



February 2, 2020 The Presentation of the Lord

# St. John<sup>the</sup> Baptist Catholic Church

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## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother,  
"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise  
of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34a

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**Holy Mass** Saturday 5:00 PM; Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Monday 7:00 AM; Tuesday 6:30 PM; Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 7:00 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Tuesdays 5:00 PM; Saturdays 4:00 PM;  
or by appointment

**BULLETIN  
STANDARD DEADLINE:  
9:00 A.M. MONDAY**

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus. This is a feast we meditate on, every time we pray the fourth joyful mystery of the rosary. "In obedience to the Old Law, Mary and Joseph present Jesus in the Temple. Traditionally this was the date that Christmas ended. For us, being presented in the temple, is like when our parents and Godparents present us for baptism. The Catechism tells us that it is at that moment at baptism that we are consecrated to God the Father. From that moment on we are different as we become sons and daughters of God. We are called to live our lives accordingly. It is important to renew our consecration often which we do when we receive the sacraments. Every Mass in fact is an opportunity to strengthen our consecration and rededicate ourselves to the Lord. In fact, every time we profess our faith in the Creed at Mass after the homily, we are renewing the profession made for us at our baptism. Likewise, every time we encounter Christ and confess our sins to him through the priest in the Sacrament of Penance, we ask him to return us to that interior state of holy consecration that we first experienced on the day of our baptism, when we were covered with a white garment of consecration and told to take that garment, unstained, to meet Christ when he comes. Today's feast is an open invitation for us to renew our dedication to the Lord: To offer him our entire being, our thoughts, our works, everything we are, and everything we do. Over the centuries, Christians have popularly called this feast Candlemas or the "Mass of Candles." At our baptism, our godfathers came to light a baptismal candle from the paschal or Easter candle, and the priest said, "Receive the Light of Christ!" We were told to keep that light burning brightly. Jesus, as Simeon says in today's Gospel, is a "light of revelation to the Gentiles." He is the Light of the World. But, in the Sermon on the Mount, he also calls us to be the Light of the World. The way those two truths go together is that we are supposed to be burning with his light. Our baptismal candle being lit from the Pascal or Easter candle, points to the reality that we receive our light from Christ, who wants to make us candles, taking his light to the whole world, a world in which there often is so much darkness. Jesus said to Saint Teresa of Calcutta, "Come, be my Light." He says the same thing to each of us today, "Come, be my light." On this Feast of the Presentation of Jesus, may we renew our commitment made for us by our parents and godparents at baptism in living our Catholic faith and to bring the light of Christ to those in your life! God Bless,  
Fr. Butler

*Scripture Study is now at 8 am every Tuesday in the Parish Center. Everyone is welcome to come for coffee, rolls and an opportunity to discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings.*



## **HAWAIIAN THEMED PARTY** **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

**6PM-10PM**

**PARISH CENTER**

**LUAU FOOD, GAMES, PRIZES, MUSIC**

**COME DRESSED IN YOUR FAVORITE  
HAWAIIAN or ISLAND ATTIRE**

**\$25 PER PERSON**

**\$150 FOR TABLE OF 8**

*(Any donations for the raffle is appreciated)*



## **CAMP WOW !**

*Consider making a donation to help defray the cost of Catholic summer camps. If you'd like to support our students, there are youth camp donation envelopes in the back of the church. Please return the envelope with your donation to the parish office by February 23rd.*

## **STEUBENVILLE !**

*(and other events)*

## **WOMEN'S SOCIETY MEETING**

**Tuesday, February 4th**

**7:15 PM**

**Parish Center**

**Pat Rice will speak on Africa Missions**

## *Adoration*

## *Friday, February 7th*

## *7:30 AM—9:00 PM*



## Parish Scam Warning - Please read!

Once again, in the past weeks, several parishioners and staff members have been contacted or received emails by con artists masquerading as Fr. Butler. Often they ask them to purchase gift cards on his behalf or to do other things for him. **Please be aware that this is a fraud. These emails are NOT coming from Fr. Butler.** Do not reply to those solicitations to avoid falling victim to these scammers.



### YOU ARE CHOSEN A Retreat For Women

You are invited to a weekend of rest with Our Lord, Friday, February 28th-Sunday, March 1st, at Bishop Lane Retreat Center. Come experience a grace-filled retreat learning about the fruits of a life rooted in the Trinity, what it means to be called to a deeper relationship with the Lord, and how the Holy Spirit watches over the needs of every moment. There will be opportunities for praise and worship, reconciliation, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and relaxation. Each of us is uniquely created and chosen by Him. You belong. Let's celebrate being CHOSEN by God. For more information and to sign up, please contact the Life & Family Evangelization Office by February 13th at 815-399-4300 or [life@rockforddiocese.org](mailto:life@rockforddiocese.org), or visit [www.rockforddiocese.org/life](http://www.rockforddiocese.org/life)

### ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

## Village Courtyard

Please patronize the sponsors of your bulletin as a "thank you" for their generosity.

### SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Our candle offerings this week

*Special Intention*

*Req by Katharine Haggard*



Jerome & Patricia Butler, Kathleen Carr, Tom Connelly, Patrick Doherty, Joann Duffy, LaVerne Fox, Sarah Franklin, Mike Franzone, Joan Frieders, Sharen Gavin, Michael Geever, Denise Green, Martha Green, Virginia Hann, Margaret Hardekopf, Linda Hickey, Jerry Hinterlong, Mary Holevas, Jim Johnson, Deb Kulbartz, Doris Langston, Jan Magioni, Karen McCormick, Tom McCrea, Irene Osifchin, Brody Roberts, Diane Verlare, Bob Wade, Kazia (Dillett) Watson, Gerald Wauttier, Jerry Welte, George Weseman, Rita Wiesbrook, Trish Wojcik

## REQUEST A HOSPITAL VISIT

If you are hospitalized and would like a visit from a priest, please call the parish office at 815 498-2010. Because of privacy laws, hospitals can no longer notify churches without the direct permission of the patient.

*Church Support*

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**No matter how much you're hurting....  
No Marriage is beyond hope....**

### IS YOUR MARRIAGE MISERABLE?

Retrouvaille is a lifeline for couples in struggling marriages who are suffering from a lack of connection and poor communication. Retrouvaille helps heal marriages on the brink of separation or divorce.



### RETROUVAILLE CAN HELP YOU SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE

We have helped tens of thousands of couples facing difficulties in their marriage, restore their connection and rebuild a loving relationship. This marriage-saving program provides couples with actionable steps they can take to improve communication, build a stronger marriage and help reconnect.

### THE FIRST STEP...ATTEND A WEEKEND

For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program or to register for our **March 13-15, 2020** weekend in Darien, call 815 246-2080, email, [retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com), or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

### February 3-February 9, 2020

Monday	7:00 am	Marian Griswold Req by Marcella Peters
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Eleanor Salisbury Req by Jim & Gert Meyer
Wednesday	7:00 am	Eleanor Salisbury Req by Pat Werner
Thursday	7:00 am	Eleanor Salisbury Req by Virginia Hann
Friday	7:00 am	Leonard Schubbe Req by Beth Swanson
Saturday	5:00pm	Charlie Julane Krupiczowicz Req by Chuck&Sandy Durancik
Sunday	8:00 am	Pro Populo People of the Parish
	10:30am	Dave Frieders Req by Joe & Sharon Dillett

## LITURGICAL ROLES

### Weekend of February 8-9, 2020

Saturday 5:00 pm	Lector	Chuck Hickey
Extraordinary Ministers		Delores Devine-Cup 1 Connie Kauffman-Cup 2 Laura ShortBread 1 Beth Westbrook Bread2 Tim Westbrook Bread 3
Sunday 8:00 am	Lector	Chuck Kessler
Extraordinary Ministers		Sandy Durancik-Cup 1 Carol Hinterlong-Cup 2 Pam Rogers Bread1 John Weissensel Bread2 Chuck Durancik Bread3
Sunday 10:30 am	Lector	Jay Waldvogel
Extraordinary Ministers		Susan Clifford Bread1 Rose Lesniewicz Bread2 Joanne Weirich Bread3

## ALTAR SERVERS

### Weekend of February 8-9 2020

Saturday 5:00 pm	Olivia Taylor, Piper Runge Aubrey Westbrook
Sunday 8:00 am	Brady Strever, Luke Rader Julio Salgado
10:30 am	Serenity Guzman, Macey Kinney Malayna Kinney

## FEBRUARY USHERS

Saturday 5:00 pm	Mary Sidwell, Craig Zuege
Sunday 8:00 am	Clint Strever, Brad Strever
10:30 am	Mike Lesniewicz, Bill Mokry

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY, February 2, 2020

<i>Loss and Transition</i>	9:00 am
<i>Adoration PreK-6th Grade</i>	9:15 am

### MONDAY, February 3, 2020

<i>Pastoral Council</i>	7:00 pm
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### TUESDAY, February 4, 2020

*Scripture Study at 8:00 a.m. Join us in the Parish Center for coffee and rolls and an opportunity to discuss the upcoming Sunday's readings.*

*Women's Society-Pat Rice Speaker 7:15 pm*

### WEDNESDAY, February 5, 2020

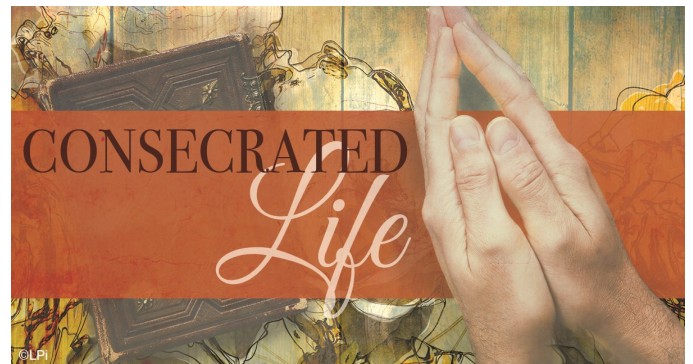
<i>Followers of the Truth</i>	8:30 am
<i>St. Vincent DePaul</i>	6:00 pm
<i>RCIA</i>	7:00 pm
<i>Confirmation</i>	7:00 pm

### THURSDAY, February 6, 2020

<i>Quilting</i>	9:00 am
<i>Staff Meeting</i>	12:30 pm
<i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	7:00 pm

### FRIDAY, February 7, 2020

<i>Adoration</i>	7:30am-9:00pm
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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Readings for the week of February 2, 2020

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

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1a]/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [cf. 5c]/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd [12b]/Mk 6:7-13 this is correct

Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51 [cf. 47b]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 [12b]/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-1