



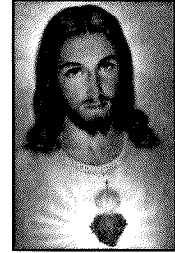
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The Presentation of the Lord

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Presenting the Present: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Feast of the Presentation

Today's feast marks the Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple, forty days after he was born. As the firstborn, he belonged to God. According to the Law, Mary and Joseph were required to take him to the Temple and "redeem" him by paying five shekels. At the same time, the Law required the child's mother to offer sacrifice in order to overcome the ritual impurity brought about by childbirth.

So the feast we celebrate shows a curious turn of events. The Redeemer seems to be redeemed. She who is all-pure presents herself to be purified. Such is the humility of our God. Such is the humility of the Blessed Virgin. They submit to the law even though they are not bound by it.

However, the Gospel story nowhere mentions Jesus' "redemption," but seems to describe instead a religious consecration—such as a priest might undergo. Saint Luke tells us that Jesus is "presented" in the Temple, using the same verb that Saint Paul uses to describe the offering of a sacrifice. Another parallel is the Old Testament dedication of Samuel to the Temple as a priest.

The drama surrounding Jesus' conception and birth began in the Temple—when the Archangel visited Mary's kinsman, Zechariah the priest. And now the story of Jesus' infancy comes to a fitting conclusion, again in the Temple.

All the readings today concern Jerusalem, the Temple, and the sacrificial rites. The first reading comes from the Prophet Malachi, who called the priests to return to faithful service—and foretold a day when a Messiah would arrive with definitive purification of the priesthood.

Likewise, the Psalm announces to Jerusalem that Jerusalem is about to receive a great visitor. The Psalmist identifies him as "The LORD of hosts . . . the king of glory."

Christ now arrives as the long-awaited priest and redeemer. He is also the sacrifice. Indeed, as his life will show, He is the Temple itself.

<https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/presenting-the-present-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-feast-of-the-presentation/>



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Feb. 1	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Patrick Mach by Mary & Harold Mach.	
Sunday	Feb. 2	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	The Presentation of the Lord
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Harry Czapiewski by Margaret Czapiewski and family.	
Monday	Feb. 3	_____	No Monday morning Masses.	<i>St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop</i>
Tuesday	Feb. 4	7:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Patrick Mach by Tony & Vicky Gudajtes.	
Wednesday	Feb. 5	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Sylvia Dymowski by Terry Dymowski family.	<i>St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr</i>
		10:30 am (Minto)	+ Funeral for Peggy Niswonger.	
Thursday	Feb. 6	8:00 am (Minto)	+ David Lizakowski by Terry & Carol Nowling.	<i>St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs</i>
Friday	Feb. 7	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Roger Feltman by Rod & Joan Schanilec.	First Friday of the Month
		11:00 am (Warsaw)	First Friday Traditional Latin Mass in Warsaw. (Fr. Robert Wapenski)	
Saturday	Feb. 8	_____	No Saturday morning Mass in Minto because of the grade 2 Confession Retreat in Warsaw.	<i>St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin</i>
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Harry & Gertrude (Toots) Mach by Harold & Mary Mach.	
Sunday	Feb. 9	8:30 am (Minto)	In thanksgiving for our grandchildren by Rod & Joan Schanilec.	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	For all parishioners of Warsaw & Minto.	

CONFESSIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call.
Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

WEEKLY OFFERING January 26, 2025: **Minto** = \$2,825. **Warsaw** = \$818.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, February 8: Altar Servers: Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson, Jack Lane. Lector: Jan Altendorf.

Sunday, February 9: Altar Servers: Eli & Ezra Robinson. Lector: Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: Sunday, February 2: Altar Servers: Ben, Gabe, & Griffin Gudajtes and Edmund Sweeney. Lector: Roman Perrault.

