

# WITH HUMBLE SPIRIT

FEBRUARY 2026

## CALENDAR NOTES

FEB 2

*The Presentation of the Lord*

**NB:** This Mass requires planning for the proper execution of the entrance options, which cannot be licitly omitted.

### ENTRANCE OPTIONS

Note the two options provided for the entrance:

1) "The Procession." In this option, the faithful gather with the priest in a place different than the church and process into the church with the rites outlined in the Missal.

2) "The Solemn Entrance." In this option, the faithful are gathered in the church but the priest addresses them from a "suitable place" near the entrance.

Omitting an entrance is NOT an option.

### GREETING, BLESSING OF CANDLES, PROCESSION

Note further that both options include a greeting (#4), a prayer of blessing the candles (#5), and a procession (#6, 7) either by all or just the priest and ministers.

### NO PENITENTIAL ACT, GLORIA, NO CREED

The procession takes the place of the Penitential Act, the Gloria is said, but the Creed is not said.

FEB 3

*St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr*

### BLESSING OF THROATS

Read the PN in the Ordo for the many options for the Blessing of Throats. (cf. Book of Blessings, Ch. 51, par. 1622 ff.) Blessing may even occur at Mass in the evening.

FEB 11

*Anniversary of the Installation of Archbishop Paul S. Coakley, Metropolitan*

### WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

- **ORDER OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** The revised Order of the Anointing of the Sick and of their Pastoral Care may be used beginning today. Its use is mandated beginning Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026.

FEB 18

*Ash Wednesday*

- **NO PENITENTIAL ACT:** The penitential act is omitted. After the greeting, the priest says, "Let us Pray" and prays the Collect.
- **2 MASSES:** According to Canon 905 and pursuant to our priest policies, a priest may only licitly celebrate two Masses on Ash Wednesday. Consider using the "Blessing and Distribution of Ashes" from Book of Blessings, #1656 ff.

FEB 22

*First Sunday of Lent*

- **RITE OF ELECTION AND CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION**  
The Rite of Election of Catechumens will be held at the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine at 3:00 p.m. Immediately afterward, the Calling of Candidates to Continuing Conversion will begin at 4:00 p.m.

## LOOKING AHEAD

- **THE SCRUTINIES**  
In the OCIA, there are three weeks of "Scrutinies of the Catechumens." These coincide with the Third Sunday (Mar 8), Fourth Sunday (Mar 15), and Fifth (Mar 22) Sunday in Lent. Prepare accordingly.
- **ST. JOSEPH (MAR 19)**  
St. Joseph is our Principal Patron.
- **EASTER VIGIL (APR 4)**  
According to the Roman Missal, the Easter Vigil must begin in the dark. Archbishop Coakley will celebrate the Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m., and no other parish may begin its celebration of the Easter Vigil earlier without his explicit, written permission.



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