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A LIGHT FOR REVELATION.

_____LUKE 2:32 _____

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IT'S POST TIME 2025 Blessed Mother Council Presents KNIGHT AT THE RACES FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2025 6:30 p.m. Columbus Hall Food/Fun/Racing (B.Y.O.B.) ONLY \$12.00 GET YOUR TICKETS NOW !! (AVAILABLE AT CHURCH OFFICE) TICKETS NOT SOLD AT DOOR DAY TRIP - Ladies Guild 02/13/25 See Page 12

SAVE THE DATE

February 21 & 22 The Annual Emmanuel Parish Festival

Help us sell all those raffle tickets that every registered parishioner should already have received. **See p6** CALL TO PRAYER AND SUPPORT for CALIFORNIA FIRES Bishop Gerald Barbarito See Page 12



PARISH INFORMATION

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OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church **which means**, **God is with us**, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

CLERGY

Pastor Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora

Parish Vicar Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

In Residence Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

Weekday/Weekend Associates

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan Rev. Fr. David Carr

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

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Deacon Anthony Cuseo

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Music Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Men's Choir

Altar Flowers Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

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Ladies Guild President Nancy McDonald

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Bob Budd

Legion of Mary President Maude Cassagnol



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PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm-7:30pm (after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass or call the parish office

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in advance. Contact Parish Office.

WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am-1:00pm **Tuesday Closed** Thursday & Friday 8am-1pm **Saturday Closed** 4th Sunday of the Month 10:00AM-1:30PM

NOTE: Gift shop will be closed when the parish office is closed

ROSARY GROUP

Monday-Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

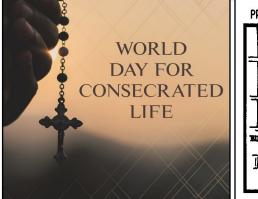
RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Do you want to make sure there have been no sudden time changes to any event or activity you want to join this week? Call the parish office during business hours.

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PRESENTATION OF THE LORD I LIKE TO GO IN THAT ALONG TO GET CASE, YOU'D ALONG, I BETTER ALWAYS STAY AWAY TRY TO AVOID FROM HIM. CONTROVERSY. **WINNIN**

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Feb. 02 Tootsie Roll Drive-All Masses

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9:00A	KoC Mass	
1:00P	OCIA Class	
Monday, Feb. 03		
6:30A		
1:00P	Movie Mondays	
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Tuesday, F	eb. 04	
6:30A		
9:00AFlea Marl	ket donation Drop Off	
10:00A		
6:30P	Ladies Guild Meeting	
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6:30A	Adoration	
2:00PSchool of		
4:00P	SoulCore	
Thursday,	Feb. 06	
6:30A	Adoration	
9:00A	Anointing of the Sick	
3:00P	Holy Hour	
6:30P	AA Meeting	
Friday, Feb. 07		
6:30A		
9:00AF		
6:00P	First Friday Mass	
7:00P		
Saturday	/, Feb. 08	
9:00A		
9:00ALa	y Cistercians Meeting	
Sunday, Feb. 09		
9:00A	Ladies Guild Mass	
1:00P	OCIA Class	
1:00P	Pre-baptism Class	

PARISH LIFE

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CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, Feb. 02

7:30A Fr. Theo 9:00A Fr. Leone 10:00A Fr. Theo 10:30A Fr. Timothy 12:00P Fr. Timothy 6:00P Fr. Zamora

Monday, Feb. 03 7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Carr

> Tuesday, Feb. 04 7:30A Fr. Carr 8:30A Fr. Theo

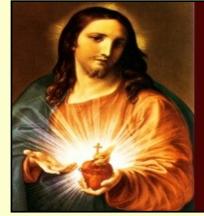
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Thursday, Feb. 06 7:30A Fr. Zamora 8:30A Fr. Timothy

> Friday, Feb. 07 7:30A Fr. Theo 8:30A Fr. Carr 6:00P Fr. Zamora

Saturday, Feb. 08 8:30A Fr. Theo 4:00P Fr. Zamora 5:30P Fr. Timothy

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O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST WITH FR TIMOTHY







OUR GIFTS TO GOD

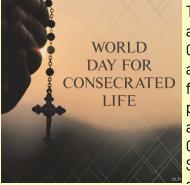
January 19, 2025

TOTAL	\$ 17,948.62
Online (01/18)	\$ 1,530.62
Second Collection	\$ 2,592.00
First Collection	\$13,826.00

January 26, 2025

First Collection	\$14.327.00
Second Collection	\$ 3,168.00
Kids Mass	\$ 366.00
Online (01/25)	\$ 1,276.23
TOTAL	\$ 19,137.23

A LIGHT FOR REVELATION TO THE GENTILES



Three significant events are described in the Gospel: First, Joseph and Mary bring their firstborn son Jesus to present to the Lord as an acknowledgement that God is the author of life; Second, Mary is purified after birth; Third, Simeon

and Anna recognize the child Jesus as the light for revelation to the gentiles, the redemption of Israel.

