

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—FEBRUARY 1, 2026

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**SACRAMENT OF
BAPTISM**
SECOND & FOURTH
SUNDAYS
1:15 PM ENG
2:15 PM PL

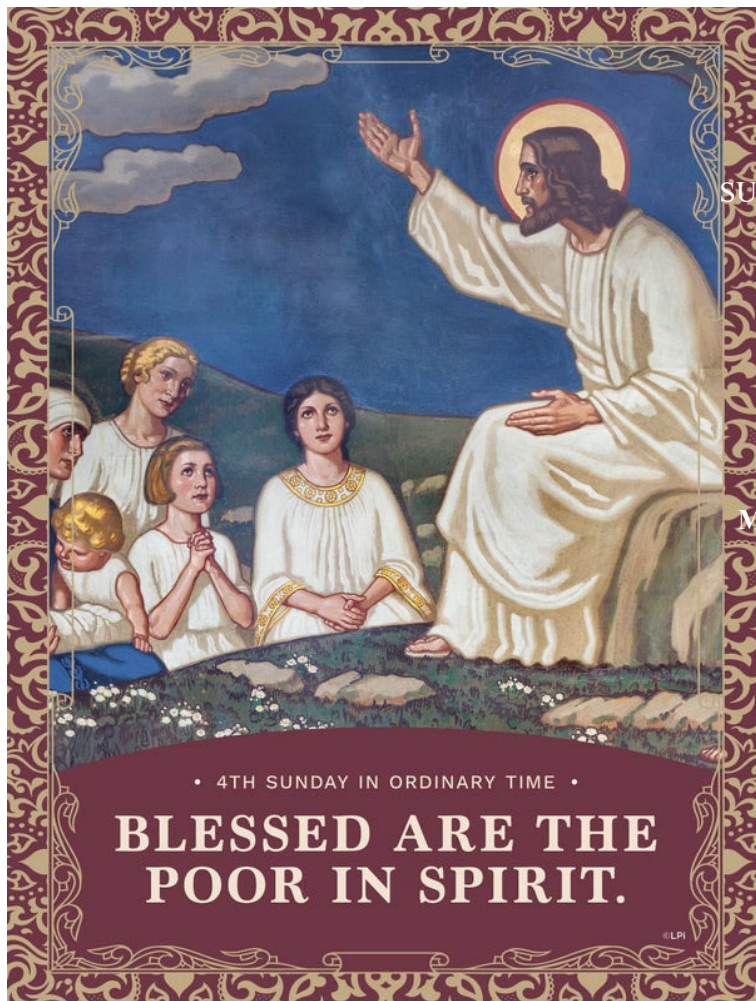
Please arrange the date
of baptism through the
Rectory office after
the birth of your child

**SACRAMENT OF
MARRIAGE**
Please call the Rectory
for an appointment at
least six months prior
to the desired date.

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
SATURDAYS
4:00 to 4:45 PM and
THURSDAYS BEFORE
FIRST FRIDAYS
4:00 to 5:00 PM
Other times by appointment.

1ST FRI. DEVOTION
7 to 10 PM

1ST SAT. DEVOTION
AFTER 8:00 AM MASS



**LITURGY OF THE
EUCHARIST**
WEEKDAYS 7:00 AM
SATURDAYS 8:00 AM
SATURDAY EVENINGS
VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM
SUNDAYS 8:00 & 9:15 AM,
10:30 (Polish) 12:00 Noon

RECTORY HOURS
WEEKDAYS
9 AM to 12 Noon
& 1 PM to 4 PM

**EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION**
TUES. 12 to 1 PM

MILLIONS OF MONICAS
TUESDAY 1 PM to 2 PM

**PL PRAYER GROUP
W/ ADORATION**
2ND THURSDAYS 7 PM

LAY CARMELITES
1ST SAT. AFTER
8 AM MASS

ALTAR ROSARY
1ST WED. 6:30 PM
(APRIL, MAY, JUNE,
SEPT., OCT. & NOV.)

