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**"FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD"—FEB. 2ND, 2025
"MARY AND JOSEPH TOOK JESUS UP TO JERUSALEM
TO PRESENT HIM TO THE LORD"**



Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

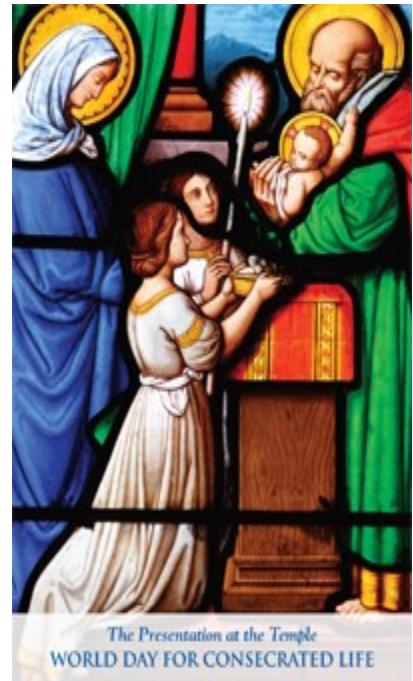
Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the infant Jesus as the promised Savior, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all.

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE
FEBRUARY 2, 2025
(CELEBRATED IN PARISHES FEBRUARY 1-2, 2025)

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church.

En 1997, el Papa San Juan Pablo II instituyó una jornada de oración por las mujeres y los hombres de vida consagrada. Esta celebración está vinculada a la Fiesta de la Presentación del Señor el 2 de febrero. Esta fiesta también se conoce como el Día de la Candelaria; el día en el que se bendicen las velas que simbolizan a Cristo, que es la luz del mundo. Así también, los consagrados están llamados a reflejar la luz de Jesucristo a todos los pueblos. La celebración de la Jornada Mundial de la Vida Consagrada se traslada al domingo siguiente para resaltar el don de las personas consagradas para toda la Iglesia.



The Presentation at the Temple
WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

**SAINT OF THE WEEK: FEBRUARY 5TH.
SAINT AGATHA, VIRGIN & MARTYR.**

Saint Agatha is the patroness of nurses, foundry workers, miners, jewelers, and Alpine guides. She is invoked against fire, earthquakes, famine, thunderstorms, and volcanic eruptions. In Italy, her feast day is celebrated with fireworks. According to some stories, Agatha was born in Sicily of noble parents in the third century. Her loveliness and kindness came to the attention of Quintian, governor of Sicily. He put her into prison for being a Christian, and there she underwent the extreme tortures that finally killed her. Art shows her holding a plate, a candle, or a house in flames.



It is certain that Agatha was a martyr. She probably died during the persecutions under the emperor Decius between 240 and 251. Agatha's name came to be included in the canon of the Roman Mass. She is honored for her courage in suffering and in remaining pure for the sake of Christ.

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**SANTA DE LA SEMANA: FEBRERO 5TH
SANTA AGATA, VIRGEN Y MARTIR.**

Santa Águeda es la patrona de los enfermeros, los trabajadores de la fundición, los mineros, los joyeros y los guías alpinos. Se la invoca contra el fuego, los terremotos, el hambre, las tormentas y las erupciones volcánicas. En Italia, su festividad se celebra con fuegos artificiales. Según algunas historias, Águeda nació en Sicilia de padres nobles en el siglo III. Su belleza y bondad llamaron la atención de Quinciano, gobernador de Sicilia, quien la encarceló por ser cristiana y allí sufrió las torturas extremas que finalmente la mataron. El arte la muestra sosteniendo un plato, una vela o una casa en llamas.

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Es seguro que Águeda fue una mártir. Probablemente murió durante las persecuciones bajo el emperador Decio entre 240 y 251. El nombre de Águeda llegó a incluirse en el canon de la misa romana. Se la honra por su coraje al sufrir y por permanecer pura por amor a Cristo.

MASS INTENTIONS

February 1st – 9th 2025

Sat. Feb. 1st Vigil 4:30: + **Justin Marshal**

Misa en Cachagua (18800 Cachagua Rd # 17)
7:00pm: + Lina Nieto, + Floro, Lucia y Federico Blanco.
Albino y Tarcisio Casas.—Cumpleanos de Jorge.

Sun. Feb 2nd 9:00: + **Ray Ramos**
11:00: + **Sandra Loiacono**

Wed. Feb. 5th 12:00: + **John Swirbalus**

Thurs. Feb. 6th 12:00: + **Don & Lory Swiess**

Fri. Feb. 7th 12:00: + **John O'Donnell**

First Friday Adoration 12:30-5:30 pm

Sat. Feb. 8th 4:30: + **Brian Coughlin**

Sun. Feb. 9th 9:00: + **Mary Swiess**

11:00: + **Leo Bellio**

Misa en Espanol

1:00pm: + **Marcelina Resendez-Martinez**

**MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD,
REST IN PEACE. AMEN**

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR
PARISH COMMUNITY**

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

This weekend, We celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. St. Luke is the only Gospel writer who tells this story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles as well as Jews.

This weekend is also the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. Let us pray for the men and women who have taken the vows of chastity, poverty and obedience. May they live their baptismal promises more intensely and have the grace to persevere in their commitment to the Lord to serve with open hearts and willing spirits. Shalom!

Fr. Jhonnatan.

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FIESTA DE LA PRESENTACIÓN DEL SEÑOR – FEB. 2ND, 2025 “MARÍA Y JOSÉ LLEVARON A JESÚS A JERUSALÉN PARA PRESENTARLO AL SEÑOR”

Hoy la Iglesia celebra la fiesta de la Presentación de Jesús en el templo. La Presentación, que se celebra cuarenta días después de Navidad, no se menciona en los demás evangelios. Sólo Lucas cuenta la historia, probablemente porque escribe para cristianos gentiles que no están familiarizados con el rito judío de presentación y purificación. Además, la intención del Evangelio de Lucas es mostrar que la promesa de Dios a Israel, cumplida en Jesús, se extiende a los gentiles.

Lucas reconoce a José y María como judíos fieles que llevan a Jesús al Templo de Jerusalén. Allí presentan a su hijo primogénito al Señor. Jesús es así consagrado como lo exige la Ley de Moisés. En ese momento están presentes en el templo Simeón y Ana. Ambos esperan la restauración del gobierno de Dios en Israel.

Simeón había recibido la promesa del Espíritu Santo de que vería a Cristo el Señor, el Mesías, antes de morir. El hombre santo reconoció inmediatamente al niño Jesús como el Salvador prometido, una “luz para revelación a las naciones y gloria de tu pueblo Israel”. Ana también reconoció a Jesús como el cumplimiento de la promesa de redención y habló de él a todos.



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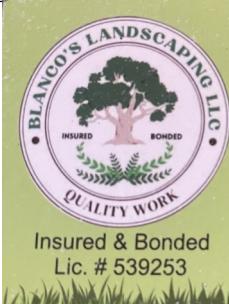
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Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM
 Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month
 1:00 pm in the Church.
 4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
 1:00 pm—3:00 pm.
 Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service." St. Teresa of Avila

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