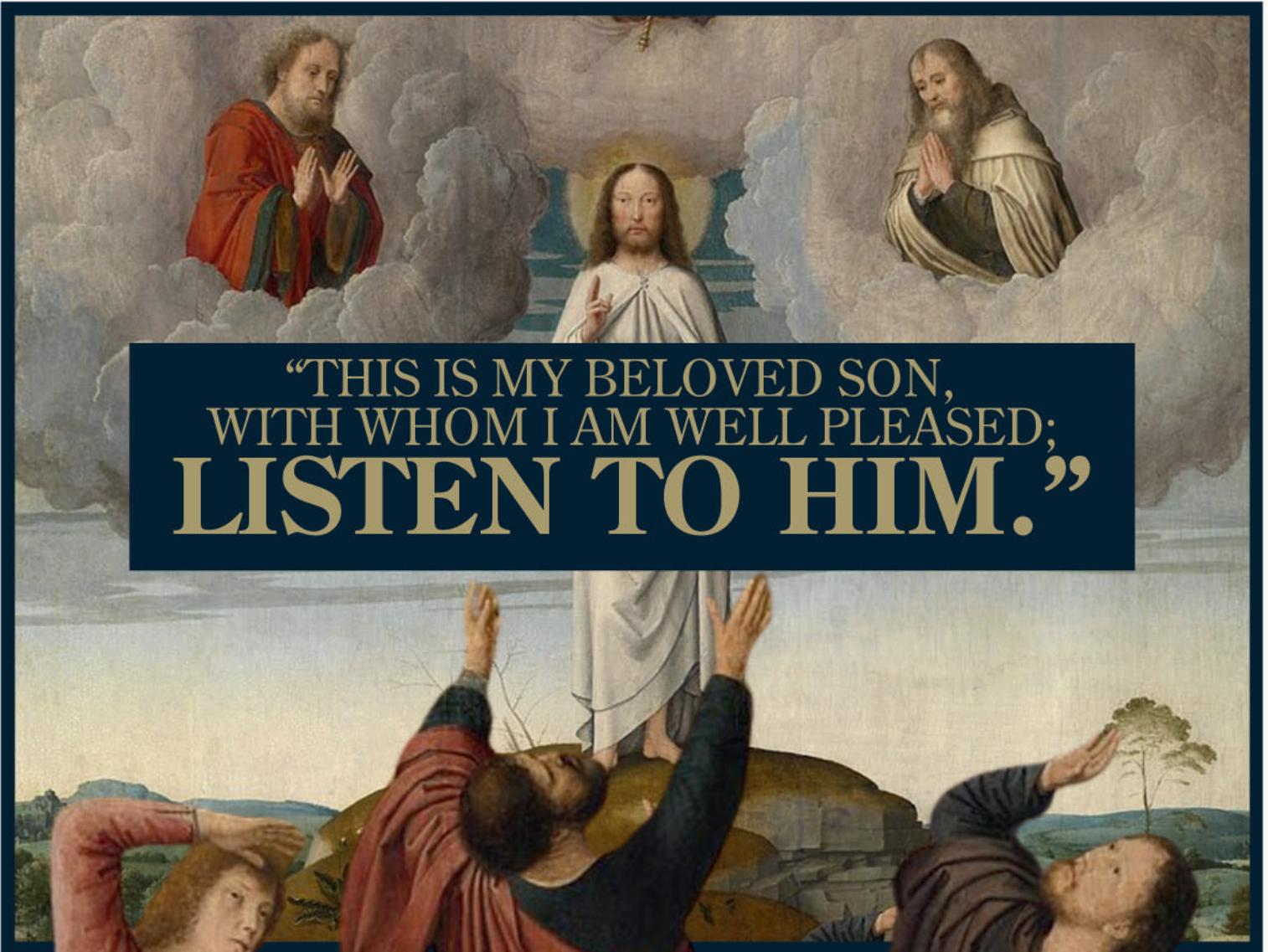


SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 1, 2026

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“THIS IS MY BELOVED SON,
WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED;
LISTEN TO HIM.”