YOUTH GROUP
LAST MONDAY 6 PM

Our Mission Statement

Lord, God, all creation is yours, and you call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. May the example of St. Isidore urge us to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.
Saint Isidore, Pray for Us.

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—FEBRUARY 1, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31, 2026

5:00 pm The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
+ Barbara Kobielski

4TH SUN. IN ORINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 1, 2026

8:00 am + Zielinski Family
9:15 am + Vincent A. Doroszka, MD
10:30 am Za Członków żywego Różańca i Rodzinę Radia Maryja
(PL) + Kamil Wnorowski
+ Kazimierz Sokol
+ Dariusz Kalicki
+ Henryk Piorkowski
+ Krystyna Terepka (3rd A)
12 Noon + Eva and Edward Piekarski

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026

7:00 am + Sophie Aschenbach
7:00 pm (PL) The People of the Parish, Liv. & Dec'd.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026

7:00 am + Marian Drozd

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026

7:00 am + Robert Kaelin

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026

7:00 am + Jennie Koroleski

FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2026

7:00 am + Perry Conklin, Jr. (5th A)
+ Edward Sujecki

FIRST SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2026

8:00 am God's Blessings on the Merciful Love Lay
Carmelite Community
Intentions of the Baltera and Errick Families

5:00 pm + Kara Decker

5TH SUN. IN ORINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 8, 2026

8:00 am + Patricia Repetti
9:15 am + Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary
Society
10:30 am The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
(PL) + Aurelia, Stanley, Ziggy i Roman Wilinski
+ Czeslawa Zakrzewska i zmarlych z rodziny
Sawickich i Zakrzewskich
+ Kamil Wnorowski
+ Stanislaw Tuminski i Bazydlo Family
Birthday Blessings for Jakub Wasilewski
+ Jadwiga i Wacław Truskolascy
12 Noon + Darla Kujawski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1
Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

Monday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk
2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2,
3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-
6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-
12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk
6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-
5/Mt 5:13-16

OUR COLLECTIONS

Today, February 1 Sunday & Monthly School

Next Week, February 8: Sunday & Debt Reduction

Thank you for your generosity!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, February 2, 2026

Candlemas—Bring a candle to Mass for blessing
7 AM English Mass / 7 PM Polish Mass

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Feast of St. Blaise—Blessing of Throats
after 7 AM Mass

Adoration 12 to 1 PM

Millions of Monicas 1 to 2 PM

Thursday, February 5, 2026

Confession 4 to 5 PM

Friday, February 6, 2026

First Friday Devotion

NEW TIME: 7 to 10 PM



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Dariusz Andruszkiewicz

HEALING SERVICE

Save the date! February 11th, 1 PM

In honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
and World Day of the Sick

