

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



MASSES OF THE WEEK

† - For the repose of the soul / in memory of the person(s) indicated

Sunday, February 2

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish.
10:30 a.m. † Nina Conway by Adrian Conway.
For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

Monday, February 3

9:00 a.m. † Melody Smith by her sons.

Tuesday, February 4

9:00 a.m. † Souls in Purgatory.

Wednesday, February 5

Feast of St. Agatha

9:00 a.m. † My maternal grandmother by Marika.

Thursday, February 6

Feast of St. Paul Miki & Companions

9:00 a.m. The Smith family by Richard.

Friday, February 7

9:00 a.m. † Mr. Orlando Torres by Marthe Chevalier.

Saturday, February 8

9:00 a.m. -----

4:30 p.m. † René Narbonne by Denise, John and Quinn
Moses.
† Orlando Torres by Roger and Ching Richard.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Baby Raechal McIntyre, Richard Robinson, Michelle Boyer, Alice Hilchie, Gordon F. Hilchie, Catherine Bedard, Lisa Rey, Christina Addison, Monique Beaudry, Erin Burnett, Sara Arias Hernandez, Marcelo Pimentel, Franco Azua Arias, Moli Coletti, Zygmunt Wysocki, Marcelle Makropoulos.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, February 8

4:30 p.m. Margie Brosseau

Sunday, February 2

9:00 a.m. Adrian Manlagnit
10:30 a.m. Kathy McVean
Chalice: Miguel Planas & Peter Landry

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Evangelization: *Listen to the Migrants' Cries* ~ We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

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First Reading: Malachi 3.1-4

The Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple.

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

Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect.

Gospel: Luke 2.22-40

My eyes have seen your salvation.



CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up advertisements for our church bulletin in early February. The advertising will begin in April 2020 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

PARISH CALENDARS

Parish 2020 calendars are available in the parish office. Cost: \$3.00 each or two for \$5.00.



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, February 8

4:30 p.m. Cathy Major
Commentator: Don Murphy

Sunday, February 9

9:00 a.m. Ellen Dulay
10:30 a.m. Peter Landry
Commentator: Alice Hilchie

CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM UPGRADE

We are happy to report that the installation and setup of the church's new sound system is virtually complete. The new system includes a new FM radio transmitter that allows anyone with hearing restrictions to use a portable radio and earphones to access the audio transmission of the church's sound system (dial in at 90.3Mhz). Please contact the office for any further assistance or questions.

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

First Friday Holy Hour will take place **after the 9 a.m. Mass this Friday, February 7, 2020**. All are welcome.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a Pancake Breakfast **next Sunday after the 9 & 10:30 am Masses**.

SPAGHETTI & KARAOKE FUNDRAISER DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting this very popular event in the parish hall on **Sat., Feb. 29, 2020, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.** Info & tickets: Roger Richard (613-277-5423).

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

on **Friday evening, March 13, 2020** and **all day Saturday, March 14, 2020**. Info: (613-235-5119).

2019 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income Tax receipts can be obtained by placing a stamped, self-addressed envelope in the collection basket. Please write your 2019 envelope # on the envelope.

2020 PARISH ENVELOPES

2020 parish envelopes are available in the parish office.

Please write your full name, address and telephone number on the first few envelopes you use in 2020 and **always indicate the amount** of your donation on each envelope. It is important for income tax purposes. Direct deposit is always welcome.

CONVERSION STORY

J.D. Vance, author of the bestselling *Hillbilly Elegy*, was baptized and received into the Catholic Church:

"I became persuaded over time that Catholicism was true. I was raised Christian, but never had a super-strong attachment to any denomination, and was never baptized. When I became more interested in faith, I started out with a clean slate, and looked at the church that appealed most to me intellectually. But it's too easy to intellectualize this. When I looked at the people who meant the most to me, they were Catholic. My uncle by marriage is a Catholic. Rene Girard is someone I only know by reading him, and he was Catholic. I've been reading and studying about it for three years, or even longer. It was time. It probably would have happened sooner if the sex abuse crisis, or the newest version of it, hadn't made a lot of headlines. It forced me to process the church as a divine and a human institution, and what it would mean for my two year old son. But I never really questioned over the past few years that I would become Catholic. I was pretty moved by the *Confessions* by St. Augustine. I've probably read it in bits and pieces twice over the past 15 or so years. There's a chapter from *The City of God* that's incredibly relevant now that I'm thinking about policy. There's just a way that Augustine is an incredibly powerful advocate for the things that the Church believes. And one of the subtexts about my return to Christianity is that I had come from a world that wasn't super-intellectual about the Christian faith. I spend a lot of my time these days among a lot of intellectual people who aren't Christian. Augustine gave me a way to understand Christian faith in a strongly intellectual way. I also went through an angry atheist phase. As someone who spent a lot of his life buying into the lie that you had to be stupid to be a Christian, Augustine really demonstrated in a moving way that that's not true."

COMMUNITY EVENTS & INTERESTS

MARYVALE ACADEMY OF OTTAWA

15th Anniversary 'Taste & See' Gala: At St. Elias Centre, 750 Ridgewood Ave., **Sat., Feb. 8, 2020**. Info/tickets: (613- 321-2186); www.maryvaleacademy.ca.

To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement.

— St. Augustine