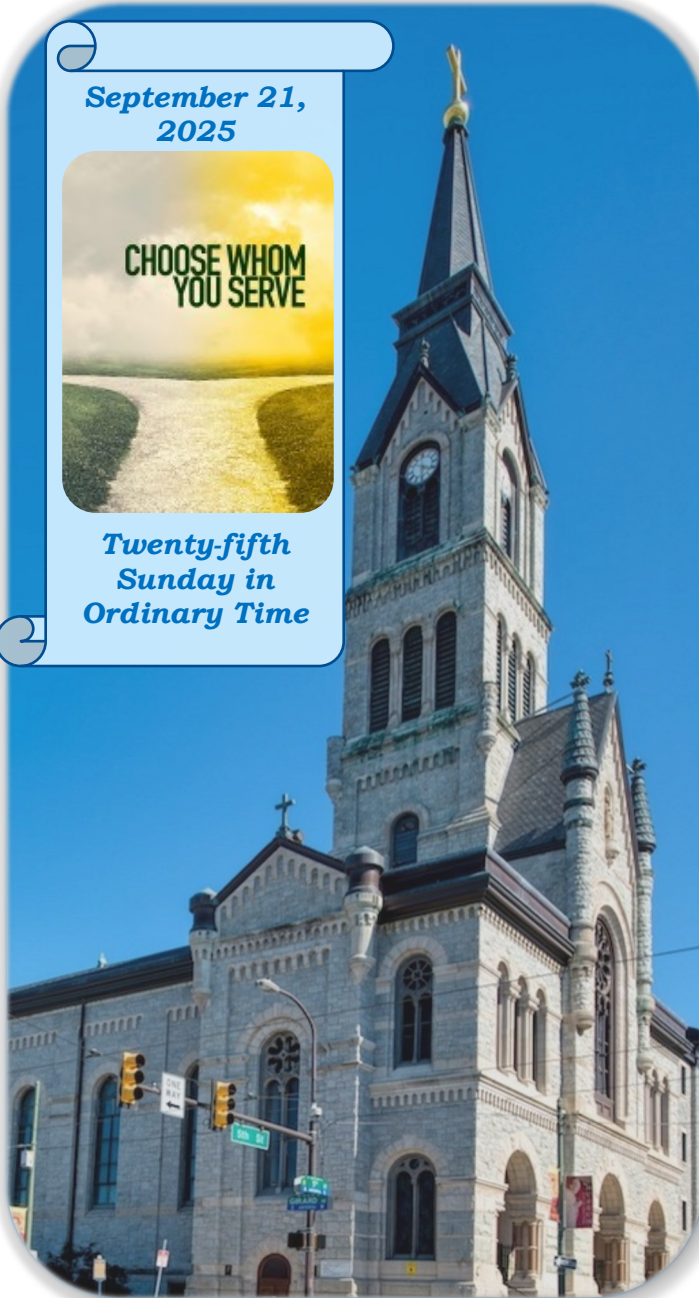


September 21,
2025



Twenty-fifth
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m (Vigil).

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Spanish),
12:30 pm

Weekdays: 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

O.L.P.H. Novena: 7:00 p.m. (Shrine) Filipino Sponsored

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Sat: 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)

RECTORY OFFICE

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

GIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

Monday - Sunday: 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS: You are asked to arrange an appointment in advance by telephone with the Priest you wish to see.

SICK CALLS: Emergencies & Hospital Visitation: Please contact the Rectory office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered monthly. Arrangements are made in advance at the Rectory. Sponsors must provide proof of eligibility by a letter from their respective pastors, and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. Parents attend a Pre-Jordan meeting prior to Baptism, which is arranged at a mutually convenient time.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months before the date of the wedding. Pre-Cana instructions are required. Couples rather than parents or wedding coordinators should contact the church. If either party was previously married, an annulment must be granted prior to the selection of a future wedding date.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

5:30 PM † Carmen Montañez - rb: Carmen Navarro

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:30 AM Purgatorian Society

9:30 AM Jannine & Nelson Malave Wedding Anniversary
- rb: The Malave Family

11:00 AM Parish Family and † Francisca Ortiz – rb: Nydia Betancourt

12:30 PM † Denise Marie Bryan - rb: Geri Kotch

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM Maria Nguyen – rb: Nga Pham

5:30 PM † Dominic & Maria Nguyen - rb: Le Nguyen

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM Rynkiewicz Family– rb: Stanley Rynkiewicz III

5:30 PM † Anthony Angelucci - rb: Lutz Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

