



MASSES OF THE WEEK

† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

Sunday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish

10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

†Leo Desmarteau, by the family.

†Sean Fitzgerald, by Emer & Barry Cronin.

†Bill O'Brien, by Emer & Barry Cronin.

Tuesday, February 4

9:00 a.m. †Chris Mooney, by Dave & Lynn Webb.

Wednesday, February 5

Memorial of Saint Agatha

9:00 a.m. †For the souls in purgatory.

Thursday, February 6

Memorial of Saint Paul Miki & Companions

9:00 a.m. †In memory of Robert Soulard.

Friday, February 7

9:00 a.m. †In memory of Robert Soulard.

Saturday, February 8

4:30 p.m. †Wayne Quan, by his family.

Sunday, February 9

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish

10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

†Marjorie Gordon, by her family.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Rachel McIntyre, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Alice Hilchie, Lily Harmon, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Lise Campbell, Elaine Taylor, Richard Lafleur, Wanda Staples.

Vocation Prayer:

- That men and women will accept how God is calling them to serve as Mary responded to the angel Gabriel, we pray to the Lord.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life ~ Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
(Year B)**

First Reading: Malachi 3.1-4

Second Reading: Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18++

Gospel: Luke 2.22-32



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, February 8

4:30 p.m. Daniel Boyer

Sunday, February 9

9:00 a.m. George Hack

10:30 a.m. Almira Buen

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, February 8

4:30 p.m. Marisa Fusaro

Sunday, February 9

9:00 a.m. -

10:30 a.m. Sebastien Saber - Choir

25 JUBILEE FACTS

2. A Year of Hope

The central theme of the 2025 Jubilee is hope, inspired by Romans 5:5: "Hope does not disappoint." Pope Francis reminds us that this hope is rooted in God's eternal love, making it a time for all Christians to renew their trust in God's promises.

SAINT OF THE DAY

Saint Agnes, January 21 Very little is known of this saint except that she was very young—12 or 13—when she was martyred in the last half of the third century.

Legend has it that Agnes was a beautiful girl whom many young men wanted to marry. Among those she refused, one reported her to the authorities for being a Christian. She was arrested and confined to a house of prostitution. The legend continues that a man who looked upon her lustfully lost his sight and had it restored by her prayer. Agnes was condemned, executed, and buried near Rome in a catacomb that eventually was named after her. The daughter of Constantine built a basilica in her honor.

Reflection: Like that of Maria Goretti in the 20th century, the martyrdom of a virginal young girl made a deep impression on a society enslaved to a materialistic outlook. Also, like Agatha, who died in similar circumstances, Agnes is a symbol that holiness does not depend on length of years, experience, or human effort. It is a gift God offers to all.

Saint Agnes is the Patron Saint of: Girls and Girl Scouts.

COMPANIONS OF THE CROSS – 40TH ANNIVERSARY

The Companions of the Cross is celebrating its 40th anniversary and you're all invited to join us for worship, talks, prayer, testimonies, ministry, fellowship, and more!

Theme: Let Your Fire Fall

Speakers: Fr. Roger Vandenakker, CC; Fr. Ben St. Croix, CC; and Fr. Mark Goring, CC

Date and Time: February 28th, 7-9 pm

Location: St. Mary's Parish

Register at <https://bit.ly/RegisterLYFF>

Info: ccottawa@companionscross.org

THE SACRED UNIVERSE: ECOTHEOLOGY AND CREATION SPIRITUALITY

Please join us for a *Lunch and Learn* talk with Prof. Heather Eaton from St. Paul's University, School of Leadership, Ecology and Equity.

The *Lunch and Learn* will take place at St. Basil's parish in the church hall. [+16137295149](tel:+16137295149) / Sunday 2nd February 2025 11:30am ~ St. Basil's Church, Parish Hall.

MARDI GRAS

Carnivale! Carnivale! Mardi Gras! Mardi Gras. Whichever name that you use it all means fun, food and friends. Don't forget to get your ticket after mass today. March 1 the parish hall becomes a slice of New Orleans. Get your beads, get your feathers, wear a mask, come one, come all. All for \$40 and the parking is free.

Tickets also available through e-transfer to Roger-richard@rogers.com

HORIZONS OF HOPE

Holy Redeemer Parish is hosting *Horizons of Hope: A Toolkit for Catholic Parishes on Palliative Care*. This program was put together by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to help equip Catholics to better understand palliative care so as to journey with those who are suffering. The content is covered over four weeks from Feb 9 to Mar 2. Cost is \$15 for printed materials. To register, contact Michael Olsen at olsentsai@rogers.com or Holy Redeemer Parish: 613-836-1764

WARM CLOTHING WANTED

Did you get a new wardrobe for Christmas and now you are not sure what to do with your old clothes? Gently used clothing can be brought to church and the Social Outreach Committee will deliver them to The Shepherds of Good Hope, The Ottawa Mission, Matthew's Refuge Homes and women's shelters. Warm clothing is desperately needed in Ottawa. Please help if you can.

QUO VADIS

Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Each night will be held at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa.

To join the Quo Vadis email list or for more information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca / 613-738-5025

SERVANTS OF THE CROSS – COME AND SEE 2025

You're Invited!

The Servants of the Cross (<https://servantsofthecross.ca>) are hosting a COME AND SEE for young single women who are discerning the consecrated life. It will be a time to discover your vocation and a time to connect with our Community. Join us either in-person or on zoom from Feb. 21st – 23rd, 2025 (Friday – Sunday).

Register by Friday, Feb. 14th, 2025. Please contact Sr. Michael Penelope Nguyen, SC 613-551-0899 or vocations@servantsofthecross.ca. "Come and See" and let the Lord speak to your heart.

NET CANADA 30TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

Join us in celebrating 30 years of NET Canada at our Anniversary Gala! Thursday, February 27th, 2025, St. Elias Banquet Hall (750 Ridgewood Ave, Ottawa, ON)

5:30 pm – Cocktail Hour

6:30 pm – Dinner & Program

Ticket sales close on February 17th, 2025

Can't make it? Send a young person in your place! Email us at info@netcanada.ca for more information!