

"Now, Master,
You can dismiss Your
servant in peace."

- Luke 2: 29



February 2, 2020

The Presentation of
Jesus, Our Savior
in the Temple

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Week of February 1 - 7, 2020

SATURDAY (Feb 1)	8:30 AM	For Jovin Lawrence (Healing)
	5:30 PM	For Allen Servis +
SUNDAY (Feb 2)	9 AM	For All Parishioners
	11 AM	For Gemma Marta (Healing)
	4:30 PM Fr. Andrew	For Pacing McFeely (Healing)
MONDAY (Feb 3)	7 AM	For Nelly Araza +
TUESDAY (Feb 4)	7 AM	For Russell Landry II +
WEDNESDAY (Feb 5)	7 AM	For Father Sebastian (Healing)
THURSDAY (Feb 6)	No Mass	
FRIDAY (Feb 7)	7 AM	For Russell Landry +
	8:30 AM	School Mass (Gym)
	7 PM Holy Hour	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Feb 1	Blessed Virgin Mary, First Saturday	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41
Feb 2	The Presentation of Our Lord	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Feb 3	St. Blaise, Bsp & Martyr; St. Angar, Bsp	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Feb 4		2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43
Feb 5	St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr	2 Sm 24:2; 9-17; Mk 6:7-13
Feb 6	St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Feb 7	St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34



Today's feast marks the Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple, forty days after he was born. As the firstborn, he belonged to God. According to the Law, Mary and Joseph were required to take him to the Temple and "redeem" him by paying five shekels. At the same time, the Law required the child's mother to offer sacrifice in order to overcome the ritual impurity brought about by childbirth.

So the feast we celebrate shows a curious turn of events. The Redeemer seems to be redeemed. She who is all-pure presents herself to be purified. Such is the humility of our God. Such is the humility of the Blessed Virgin. They submit to the law even though they are not bound by it. However, the Gospel story nowhere mentions Jesus' "redemption," but seems to describe instead a religious consecration such as a priest might undergo. Saint Luke tells us that Jesus is "presented" in the Temple, using the same verb that Saint Paul uses to describe the offering of a sacrifice (Romans 12:1). Another parallel is the Old Testament dedication of Samuel (1 Sam 1:24-27) to the Temple as a priest.

The drama surrounding Jesus' conception and birth began in the Temple when the Archangel visited Mary's kinsman, Zechariah the priest. And now the story of Jesus' infancy comes to a fitting conclusion, again in the Temple.

All the readings today concern Jerusalem, the Temple, and the sacrificial rites. The first reading comes from the Prophet Malachi, who called the priests to return to faithful service and foretold a day when a Messiah would arrive with definitive purification of the priesthood. Likewise, the Psalm announces to Jerusalem that Jerusalem is about to receive a great visitor. The Psalmist identifies him as "The LORD of hosts . . . the king of glory." Christ now arrives as the long-awaited priest and redeemer. He is also the sacrifice. Indeed, as his life will show, He is the Temple itself (John 2:19-21).

St. Paul Center of Biblical Theology

Welcome to OUR LADY OF GRACE Catholic Church

ANNOUNCEMENTS



PARISH SAFETY
and SECURITY COMMITTEE



Father Mathew and the Knights of Columbus are in the process of forming a Parish Safety and Security Committee along with a safety and security action team for the safety and well-being of all parishioners and visitors who attend the Parish. We are asking for those who regularly participate in services and have the willingness and the physical ability to participate on either the committee or the action team to reach out to Dennis Leonard (dennis.leonard@hotmail.com). You do not need to have a law enforcement or security background as specialized training will be provided. However, those with a background are welcome to apply and participate. We also are looking for parishioners with a medical background to assist in responding to any medical situations or needs that may arise during our services. The committee will help to review procedures and protocols for the use of the safety and security action team, security equipment or changes needed for the parish and grounds, the well-being of the children while in the annex and options for specific medical equipment in the case of a medical emergency to one of parishioners during services.



MANDATORY PARENT MEETING for the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation is happening now! Please ask your child's teacher or catechist for the online link to sign up for a meeting with Father Mathew. Appointment slots available through February 14th (last day) only for those that have not met with Father.