5:30 PM † Anthony J. Giannini - rb: Annette Giannini

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † David Funtanilla - rb: Cynthia Funtanilla

5:30 PM † Philip & Anna Mastroeni - rb: Campione Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM Neumann Guild

5:30 PM † Louis L. Keeler. M.D. - rb: Geri Kotch

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

In your prayers, please keep in mind our sick, homebound, and those in healthcare facilities including: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSsR, Jennifer Woods, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Donald Ambrose, Ann Pham, Richard Simpson, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinallee Colon, Donna Marie Simpson, Mary Ha, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Gayle Mulford, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola, Jeanette Troutman, Linda Butter, Ann Russo, Zelly V.S., Brian Devers y Terri Campione. *Please call the rectory office to add a name.*

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

GASPAR STANGGASSINGER, THE SECOND OF SIXTEEN

CHILDREN, was born in Berchtesgarden, Germany on January 12, 1871. From his youth Gaspar had a growing desire to become a priest. He used to engage his brothers and sisters with preachings and processions. At the age of ten, he went to Freising to continue his schooling where he found the studies rather difficult, so that there was even question of quitting his studies. But he succeeded in making steady progress with effort and prayer. In 1884 he was admitted to the minor seminary in Freising. During summer vacations he organized boys' clubs with the intent of forming them in the Christian life.

In 1890, after his baccalaureate diploma, he entered the diocesan seminary. During this time it became clear to him that the Lord was calling him to live as a religious. In 1892, after a visit of the Redemptorist missionaries, he was inspired to follow their vocation as missionaries. In spite of his fathers' opposition, he entered the novitiate the same year and was ordained a priest in 1895.

Gaspar entered the Congregation with the intention of preaching the Gospel to the most abandoned. Instead his superiors appointed him to form future missionaries. In addition to teaching he always gave pastoral assistance at churches in neighboring villages, especially by preaching. Although very busy, he was always available especially to the students who saw in him more a friend than a superior. He was deeply devoted to the Eucharistic Lord and in his preaching invited all to have recourse to the Blessed Sacrament in times of need and anxiety. In his preaching, he did not have recourse to the threats of punishment that were common in the preaching of the time. Rather he was simple and direct, inspiring the faithful to condence and fraternal charity and to take Christian life seriously. In 1899, the Redemptorists opened a seminary in Gars, Bavaria, and he was sent there as director. He was twenty-eight years old at the time. But on arrival, he was only able to preach the retreat to the students and to participate in the opening of the school year before succumbing to a fatal case of peritonitis on September 26. He used to say: "The saints have a special intuition. For me, who am not a saint, what is important are the simple eternal truths; the Incarnation, the Redemption and the Holy Eucharist." He was proclaimed blessed by John Paul II on April 24, 1988.

Blessings,
Fr Mike

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Consider lighting a candle for your intentions or in memory of a loved one. The candles are located at the Blessed Sacrament Altar, the Perpetual Help Shrine, the St. John Neumann Altar, the Upper Church's Main Altar, and the Priest Chapel.



If you are interested, please contact the rectory office for details.

Donation: \$20 for 2 weeks; \$10 for one week

THE ROSARY

We invite you to join us each day at 11:55 a.m. in the Shrine as we pray the Rosary for peace. Please come and pray with us.



ELECTRONIC GIVING



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WEEKEND COLLECTION - 9/14/2025

Masses	\$4,232.25
Envelopes Mailed - Offerings	\$0.00
Electronic Giving -	\$1,843.87

Total.....	\$6,076.12
Total 2nd Collection.....	\$839.15

SANCTUARY CANDLES

This week, the candles in the sanctuaries will burn for the following intentions:

Blessed Sacrament Altar (Lower Church)

Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen

OLPH Shrine (Upper Church)

Little Family - rb: Nora Little

St. John Neumann Altar

Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen

Anniversary Blessings for Geralynne & Jeremy

- rb: Family

Blessed Sacrament Altar (Upper Church)

All the faithful departed - rb: Patricia and Raymond Villanueva

Redemptorist Chapel

† Lorraine Kingsbury Miner



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LA MISA DE HOY

11:00 AM Familia Parroquial Y † Francisca Ortiz
– sp: Nydia Betancourt

CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL

10:30 AM

DONACIONES DE UNITED WAY

Si usted contribuye a United Way a través de su trabajo, favor considere designar a la **Escuela San Pedro, United Way #52989**, para que su donación ayude a nuestra escuela.