Sunday, February 9: Altar Servers: Krystian Gudajtes, James Vandal, Julian Risky, Joseph Sands. Lector: Roman Perrault.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU for your response to Mass requests for 2025. The calendar filled up quickly. For now with new Mass requests, one or two Masses will be offered locally and the others will be sent to the Diocese to be offered by other diocesan priests.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence collection! Your contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Envelopes are in your boxed set of envelopes or you may use one of your own envelopes marked Peter's Pence. Peter's Pence envelopes may be placed in the regular collection basket or mailed to the parish office PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades 9-12 will be on Wed., **Feb. 5.**

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 on Wed., **Feb. 5,** 6:30-7:45 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River are now available in our churches. Please take a baby bottle and fill it with spare change. (Currency and checks (made payable to the Pregnancy Help Center) are acceptable too.) Please return your baby bottle to the church by Sunday, **February 16.** Thank you for your commitment to life.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN—Living Our Faith, Building Our Future: It is not too late to make a donation or a pledge. As of Jan. 23, Sacred Heart was 72.77% towards its goal of \$157,089. with 28.31% participation. St. Stanislaus was 129.74% towards its goal of \$121,884. with 36.36% participation. Please make checks payable to Living Our Faith, Building Our Future. You may mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Fargo or you may put your Living Our Faith envelope into the collection basket.

CATHOLIC MARRIED COUPLES GETAWAY WEEKEND — "Who am I? Who are you? Who are we?": Feb. 14-16, 2025, Hankinson Retreat Center. Have you ever been on a retreat with your spouse? The "Who am I? Who are you? Who are we?" retreat is a fun weekend for married couples to learn about yourself, your spouse, and your marriage. We'd love to see you there! Find out more at <https://www.sixstonejars.org/who-am-i-retreat>.

MADE FOR GREATNESS WINTER MEN'S RETREAT — "Get Your House in Order": February 7-9, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center - Men, there is a host of forces arrayed against us and our families which seeks to divert us from the joy, unity, and holiness that God intends for us. It is our task to rise up and face this challenge head on - but how? Back by popular demand, internationally renowned speaker, author, husband, and father Devin Schadt is returning to delve deep into how we can become the protectors and champions that our families need as we get our houses in order. As always, in addition to profound insights and transformative sacramental encounters, this retreat will feature lots of meat, adult beverages, times of recreation, and will forge lasting bonds of brotherhood. Different styles and pricing for lodging are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to secure your spot today at www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-winter.

SECOND SATURDAY OF REFLECTION - The Beatitudes at St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson, ND. Facilitated by Sr. Mary Ruth Huhn, OSF. This month's retreat is on **February 8:** The Beatitudes. 10:00am – 3:00pm (includes lunch). Newcomers welcome. Suggested donation: \$30. Register online at <https://forms.office.com/r/qvVtezHnt9> or contact Sr. Mary Ruth with questions at smmaryruth@scretreats.org or 701-242-7195.

AT THE FEET OF ST. JOHN PAUL II, a retreat presented by Tim Mosser, Director of Respect Life Office, Diocese of Fargo, **April 10-12,** Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City. For more information, see the poster in back of the church or contact Tim Mosser at 701-845-2864 or tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org.

MINTO

SACRED HEART ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING Monday, **February 3,** 7:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Church basement, Minto. All members are encouraged to attend. Note date change from our regular second Monday of the month for our quarterly meeting.

SACRED HEART PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, **February 4,** 7:00 p.m., Sacred Heart Church basement, Minto. Review of end-of-the-year financial reports.

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead person: **Sherrie Altendorf.** Sylvia Cortez, Christian & Makenzie Miller, John & Dawn Miller, Zach & Jordan Miller, Mike & Toni Pulak, Tarek & Kassia Schanilec.

WARSAW

THANK YOU for the following donations: **St. Stanislaus Altar Society:** In memory of **Linda Babinski** by Columbia Grain. **St. Stanislaus Cemetery:** In memory of **Linda Babinski** by Deborah Kuta, by Julie Lafreniere, and by Janie Solarski.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS will be taken down after Mass on Sunday, **February 2.** Volunteers are needed to help with this.

ST. STANISLAUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Monday, **February 3,** 7:00 p.m., St. Stanislaus Church basement, Warsaw. Review of end-of-the-year financial reports.

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead family: **Tony & Vicky Gudajtes.** Merlyn Feltman, Lee & Heidi Gudajtes, Dylan & Sami Slominski.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

OPEN HOLY HOUR - Fridays at 5:00 p.m. Please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 if you are interested in taking this holy hour on a short-term or long-term basis.

NEW ADORATION SCHEDULES are available on the table by the chapel door.

PLEASE WELCOME these new adorers to the Adoration Chapel: Larry and Cindy Jamieson, who will be taking the Holy Hour on Mondays at 3:00 p.m.; Charlene Altendorf, who will be taking the Holy Hour on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.; Greg and Rondee Feltman, who are helping cover the winter hours on Tuesdays at noon. Also, welcome to Barb Sobolik and to Mike and Mary Dvorak, who are now on the sub list.