

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

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THE PRESENTATION OF

THE LORD

FEBRUARY 2, 2020



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Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel,
and to be a sign that will be contradicted.

LUKE 2:34

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Catholic Websites Links:

www.diocesealex.org

www.vatican.va

www.masstimes.org

www.usccb.org

www.catholic.com

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm

Tues-Thurs 5:00 pm - 5:20 pm

And by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

By Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Request at least 1 month in advance

Sacrament of Matrimony

At least 6 months in advance

Stewardship: Time, Talent & Treasure

Feb. 1	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere	Feb. 22	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Terrie Poehl
Feb. 2	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Lanie Adkins, Kathy Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne	Feb. 23	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Lanie Adkins, Susan Hilton, Mike Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Susie Winston
	5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Coleman, Beth Prejean Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman		5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Prejean, Altar Servers:	Lector: Tabatha Coleman
Feb. 8	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens	Feb. 29	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee Henry Tauzin, Altar Servers:	Lector: Madeline Meziere
Feb. 9	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Susie Winston	Mar. 1	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Susan Hilton, Lanie Adkins, Kathy Friday Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze,	Lector: Harold Bayonne
	5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Elizabeth Prejean, Tabatha Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Dyjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey		5 p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers: Eli Dyjack,	Lector: Karen Apponey
Feb 15	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Justin Sines	Mar. 7	4 p.m.	E. Min.: Dorothy Coutee, Henry Tauzin, Terrie Poehl Altar Servers:	Lector: Wendy Llorens
Feb. 16	1 a.m.	E. Min.: Students will serve at this Mass Altar Servers: Students	Lector: Student	Mar. 8	11 a.m.	E. Min.: Kathy Friday, Mike Friday, Lanie Adkins Altar Servers: Raylan LaCaze	Lector: Susie Winston
	5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Beth Prejean		5: p.m.	E. Min.: Cheryl Stoker, Tabatha Coleman, Elizabeth Coleman Altar Servers:	Lector: Beth Prejean

Collection

January 19, 2020

\$3,721.00

Thank you so much for your generosity!

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

Psalm — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

Gospel — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).

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†MASS SCHEDULE &

02-01 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
02-02 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
02-02 Sunday	5:00 p.m.
02-03 Monday	NO MASS
02-04 Tuesday	5:30 p.m.
02-05 Wednesday	5:30 p.m.
02-06 Thursday	5:30 p.m.
02-07 1st Friday	8:00 a.m.
02-08 Saturday	4:00 p.m.
02-09 Sunday	11:00 a.m.
02-09 Sunday	5:00 p.m.

INTENTIONS

Our Parish Family
Intention for the Children of Mike & Kathy Friday
†Stephen, Douglas & Mai Abington

Intention for Lowell Ebert
Intention for M.L.
Intention for Shirley MacLauren
†Lenora Rose
Our Parish Family
Intention for James & Annette Anderson
† John L. Rose

CALENDAR

02-02 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.

02-06 Thursday before 1st Friday

- Charismatic Prayer Group: Will Not Meet
- Adoration, Confession, Benediction: 6 p.m.

02-09 Sunday

- Catechism grades K-8: 10:00 a.m., Hall
- RCIA: 9:45 a.m., Upstairs
- CYO - Life Teen: 6:00 p.m.



The Presentation of the Lord February 2, 2020

He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way.

— Hebrews 2:17a

Electronic Giving

If you'd like to donate with a bank draft or credit card, please go to our website at www.nscatholic.org and click on GIVE.

Have you remembered Holy Cross Campus Ministry in your will?

Altar Society

Charismatic Prayer Group	Joan Gahagan
High School Confirmation	Shelley Mims
Children's Catechism	Janice Ebert
RCIA	Mark Adkins
Maintenance & Grounds	John Denny
Adoration Chapel	Kathy Friday

Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Are you looking for a deeper conversion, a more personal relationship with Jesus Christ, and a growth in holiness? Would you like to know more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how you can better serve the Lord and His people? If interested, please come to our Charismatic Prayer Meeting on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. held at Holy Cross Church. For more information, please call Joan Gahagan at 318-352-8701.

Safe Environment

The Protecting Our Children—Understanding, Reporting and Preventing Child Abuse flyer, which includes *Resources and Contact Numbers* is available for those who wish to take one.

Diocesan Policy for the Protection of Minors and the diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct for Priests, Deacons, Pastoral Ministers, Administrators, Staff, and Volunteers can be accessed under the Documents and Links in the Safe Environment section of the diocese website: www.diocesealex.org and a hard copy may be requested of the Safe Environment Office.