VELA DEL SANTUARIO

Esta semana, las velas de los santuarios se encenderán por las siguientes intenciones:

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Abajo)

Familia Nguyen

- sp: Le Nguyen

Santuario de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro (Iglesia de Arriba)

Familia Little

- sp: Nora Little

Altar de San Juan Neumann

Familia Nguyen

- sp: Le Nguyen

Bendiciones de aniversario para Geralynne Y Jeremy

- sp: Familia Villanueva

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Arriba)

Fieles almas fallecidas - sp: Patricia y Raymond

Villanueva

Capilla de los Redentoristas

Lorraine Kingsbury Miner

RECORDEMOS A LOS ENFERMOS DE LA PARROQUIA

En sus oraciones, por favor, tenga en cuenta a nuestros enfermos, confinados en casa, y aquellos en los centros de salud, incluyendo: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSsR, Jennifer Woods, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, June Ambrose, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Donald Ambrose, Ann Pham, Richard Simpson, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinalee Colon, Donna Marie Simpson, Mary Ha, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Gayle Mulford, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola Y Jeanette Troutman, Linda Butter, Ann Russo, y Terri Campione. Favor de llamar a la rectoría para incluir un nombre en la lista.

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DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR

Queridos Feligreses,

GASPAR STANGGASSINGER, EL SEGUNDO DE DIECISÉIS

HIJOS, nació en Berchtesgärden, Alemania, el 12 de enero de 1871. Desde joven, Gaspar sintió un creciente deseo de ser sacerdote. Solía animar a sus hermanos y hermanas con predicaciones y procesiones. A los diez años, se trasladó a Freising para continuar sus estudios, donde los encontró bastante difíciles, hasta el punto de que incluso llegó a plantearse abandonarlos. Sin embargo, logró progresar constantemente con esfuerzo y oración. En 1884 fue admitido en el seminario menor de Freising. Durante las vacaciones de verano, organizaba clubes de chicos con la intención de formarlos en la vida cristiana.

En 1890, tras obtener su diploma de bachillerato, ingresó en el seminario diocesano. Durante este tiempo, comprendió que el Señor lo llamaba a vivir como religioso. En 1892, tras una visita de los misioneros redentoristas, se sintió inspirado a seguir su vocación misionera. A pesar de la oposición de sus padres, ingresó al noviciado ese mismo año y fue ordenado sacerdote en 1895.

Gaspar ingresó en la Congregación con la intención de predicar el Evangelio a los más abandonados. Sin embargo, sus superiores lo designaron para formar futuros misioneros. Además de la enseñanza, siempre prestó asistencia pastoral en las iglesias de los pueblos vecinos, especialmente predicando. Aunque muy ocupado, siempre estaba disponible, especialmente para los estudiantes, quienes lo veían más como un amigo que como un superior. Era profundamente devoto del Señor Eucarístico y en su predicación invitaba a todos a recurrir al Santísimo Sacramento en momentos de necesidad y angustia. En su predicación, no recurrió a las amenazas de castigo, comunes en la predicación de la época. Más bien, fue sencillo y directo, inspirando a los fieles a la confianza y la caridad fraterna, y a tomar en serio la vida cristiana. En 1899, los Redentoristas abrieron un seminario en Gars, Baviera, y fue enviado allí como director. Tenía veintiocho años entonces. Pero al llegar, solo pudo predicar el retiro a los estudiantes y participar en la inauguración del curso escolar antes de sucumbir a una peritonitis fatal el 26 de septiembre. Solía decir: «Los santos tienen una intuición especial. Para mí, que no soy santo, lo importante son las sencillas verdades eternas: la Encarnación, la Redención y la Sagrada Eucaristía». Fue proclamado beato por Juan Pablo II el 24 de abril de 1988.

Bendiciones,
Padre Mike

JESÚS DIJO: "DEJEN QUE LOS NIÑOS VENGAN A MÍ,
Y NO SE LO IMPIEN ELLOS, PORQUE EL REINO
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Misas	\$4,323.25
Sobres por Correo - Ofrendas	\$00.00
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Total.....	\$6,076.12
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IGLESIA SANTUARIO INFERIOR
7:00 am, 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm

SATURDAY
SABADO
LOWER SHRINE CHURCH
IGLESIA SANTUARIO INFERIOR
12:15 pm and 5:30 pm

SUNDAY
DOMINGO
UPPER CHURCH
IGLESIA SUPERIOR
7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11 am Spanish/Español,
and 12:30 pm

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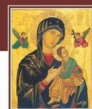
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