WEEKEND MASS

Sat: 4:30 PM
Sun: 8:00, 9:30,
11:00 AM

WEEKDAY MASS

Mon - Fri: 6:30 & 8:05 AM
Thu: 6:00 PM
Sat: 8:05 AM

RECONCILIATION

Mon, Tues, Fri: 7 - 8 AM
Wed: 6-7 PM
Thu: 5 PM
Sat: 3-4 PM

PASTOR

Fr. Jaime Zarse

SACRAMENTAL ASST.

Fr. Dan Morris

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Fr. Joseph Asante

EVENTS OVERVIEW

40 DAYS FOR LIFE.....PG 3

PIZZA & PARENTING.....PG 3

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE.....PG 3




STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7 PM during Lent!




FEED HIS LAMBS

 Help provide food to the Bonner Springs / Edwardsville community! Please sign-up and bring your contribution to the narthex and deposit in the brightly colored and labeled buckets between 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. on designated Fridays.
<https://bit.ly/468Mn9Q>



ST. MARY'S FOOD KITCHEN

 St. Mary's Food Kitchen serves a meal of meatloaf and all the fixings to those in need on every second Tuesday. Sign- up today!
<https://bit.ly/4tLogrW>



JOB FAIR

 Better Together is partnering with First City Fellowship to host a job fair on March 4, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, at 109 Delaware St in Leavenworth We will have various employers, resources, and services onsite, in addition to on-the-spot interviews!
<https://bit.ly/3OxHjpo>



RUNNING WITH THE REVS

The annual local Runnin' with the Revs basketball game will be held on March 9th at St. Thomas Aquinas High School, sponsored by the Serra Club. Priests and seminarians will be represented on both teams. Proceeds support seminarians and vocations. Free Will Offering Appreciated.



OCIA SPONSORS

 With our NEW year-round OCIA process, we have a need for parishioners to serve as sponsors. With this new model, individuals can respond to God's call immediately. Catechumens and candidates follow different tracks, and sponsor roles and commitments vary accordingly. To sign-up contact Char Mies at Charlene.mies@shoj.org. Find more information on our website or by scanning the QR code.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Join 40 Days for life Spring campaign through March 29. More details can be found at <https://bit.ly/3MNPY4P>

PIZZA & PARENTING



Because parenting is holy work — and none of us are meant to do it alone. Parents with kids of all ages are welcome to join us on Mondays from April 13 to May 4th at 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM in the Meeting Rooms. We'll share a meal, connect with other families, and explore approaches to raising children in today's world through a new topic each night. Cost is \$50 with dinner and \$10 without. Students will receive a FREE Dress Day when parents sign up!



HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE



Step into the land of the Bible, where every stone and street tells the story of our salvation. Join Fr. Zarse and Dr. Mike Scherschligt on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from May 1 - 11, 2026.

<https://bit.ly/3Myba0a>

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Parishioner and school staff employee, Kim Dreiling's father, Gerald Freitag
Parishioner Stephanie Parlato's mother, Rebecca Taylor
Parishioner Cathy Baker

Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

MAGNIFY WOMEN'S RETREAT



Magnify is hosting a Lenten retreat for Women on March 6-8, 2026 at Prairie Star Ranch. the retreat is aimed to facilitate a personal encounter with the Lord through reverent liturgies, communal and personal prayer, quiet time and speakers, Confession and Adoration.



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WAR ON MEDIOCRITY

Saints, Superheroes, and Why You Should Care

In his latest podcast, Fr. Zarse breaks down why we have saints, why their lives still matter today, and why even secular people find inspiration in them.



