

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

5:15 PM George Brown (Rem.),  
*By family*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

8:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

10:00 AM Eugene 'Gino' Chiello (Rem.),  
*By family*

Aniela Masterson (Ann.),  
*By family*

11:30 AM William Sgambato (6 Mos. Rem.),  
*By family*

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

9:00 AM Felix and Lucille Pelletier (Rem.),  
*By family*

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

9:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

9:00 AM Edward Cuddy (20<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By Jackie and Phyllis*

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

9:00 AM NO SCHEDULED MASS TODAY

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

9:00 AM Ann Carocci (6<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By Sandra and Alfred*  
Elizabeth and Luigi Furia (Rem.),  
*By Lucille*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

5:15 PM Ferdinando Conti (14<sup>th</sup> Ann.) and  
Fred Conti (14<sup>th</sup> Ann.),

*By Judy and Al*  
Anthony & Gloria D'Itri (45<sup>th</sup>/35<sup>th</sup>  
Ann.),

*By Judy and Al*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

8:00 AM Alfred Maiello (Rem.),  
*By family*

10:00 AM Matteo Guerra (3<sup>rd</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

Arlene Santanelli (Ann.),  
*By friend and family*

11:30 AM Anthony and Lucy Fusco (Rem.),  
*By granddaughter*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

(Call for additional Mass availability)

The following dates and times are available

|        |             |                 |
|--------|-------------|-----------------|
| FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 14 | 9:00 AM         |
| SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 6  | 8:00 & 10:00 AM |
| MONDAY | FEBRUARY 17 | 9:00 AM         |

# The Presentation of the Lord



February 2, 2020

Borrowed from Paul Turner

**Divisions in the Community**

Divisions may show up in any church community. They are signs of the sin we strive to overcome. People argue about the Mass, complain about the preaching, challenge the leadership, get angry at the staff, look down on the music, sneer at the school kids, cringe at infants, and laugh at the elderly. Church communities may be so distracted by the people they see that they neglect the people they do not see: the poor, the unchurched, the homebound—those who need to hear the message of Christ, but who do not because Christians are too busy complaining about one another.

In first century Corinth, Christians were making divisions along the lines of the ministers who baptized them. "I belong to Paul," says one. "I belong to Apollos," says another. "I belong to Cephas," says still another. Um, don't we all belong to Christ? But you will still hear voices of division: "I go to the 9:00 Mass." "I sing with the adult choir." "My kids go to Catholic school." It is as if those who worship, sing, or get educated elsewhere belong to an entirely different family.

Paul urged the Corinthians to have no divisions. He wished them to be united in the same mind and in the same purpose.

When churches are divided, it often means that members are also privileged: privileged not to see the burdens of the needy, privileged to demand that things go their way, privileged to think that local problems merit more attention than global ones. Paul calls us to one mind and one purpose.

## A FAMILY OF *Faith*

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**Monday 2/3/2020 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade**  
**Tuesday 2/4/2020 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade**  
**Wednesday 2/5/2020 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade**



Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Discuss with the family the persons of Simeon and Anna as they meet Jesus. (Luke 2: 25-40)

Because Simeon and Anna lived lives of prayer and fasting in the Temple, they were filled with the Spirit of God. That is why they were able to identify Jesus as the Savior even though Jesus was only a baby. To these two holy people, he was recognizable as the Redeemer who had been promised. Simeon described Jesus as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." – Our Sunday Connection

We too are called to recognize Jesus as Lord. Together as a family discuss ways to recognize Jesus as Lord by praying and attending Mass, fasting, and serving others. As a family, decide on one specific sacrifice you can make in order to alleviate the suffering or need of someone you know.

### OUTREACH and EVANGELIZATION MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Faith Formation Convocation 2020**  
**Bryant University**  
**Saturday March 14, 2020**  
**8:30 am – 5:00 pm**

*Day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Thomas Tobin*

This event is open to the public. More than 20 national and local speakers will present dynamic and practical sessions with the purpose of inviting you to an opportunity to grow in your Catholic faith and to strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ.

*Here is a sampling of an anticipated workshop.*

[Mike Aquilina](#) - Angels

"From beginning to end, the Bible shows us that angels are active in our lives. They light and guard, rule and guide. At God's command they manage the elements and steer the course of history. The Scriptures also show us how to deal with them. This is what we know as Catholic devotion to the holy angels, and we'll explore it in this workshop." - Diocese of Providence

**\$40.00** - Early Bird registration (*online or postmarked*) by February 24, 2020

**\$35.00** - Early Bird with 10 or more per registration by February 24, 2020

**\$45.00** - After February 24, 2020 (no exceptions)

Purchase tickets, view schedule of the day and more at [discovercatholicfaith.org](http://discovercatholicfaith.org)

*All teachers in our Faith Formation program are invited to attend the convocation and the parish will pay for the ticket.*

*Jesus is the light that shines for everyone. He became man and died so that we can live in happiness. Therefore, we need to let Jesus into our hearts so that we may find faith, hope and love. Peace, Dina*

## **THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, ROSARY** FOLLOWING 8:00 **AM** MASS IN THE UPPER CHURCH

**WEDNESDAY, AAGROUP MEETING** AT 7:00 **AM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY WEDNESDAY)

**FRIDAY, AA** AT 8:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL (EVERY FRIDAY)

**FRIDAY, NA GROUP MEETING** AT 10:00 **PM** IN THE CHURCH HALL

### DAILY READINGS

**Sunday** Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Monday** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30, 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

