

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
 Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, is the Feast of the Lord's Presentation in the Temple. We hear the story of Mary and Joseph carrying the infant Jesus to the Temple to present Him to God. There the elderly prophets Simeon and Anne



meet the holy family. They encounter the one for whom they longed. Jesus the Messiah! This Feast is about Jesus, the light of the world, who dispels the darkness of sin and death. May the word of God, proclaimed on the feast of **Candlemas Day**, inspire us to bring the light of Christ to a world longing for peace!

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE, BISHOP & MARTYR**



We celebrate his feast on **Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. St. Blaise was venerated as the patron of those who suffer from ailments of the throat. Before dying as a martyr he is said to have healed a boy who was choking. The blessing of St. Blaise is, therefore, a sign of faith in God's protective love for us and for the sick in our midst.

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE** – is observed on February 2<sup>nd</sup> to pay tribute to the religious men and women around the world. Please pray in a special way, on this day for our own Parish Priests, members of the Scalabrinian Congregation and for all of the Priests and Sisters who have so faithfully served in our parish over the years.

***Looking Ahead***

**FEBRUARY**

11 – Mardi Gras Polenta/Cavati Dinner  
 at Santa Maria DiPrata Hall, Cranston, RI

18 – Ash Wednesday – Season of Lent Begins †

**MARCH**

8 – Daylight Savings Time Begins – Spring Forward 🕒

28 – Annual Parish Dinner Dance  
 at Santa Maria DiPrata Hall, Cranston, RI

29 – Palm Sunday 🌴

**APRIL**

5 – Easter Sunday 🐰



*“Christian love is prophetic:  
 it works miracles and knows no limits.”*

Pope Leo XIV

Please give prayerful consideration to a gift for the **2026 Catholic Charity Appeal**; which funds over 30 programs and ministries serving thousands of people in the Diocese of Providence. Please help by donating or pledging your support to the Catholic Charity Appeal by returning a Catholic Charity envelope in the mail or in the collection basket at Mass. Thank you!

***Reflection***

*It has been forty days since Christmas when the true Light came into the world. On this day we celebrate the Light being brought into the temple to be ritually dedicated to God's service. Just as the light of a single candle is a great consolation in the darkness, so too each simple act of service becomes hope for a weary world.*

*+ Christ is the light of the nations  
 and the glory of Israel His people. +*

**St. Bartholomew Church**

**CAVATI & POLENTA DINNER**

**Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

at

*Santa Maria Di Prata Hall*

*29 Walnut Grove Ave., Cranston*

Ticket Donation: \$30

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Purchase tickets, as soon as possible, after all weekend Masses or at the Parish Office.

No Tickets Sold at the Door - No Take-Out Orders

**MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 2 - 7, 2026**

*Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead, however the following are specifically remembered this week.*

**Monday, February 2**

**World Day for Consecrated Life**

7:30 am – The Presentation of the Lord

**Tuesday, February 3 – St. Blaise**

7:30 am – Sgt. Stephen Michael Shaw, 32<sup>nd</sup> Year Remembrance by wife & family

**Wednesday, February 4**

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**Thursday, February 5 - Agatha**

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**Friday, February 6**

7:30 am – Intention of Priest Celebrant

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Saturday, February 7**

8:00 am – The Holy Souls in Purgatory in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



**SANCTUARY CANDLE & ALTAR BREAD & WINE:**

*In Memory Of*

Sgt. Stephen M. Shaw  
Alice Ginolfi – Birthday Remembrance  
by Joyce

**+ Died in Christ +**

Judith M. Norcini

**WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT**

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

Weekend of January 24 & 25, 2026: \$3,653.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Church in Latin America: \$762.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, February 7**

5:00 pm

Intentions of Parishioners

**Sunday, February 8**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am

Deceased of Pio A. Romano, Sr. Family

11:30 am

Anthony Evangelista, Jr. by the Quagliozi Family

*A Prayer for Priests*

*Gracious and loving God,  
we thank you for the gift of our priests.  
Through them we experience your presence  
in the sacraments.  
Help our priests to be strong in their vocation.  
Set their world on fire with love for your people.  
Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and  
strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.  
Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.  
Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.  
Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.  
Help them to become instruments of  
your divine grace.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives  
and reigns as our Eternal Priest.  
Amen*

*This Week's Bulletin Is Sponsored  
In Memory Of*

***Sgt. Stephen Michael Shaw  
1994 - 2026***

