

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
Sunday, February 2nd, 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. BLASE, BISHOP & MARTYR

We celebrate his feast on **Monday, February 3rd**. St. Blase 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. Blase 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 2nd 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.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN FEBRUARY

Thank you for your generosity

February 2 - Major Repair Fund

February 9 - Extraordinary Parish Expenses

February 16 - Utility Fund

February 23 - Second Collection

February 26 - Ash Wednesday Second Collection

LOOKING AHEAD

February 25 - Polenta/Cavati Dinner

February 26 - Ash Wednesday - Season of Lent

March 7 - Annual Parish Dinner Dance

March 8 - Daylight Savings Time

April 5 - Palm Sunday & Bake Sale

April 12 - Easter Sunday

**MARDI GRAS CAVATI & POLENTA
BUFFET DINNER**

Tuesday, February 25th at 6:30 pm
in the Church Hall

Ticket Donation: \$20.00

6-12 years : \$10.00 5 years & under: no charge

No Tickets Sold at the Door - No Take Out Orders
Everyone is welcome to attend!

ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE

Saturday, March 7, 2020

Alpine Country Club
251 Pippin Orchard Road, Cranston, RI

Music by "Gemini Band"

Tickets: \$45 per person

VOCATION THOUGHT – "The family is, so to speak, the domestic Church. In it parents should, by word and example, be the first preachers of the faith to their children. They should encourage them in the vocation which is proper to each of them...fostering with special care any religious vocation." (Vatican Council II)

THANK YOU VERY MUCH to the Altagracia Group of our Parish for their generous donation of \$873.00 to our Church as profit from the Feast of Altagracia Celebration which was held on Saturday Evening, January 25th. Congratulations on a beautiful and enjoyable parish event!

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. +**

MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 3 - 9, 2020

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

Monday, February 3 - St. Blaise

7:30 am - Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw - 26th Year Remembrance
by wife & family
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, February 4

7:30 am - Antonetta & Peter Gallo, Sr. by family
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

Wednesday, February 5 - St. Agatha

7:30 am - Ugo Celesti
5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, February 6

7:30 am - Vincent & Emilia DeVincenzis

Friday, February 7

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Saturday, February 8

8:00 am - Intentions of Parishioners

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, February 8

5:00 pm

Cosimo DeNucci - Birthday Remembrance
by Dan & MaryAnne
Mary Cioe
Angelina Rotondo by daughters

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

Sunday, February 9

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Maria Melida Gomez Aguirre by son & family

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, February 3

7:00 pm - Ladies Guild Meeting

Tuesday, February 4

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

Wednesday, February 5

5:00 pm - Older First Communion Class - SD Center
6:30 - RCIA Class - SD Center

Thursday, February 6

5:00 pm - Confirmation Class - Rectory

Friday, February 7

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel

Saturday, February 8

10:00 am - CCD Classes - 1st & 2nd Years - Rectory
4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confession

Sunday, February 9

Second Collection: Extraordinary Expenses

+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +

*What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.
(Increased Giving Campaign)*

Weekend of January 25 & 26, 2020

Envelopes & Loose Collection: \$3,618.00

2nd Collection: \$1,054.00

Church in Latin America

Sanctuary Candle:

Javier Mundaca Bernal
Glenn A. Fernandez
Sgt. Steven M. Shaw

Altar Bread & Wine:

Javier Mundaca Bernal
Glenn A. Fernandez
Sgt. Steven M. Shaw

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

Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw

26th Anniversary Remembrance