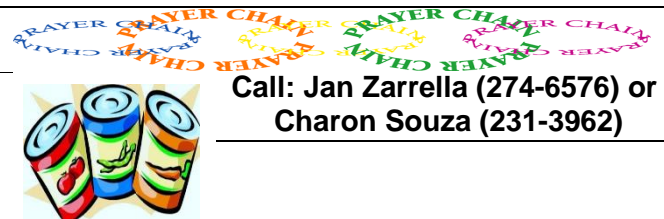
**Tuesday** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

**First Friday** Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday** 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34



Call: Jan Zarrella (274-6576) or Charon Souza (231-3962)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT  
OF OUR  
FOOD SHELF!**

**We are in need of the following items:**

**Juice (Grape, Apple, Cranberry)**  
**Canned Fruit**  
**Jarred Pasta Sauce**  
**Boxed Pasta**

**\$10.00 STOP & SHOP OR PRICE RITE  
GIFT CARDS ARE ALWAYS  
WELCOME**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## 40-WEEK CLUB 2020



### OUR MAJOR FUND RAISER

|                                 |                        |                       |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Week # 1 Ticket # 0394          | Week # 2 Ticket # 0195 | Week #3 Ticket # 0037 |
| <b>\$40:</b> William Nero       | Terry Novak            | John Derensis         |
| <b>Captain:</b> Nancy Panciocco | Gwen Feole             | Wil Courtemanche      |

Tickets are available at the Rectory Office or call

Ann @ 944-6792, Pat @ 647-7461 or Judy @ 232-3603

All payments must be Up-To-Date to be eligible – Thank you for your support!



### Community Outreach Ministry

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!  
Our outreach ministry has been successful this year because of

your generosity.

**Lap blankets** were donated to Cherry Hill Nursing Home, Courtland Place, Greenville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and Hebert Nursing Home. **Baby blankets** went to Hasbro Children's Hospital Cancer unit. **Prayer shawls** were donated to Roger Williams Hospital Cancer unit, Johnston Dialysis Place, and to parishioners.

**Hats, gloves/mittens, scarfs and socks** went to William Debate School, RI Foster Care, Providence Rescue Mission. All the **white socks** we collected were given to Wounded Warriors in Johnston, The Providence Rescue Mission and St. Mathewson St.Church.

The **Blessing bags with personal hygiene items** were distributed to Mathewson St Church and The Providence Rescue Mission. **Soma** donated **Undergarments** which were given to Mathewson St Church and The Providence Rescue Mission. **Professional Clothes & Shoes** were donated to Dorcas International and Wounded Warriors in Johnston. **Warm hats, coats, scarfs, gloves, hoodies, blankets** went to McCauley House, Providence Rescue and Mathewson St. Church. All **children's Clothing** was donated to Providence Rescue Mission & McCauley House which distributed them to the poor in the community. When any items were marked for a specific charity, We honored those wishes.

**Since the need for warm clothing is great, we will continue to collect them during the winter months. We are in need of prayer shawls, lap blankets, hats, headbands, scarfs and gloves.** All have been distributed, so please continue making or purchasing them. All the hand crafted items we have received have been beautifully made. We continue to count on your support of this ministry.  
With grateful hearts,  
Carolyn & Marge

### THE SIGN OF PEACE

During this season of Colds and Flu we should be mindful of each other's well-being and during the Sign of Peace at Mass nod or smile at our neighbor rather than shaking hands.

### Grateful for God's Providence St. Robert Bellarmine CAMPAIGN NEWSLETTER

We are still making progress toward reaching our goal. To all the families who made their commitment, we want to extend a special "Thank You!" for joining the other members of our parish family who have committed to this campaign. **This brings our total participation to 223 families. Our current pledge total is \$378,634!!** Thank you for your support!

If you have not participated to date, please help us build on this success and reach our goal!

**Our goal of \$423,714 is within reach!**

### Rhode Island Catholic Annual Subscription Drive

Rhode Island Catholic's annual Subscription Drive is underway. Your diocesan newspaper depends on its faithful readers to continue its 145-year mission of bringing the good news of the church directly to you. If you are interested in starting a new subscription or continuing to receive Rhode Island Catholic in your mailbox each week, please drop the specially marked parish budget envelope into the collection basket at Mass, or call Sue Richard, Circulation Manager, at 401-272-1010 ext. 0. You may also subscribe on the website, [www.thericatholic.com](http://www.thericatholic.com), and click on Subscribe to order and pay for a subscription. The cost for a year of in-home delivery of the newspaper is only \$30. **Online payments, checks or money orders — made payable to Rhode Island Catholic — are preferred.**

### *When Our Hearts Are Lonely*

God of life, There are days when the burdens we carry  
Hurt our shoulders and wear us down,  
When the road seems dreary and endless, The skies  
gray and threatening, When our lives have no music in  
them And our hearts are lonely. And our souls have lost  
their courage. Flood the path with Your light, we ask  
You, And turn our eyes to where the skies are full  
of promise. St. Augustine



## Cross Catholic Outreach

*Father Farrell E. "Mac" McLaughlin of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.*

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### New Day

**Thank You, God, for today.  
This is the beginning of a new day.  
I can waste it or use it for good.  
What I do today is important  
because I am exchanging a day of my life for it.  
When tomorrow comes, this day will be gone  
forever—  
Leaving in its place something I have  
traded for it.  
I want it to be gain, not loss; good, not evil;  
success, not failure; in order that I shall not  
regret the price I paid for today.**