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Bruno Sidor * Barbara Guerin * Nancy Kruszon Walters * Joanne DeMarco * Sandra Kuhlman * Albert Stepnoski * Richard Abbott * Beverly Bullock * Joseph O'Shea * Baby John Krepps * Dottie Bugdin * Jadwiga Luniewska * Wanda Tuminska * Etta Jean Otis * Richard Anderson * Eric Frak * Andrew * Chris Bonocore * Ethan Donahue * Irene Monahan * Jodi Ponce * Catherine & Charles J. Sehy * Ben G. & Elizabeth * Wm. Snyder * Nancy McDonald * Brendan Gallagher * Kristy West * Josephine Barker * Paul Farber * Nicholas Steinkamp * Teresa Muenkel * Ron Danowski * Peter Kraljic * Carson Whible * Dave Zazeski * Faye Anderson * James Gibson * Jim Kenna * Daryl Alec * Paula George * Christina Donovan * Joan Zaleski * Gillen Family * Blythe Fickenwirth * Jody Breitfeller * Benjamin Gonzalez * Dominique Tirado * Diana Perniciaro * Sammy * Brodie * Joseph Stepnoski * James Kenna * Douglas Clark * Jan Suchta * Justin * Dakota Harmon * Cole Faller * Halikias Family * Liana Forstein * Rosemary & Daniel Ambrosini * Thomas Ryall * Anne Marie Donlon * Dorothy Sousa * Thomas McEnany * Mary Khulman * Michael Alpert * Roseanne Murphy * Barbara Kozlowski * James West * Elizabeth Farruggia * Kelly Wine * Mary Van Duesen * Thomas DeGirolamo * William Berenger * Daria Quarlena * Eileen Borchart * Sheila Nolan * Tom Wisniewski III * Jeffrey Clark * James, George & Barbara Jaeger * Ernest & Alex Aponte * Helen Long * Michael Miglionico * Ralph Conforti * The Barauskus Family * Hope & Brittany Williams * John Marion * Emilia Andrychowski * Augie & Georgianna Lucente * Johanna Benthall * Michelle Giaccone * Howard Seifert * Ed Kennedy * Kit Z. * Dolores Contino * Agnes Brown * Anders Ryden * Kevin C. Cook * Anita Costi * Doriane Bay * David Vallone * Brittany Schacor * Karen and Kim Finocchiaro * Grace Mary Schulteis * Victor Sechyshyn * George Angle * Melissa Alexandra * Christian Vidal * Suzanne Thompson * Anna Greffe * Anthony Mannino * Marcella Frisen * Theresa Puglia * Brian Darmody * Leigh Anne Brown * Dan Modjeska * Judy Zakorski * Marie Miley * John Shuot * Patrick Murphy * Brian Crowley * Louise Pampinello * Barbara Fenn

Please keep all those serving in the military and their families in your thoughts and prayers especially:
Nicholas Pelosi, Christopher Drowns, Jeffrey Heppner, James Fleming, Thomas V. D'Auria, Mateusz Marzec, Andre DeRosa, Garrett Bracht and Hunter Bahnke

Please keep Deacons,
Nicholas Waldron and Patrick O'Brien,
in your prayers.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL—FINAL 2025

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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

The Presentation

The Presentation is already foreshadowing the Cross. The offering Mary makes at the Presentation in the Temple becomes manifested and reaches its fulfillment at Calvary.

The Martyrs | Littlest Saints

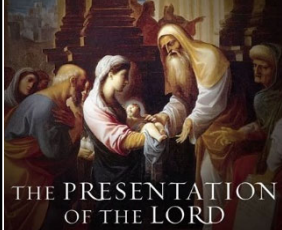
When a young Christian girl is arrested and imprisoned in ancient Rome, she hears stories of martyrs like St. Catherine of Alexandria and St. Lawrence the Deacon—will she find the strength to make the ultimate sacrifice for her faith?

Martyrs and Monastics

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. Elizabeth Klein, Professor of Theology at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss her Short Course: Martyrs and Monastics. Who are the early Church martyrs? What fueled their witness to the faith? How did monasticism develop? These questions and more are addressed in this show.



Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple



The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, also known as Candlemas, often slips quietly past our modern consciousness. But like so much in our Catholic faith, there is more there than we might at first recognize. Celebrated on February 2nd, this feast recalls Mary and Joseph presenting the infant Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem, as prescribed by Jewish law. It is a moment marked by humility, obedience, and the fulfillment of divine promise, and it is a moment of prophetic mystery as we hear Simeon tell Mary that, *“you yourself a sword will pierce—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”*

The Church celebrates the feast of the [Presentation of the Lord](#) 40 days after the birth of Jesus. Before 1969, the feast was known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or Candlemas. It was celebrated in the earliest times in the Church in Jerusalem and from there the observance spread throughout the Christian world. According to the law of Moses, a woman was ritually unclean for 40 days after childbirth. Therefore, Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple to present him to the Lord and offer sacrifice for purification. "... just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *'Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,' and to offer the sacrifice of 'a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons...'*" ([Luke 2:23-24](#)) Since a procession and blessing of candles has been traditionally included with the "Candle Mass" on this feast day, it became known as "Candlemas Day." The candles serve as a symbol of Jesus being *"a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel,"* as foretold by Simeon. (Luke 2:32)

The Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple is the fourth decade of the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary. When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple for His presentation, they were fulfilling God's law and entrusting their Child to Him. As parents we follow the Church's teachings by presenting our children for their sacraments—offering them to God, trusting in His grace, and doing our best to raise them in faith. We can recognize in this feast a beautiful reminder that our children ultimately belong to God.