The first two events pertained to requirements concerned parents or families needed to meet, in accordance with Mosaic law (Ex 13:12; Lv 12:6-8). For those who were poor, the process included a minimum offering of two turtle doves or two young pigeons.

Mary and Joseph show faithful obedience to the law. Two prophets, a man and a woman offer their vision of Jesus. Simeon declares that Jesus is God's salvation, who is set before the people. Anna thanks God for the child Jesus, the redemption of Israel.

The Presentation, in a sense, is a feast of thanksgiving and a celebration of the gift of life—the gift of Jesus, not only to his parents, but also to the whole of humanity.

Simeon and Anna had been eagerly waiting for this moment and now it has finally come. The long-awaited " light for revelation to the gentiles and glory for...Israel " has been made manifest. The time of waiting has ended. Hence, the great joy and deep gratitude that these two elders are feeling.

Mary and Joseph consecrate Jesus to God, the author of life and giver of all gifts. Their act celebrates the sacredness of life. **Human life is sacred, and every person ought to be consecrated to God** who is life's origin.



Saint of the Week - Saint Blaise



Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness, Amen. We know more about the devotion to Saint Blaise by Christians around the world than we know about the saint himself. His feast is observed as a holy day in some Eastern Churches. In 1222, the Council of Oxford prohibited servile labor in England on Blaise's feast day. The Germans and Slavs hold him in special honor, and for decades many United

States Catholics have sought the annual Saint Blaise blessing for their throats.

We know that Bishop Blaise was martyred in his episcopal city of Sebastea, Armenia, in 316. The legendary Acts of St. Blaise were written 400 years later. According to them Blaise was a good bishop, working hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people. Although the Edict of Toleration (311), granting freedom of worship in the Roman Empire, was already five years old, persecution still raged in Armenia. Blaise was apparently forced to flee to the back country. There he lived as a hermit in solitude and prayer, but he made friends with the wild animals. One day a group of hunters seeking wild

animals for the amphitheater stumbled upon Blaise's cave. They were first surprised and then frightened. The bishop was kneeling in prayer surrounded by patiently waiting wolves, lions and bears.

The legend has it that as the hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

Agricolaus, governor of Cappadocia, tried to persuade Blaise to sacrifice to pagan idols. The first time Blaise refused, he was beaten. The next time he was suspended from a tree and his flesh torn with iron combs or rakes. Finally, he was beheaded.

Reflection

Four centuries give ample opportunity for fiction to creep in with fact. Who can be sure how accurate Blaise's biographer was? But biographical details are not essential. Blaise is seen as one more example of the power those have who give themselves entirely to Jesus. As Jesus told his apostles at the Last Supper, "If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you" (John 15:7). With faith we can follow the lead of the Church in asking for Blaise's protection.

PRACTICING CHRISTIAN

Dear Parishioner:

Once again it is time to turn our attention to our Annual Parish Festival and Raffle. This is a parish event as we rejoice in the Lord for giving us this great opportunity to come together as a parish family.

> The dates for the 2025 Annual Parish Festival are Friday, February 21st from 4:00pm to 8:00pm & Saturday, February 22nd from 8:00am-7:00pm.

We will be having a Flea Market in Columbus Hall, food, bake sale



and coffee, car show, and children's activities along with a children's basket raffle. Details can be found in our bulletin and on our parish website as well.

Our Festival and Raffle is the **single biggest fundraising effort** we make each year. I am writing to ask you for your continued support and participation in the upcoming raffle. We hope each of your families will purchase or sell at least one book of raffle tickets. Please feel free to sell to neighbors, friends, other family members, and/or co-workers! **The cost of each ticket is \$10.00 or \$50.00 for a book of 6 tickets.** I have enclosed one sheet (two books) of tickets with this letter.

