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# *St Patrick's Parish Bulletin*

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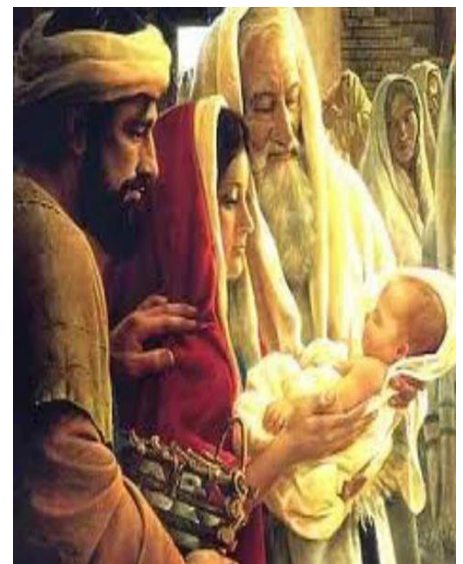
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**Presentation of the Lord  
February 1<sup>st</sup> & February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020**

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.” We too are called to recognize Jesus as our Lord by praying and attending Mass, fasting, and serving others.



“It had been revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit that He would not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord” (Luke 2: 22-40)

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	<b>Marriage:</b> Please contact the Pastor.
	<b>Confessions:</b> They are heard before Mass upon request. The Pastor is also available to hear you every Saturday from 14:30-15:30.

Ministers and servers	Saturday February 1 <sup>st</sup> 16:00	Sunday February 2 <sup>nd</sup> 10:00	Saturday February 8 <sup>th</sup> 16:00	Sunday February 9 <sup>th</sup> 10:00
READERS	Steven Neatt	Pierre Gagnon	Aileen Rose Ruane	Joan Millar
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SERVERS	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family	Volunteers Needed	Gagnon family
USHERS	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
OFFERTORY COLLECTION	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed	Volunteers Needed
COFFEE ASSISTANCE	N/A	Volunteers Needed	N/A	Volunteers Needed



The collection total for the weekend of January 25<sup>th</sup> and January 26<sup>th</sup>, including the collection from St. Brigid's Home, was \$734.80. We thank you for your continuing generosity.

Mass			Mass Intentions	
Day	Date	Liturgy	For	From
Saturday	February 1 <sup>st</sup> (16:00)	Presentation of the Lord	Barry, Kosta & Stella Patricia O'Doherty & Adrien Fleury	Maria Konstantinidis Barbara Fleury
Sunday	February 2 <sup>nd</sup> (10:00)	Presentation of the Lord	Hamid Shakibajan	Maria Chalupa
Monday	February 3 <sup>rd</sup> (11:30)	Saint Blaise & Saint Ansgar	Gerard McCauley	Helen McCauley & Family
Tuesday	February 4 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		Mathew Harper	Jean Saville
Wednesday	February 5 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)	Saint Agatha	Terence Kerwin	St Patrick's Office Personnel
Thursday	February 6 <sup>th</sup>	Saint Paul Miki and companions	No Mass	No Mass
Friday	February 7 <sup>th</sup> (11:30)		<i>Pro Populo</i>	
Saturday	February 8 <sup>th</sup> (16:00)	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	William McNamara (1st A.) Lorna Dion d'Anjou (1st A.)	
Sunday	February 9 <sup>th</sup> (10:00)	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	O'Donnell McCauley Families Gilberte Fournier	Constance O'Donnell The Family



We have the **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** before the Saturday Mass. Between 14:30 and 15:30, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and Father Lussier will be available to hear **Confessions** or for private consultations. **Confessions** are also heard before each Mass upon request. Our families and our Congregation are in great need of prayer; please come and join our Pastor for Adoration.



Thanks to all who attended our AGM on Friday, Jan 24 at 7 p.m. We appreciate your participation and support. Annual dues of \$25 are being collected by Marie White or Maureen Martineau. Many thanks to those who have submitted already. Visit [cwl.ca](http://cwl.ca) for information about upcoming conventions, our 100th anniversary in 2020 and communiques. For prayer requests, information or to join, please contact Marie White at [418-254-0510](tel:418-254-0510) or [mariewhite.qc@gmail.com](mailto:mariewhite.qc@gmail.com) ♥



The validation machine of parking tickets has been sent for repair. You are asked to go to the sacristy to obtain an exit-free ticket. Thank you for your cooperation.



**Prayers that you can say this week with your candle which has been blessed on the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord.**

1. That Christians may reject the ways of darkness (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us.
2. That all who worship God may have respect for each other (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us.
3. That we may help those without faith to learn to believe (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us.
4. That those who serve God in convents and monasteries may be rewarded (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us.
5. That older people may be cherished in our community (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us.
6. That those who are sick in body, mind or spirit may be healed (*pause for silent prayer*). Lord, hear us

«Feast to all those in the community that dedicated themselves to prayer»

Today's Gospel introduces us to different people and events that in themselves provide numerous lessons and themes for further reflection. First of all, Mary and Joseph respect the Mosaic Law by offering the sacrifice prescribed for the poor: a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.

Simeon and Anna were two venerable elderly people dedicated to prayer and fasting and so their strong religious spirit rendered them able to recognize the Messiah. In this sense we can see in the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple an extension of the '*Pro Orantibus Day*' (For those who pray) that is celebrated on the feast of the Presentation of Mary (21 November). On this day, the Church demonstrates its gratitude to all those in the community that dedicate themselves in a privileged way to prayer, to those who have a particular religious vocation to the contemplative life. In the figure of the venerable Simeon, Jesus' presentation in the temple, also reminds us that prayer and contemplation are not just a waste of time or an obstacle to charity. On the contrary, time could not be better spent than in prayer as true Christian charity is a consequence of a solid interior life. Only those who pray and offer penance, like Simeon and Anna, are open to the breath of the Spirit. They know how to recognize the Lord in the circumstances in which He manifests Himself because they possess an ample interior vision, and they have learned how to love with the heart of the One whose very name is Charity.

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