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15 minutes before every Mass

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**ROSARY & BENEDICTION**

Every Sunday at 3pm

**Tagalog Mass @1:30 pm Every Fourth Sunday**

**January 18, 2026  
2nd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**Upcoming Events**

**Legion of Mary**

January 18 - 1:15 pm  
In Fatima Hall

**Vigil For Life Mass**

January 22 - 6:30 pm (Basilica)

**Legion of Mary**

January 25 - 10:00 am  
In Fatima Hall

**Tagalog Mass**

Sunday, January 25  
1:30 pm in the Basilica

Celebrant: Fr. Albino Vecina, CRSP  
Social afterwards in Fatima Hall

**Blessing of Throats**



Tuesday, Feb. 3 - at the Masses  
11:30 am & 4:00 pm

**To Jesus Through Mary**

Saturdays Evenings  
@ 5:30 pm in the Basilica.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Sat. Jan. 17</b> 8:00 am	<b>St. Anthony, Abbot</b> Leo Vandervoort †
11:30 am	Irene Dudzinski
4:00 pm	John Feroletto
<b>Sun. Jan 18</b> 9:00 am	<b>2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> The Mikitka Grandchildren
12:00 Nn	Carl Martin
5:00 pm	Victor Buchalski
<b>Mon. Jan. 19</b> 11:30 am	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr</b> <i>Perpetual Mass</i>
4:00 pm	Daniel Burt
<b>Tues. Jan. 20</b> 11:30 am	<b>St. Fabian, Pope &amp; Martyr</b> <b>St. Sebastian, Martyr</b> Mark Wengrzychi
4:00 pm	The Seaman Family
<b>Wed. Jan. 21</b> 11:30 am	<b>St. Agnes, Virgin &amp; Martyr</b> Dawn Marie Curtis Gallo †
4:00 pm	Christopher Caruna †
<b>Thur. Jan. 22</b> 11:30 am	<b>Day of Prayer for the Legal</b> <b>Protection of Unborn Children</b>  Richard J. Werenski †
4:00 pm	Repose of the Soul of Michael Laver †
<b>Fri. Jan. 23</b> 11:30 am	<b>St. Vincent, Deacon</b> <b>St. Marianne Cape, Virgin</b> Jane Burns & Family
4:00 pm	Nadira Persad
<b>Sat. Jan. 24</b> 8:00 am	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and</b> <b>Doctor of the Church</b> Henry Castelino
11:30 am	Dorothy Komosinski
4:00 pm	Leo & Cherie Cintron; Maria Wolcott
<b>Sun. Jan. 25</b> 9:00 am	<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Barnabite Fathers 
12:00 Nn	Angelic Sisters of St. Paul
5:00 pm	Gordon J. Knapp

### A Spiritual Meditation for the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Christ is the vine, and we are the branches. As branches linked to Jesus, the vine, we are called to realize that scripture is always being fulfilled in our lives of faith. It is the living Word of God, living on in us as the written word. It comes to us through the Holy Spirit - who encompasses the hearts of the faithful and kindles in us the fire of God's wisdom, knowledge, presence, and love.

Since it is Year A, it is the year of Matthew's gospel. And so we do well to focus on a "scripture scoop" - of who was Matthew? Chosen by Jesus to be a disciple, Matthew was an educated Christian Jew who undertook to gather material for teaching his community about Jesus and his message. When he started writing, Matthew must have had a copy of Mark's gospel written somewhere between 65 and 70AD. This Christian Jew also knew of the later manuscript containing "sayings" of Jesus and usually referred to it as the Q. (Quelle is German for "source.") With the manuscripts of Q and Mark before him and the knowledge that he gained by listening to the community to which he belonged, Matthew compiled his version of the gospel.

The language of Matthew betrays a Jewish bias of the author, who held Jewish laws and traditions close to his heart. Yet for Matthew, Jesus did not come to abolish the laws and traditions, but to fulfill and correctly interpret the law. Matthew, moreover, quotes often from the OT, illustrating that Jesus did indeed fulfill what had been foretold throughout the OT. He presents Jesus as a rabbi who entered into rabbinical debates with those who opposed him. This technique is a diatribe - an argument designed to uphold the biblical truths as theologically valid.

Matthew had a great love for scope and sequence, especially with his and the people's reverence and respect for Jewish ancestry, starting with Abraham and the promise of God to watch over God's people in anticipation of the arrival of the Messiah. Furthermore, Matthew shows the family line of Joseph that came through him, the husband of Mary, our Blessed Mother.

In a way the entrance of Joseph into salvation history is clearly an example of midrash, or interpretation. Jesus was an adoptive son and had the right to claim the family line of the adoptive father. Also, according to the Jewish custom, the line came through Joseph's heritage. Therefore, when Joseph accepted Jesus into his family lineage, he also accepted Jesus into his life as ... Joseph, the husband of Mary, who is the mother of Jesus Christ.

Matthew's Gospel tells the good news of Jesus. It is definitively a Christian work through a written expression in Koine Greek. The redemptive activity of God is manifestly revealed as a story, while it clearly shows a Hebraic, rabbinical narrative to demonstrate the Judeo-Christian awareness of the universal plan of God as a revelation of love, the core element of the purpose-driven reason for the good news, the gospel.

During the upcoming year of Matthew's Gospel, review what you've already heard and pondered, and meditate on who was/is Matthew, and what does his gospel disclose about the person and work of Jesus Christ. By reading and reflecting, you will learn, and by learning you will be informed about the righteous witness that Matthew provides for us.



### THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR

**JANUARY:** FOR PRAYER WITH THE WORD OF GOD  
LET US PRAY THAT PRAYING WITH THE WORD OF GOD BE  
NOURISHMENT FOR OUR LIVES AND A SOURCE OF HOPE IN  
OUR COMMUNITIES, HELPING US BUILD A MORE FRATERNAL  
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*Vigil For Life Mass*  
January 22 - 6:30 pm  
in the Basilica



### Future Dates To Remember

Blessing of Throats - February 3, 2026  
Ash Wednesday - February 18, 2026  
Palm Sunday - March 29, 2026  
Holy Week - March 30 to April 4, 2026  
Easter Sunday - April 5, 2026



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**Wed. & Fri. 12:00noon - 4:00pm**  
In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

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### St. Anthony M. Zaccarian Apostolate Prayer

*January: May Jesus Christ, Light from Light, dwell within us, and may his life-giving splendor kindle in us a more intense love for one another and guide us toward ever deeper unity. Like diverse flowers in the garden of his Kingdom, may his divine splendor make us blossom in harmony; and thus, as one body, we may joyfully praise and glorify the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.*



### Intercession for Life

May our parish community come together to become a place of welcoming and assistance for all mothers in need; let us pray to the Lord:



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