



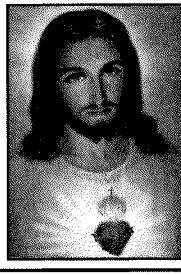
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**February 8, 2026**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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## Light Breaking Forth: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus came among us as light to scatter the darkness of a fallen world. As His disciples, we too are called to be “the light of the world,” He tells us in the Gospel this Sunday.

All three images that Jesus uses to describe the Church are associated with the identity and vocation of Israel.

God forever aligned His kingdom with the kingdom of David and his sons by a “covenant of salt,” salt being a sign of permanence and purity.

Jerusalem was to be a city set on a hill, high above all others, drawing all nations toward the glorious light streaming from her Temple.

And Israel was given the mission of being a light to the nations, that God’s salvation would reach to the ends of the earth.

The liturgy shows us this week that the Church, and every Christian, is called to fulfill Israel’s mission.

By our faith and good works we are to make the light of God’s life break forth in the darkness, as we sing in this week’s Psalm.

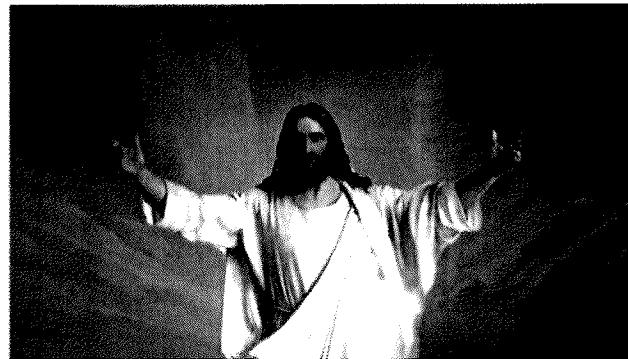
This week’s readings remind us that our faith can never be a private affair, something we can hide as if under a basket.

We are to pour ourselves out for the afflicted, as Isaiah tells us in the First Reading. Our light must shine as a ray of God’s mercy for all who are poor, hungry, naked, and enslaved.

There must be a transparent quality to our lives. Our friends and family, our neighbors and fellow citizens, should see reflected in us the light of Christ and through us be attracted to the saving truths of the Gospel.

So let us pray that we, like St. Paul in the Epistle, might proclaim with our whole lives “Christ, and him crucified.”

<https://stpaulcenter.com/posts/light-breaking-forth-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-fifth-sunday-in-ordinary-time>



### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Feb. 7	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Patrick Mach by Harold & Mary Mach.	
Sunday	Feb. 8	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Luke Lutovsky by John & Dawn Miller.	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	For all parishioners of Warsaw & Minto.	
Monday	Feb. 9	_____	No Monday morning Masses in Minto.	
Tuesday	Feb. 10	7:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Iretta Mae Marynik by Gary & Adele Shane.	St. Scholastica, Virgin
Wednesday	Feb. 11	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Allen Robinson by Nick & Lynn Lane.	Our Lady of Lourdes
Thursday	Feb. 12	8:00 am (Minto)	Joseph Vandal by Wendy Daninger.	
Friday	Feb. 13	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Fred & Arlene Mondry by Nick & Lynn Lane.	
Saturday	Feb. 14	_____	No Saturday morning Mass in Minto because of the 2nd-grade Confession Retreat in Minto.	St. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Louise Schanilec by Jim Schanilec family.	
Sunday	Feb. 15	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Hilary, Evelyn, Roger, & Wyatt Feltman by Maurice & Mary Beth Feltman.	

**CONFESIONS** 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** February 1, 2026: **Minto** = \$2,011. **Warsaw** = \$846.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**MINTO:** Saturday, February 14: **Altar Servers:** Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson, Jack Lane. **Lector:** Jan Altendorf.

Sunday, February 15: **Altar Servers:** Isaac & Liam Hefta. **Lector:** Irene Evenson.

**WARSAW:** Sun., Feb. 8: **Altar Servers:** Krystian Gudajtes, Julian Riskey, Edmund Sweeney, Joseph Sands. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

Sun., Feb. 15: **Altar Servers:** Blake, Brayden, & Bennett Lizakowski, John Paul Kerian. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

## ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES, FEBRUARY 18:** 7:30am at Sacred Heart, Minto, and 7:00pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be held on the Fridays of Lent at each parish. 5:15pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw, and 7:00pm at Sacred Heart, Minto.

