

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### MASS INTENTIONS

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

12:05 p.m. Intentions of Bernie & Kay Dette

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

12:05 p.m. VN Mass

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

12:05 pm. Intentions of Shon & Haylee Slingsby

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

12:05 p.m. Intentions of Living & Deceased  
Members of the St. Anthony Secular  
Franciscan Fraternity

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

4:00 p.m. +Neilia Reinhardt  
5:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:30 a.m. St. Anthony Parish Family  
11:00 a.m. Vietnamese Mass

#### **Liturgical Roles for Saturday, February 8, at 4:00 p.m.:**

Lector: C. Claycomb  
E. Minister: R. Hartman  
Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

#### **Liturgical Roles for Sunday, February 9, at 9:30 a.m.:**

Lector: D. Anton  
E. Minister: S. Walcher

#### **PARISH PRAYER LINE**

Jerry Warrell Kathy Hunter Tony Magdalino  
Ukraine and its Citizens Johnny Julie Munoz  
Michelle Houchin Lori Born Phu Nguyen  
Grace Dana Corina Nancy Parish Del & JD  
+Derek Parish Wayne Gottshine Karla Bennett  
+Ron Elliot Sarah Orr Jason Delude  
Danny, Beki & James

# Good News!

February 2, 2025

*The Presentation of the Lord*  
Malachi 3:1-4 / Hebrews 2:14-18 /  
Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**It is always a blessed and holy occasion** when parents bring their child to the parish church for baptism. They gather family and friends and proudly present their child to both God and the faith community. Somewhere in the midst of it all, they will wonder who their child will become, what their child's gifts and talents will be, and what hopes and dreams their child will have. Yet like Simeon, who blessed the Holy Family in the Temple, they will also realize that life is not always favorable to us. As Simeon foretold, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many...and you yourself a sword will pierce" (Luke 2:34-35).

Although we recognize that suffering is a part of everyone's life, and we would never wish it upon a child, we might hope that the child does not run from every suffering, for it becomes the path to wisdom and compassion—perhaps the only path. We might also wish on the child a bit of loneliness, for it teaches us to treasure friends. And amid hoping for the blessing of success, losing can also be a gift and a blessing, for it is how we learn to deal with failure and understand the important lesson that we cannot always have our own way. Failure can be the seed of humility. Fortunately, while doing our best as parents, we must allow God to decide how our children will be blessed and what will nurture their growth into the image of Jesus. We simply present them to God from whom they came. ●

#### **OFFERING**

January 26, 2025

English: \$ 2,006.00  
Vietnamese \$ 4,362.00  
Total: \$ 6,368.00

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**

The Campaign total as of last week was \$489,020 pledged. The goal for St. Anthony's was \$455,000, which puts the total funds raised percentage at 107.5%. Nice!

Next weekend marks the final weekend of St. Anthony's participation in the *One Family, Fully Alive in Christ! Campaign*. During all Masses next weekend, we will invite those who have not yet had an opportunity to participate in the campaign to do so.

Further, we want to say thank you to everyone who has already made a commitment to this important effort. We ask anyone who has yet to make a campaign commitment to consider, pray, and contribute during next week's Commitment Weekend. Every gift makes a difference! The upcoming Commitment Weekend is for those parishioners who have not had time to complete their pledge cards.

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The actual Vietnamese New Year's Mass will be this Sunday, February 2, at 11 a.m. and everyone is invited. A feature of the New Year Mass that the youth especially love is the distribution of 'lucky money' given out after Mass.

**There will be a luncheon after the Mass and everyone will be invited.**

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Last month Pope Francis appointed Cardinal Robert McElroy to lead the Archdiocese of Washington. According to the Catholic news outlet *The Pillar*, Francis chose McElroy who is a staunch supporter of immigrants. That decision "would fall in line with the pope's numerous statements about immigration,

including a recent declaration in an August 2024 general audience decrying 'those who systematically work by all means to drive away migrants.'" Pope Francis said that "this, when done knowingly and deliberately, is a grave sin."

Cardinal Robert McElroy had pointed out previously: "As the Catholic community, it is unthinkable that we will stand by while more than 10% of our flock is ripped from our midst and deported."

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The Diocese sent us a request that the following Diocesan positions be listed in our bulletin. Interested applicants may submit resumes, references and salary requirements to Tina Hallacy at: [hallacyt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org](mailto:hallacyt@catholicdioceseofwichita.org). Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

*Program Coordinator, Totus Tuus*  
Office of Faith Formation

*Program Coordinator*  
Sidewalk Advocates for Life

*Asistente De Oficina A Medio Tiempo*  
Oficina del Ministerio Hispano

*Part-Time Office Assistant*  
Office of Hispanic Ministry

*IT Specialist – Level 1/2*  
Catholic Diocese of Wichita

*Seasonal Landscape Workers*  
Catholic Care Center – Bel Aire

*Administrative Assistant*  
Office of Respect Life & Social Justice

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