

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

Tuesday, 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. BLASE, BISHOP & MARTYR**



We celebrate his feast on **Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>**. 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 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.

**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)

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN FEBRUARY**

*Thank you for your generosity*

February 7 - Major Repair Fund

February 14 - Extraordinary Parish Expenses

February 17 - Ash Wednesday - Season of Lent Begins

February 21 - Utility Fund

February 28 - Second Collection



The Scalabrini Dukceovich Center, across the street from our Church, will offer **FREE COVID-19 TESTING every Monday afternoon from 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm.**

There is no cost and no insurance or appointment is necessary. Testing is open to all ages.

Please wear a face-mask to be tested for the health and safety of everyone participating.

The annual campaign for the **Rhode Island Catholic** newspaper is taking place now, please call 401-272-1010 to subscribe. Our diocesan newspaper depends on faithful readers to continue its mission of bringing the good news of the Church to your home. Consider a subscription today!

A very special thank you to the group **Ciché** for the beautiful concert given in celebration of **Señor De Esquipulas.**

And, with thanks and appreciation to the **Committee of Altagracia** for their generous donation of \$141.00 to our Church in honor of **Our Lady Altagracia.**

Congratulations for the beautiful Masses and faithful devotion to culture, tradition, and our Parish!

**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 1 - 7, 2021**

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

**Monday, February 1**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Tuesday, February 2**

7:30 am - The Presentation of the Lord

**Wednesday, February 3 - St. Blase**

7:30 am - Sgt. Stephen Michael Shaw by wife & family  
5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration - Spanish  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Thursday, February 4**

7:30 am - Deceased of the Alfieri Family by Sr. Rose

**Friday, February 5 - St. Agatha**

7:30 am - Intention of Priest Celebrant  
3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Saturday, February 6**

8:00 am - Robert J. Cicione - Month Mind Remembrance

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, February 6**

**5:00 pm**

Biagio Costigliola by family  
Alice Ginolfi by family  
Orlando Giansanti, Jr. by Ann & Marguerite

**6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish**

**Sunday, February 7  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00 am**

Deceased of Anthony DiPetrillo Family  
Deceased of Luigi Tirocchi Family

**9:30 am - Mass in Spanish**

**11:30 am**

Mario Igetti - Birthday Remembrance - by family  
Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters

**SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN**

Because our weekly parish bulletin can no longer be paid by ads on the back page, we are hoping to help defray this expense by asking parishioners to come forward each week by sponsoring the bulletin with a donation of **\$40.00**. Please call the parish office if you wish to help.

*This Week's Bulletin Is Sponsored*

*In Memory Of*

**Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw**

**27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance  
1994 ~ 2021**



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

*In Memory Of  
Sgt. Stephen Michael Shaw*

**+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +**

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

**Weekend of January 23 & 24, 2021**

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets  
\$3,333.00