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Feast of the Presentation of the Lord  
February 2, 2025

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# THE CHURCH OF HOLY APOSTLES



ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN THE DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD

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The Church of Holy Apostles is a compassionate, welcoming and healthy family that strives to love God and serve others with respect and dignity.

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## HEARING LOOP SYSTEM

If you use hearing aids or have a cochlear implant with a telecoil or "T" coil, flip the switch and you will have the priest's spoken word or the music fed directly into your hearing aid, eliminating background noise. Headphones enabling the use of the Hearing Loop system in the Information Center for use during Mass.

## ARE YOU HOSPITAL BOUND?

Please reach out if you are in the hospital or going to be hospitalized and you would like a priest to visit. We are not able to get your information from the hospital so you must request that we be informed. Call the parish at **815-385-5673** to arrange a visit.

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Ellie  
Cullen Kleinhanzl  
Joshua Neckar  
Kimberly & Tom Neckar  
Charlie Johnson  
Connor Pedersen  
Albert Burell  
Al Zarembo  
Mark Skarming  
Daniela Martinez  
Chris Adornatto  
Susan McManus  
Kale Brenner  
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Ed Brucker  
Tim Wille  
Mike Anderlik  
Neha Nikita Andrade  
Merlyn Wallace  
Shannon Menahan  
Barb Dinkelman  
David Fichter  
Kathy Erb

### THOSE WHO DIED THIS WEEK:

Robert Behrendt  
Karl Curry  
Lawrence W. Lembo

### THOSE WHO DIED DURING THIS WEEK LAST YEAR:

William Miller



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## GOD HEARS OUR PRAYERS!

Please allow the whole parish to pray for your loved one or intention by adding his/her name to our Prayer List (or to remove someone's name) by calling the Parish Office at 815-385-5673 or email to [awest@tcoha.org](mailto:awest@tcoha.org). To request prayers from our Prayer Line Ministry (or if you would like to become part of our Prayer Line Ministry) call 815-385-4547 (leave a voicemail message) or email your request to [prayerline@tcoha.org](mailto:prayerline@tcoha.org). Prayer Line requests are NOT published in the bulletin.

**Need information about becoming a member of our parish or have questions about receiving sacraments, Family Faith Formation and more? Complete a Connect Card on the iPad kiosks in the church narthex with your current information. A staff member will respond to your needs. Scan this QR Code to register as a parish member.**



The month of February is best remembered for Valentine's Day. In a special way, during this month we celebrate love—romantic love in particular. Romantic love is a strong attraction towards another person. A person falls in love because he or she sees something beautiful in the other. That is our natural impulse, we like things that are beautiful.

Christian love on the other hand, is not a mere feeling or emotion. It is a commitment to imitate the love of Christ. The love of Christ is oriented towards the sinner. The Gospel illustrates this through the parable of the Lost Sheep (Mt. 18:10-14). The Good Shepherd would always look for that sheep who went astray. Once found, the whole of heavens rejoices for that rescued sheep/sinner. We remember and celebrate the love of Christ whenever we celebrate the Sacraments especially the Eucharist.

For us Christians, love is not solely romantic love. Love is more than just being attracted to what is good and beautiful. Love is the imitation of Christ. Love is following Christ. Love is the obedience to Christ. That is why we do not just celebrate love during the month of February. As Christians we celebrate love every single day.

Fr. Mio

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE JANUARY 2025

	Total received January 19, 2025	Total through Jan. 19, 2025	Budget for January 2025
<b>Sunday Mass</b>	\$ 8,221.98	\$ 27,050.24	\$ 40,671.00
<b>Online Giving</b>	11,895.62	34,767.57	44,234.00
<b>Children's Gifts</b>	294.57	1,117.75	2,027.00
<b>Mail-in Gifts</b>	1,355.00	5,183.75	6,227.00
<b>Christmas</b>	145.00	346.25	1,800.00
<b>Our Lady of Guad.</b>	0.00	1,500.00	-
<b>Immaculate Con.</b>	0.00	0.00	-
<b>Simbang Gabi</b>	0.00	0.00	-
<b>Solemnity of Mary</b>	50.00	5,160.45	3,100.00
<b>Holy Days</b>	20.00	22.00	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 21,982.17</b>	<b>\$ 75,148.01</b>	<b>\$ 98,059.00</b>

### Final Report for July-December

Total Received	\$ 607,170.50
Total Budget	<u>648,676.00</u>
July-Dec. Shortfall	\$ (41,505.50)

January has 4 weekends.

Text any dollar amount to 84321 or give online at GiveCentral.org

Thank you for your continued generosity and support!  
Please remember Holy Apostles in your Will.