VIRTUS™ Protecting God's Children

Every adult who works/volunteers with children/youth in the Diocese of Alexandria's churches/schools must attend the VIRTUS™ *Protecting God's Children* sexual abuse awareness training. "Ongoing-training" will be part of the training component. A background check must be conducted and, the results received before an adult may volunteer/work with children/youth.

VIRTUS RE-CERTIFICATION CHANGE. Those who are active Virtus users now have a video recertification module to complete through your on-line account. This is in addition to the monthly Virtus bulletins that must be read each month. For more information contact Pam Delrie at pdelrie@diocesealex.org or 318-445-6424, ext. 213

Upcoming Virtus Sessions

- February 3, 6:00 p.m., Immaculate Conception Hall, Natchitoches
- February 20, 6:00 p.m., St. Joseph Catholic Center, Alexandria

Please pre-register. Go to www.virtus.org; and, click on **First-Time Registrant** and complete all requested information.

Domestic Church Retreat • Feb. 13-16, 2020

Please join us for the next Domestic Church Retreat to be held at Maryhill Renewal Center, Feb. 13-16, 2020. What a wonderful gift to give yourselves and your marriage! The cost is \$375 per couple, which includes a \$50 deposit. To register, please visit us here: nolacatholicfla.regfox.com/domestic-church-evangelization-retreat-maryhill-retreat-center-february-1 For more information please contact Jenay Franco jenayolivia@gmail.com or (337) 258-4155.

Natural Family Planning Series February 22-April 25

You are invited to attend a Natural Family Planning class series teaching the Sympto-Thermal Method, through the Couple to Couple League International, the largest provider of NFP instruction in the nation. Natural Family Planning is effective, safe, and morally acceptable to delay or achieve pregnancy. Attendance of all 3 classes completes the course. Classes are on Saturdays, February 22 10:00 am- 12:00 noon, March 14 10:00 am-12:00 noon, and April 25 2:00 – 4:00 pm. There is a one-time fee of \$135 and includes Student Guide book, fertility charts, digital thermometer, 6 months CycleProGo mobile app, award-winning Family Foundations magazine subscription, and ongoing consultation. **Class will be held in the Alexandria area, location TBA.** For more information and to register for classes, visit www.ccli.org or contact Michael and Leah Pelto at (318) 730-2839 or michaelandleah@suddenlink.net.

Life Teen - High School Youth Ministry

Join us on Sunday Nights 6-8 pm.
Fellowship, Friendship, Family Meal & Faith Formation.



- February 2: Another Dimension- Active Participation
- February 9: Detecting A Signal- A Sacramental World View
- February 16: Youth Social Night. Bring a friend
- February 23: No Life Teen. Mardi Gras Break

Please continuing praying for our teens as the new school semester begins. We will be hosting a few more fund raisers for camps and conferences over the next few months. Look forward to a Bake Sale and a Plate Lunch Fish Fry during Lent.

Do not be afraid just believe. — MARK 5:36

Day of Lenten Reflection • March 14, 2020

Join us for a Day of Lenten Reflection on March 14, 2020 at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Natchitoches. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for a continental breakfast. Day of Reflection is open to men and women and begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends in time for the Vigil Mass at St. Anthony's Church. Lunch is included in the \$35 registration fee. Speakers will be Joan Gahagan and Mary Wilson. For more information, email dianeardoin@yahoo.com. The Day of Lenten reflection is sponsored by CENLA Magnificat and Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Central Louisiana (CCRC).

SAINT AGATHA (died 251)

February 5

"Of noble birth and great beauty," so the ancient accounts describe Saint Agatha, martyred during an early persecution for refusing a powerful Roman's offer of marriage, since she had consecrated her virginity to Christ. An early preacher, Saint Methodius, reflects instead on her name, noting that, in Greek, Agatha means "good," goodness being something we can all strive for, nobly born or common, blessed with beauty—or not! So brutal the tortures that violated her youthful innocence, Agatha, like Agnes and several other women martyrs, was honored from time immemorial by having her name inscribed in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). Long invoked as protector against earthquakes—Mount Etna erupted as she was being tortured—recent attention has focused on the particularly cruel torture decreed for Agatha, the cutting off of her breasts. This has inspired cancer survivors to promote Saint Agatha as patron and intercessor for women courageously facing breast cancer, for their families and the multitude of supporters who participate in fund-raising marches and races, and, of course, for the dedicated researchers who seek a cure.

