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February 23, 2025 • The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday: 5 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m.,10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

### Nursery

Nursery is available for children ages nine months to kindergarten during the Sunday morning Masses.

# Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 8 a.m.

### Confessions

Saturdays: 8:30-9:30 a.m. Wednesdays: 5:15-6:15 p.m.

### Sign Up for Email!

If you are not receiving our emails, the sign up link is on hnoj.org under the contact us information.

### Anointing of the Sick or Funeral

Please call the parish office at 763-473-7901 to schedule. Or for an emergency, call 763-233-0259.

#### Adoration Schedule

Sign up at hnoj.weadorehim.com Monday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.



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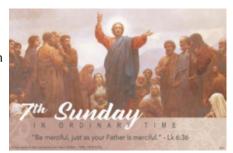
## Gospel Reflection: Judgment and Love

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman @LPI

Mini Reflection: It saddens me that Christians have somehow gained this reputation as a people who judge, who condemn. Today's Gospel is an invitation for us to consider how we engage with people who disagree with us — or maybe even actively dislike us.

#### **Judgment and Love**

"Oh, well. I'm going to hell anyway, right?"



I have a few family members and friends who are not practicing Catholics who say this to me from time to time. It's always spoken in a teasing manner, with a wink and a shoulder shrug, usually to explain away some sort of minor misbehavior they feel guilty about.

It saddens me that Christians have somehow gained this reputation as a people who judge, who condemn. I think in part it stems from a misunderstanding on the part of unchurched people (and lots of churched ones, too) regarding what constitutes "judging." It is absolutely not "judging" someone to disagree with a personal decision, whatever that decision may be, or to decline from participating in that decision. We all have functioning consciences; we are all supposed to discern the moral goodness of any action before we take it.

But it is judging someone if we allow their decisions to impact how we treat them.

Today's Gospel is an invitation for us to consider how we engage with people who disagree with us — or maybe even actively dislike us. Much is said these days of the "culture wars." I certainly don't disagree that it can often feel like you're fighting a war when you're trying to live as the Church teaches. The forces against you often seem overwhelming and nefarious. And guess what? They are.

But we need to remember who the enemy really is. The enemy is not other children of God, even if they are children of God who are actively promoting ideas that are wrong. Perhaps these people are misguided and mistaken. Perhaps they are misled by the devil. Have we not all been misled by him at some point?

We must interact lovingly with people who think differently and live differently from us. The Christian life absolutely demands it.



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# Parish News

### Join a Lenten Small Group

Last year, Holy Name of Jesus started 40 new small groups comprised of nearly 70 leaders and 370 participants! This year we continue to grow our groups and will be focused



on content that comes from the book "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist." We will focus on the ruthless elimination of boredom at Mass!

There are several date/time options that can fit into your schedule! Choose from groups for seniors, busy moms and dads, couples, young adults and more.

#### Please join us on this Lenten journey!

We expect about 35 Small groups to begin the week of March 5 on various days and times and wrap up before Holy Week begins (that's only five weeks!). They will consist of 1-1.5 hour length meetings which include time to praise, check in, discuss the topic, pray and give thanks. To register, follow the link to our Small Group Software "Group Vitals" where you will see all the groups and ask to join one that works for you. The small group leader will follow up with you to confirm your spot.

If you would like to purchase the book, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist: Unlocking the Secrets of the Last Supper" By Brant Pitre, we are taking orders. Reading the book is not necessary to be part of a small group. Our group discount rate is \$5 per book.

More information, small group registration and details for ordering the book may all be found at hnoj.org/lentensmallgroups



# NPH Mission Trip, June 2025

We are headed to NPH Mexico June 17-23, 2025. During this mission trip we will immerse ourselves in the daily lives and culture of the children of NPH Mexico by working, eating and playing alongside the



pequeños who call NPH home. We are planning three nights at the main home in Miacatlán and three nights in Cuernavaca at the high school and to see the original church of Father Wasson, founder of NPH. A pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City is planned for the last day.