### WE SHARE OUR BLESSINGS!

Our Parish Tithe for February will be given to Newman Center at Northern Illinois University.



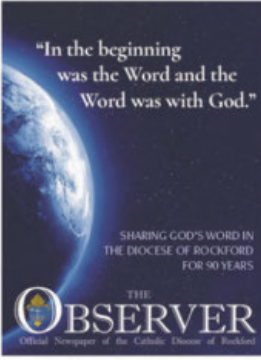
**ALL:** Heavenly Father, we know that we are but stewards of all you have given us—our lives, our talents and our resources. We are grateful to those throughout the diocese who have worked to spread and deepen our Catholic faith and who have inspired us to preserve the gift you gave to your people. Open our hearts to dream big and not be limited by our fears. Open our minds to include those who are not part of our community yet. Release the resources we have received freely from you to be shared for the completion of this campaign. Which we believe you are calling us to bring to fruition. Finally, help us trust and believe you will always provide for all our needs as you have promised through your Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord.

**LEADER:** As you renew all things in Christ, grant to all the people of our diocese a fresh outpouring of your Holy Spirit. May this community of faith in our various parishes be of one heart and soul as we work together in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**ALL:** Amen.

**LEADER:** Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, **ALL:** Pray for us!

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Dear Holy Apostles family,

Thank you for allowing me to serve you for the past 29 years as a member of the Holy Apostles staff (24 years being the bulletin editor). I am grateful for your trust in me and for offering encouraging words over the years. I have decided to retire and look forward to a future without having a weekly publishing deadline to keep. My husband, Rich, and I plan on now being able to travel more and take in a few more festivals, ball games, and other fun stuff!

May God bless this parish and the people that I have loved all these years. See you around! Anne West

## THIS WEEK AT HOLY APOSTLES

**MOST MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED ON FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE**

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2025

#### THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

- 8:00 AM Mass: **The People of Holy Apostles**  
 8:30 AM Family Faith Formation classes in Sherry Center and various rooms  
 9:00 AM RICA Class (Spanish) in Gold 6  
 10:00 AM Mass with Baptisms:  
 †Gregory Rokus, blessings on Rich & April Persino and thanksgiving for blessings  
 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Small Group in Gold 6  
 12:00 PM Misa en Español  
 †Salvador Botello, †Daniel Burke y cumpleaños de Belen Bautista Alvarez

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025—ST. BLAISE BISHOP AND ST. ANSGAR

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: †Ken Girard  
 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study in Red 15 and 17  
 10:00 AM Women's Small Group in Gold 6  
 12:10 PM Mass: †Souls and Purgatory  
 5:45 PM Community Kitchen Ministry Small Group in Green 9  
 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study in Red 15 and 17

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2025

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: †Jerry Pinson and for healing of Gauwitz Family  
 10:00 AM TCOHA Design Team Meeting in Green 8  
 11:00 AM TCOHA Staff Meeting in Green 8  
 5:00 PM Family Faith Formation in Sherry Center and various rooms  
 6:00 PM Edge Middle School Ministry in Sherry Center and various rooms  
 7:00 PM Men's Emmaus Meeting (English) in Red 15 and 17

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025— ST. AGATHA

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: †William Miller, healing of Jolynn Simon and Theresa Hart  
 9:00 AM Widows Small Group in Green 9  
 10:30 AM Food Distribution preparation in Sherry Center narthex  
 12:10 PM Mass: †Thomas Kiddles  
 3:30 PM Food Distribution packing and distribution outside Sherry Center  
 5:30 PM Confesión en Español until 6:15 PM  
 6:30 PM Spanish Mass: † Isabel Salinas Velasquez  
 7:00 PM Life Teen High School Ministry in Yellow 1  
 7:00 PM Parents of Special Needs in Red 15 and 17

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2025— ST. PAUL MIKI

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: †Monica Wierzba  
 8:00 AM Reconciliation/Confessions until 8:45 AM  
 1:30 PM Daytimers Small Group in Green 9  
 5:30 PM Adults Small Group in Gold 6  
 5:30 PM AA A Meeting in Red 15 and 17  
 7:00 PM RCIA Class (English) in Gold 6  
 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting in Green 12  
 7:00 PM Emaus Hombres (Spanish Men) in Green 8 and 10

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2025

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: †Cleo Prault  
 9:00 AM Montini 3rd Grade Retreat in Fr. Sherry and in various rooms  
 12:10 PM Mass: †Ken Weber, † Jeanette Logan (2 years),  
 † James Logan (7 years)

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025— ST. JEROME AND ST. JOSEPHINE