Part-Time Position COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for the 2020-2021 catechetical year.
E-mail resume to westsacol@gmail.com



SAVE THE DATE

COMING UP

Spring Cleaning! Set aside usable items for the next BUNDLE WEEKEND. On March 7-8, 2020 the Saint Vincent de Paul Donation Truck will be in our Church parking lot accepting donations of new and gently used items. Your items will be sold at a fraction of their cost with all proceeds benefitting the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, helping our neighbors in need.



Thank you to all who joined us for CHRISTMAS CAROLING! By singing and praying, the Music Ministry raised \$1,140 for our new church, made possible by parishioners who opened their hearts and home to prepare for the feast of Jesus' birth.

Again, thank you to all who participated in and supported the CHRISTMAS NOVENA, the Simbang Gabi. Through your generosity the Simbang Gabi group raised \$3,966 which was donated to OLG Church. Blessings to you all.

Graced Youth Ministry meeting on February 9 at 6 PM in the school gym.



Please help us reach our Weekly Budget Goal of \$4,271.00
Collection for January 26: \$3,642.00
Thank You for your continued support!

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.



PRAYER LIST

Lord, we ask You to lift up those who are facing illness today. We ask You to bring healing, comfort and peace to their body, mind and soul.

Eileen Mosley
Rene Araza
Dave Enjambre
Donna Sablan

Pacing McFeely
Jairus Enjambre
May Taddei
Susanne Shunk

Lord, bless and protect Chaplains, First Responders, Fire fighters, Police, Military Personnel and their Families.

Names will remain on the list for one month. Call the Office to add, remove or extend.



A SCOUT'S PRAYER

Lord, we thank you for this day. Help us to do our best every day, and forgive us when we slip. Bless our parents, teachers and leaders and all members of Scouting. Bless us Lord in your love for us Help us to be a better Scout and let us do our best for you. Amen.

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Eucharistic Minister

Sat, February 8
5:30 PM - Bonnie Sue Barrow,
Millie Centers, Jim Martone
Sun, February 9
9 AM - Ellie Luna, Trudy Connolly,
Laura MacDonald, Glenn Mochel
11 AM - Claire Guidry, Rodney Guidry,
Fidel Martinez, Judie Martinez,
Michael Rivera, Maureen Talani
4:30 PM - Mario Mejia

Altar Server

Sat, February 8
5:30 PM - TBD
Sun, February 9
9 AM - Andrew Yuzon,
Rebecca Rose Mochel
11 AM - Camilla Santolini, Gino Santolini
4:30 PM - Matthew Moyer

Commentator/Lector

Sat, February 8
5:30 PM - Maureen Girard,
Rick Mayoral, Grace Mosley
Sun, February 9
9 AM - Fay Landry, Glenn Mochel,
Virginia Mochel
11 AM - Cindy Fabonan,
Mike McFeely, Charles Shunk
4:30 PM - Dennison Ocampo,
Annie Hoang, Annie Hoang

Musician

Sat, February 8
5:30 PM - Jeremy
Sun, February 9
9 AM - Montana
11 AM - Leonila
4:30 PM - Jason

Children's Liturgy

Sun, February 9 9 AM - Kim & Andrea
11 AM - Stacey 4:30PM - Cara

MINISTRY MEETINGS

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays, Rosary and Novena at 6:00 pm, followed by Mass (Church).
Bereavement Ministry: Call the Parish Office (916) 371-4814.
Bible Study: Topic: Exodus:Called to Freedom on Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).
Catholic Faith Formation: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:45 pm (September to May) for K-8th grade, includes first Eucharist and Confirmation sacrament preparation (School).
Graced Youth Ministry: Every other Sunday, 6:00 pm (School Gym).
Mom's Ministry: 3rd Sunday, 6:30 pm (Parish Center).
Mom's Bible Study: Fridays, 8:45 am (Parish Center).
OLG Prayer Meeting: 2nd thru 5th Fridays of the month, 7:00 pm (School Chapel).
RCIA Adapted for Teens: Sundays, 10:00 am (Rector).
RCIA: Thursdays, 7:00 pm and Mondays Inquiry, 7:00 pm (both in Parish Center).
Respect Life Ministry: 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Rector).
St. Vincent de Paul: 1st & 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Rector).
Women's Council: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).