This year, we have chosen again to have cash prizes:

1st Prize: \$5,000 2nd Prize: \$2,500 3rd Prize: \$1,500

10 Consolation Prizes of: \$200 each

Please return the tickets with your donation. Additional tickets are available at the parish office. The drawing will take place on Saturday, February 22nd at 7:00pm.

I thank you with all my heart for your continued support to our Parish and I look forward to sharing the good times with you at the Festival! We would also like to thank Lorne and Sons who generously covered the cost of printing the raffle tickets.

Yours in Christ,

PRIZE	AMOUNT	BULLETIN COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS
First Prize	\$ 5,000	96
Second Price	\$ 2,500	48
Third Prize	\$ 1,500	24
Consolation Prize	\$ 200	6
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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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7: <i>30am</i> †Andrea Battilana by Cookie Anastasi 8:30am †Loretta Mildenberger by Linda Rogers	†Richard Oetting by Tom & Linda Clayton *Thanksgiving/St. Jude by Frank & Donna Femiano			
Tuesday, Feb	0.04			
7:30am †Frances Biola by Angela & Mark †Eileen Trahan by Family	†Carol Groccia by Garry & Barbara Morris			
8:30am *Julius Coz by Family	*Thanksgiving/St. Jude by Frank & Donna Femiano			
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7:30am †Pasquale Reggieri by Anthony & Lucille Boscia 8:30am *Thanksgiving/St. Jude by Frank & Donna Femia	†Jimmy Gattings by Eddie McDonnell no †Helen Cruz by Matha Rice & Family			
Friday, Fel	b. 07			
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8:30am †Nora Mahoney by Mary Ellen Mansfield	†Manuel Buriel by Herb			
6:00pm FOR PRIESTS	FOR PRIESTS			
Saturday, I	Feb. 08			
8:30am *Fr. John J. Posada by Martha Rodriguez 4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD	*Thanksgiving/St. Jude by Frank & Donna Femiano BOOK OF THE DEAD			
5:30pm †Nancy Gingerelli by Ann Marie Messenger	†Vladimir & Lucia Pesa by Bozidar & Berta Pesa			
Sunda	ıy, Feb. 09			
7:30am *Sergio Rodriguez by Mom _ †John Trepanier by Cookie Anastasi	*Nau-Baker Families by			
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9:00am Living & deceased members of Ladies Guild	†Vincent Facciuto by Theresa Facciuto			
10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS 12:00pm †Juliann Brassil by Maureen & John	PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS †Domenic & Maria Pesa by Bozidar & Berta Pesa			
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†Arthur & Esperanza Greene by Price Family †Rena & Durant Tardugno by Price Family				
†Helen & Joe Hreso by Price Family †Chris Bardelang by Price Family				
†Yomira Lozano by Price Family †Fr. Scaravelli by Price Family				
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PRAYER WARRIORS

PRAYER LIST: WHISPER A PRAYER FOR ME | 08

Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers: For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:

For men and women in the Armed Forces, and their families: AND FOR ALL LISTED BELOW

David & John Helen Cruz Lenore Curatolo Marilyn Boyle Andrea Anastasi Shelly Fiorini Ed Bush Bob Oberholzer John Wilkens Scott Ellison Evangeline Ezeilo Michael Gehres Karen Sullivan Sean Zahul Darren Guzman Mary Lou Connie Panepinto Amalia Mazzolin Leon Martin Joe Delagami Rose Marie Regner Michael Manuele Carla Ruiz Benjamin Robelo Karen McCarty T.J. Genzale Dave Ruiz Victoria Robelo Ms.S. Rose Borsella Lexie Helgerson David Smeraldo Janette Cole Steven Martin Sikes Gianna Pagan Suzanne Puleo Sr. Frances Vass OSC Mary Loveland Sam Falcone Patricia Golstein Taylor Dosh Marilyn Martino Gulshan Modena Maggie Dolan Amelita Coz-Zarraga Heather Martin Taiilor McGee Ronald Griffiths Margie Giaquinto Maria Fernandez Raphael Roman James Ezeilo