- 7:00 AM Rosary  
 7:30 AM Mass: Birthday Christopher Duca  
 8:00 AM Men's Small Group in Gold 6  
 11:00 AM English Baptisms  
 4:00 PM Reconciliation/Confessions until 4:45 PM

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025 (CONTINUED)

- 5:00 PM Mass: **The People of Holy Apostles**  
 6:00 PM Montini Ladies Bunco Night in Sherry Center and various rooms

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2025

#### 5TH SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY TIME

- 8:00 AM Mass: †Victims of Suicide  
 9:00 AM RICA Class (Spanish) in Gold 6  
 10:00 AM Mass: † Elizabeth Ohm, † Patrick Kieilty, † Kathy Fedor  
 12:00 PM Misa en Español: † Por las almas del Purgatorio

### Offer Prayers with a Mass Intention

Pray for the soul of a deceased loved one, or for the healing for one who is ill or another need by making them the intention of one of our Masses each week. Please consider a daily Mass; there are many available. Call the Parish Office at 815-385- 5673 to request an intention. The customary donation is \$10 per Mass. Please make requests well in advance if you want a special date. **Mass intentions made after Tuesday for the current week will not appear in the bulletin.**

### Thank You HALO!

The Wednesday Food Distribution Ministry thanks HALO for their donation of two large upright freezers. The New Year started with one of their large upright freezers failing and HALO generously replaced it and another old freezer. Thank you to HALO for your contribution!

### Peace Love Joy Meeting

**Every Thursday at 5:30 PM**, an AA meeting "Peace Love Joy" welcomes those who may have desire to explore recovery from alcoholism and/or drug addiction, or more simply, a desire to stop drinking. The meeting is here at Holy Apostles in room Red 15, and offers a great format, plenty of books, tasty coffee and a welcoming attitude. Please use this QR code (or visit <https://aa-ania-dist11.org/meetings/peace-love-joy-meeting/> for more information or call Matt Samples at 815-238-6836.



**McHenry Hospital is looking for donations of magazines for their waiting areas. If you have current magazines that are of interest to most people to donate, please drop them off at Jeanne Fraser's office across from the Parish Office. Thank you!**

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### Four Seasons February Lunch Invitation

Four Seasons, Holy Apostles’ group of men and women aged 55 and better who enjoy sharing meals and good conversation at various local venues, invites all to their February lunch on **Thursday, February 13, at 11:30 AM, at Whiskey Diablo, 1325 Riverside Dr., McHenry.** Call /text **Barb at 815-382-2099 by February 9** if you plan on attending.



### Red Flags of Domestic Abuse

Does your partner attempt to control your actions? A healthy relationship is supportive. You may be a victim of Domestic Abuse.  
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 To learn more, email the *You Are Not Alone, Ministry for Domestic Abuse Awareness* at [aemmert@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aemmert@sbcglobal.net)



Montini students participated in the Chicago Region of an International Engineering Competition called "Future City" on Saturday, January 18. The students designed a city of the future based on the theme of a floating city. They won the Water Resources award which recognized that they had a unique design of open waterways that incorporates natural habitat, water conservation and community needs with their water lift into a bay. Pictured from left to right are **Samantha Szumanski, Blaise Schneck, and Miles Lister** with their city, *Extende ad Astra*. Not pictured due to Confirmation is **Logan Beyer**. Congratulations for all your hard work!

### Jesus, Our Jubilee! Come Visit Jesus

On Christmas Eve 2024, our Holy Father opened the Holy Door of Saint Peter’s Basilica as a symbol of our 2025 Jubilee. Jubilee is a time to strengthen our faith, rediscover the joy of meeting Jesus, recognizing Christ is truly in our midst. We “open our doors” to the spiritual renewal of the Church, which calls us to prayer and conversion. Schedule a permanent hour with Jesus, or if you cannot commit to a weekly time, sign-up as a substitute. Sign-up by calling/texting: **Dawn Harris at 224-760-0700** or use the QR code. **All day/times are open as we are looking to have 2 adorers per time slot. Adoration Chapel is open 5 AM to 10 PM daily.** Hours where there is no adorer:  
**Saturday: 3 to 4 PM**  
**Sunday: 12 to 1 PM; 1 to 2 PM ; 3 to 4 PM**



### NAMI McHenry County Mental Health First Aid

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of McHenry County will offer Adult and Youth Mental Health First Aid classes for anyone who is interested in learning ways to identify and assist those experiencing a mental health crisis. These trainings are offered free of charge and will consist of a blended learning style (2 hours of online pre-work followed by 6 hours of in person training). You **MUST** register in advance (**use this QR code**) and complete the pre-work to be admitted into the in person phase. The in-person portion takes place at McHenry County Mental Health Board, 620 Dakota St., Crystal Lake.