[Listen Here!](#)

-MASS INTENTIONS-

Monday, March 2

6:30 - Michael Coleman Family

8:05 - Margot Graham

Tuesday, March 3

6:30 - Mirafior Cuyno +

8:05 - Mark Collins +

Wednesday, March 4

6:30 - Sandy Coyle +

8:05 - Linda Droste +

Thursday, March 5

6:30 - Deacon Cal Cathers +

8:05 - Jeanne Cornish +

6:00 - Melanie Herbert

Friday, March 6

6:30 - Craig A. Smith +, Bob Ekeler +, Frank Kulish +, Phill Chapell +, Lori Krause & Family, Sandy Sullivan

8:05 - Mary McGinnis +, Bill & Nadine Swanson +, Owen Donohoe +, Eve Graham, Heiman Family, Abraham & Emma Sorich Family

Saturday, March 7

8:05 - Fallen away parishioners and the reparation of sinners

4:30 - Pam Kufahl

Sunday, March 8

8:00 - Ivan Wienck +

9:30 - Luis Torres +

11:00 - Kim Glogowski



BECOMING CATHOLIC



Interested in becoming Catholic? Our new year-round OCIA process welcomes unbaptized inquirers at three different start times each year, with the next beginning March 1. Already baptized? You may begin right away. Scan the QR code to learn more or go to our website.

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, LISTEN TO HIM

Fr. Joseph Asante Sunday Reflection

The readings present a unified vision of God’s saving plan: Abram is called to leave his comfort zone, and trust in God’s promise (Genesis 12:1-4a), a covenant meant to bless all nations. This divine initiative reaches fulfillment in Christ, who calls believers to a holy life sustained by grace even amid suffering. Paul writing to Timothy shifts our focus from the beginning of the journey to the perseverance required to continue. Writing from prison and facing the possibility of martyrdom, he encourages his disciple not to be ashamed of the testimony to our Lord but to share in suffering for the Gospel, relying on the power of God (2 Timothy 1:8b-10). In the Transfiguration, Jesus reveals his glory to strengthen his disciples to face the coming cross with hope in the resurrection (Matthew 17:1-9). Together, the readings show that God calls us from comfort into mission, sustains us through trials and leads us toward transformation and promised glory, especially during the Lenten Journey of conversion.

REFLECTION

God’s command is both simple and radical: “Go forth from the land of your kinfolk and from your father’s house to a land that I will show you.” In context, Abram’s identity, protection, inheritance, and survival were inseparable from his clan and territory. To leave them was to become vulnerable, exposed, and uncertain of the future. He received no detailed explanation, no visible plan, and no assurance of immediate success. He was given only a promise – that God would make of him a great nation and that through him all the families of the earth will be blessed. This moment teaches us that faith begins not with clarity but with trust. “Abram went as the LORD directed him.” No hesitation, no negotiation, no demand for proof is recorded. His obedience is concrete and immediate.

Paul emphasizes that salvation is rooted not in human merit but in God’s eternal purpose and grace, given in Christ before time began and now through his appearing. This teaching is deeply consoling because it reminds us that the Christian vocation does not depend solely on our personal strength. Paul proclaims that suffering and death, though still real, are no longer ultimate. They have been transformed into passages that lead to life through Jesus Christ.

Matthew leads us to the summit of this spiritual journey – the mountain of the Transfiguration. Shortly after foretelling his Passion, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John apart and reveals his glory before them. His face shines like the sun, his garments become dazzling white, and he converses with Moses and Elijah. A luminous cloud overshadows them, and the voice of the Father proclaims, “This is my beloved son...listen to him.” Every element of the event is rich in meaning. Moses represents the Law and Elijah the prophets, indicating that the entire history of Israel points towards and is fulfilled in Jesus.

CONCLUSION

Listening to God and adhering to His words is a journey of faith. Every human being and all of us have our own journey of faith to make. It is a call to trust, perseverance and hope. A faith that requires abandoning visible security to trust in God’s promise. We must not rely on human strength but on God’s sustaining grace, which has transformed suffering into a passage of life. Ultimately, Lent trains us to listen to the Beloved Son and to trust that God’s grace is at work even in hardship, leading us to the glory that awaits the faithful.



