

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
Saturday, 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. This is the day traditionally designated by the Church for the blessing of the candles. 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!

Looking Ahead

- March 5 – Polenta/Cavati Dinner
- March 6 – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins
- March 16 – Mass of the Sacrament of the Sick & Elderly
- March 17 – St. Patrick's Day Dinner
- April 14 – Palm Sunday & Bake Sale
- April 21 – Easter Sunday
- May 4 – Annual Parish Dinner Dance at Alpine Country Club

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN FEBRUARY

Thank you for your generosity

- February 3 – Major Repair Fund
- February 10 – Extraordinary Parish Expenses
- February 17 – Utility Fund
- February 24 – No Second Collection

FEAST OF ST. BLASE, BISHOP & MARTYR

We celebrate his feast on **Sunday, 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. Touching the throat with blessed candles, the Priest prays: *"Through the intercession of St. Blase, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen."*

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.

The annual campaign for the **Rhode Island Catholic** newspaper is taking place now. Subscription envelopes are available in the church vestibule, or 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!

**MARDI GRAS CAVATI & POLENTA
BUFFET DINNER**

Tuesday, March 5, 2019 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!

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)

Reflection

Your mercy is always there, always available, always outlasting the interval between my first breath and my last. I know that your mercy will enfold my children, and my children's children, with a strength and finality I can never possess. And so I offer myself up entirely to your mercy; please let it carry my prayer for peace into every generation.

MASSES FOR JANUARY 28 – FEBRUARY 3, 2019

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead.

However the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, January 28th

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, January 29th

7:30 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

Wednesday, January 30th

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration – Spanish

7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, January 31st – St. John Bosco

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

Friday, February 1st

7:30 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Saturday, February 2nd

8:00 am - The Presentation of the Lord

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, February 2nd

5:00 pm

For the Intentions of Parishioners

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

Sunday, February 3rd

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw

25 Year Remembrance

by wife & family

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Elena Pilloni – First Anniversary Remembrance – by Janet

Henry Pilloni, Sr. – 24th Anniversary Remembrance

by family

+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +

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

Weekend of January 12 & 13, 2019

First Collection: \$4,187.00

Second Collection: \$1,932.00

Major Repair Fund

Sanctuary Candle:

Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw

by wife & family

Altar Bread & Wine:

Sgt. Steven Michael Shaw

by wife & family

+ Died in Christ +

Agnes Boffa

Pauline Petronio

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, January 29th

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

Friday, February 1st

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet – Chapel

Saturday, February 2nd

10:00 am - CCD Classes 1st & 2nd years

4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confession – Church

Sunday, February 3rd

10:30 am - Confirmation Class

Second Collection: Major Repair Fund

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