## DE PADRE JHAKSON PARA TI

Hermanos y hermanas, ante todo quiero expresarle a cada uno de ustedes mis más profundas palabras de agradecimiento por la celebración de mi 20 aniversario de ordenación, especialmente a los que estuvieron presente acompañándome y aquellos que aportaron su grano de arena para que fuese posible. Se dice rápido, pero el tiempo pasa y es increíble cómo ya han pasado 20 años.

Este domingo celebramos la Solemnidad de la Presentación del Señor. En muchos lugares se le conoce como el día de la Candelaria, porque es cuando se bendicen los cirios; pero también en algunos lugares se le llama el día de la “paradura” del Niño Dios.

Cuando hablamos de la Presentación del Señor en templo, podemos ver que María y José, cumplen lo que está establecido por la ley judía: después de los 40 días de nacido, debe presentarse en el templo al niño. Pero también constituye un momento de la purificación de María.

En este caso de purificación, después del parto, María queda “impura”. La idea de impureza en el Antiguo Testamento no es la que tenemos hoy. No es una falta moral. La mujer que trae un niño al mundo ha entrado en contacto con el poder creador de Dios y, debido a la indignidad de la persona humana, la contamina: se vuelve ritualmente impura.

Hay que recordar que, en la mentalidad antigua, estar en contacto con la sangre vuelve impuro a la persona y por tanto no puede participar en las celebraciones en el Templo. Por eso, La purificación manifiesta que se reconoce y respeta la santidad de Dios.

Podemos encontrar muchos pasajes que hacen referencia a ello. Uno de los más famosos es el del buen samaritano, que herido, pasaron varias personas y nadie lo ayudó por temor a quedar impuros, es decir, fuera de la posibilidad de poder participar en las celebraciones en el templo, más aún si se trataba de un sacerdote o levita del antiguo Israel.

Otro punto importante en este día es el cumplimiento de las promesas de Dios. Decimos que Dios es fiel y siempre cumple lo que promete. Simeón había recibido la promesa de no morir sin haber visto al Salvador. Y así fue, Dios cumplió lo que le había dicho.

Para nosotros esta celebración debe recordarnos dos cosas, la primera es que nosotros debemos cumplir con todo aquello que Dios nos establece para honrarlo, adorarle y ponerlo como principal en nuestras vidas. Segundo, a cada acción que nosotros hacemos por Dios, Él nos regala una bendición cumpliendo sus promesas.

Hoy en esta solemnidad demos gracias a Dios porque es Fiel, no deja nunca de cumplir lo que nos dice y promete; Dios solo nos pide que permanezcamos fieles a Él cumpliendo todo aquello que nos ha dejado como mandato para poder vivir mejor.

En Cristo,

Fr. Jhakson

## Servicios en Español

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### CONFESIONES:

Miércoles 5:30—6:15 PM

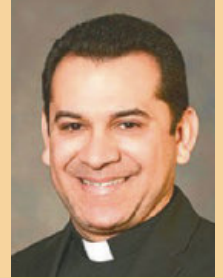
### HORARIO DE OFICINA:

Lunes a Jueves de 9 AM—5 PM y

Viernes de 9 AM a 3 PM

### TELÉFONO: 815-385-5673

Para citas con el padre, favor de llamar a la oficina y así poder agenda su cita.



Padre Jhakson Garcia

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**TODOS:** Padre celestial, sabemos que somos administradores de todo lo que nos has dado: nuestras vidas, nuestros talentos y nuestros recursos.

Estamos agradecidos por quienes en toda la diócesis han trabajado para difundir y profundizar nuestra fe católica y que nos han inspirado a preservar el don que le diste a tu pueblo.

Abre nuestros corazones para soñar en grande y para no limitarnos por nuestros temores.

Abre nuestras mentes para incluir a quienes aún no son parte de nuestra comunidad.

Libera los recursos que hemos recibido generosamente de ti para que los compartamos y logremos exitosamente esta campaña, la cual creemos que nos estás llamando a realizar.

Finalmente, ayúdanos a confiar y creer que siempre proveerás para todas nuestras necesidades como lo has prometido a través de tu Hijo, Jesucristo Nuestro Señor.

**LÍDER:** Mientras renuevas todas las cosas en Cristo, concede a todas las personas de nuestra diócesis un nuevo derramamiento de tu Espíritu Santo.

Que esta comunidad de fe en nuestras diversas parroquias sea de un solo corazón y una sola alma mientras trabajamos juntos en tu nombre. Te lo pedimos por Cristo nuestro Señor.

**TODOS:** Amén.

**LÍDER:** Nuestra Señora de la Inmaculada Concepción,

**TODOS:** ¡Ruega por nosotros!

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