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LOVE BOX

Love Boxes are available at the Greeters Counter and in the Parish office. Each box inspires a mom who is unexpectedly pregnant to be brave and choose life and also includes an invite to a local Embrace Grace group.

UPDATE EMAIL

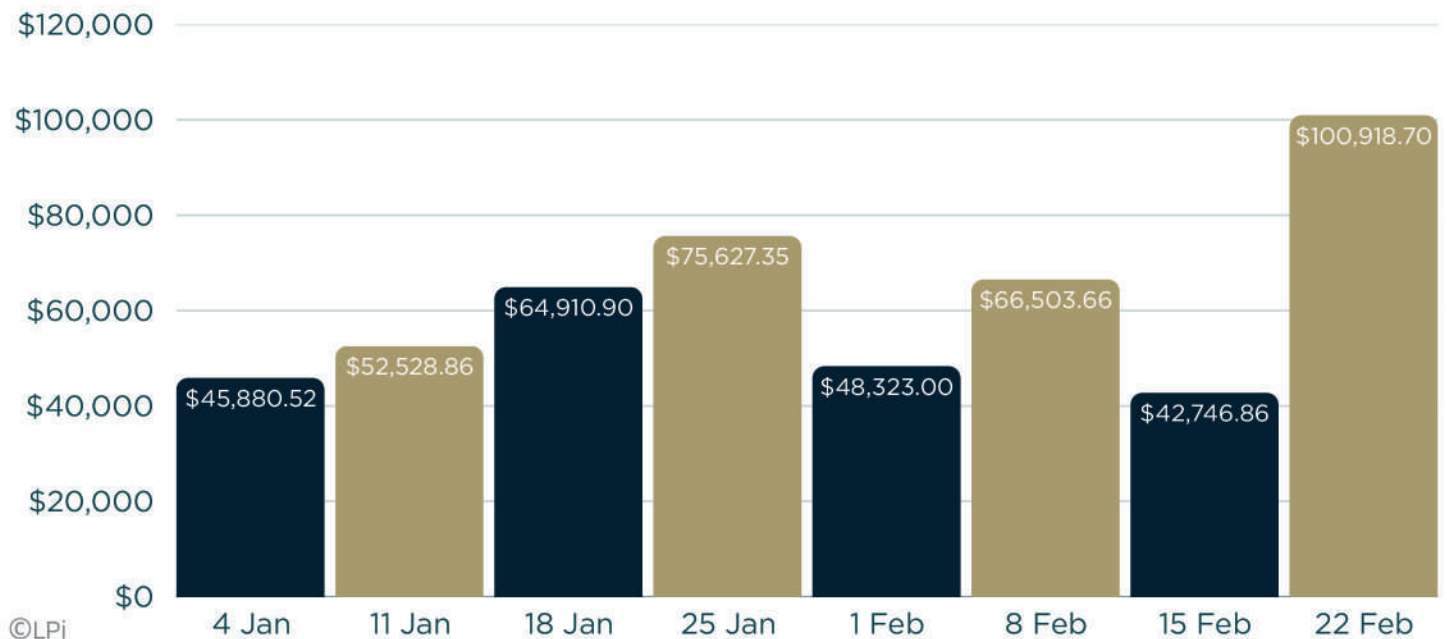
We transitioned to a new parish database this fall. If you are not currently receiving Sacred Heart's weekly eNewsletter, please contact the parish office at erin.rodriguez@shoj.org so we can ensure your contact information is up to date.

FINANCIALS



"For you were made from dust to dust you will return." (Genesis 3:19) If you can't take it with you... where is the best place to put your money? Contact Beth Bucklin at beth.bucklin@shoj.org to make/increase your tithing gifts today, or to inquire about adding SHOJ to your will/trust/IRA, etc.

- In Quarter 1 of 2026, we need \$67,803.46 per week for our operating budget.
- We are currently at 59% of our quarterly need.
- We are averaging \$62,179.99 per week in Quarter 1 2026.



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