Candlemas reminds us that our belief in God is often lived out in honoring the observances of our faith. Mary and Joseph's act of bringing Jesus to the Temple was a simple one, yet it resonated with profound meaning. They were obedient to God's law, despite Mary's unique holiness as the sinless Mother of God and Jesus' divinity. Their willingness to submit to the law of Moses demonstrates how even they lived out their faith in humble, ordinary ways.

To understand the message of the Presentation, it is helpful to look at the entire Scripture passage that describes the purpose and reason that Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple:

"Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

*"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples:
a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."*

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, *"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted—and you yourself a sword will pierce—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."*

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It is customary on Candlemas to bless candles which can be used throughout the liturgical year. When Jesus was presented in the Temple, Simeon took him in his arms and said, *"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people, Israel."*

Inspired by this scriptural motif, it is traditional on the feast to bless and light candles, which remind us that the darkness shall not overcome the light of Christ. As Christians, we are called to be light in a world that is overshadowed by darkness. Candles became part of the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord as early as the 4th or 5th century, particularly in Jerusalem and later Rome, where a candlelit procession was introduced.

The Entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord is: (Ps. 48:10-11)

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Saint Blaise and the blessing of throats: A tradition of faith and healing (by *The Catholic Weekly*)



As Catholics, practices that others might find unusual are second nature to us—and sometimes even taken for granted. We venerate relics, pray with beads, process through the streets with floats, and turn to St Anthony when something is lost. In the same way, we celebrate the 3 February feast of St Blaise with a unique and beautiful tradition—the blessing of throats.

St Blaise was a 3rd-century Armenian bishop known for his deep faith, fervent love for God and his people, and a reputation for working miracles even during his lifetime. His unwavering witness to Christianity made him a target of persecution by the Romans in Cappadocia, where he was living. When his arrest was ordered, St Blaise fled to the wilderness, continuing his mission in service to God despite the challenges he faced.

St Blaise is renowned for his miraculous healing powers, particularly concerning throat ailments. According to legend, a boy suffering from a fishbone lodged in his throat—or another severe throat malady—was brought to St Blaise as a last resort. The boy was on the brink of death, with no hope of recovery. Saint Blaise prayed over him, blessed him, and miraculously, the boy was healed.

This established St Blaise as the patron saint for those afflicted with throat injuries and diseases. It is from this miraculous act of healing that the Catholic Church commemorates his feast day and has the blessing of throats on the Feast of St Blaise.

After undergoing surgery to remove half my thyroid in September 2023, I felt it important to participate in the blessing on the feast of St Blaise. Having not heard of it before falling ill, it felt like God was giving me an avenue of grace to use. I received the blessing of the throat with the hope that I would not fall ill again, or that if I did, that God would give me the strength, peace and hope to endure it gracefully.

Many countries have slight variations of how to impart the blessing. It is usually the priest or deacon who follows the rite and prayers to bestow over the people seeking the blessing.

Sometimes due to lack of time the priest will give a general blessing however, I was fortunate enough to receive an individual one. As I approached the priest, I knelt before him, and he crossed two candles bound with a red ribbon, touching my neck with them as he recited the blessing, which went along the lines of:

“Through the intercession of St Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

While somewhat forgotten, this unique blessing is a wonderful reminder of the power of God’s love and co-operative nature.

I encourage all who are currently facing disease or illness, particularly of the throat or neck, to seek out the St Blaise blessing on 3 February.

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