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The Road to God

There is but one road to lead us to God—humility; all other ways would only lead astray, even were they fenced in with all virtues.

—Nicolas Boileau-Despreaux

NSU Catholic Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry students will serve as Lectors, Extra Ordinary Ministers & Altar Servers at the following 11 a.m. Sunday Masses:

Feb. 16 • March 15 • April 9

They will also usher and bring up the gifts.

Please check out all of the updates on our church website www.nsucatholic.org

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Words from Our Adoration Chapel • Just One Hour Can Change Our World

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration with exposition needs a great push. People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer. What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Neighborly Prayer (Please review this list. If there any names that need to be removed, please call or email the office.)

Carrie Aaron, Mark Adkins, Judy Armstrong, Beth Atkins, Theresa Bayonne, Buster Beaudion, Darlene Bell, Mike Bell, Brian K. Benefield, Sr., Carol Bennett, Lisa Boydston, Mar Lou Brasher, Betty Sue Brewton, Delbert Broadway, Emma Jean Bynog, Dwayne Carter, Jesse Chambers, Jenny Choate, Jonah Crotchet, Darlene Cloud, Donnie Cockrell, Eloise "Mickie" Colquitt, Christopher Conant, Dale Cooper, Davina Cotton, Aziza Coutee, Darren Coutee, Josephine Coutee, Raamses Coutee, Linda Crooks, Ted Cross, Stoney Crow, Mary Darby, Susan Dowden Davis, Francis Deloney, Rosa Del Toro, Lillian DeJean, Beverly Dodd, Stephen Edwards, Talia Epidendio, Beau Louis Fair, Jessica Fontenot, Linda Frey, Ashley Friday, Mike Friday, Buddy Gahagan, Audrey Gallen, Jerry Lynn Garcia, Sr., Clarice Gamer, Jerry Garza, Andrew Gilbert, Sandra Giska, M. Jude Glass, Jerry Glover, Karen Glover, Amanda Gomez, Natassia Lynn Gomez, Jada Grace, Mary Lynn, Alex Haddad, Steve Hamilton, Charles Hampton, Jr., Lacie Harper, Donald Harris, Kenneth Heard, Ralph Hernandez, Sonia Hester, Mike Hinds, Sam Holden, Emelle Howell, Doris James, Laura Jardine, Mary Jardine, Nora Jardine, Larry Johnson, Darrella Jones, Emery Jones, Thelma Jordan, Alina Karpinski, Daunta Karpinski, Jerica Kelly, Paul Keyser, Paula Kimberly, Aubrey LaCaze, Bubba LaCour, Florence LaCour, Glenn LaCour, Herman LaCour, John LaCour, Nazy LaCour, Aaron Michael LeBlanc, Lauren Leone, Janice Licak, Thelma Little, Jean Llorence, John Lodrigue, Jacie Logan, Gwen Lynch, Shirley MacLauren, Bob McGill, Randy Mayeaux, Holly Maynard, Lynn McCain, Dennis McClung, Brenda Melder, Ralph Mercado, Carolyn Merrell, Owen Monette, Wayne North, Andrew Odom, Diane Osborne, Jessie Parker, Karen Pichon, Burt Poche, Hannah Possolt, Dale Presson, Alton Rachal, Jr., Archie Rachal, Jr., Crystal Rachal, Jimmy Rachal, Jr., Holly Rafidi, Eddie Richard, Greg Reed, Larry Rister, Dewey Roberts, Carol Ann LaCaze Rose, Maria C. Ruiz, T.M.S. Genevieve Santana, Debby Saville, Tony Schneider, Buzz Scott, Dot Scott, Jensen Sessums, Phillip Shilling, Mike Smith, Donald Smith, Macie Smith, Vickie Spillman, Kay Sprung, Mark Sylvie, Jr., Amy Tobin, Elizabeth Trichel, Cleo Tyler, Gary Tyler, Mason Tyler, Paulette Tyler, Theresa Vallien, Jenelle Van Calsem, Glenda Sue Vanhook, Ronnie Vascocu, Billie Vercher, Clara Vercher, Cynthia White, Shirley White, Mandy Whitehead, Linda Wilkerson, Johnny Williams, Sammentha Williams Cordie Wilson, Rev. Willie Wilson, Rose Wilson, Melinda Zolzer. *May God grant healing and comfort to the sick and purification through those who suffer for the sake of the Kingdom! Amen.*