**MONDAY EVENING MASSES DURING LENT** 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Minto.

**GOD'S GIFT APPEAL:** God's Gift Appeal materials will be mailed to registered households soon. The goal in Minto is \$31,436 and the goal in Warsaw is \$25,674. You may mail your God's Gift envelope directly to the Diocese of Fargo or put it in the collection basket in the next few weeks. Commitment Weekend is February 21 & 22.

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION:** If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence). Envelopes are in your boxed set of envelopes or use your own envelope marked "Peter's Pence". Thank you to everyone who has already made a donation.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL:** Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Soon CRS Rice Bowls will be set out in back of our churches. Please take a Rice Bowl and help our sisters and brothers impacted by the injustice of global hunger by filling it with your spare change during the 40 days of Lent. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

**2026 MASSES:** Please limit Mass requests for the second half of 2026 to two or three Masses per family. Masses above the limit will be forwarded to the Diocese of Fargo to be offered by diocesan priests who are in need of Masses.

**THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR LENT** have been set out in our parishes. Please take a copy.

**HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES** will be on Wed., **Feb. 11**. The girls meet with Mary Pat Jahner at her house in Warsaw from 6:45-8:00pm. The boys meet with Fr. Moen at the rectory in Warsaw from 7:00-8:15pm.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** for grades K-8 on Wed., **Feb. 11**, 6:30-7:30pm in Minto. **Ash Wednesday is Feb. 18.**

**BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE** to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River are still available in our churches. Please take a baby bottle and fill it with spare change. (Cash and checks are acceptable too.) Please return your baby bottle to the church by **Sunday, February 15**. Thank you for your commitment to life.

**LENT IS MORE THAN A COUNTDOWN TO EASTER.** Take time to reflect and grow by listening to Real Presence Radio. Our local programming offers prayerful conversations, teachings, and stories that help you enter the season with intention. Tune in on **92.5 FM / 1370 AM in Grand Forks** or listen online at [RealPresenceRadio.com](http://RealPresenceRadio.com).

**PORK & DUMPLING DINNER** Sunday, **February 15**, St. John Nepomucene, Pisek. Drive through at 10:30am. Dine in at 11:00am. Mass at 10:30am. Free will offering. Everyone is welcome!

**MARDI GRAS AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PARK RIVER**, Tues., **Feb. 17**, 11:00am to 1:00 pm. Soup & sandwich lunch and a bake sale. Free will offering. Homemade soups and egg salad or ham sandwiches. Take-outs available. Everyone welcome!

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT—FEBRUARY 8, 2026—FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** "Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." MATTHEW 5:16 The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.

## MINTO

**THANK YOU** for the following donations: **St. Patrick's Cemetery:** In memory of **Jim Costello** by Harold & Joan Mondry.

**Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **Frank W. Vavrosky** by Harold & Joan Mondry.

**SACRED HEART ALTAR SOCIETY:** The new Sacred Heart Altar Society officers for the next two years are President Nicky Robinson, Vice-President Lynn Lane, Secretary Jessica Sobolik, and Treasurer Bonnie Riske. Congratulations and thank you for volunteering your time and effort to serve the parish. Also thank you to the outgoing officers for their service for the past two years. Please mark your calendar for the next Sacred Heart Altar Society meeting which will be held on **Wednesday, May 6**, at 7:00pm in the church basement.

**LENTEN FOOD PANTRY DRIVE** will be starting soon—from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday at Sacred Heart, Minto, for the Walsh County Food Pantry for all kinds of non-perishable food items and non-food items. No open packages or outdated items please. Please put items in the area where the Giving Tree is set up at Christmastime or in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you enter the church using the west side door.

**ANNUAL SACRED HEART CHURCH GENERAL CLEANING:** Thank you to everyone who helped with the church cleaning Saturday morning and throughout the previous week. The cleaning list is in the church kitchen and will be available for several weeks. Initial and date when you have completed a task on the cleaning list. Youth, if you clean for 30 minutes or more, you may enter your name in a drawing for a chance to win one of two \$20 gift cards to Northdale's. Drawing will take place on **Wed., May 6** at the Sacred Heart Altar Society meeting. Need not be present to win. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated!

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

## WARSAW

**ST. STANISLAUS PARISHIONERS:** Please join us after Mass on Sunday, **February 22**, for fellowship and breakfast. Menu – Egg bake, pancakes, juice, and coffee (free of charge!) We are excited to begin using our newly remodeled kitchen and would like to take this opportunity to show everyone the transformation. Happy Sunday!!

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