Brenda Ezeilo Cvnthia Martin Francis Martin Hermoine D'Cruz Brigitte Knops Toni Kreamer Gerry Gerhard Euclides Cerutti Grace Cassagnol Samuel Gonzales Victorio Ray Wolff Patricia Tripi Giraldo Ida Giannettina Tom Hickey Josette Weber Vincent Rizzo Louis Perticone Ann Cavaseno Charles C.Tufano Angela Discepola Anna Halford Sal Yanello Victor Rivera William Lindner Lisa Della Femina María E. Quiñones-Mercado Diane Daniels Carmen Jones Bill Hamilton Ralph Senese Ramona Ash Gaballah Karen Ramey Tom Tripi Mary Ann Lisa Payne Marilyn Green Joseph Salamone Phyllis Lomitola Maria Amaro Aniela Ignaczak Lillian Campayno Terry Schwinge Tom D'Amico Gabriel Zamora Vincent Blum Ricardo Blum Gina Marie B. Cohen David Strompf Sal Hanono Chris Angotti

Heather Smith Jason Smith Ronald Merhige Roshan Karen Jensen Cynthis Martin Garry Solomon Ilda Sosa Botero Carlos Tobon Jill Forshey Gerry Santilli Gail Hill **Chrissie Budrick** Frank Dazzo Dina Quelch Stewart Librizzi Thomas Land Agatha Saccio Robert Albertson Rafael Botero Albert Fernandes Doreen Romano Britney Closson Jeanette Gallegos Adriana Elejalde Oswaldo Cesar Monasterio Michael Cecere Jahaziel Roldan Abigail Chin-Lenn Gertrudis Rivera Martinez Merrill Tucker Debra Tucker Maggie Dazzo Nicholas Cerino Martha Gutzman Noah Altherios Debra Serritella Joseph Reategui Anthony Spirito Rhea Raecher Doug Rodgers Doris Vourinen Sister Veronique DCSO Danny Berciles Elizabeth Lanza-Hajko **Eleanor Hemmer** Joseph Lauria Judy Lew Ernie Skelton Carlotta

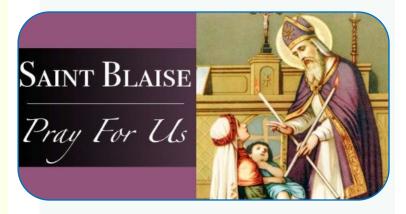
PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION. Lord, I believe and profess that You are truly Christ, Son of the Living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS. Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY. Almighty God We stand before you in supplication, Asking Your Divine mercy and protection, To envelop with Your invincible armor, Our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength Against all enemies, Both spiritual and physical, And hasten their safe journey, Back to their homes and families.

If it be Your Holy Will That they be gathered to Your bosom, With the eternal vanguard of the saints, Let their journey to Your everlasting arms Be swift and painless, Where they may stand in honor and glory, Praising You for all eternity. Amen





CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The oldest trick of the devil is to distract us from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do — there are so many other things we could be doing. So, do we have the courage to look to our own hearts, to come face to face with our own choices, our own true selves?

The Thoughts of Many Hearts

When Simeon cradles the infant Messiah in his arms, he speaks of salvation and glory and revelation. He speaks of his own death. He speaks of the fulfillment of God's promise to all people.

But most memorable, in my opinion, are his words about the hearts of men. This Child, he says, will be the way "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Perhaps you're like me. Perhaps you don't enjoy scrutinizing yourself, your actions, your intentions. You don't like reflecting on why you feel or react the way you do, and you really don't enjoy measuring those feelings and reactions against what you know they could be.

It's exhausting to sit with God, your heart in your hands, both of us looking at it, talking about it. So far too often, I opt out.

The oldest trick of the devil, you see, is to distract us from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do. There are so many other things I could be doing, after all. Answering emails. Catching up on laundry. Scrolling Facebook. Worrying about inflation and the election. Stressing about my kid's dance recital and next week's busy schedule.

But where is God truly at work? Where is the place God will point to, when my life on Earth has come to its close?

It is the very depths of my heart. The place where I am my most authentic self, for better or worse. The place where all my pretensions crumble away, and I am alone with the truth of who I am and what I choose to do.

Am I brave enough to look into the depths of my own heart?

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary?

Answer:

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple.

Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification.

The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the longawaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.

LITURGICAL LIFE

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of February 2, 2025

Sunday:

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Monday:

Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/ Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday:

Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday:

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/ Mk 6:1-6

Thursday:

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mk 6:7-13

Friday:

Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/ Mk 6:14-29

Saturday:

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday:

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



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Gospel Meditation

Seek a deeper understanding of Scripture

What is the secret to sharing in God's power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophecies that when her son faces opposition, Mary's soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which **"the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed"** (Luke 2:35). What to make of this?

Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant's injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary's pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace.

This week, I invite us to ponder Mary's pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son's divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty.

— Father John Muir

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me; and suddenly there will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek. (Mal 3:1)

Psalm:

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Ps 24)

Second Reading:

Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God. (Heb 2:17)

Gospel:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation." (Lk 2:29-30)

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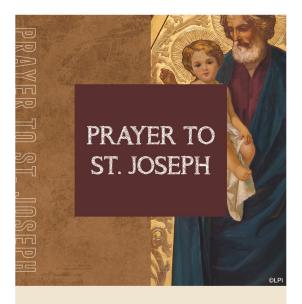
Live The Liturgy

Anna and Simeon saw greatness and glory in the face of a tiny babe. Jesus was insignificant in the eyes of others who looked for the Messiah in the gilded halls of kings. But Anna and Simeon recognized God when they saw him. Do we?

Observances for the week of February 2, 2025

Sunday:	The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life
Monday:	St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop
Wednesday:	St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
Thursday:	St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday:	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day



Devotions, Explained!

For centuries, Christians have relied on the intercessory prayers of Joseph, earthly spouse of the Blessed Virgin and foster father of Christ. One particular novena prayer to St. Joseph is often called "the unfailing prayer to St. Joseph."

Prayer of Faith

Dear God,

Open my eyes to Your movement in my life. And, even when I don't see it or don't understand, help me to rely on the promises of Your love and mercy.

Amen.

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Message from Bishop Gerald Barbarito Call to Prayer and Support – California Fires

"At this time, we join in prayer for all those affected in such a devastating manner by the raging fires in the communities of Los Angeles, California. Thousands have lost, and continue to lose, their homes, livelihoods,

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churches, schools, communities, and even their lives and loved ones. We also pray for the firefighters and first responders and all who are

reaching out to assist at this most difficult time.

Archbishop Jose Gomez of Los Angeles has stated that we do not know why these disasters happen, but that God holds each of us is loving hands and that love is what asked of us at this challenging moment. As the family of the Diocese of Palm Beach, we reach out in love through our prayers and support at this time.

Catholic Charities USA has launched a dedicated disaster relief donation campaign donation page and all funds raised will assist those displaced or suffering due to these fires. Information can also be found on our Diocesan website and the website of our Catholic Charities ministry."

LADIES GUILD INVITES YOU

CASINO TRIP-FEB 13, THURSDAY

The first casino trip of 2025! The price is \$30. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 8:45AM and will leave The Big Easy at about 3:15PM for the return trip home.

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Wednesday 3:45PM Emmanuel Catholic church Military Trail Delray - Columbus Hall 1st time at class please arrive 15 mins early. Wear comfortable clothing, bring an exercise mat if you have one.

Did you know we can create a Soulcore class for your group, school or retreat@your time & location. Contact a Soulcore leader for more info or with any questions you might have: Daniella Potter (754) 224-9071 Ramona Joachim (561) 866-4820* MaryFrances Heller(954) 942-0003* Patti Mills(954) 254-3726*Clara Baron (561) 305-9943



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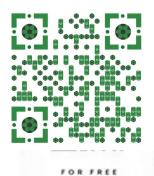


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Welcome to the Family of Faith!

We joyfully announce the baptism of Damien Kai Salcido and Diamitzy Joan Gonzalez Rivera, into the Catholic Church. Baptized on January 19th, 2025.

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Come and join Bishop Gerald Barbarito as he celebrates the 41st Annual Anniversary Masses for Married Couples. This mass is for couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, 50 or more years of marriage during the year 2025.

Saturday February 8, 2025 10:30 AM

St. Lucie Catholic Church 280 SW Prima Vista Blvd. Port St. Lucie, FL 34983



Saturday February 15, 2025 10:30 AM

St. Jude Catholic Church 21689 Toledo Road Boca Raton, FL 33433

For information and registration contact the Parish Office.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Palm Beach Office of Marriage, Family Life, Faith Formation and Youth Ministry.



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SPIRITUAL CENTER

22-23 de marzo de 2025 El fin de semana comienza con un desayuno continental i sábado a las 8:00 a.m., y concluye con la Santa Mis el domingo a las 12:00 p.m.



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