This mission trip is open to all parishioners of Holy Name of Jesus. All those interested from 16 years old to adult are welcome to attend.

For more information, please contact Ann Benson at abenson@hnoj.org.

# Senior High Spring Retreat

All high school students are invited to attend the Spring Retreat, March 21-23, at a retreat center in Paynesville, MN. The CREW's Spring Retreat is for teenagers who are looking for a weekend to get away, have fun and make friends and memories that will last a lifetime. After a weekend



of deep conversations, serious fun and prayer that goes deeper, God is closer and faith makes sense. Cost is \$195. Registration closes on March 6.

Registration and all the details can be found at hnoj.org/ springretreat

We are in need of several chaperones for this retreat, especially men. Please contact Eve Anders at eanders@hnoj.org if you are interested!

## Friday Night Alive, Feb. 28

Friday Night Alive (FNA) is a monthly gathering at HNOJ for middle schoolers to get to know each other through fun activities (open gym,



team 4-square, gaga ball, fun crafts and more!) and to grow in their relationship with Christ through prayer and listening to relatable talks given by our high school core team. We begin with a meal at 5:30 p.m. and have a blast until 8:30 p.m. Our next date is Friday, Feb. 28.

FNA nights are free of charge and open to all 5th through 8th grade youth. This is a great time for middle schoolers to bring a friend! Walks in are welcome, but RSVPs are appreciated to help us get an accurate food count. To RSVP, please email Luke Klavins at Iklavins@hnoj.org.

# Steubenville, Early Registration Now Open

Steubenville is a weekend-long Catholic youth conference with music, speakers, entertainment, small groups, Eucharistic Adoration and more. The conference is held at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN, July 25-27. Participants will stay in the university dorms. The conference is open to all current 8th-12th grade students and will be chaperoned by vetted staff and volunteers from HNOJ.

Register before April 3 for the discounted price of \$295, and \$335 after. Scholarships are available, please contact Eve. Note that no refunds can be given after May 10.

Registration and all information may be found at hnoj.org/ steubenville. Please contact Eve Anders at eanders@hnoj.org with any questions.

### Parish News

## Women's Retreat, Registration Open

Registration is now open for this year's Women's Retreat! All women of HNOJ are invited to spend a day in community with other women and in the presence of our Lord in the Sacraments. This year's retreat is titled



<sup>4</sup>It is Well" and will be hosted at HNOJ on Saturday, May 3, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

We are so fortunate to have Kenna Millea and our pastor, Fr. Tim Wratkowski, as speakers this year. Kenna Millea is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and speaker, and Co-Founder and Clinical Director of the Martin Center for Integration.

Cost is \$60 (early bird \$45 until Friday, Feb. 28). Registration closes on April 11. If you need a scholarship, please email Chris Kostelc at ckostelc@hnoj.org. Please register today at hnoj.org/womensretreat

# First Friday Rosary

Please join in praying the Rosary every First Friday of the month at 7:30 a.m. in the Church. Our prayers are dedicated in memory of those we loved. On March 7, we will pray our next First Friday Rosary with Mass and a breakfast social to follow. All are welcome.



# Scripture of the Week



"To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you." (Luke 6:27)

Today we hear the second half of Luke's telling of the "Sermon on the Plain". Jesus continues His teaching and continues to use a "compare-



contrast" series of examples to challenge His listeners.

His words are simple but profound. It is not so much a particular action as it is the motivation behind it. When we choose to do some good but couch it in a way that benefits ourselves versus the other, our motives cancel the good. It is in giving to others for their benefit and not our own that we are called to live as faithful Christians. As Jesus says, "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful". Mercy does not extract a toll.

Weekly reflections by parishioner Jon Hickman

### Lent 2025

Ash Wednesday is March 5, which will begin our Lenten Season. This Lent, you will have opportunities to join a small group, participate in Friday Stations of the Cross, commit to a Holy Hour, go to Confession, find ways to volunteer or be recharged with our Parish Mission speaker, Dr. Ed Sri!

### Ash Wednesday Masses, March 5

6:30 a.m.

8 a.m.

9:15 a.m. School Mass

6 p.m.

### Stations of the Cross

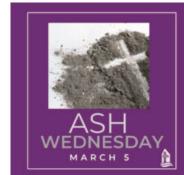
Stations of the Cross are held on Fridays during Lent at 7 p.m.

### Parish Lenten Mission with Dr. Ed Sri

March 26-27, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Childcare available for nursery and elementary aged children.

For a full list of our Lenten schedule, including Confession times, Fish Fry dates and Lenten resources, please visit hnoi.org/lent



# In Our Parish and Our Community

### Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast, THIS Weekend

Join us for a delicious morning of pancakes and fellowship, hosted by Boy Scout Troop 537 on Sunday, Feb. 23, from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (after each of the morning Masses).

The menu includes hot pancakes, sausage, juice, milk, coffee and toppings. The cost is a free-will donation. (Cash, check and credit cards accepted). All proceeds benefit HNOJ ministries.



### Cemetery Clean Up

Maintenance will be cleaning the cemetery grounds the beginning of March. Please remove evergreens and anything of value before March 1. Easter decorations may be added to gravesites beginning with Holy Week (April 13). Thank you for helping us to be good stewards in the care of the final resting place of our deceased loved ones.



### Psalm 78 Retreat

What's Psalm 78? Psalm 78 is sure to be an unforgettable weekend of fun, rest, friendship and encounter with our loving God. Led by our incredible core team of high school students, the middle schoolers who attend this retreat are sure to witness just how exciting life is when we stay connected to the Church.



Who's It for? All 6th, 7th and 8th graders at HNOJ parish and school

When Is It? Friday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.-10 p.m. and Saturday, March 15, 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m. (Parents: please join us for our closing Mass at 5 p.m. on Saturday followed by dinner and a time of Adoration). The retreat is held at HNOJ!

Cost For 6th and 8th Grades: Price for the event is \$60 before March 1. Any registration received March 2-12 will be priced at \$75. The cost includes a retreat t-shirt, lunch and dinner on Saturday and helps cover costs for materials. Registrations after March 7 are not guaranteed a t-shirt. (High school leaders are free).

Contact Luke with any questions at Iklavins@hnoj.org. Register today at hnoj.org/psalm78

### Catholic Services Appeal, March 1-2

Next weekend, March 1-2, is our annual Catholic Services Appeal collection. This year's Appeal focuses on support in four overarching areas in our archdiocese:

- · Educating in faith
- · Helping those in need
- Faith formation
- Respect for life



In the pews next weekend, you will see donation cards with a QR code that goes to love.archsmp.org that gives you access to the 2025 Catholic Services Appeal website. You'll be able to make an ongoing recurring gift or a one-time gift.

Please make checks payable to Catholic Services Appeal and place them in the collection basket. We kindly ask that you don't combine your Sunday giving and Catholic Services Appeal gift in one check. Separate checks or separate electronic transactions will help us with processing. Thank you for your generous support of our archdiocesan ministries!

### Additional Altar Server Training, Feb. 24

Calling all 4th graders through high school students! Altar Serving is an important part of our weekend Masses as they help the priests and deacon during Mass. This ministry needs more help, and we are calling all individuals 4th grade through high school to consider becoming an altar server.



CURRENT and NEW servers who missed the previous training are invited to attend this additional training on Monday, Feb. 24, from 6-7 p.m. (includes dinner). Please register at hnoj.org/liturgical-ministries



### Palms from Last Year

If you have any palms from last year's Palm Sunday Masses, feel free to place them in the baskets in the Gathering Space by Feb. 24.



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Make plans for a getaway with the one you love before your calendar fills up!! A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus



on each other. The next available weekends is May 16-18, in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: twincitieswwme.org or contact Brent and Tracy at 612-234-7440 or applications@twincitieswwme.org.

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