

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him” (Mark 1: 27b)

The Precious Blood of Christ dispels the lie that evil can ultimately triumph over good! The power of Christ is incomparable compared with the demonic forces that seek to destroy families, the church, and our world. But do we really believe that? Sometimes, we Christians emphasize the power of evil and death having the upper hand rather than Christ and his Most Precious Blood conquering all sin and death. If we remain centered in Christ and powerfully proclaim, in word and deed, the marvellous things God has done for us, that will go a long way in putting evil to flight and proclaiming the power of Christ who has redeemed the world.

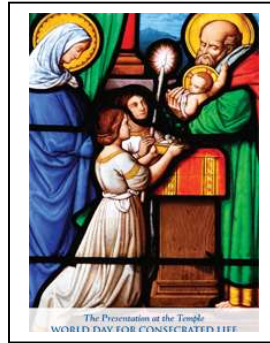
PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

According to ancient Jewish law, a woman who gave birth to a boy was unable to touch anything sacred or enter the Temple area until forty days after the birth of her son. Mary observed this period of purification. The law also prescribed that after the forty days the mother should offer a year-old lamb as a sin offering, or if she were poor, two turtledoves or two young pigeons. According to the gospel, Joseph and Mary, who presented their son for purification at the Temple in Jerusalem, also followed this ritual.

While there, Jesus' parents met a man named Simeon whom the gospel describes as "righteous and devout" and as someone who was awaiting the time when salvation would come to God's people in Israel. From Simeon's words that Jesus would not only be the source of salvation for Jews, but "a light of revelation to the Gentiles," the day also is called Candlemas. (February 2)

On Friday, February 2 we will be blessing the candles in honor of this feast day. Please join us: 8:00 a.m., and 12:05 p.m. Candles for the home can be purchased at \$5.00 for a box of two candles. Remember, every Catholic home should have two blessed candles.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE



In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas

Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples.

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in our Church on Friday, February 2, 2024 at 7pm. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

FIRST FRIDAY

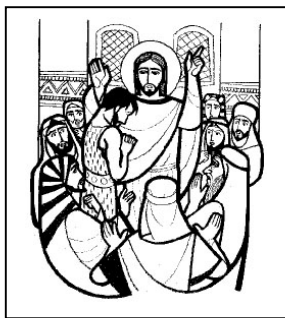
First Friday Mass and Holy Hour February 2 at 7 PM. Confessions will be heard as well. All are welcome to come and spend some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

CWL

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Women's League of Canada is holding a membership drive the weekend of February 3rd and 4th in the vestibule of the Church after each mass. ALL women of the Parish are invited to join us.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the souls of Federico Campoli, Francesco Nardi, Paula Markic whose funerals were celebrated during this past week in our Church.

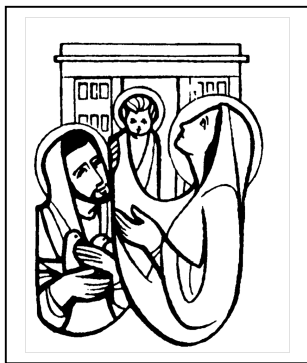
IV DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO

Gesù prende a promuoversi per città e villaggi. Rileggeremo o riascolteremo cose già sentite, che tuttavia riservano sempre lezioni sorprendenti e attuali. Al di là delle lezioni, c'è l'impatto con la persona di Gesù che fa sempre trasalire un animo senza pregiudizi. Il Deuteronomio si

compone di tre grandi discorsi messi sulla bocca di Mosè, ricapitolazione o rivisitazione dell'avventura del deserto. Nella presente lettura, dopo la condanna di maghi e indovini, viene la promessa di un grande profeta, al quale bisognerà dare ascolto. Per noi il riferimento a Gesù è scontato.

Continua il discorso di domenica scorsa sulla verginità. Paolo ne mostra i lati positivi, ma insieme non vuol tendere il laccio a nessuno. La verginità può facilitare e arricchire il sacerdozio di Dio e dei fratelli.

Prima parte di un sabato di Gesù: il seguito a domenica prossima. Gesù sbalordisce per la sua parola, detta con autorità, più ancora perché con una parola scaccia il demonio. La folla rimane a bocca aperta: accadono cose mai viste.

CANDELORA

Venerdì 2 febbraio, è la festa della presentazione al tempio del Signore, comunemente detta della candelora. Le candele, simbolo di Cristo luce del mondo, verranno benedette e distribuite durante le S. Messe delle 8:00 a.m. e 12:05 p.m. Le candele saranno distribuite la

settimana e domenica prossima per \$5.00 per due candele.

Masses of the Week**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27**

4:30PM Rosaria Mangiardi, Edmundo Herrera, Argia Della Savia, Carmela & Carmen Lombardi

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

8:00AM Pro Popolo
9:30AM Evangeline & Vida Cruz, Sidor Families
11:00AM Natale e Vito Marcoccia, Roberto, Oliana, Rosario e Ida Greco e Famiglia, Filomena Pietrangelo, Defunti Famiglia Chioran
12:30 PM Loreto & Libertad Malijan

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue
12:05PM Domenico Ruggiero

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

8:00AM Defunti Iscritti Alle Messe Perpetue
12:05PM Alda Terceira

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

8:00AM Luigi Di Matteo
12:05PM Vincent Joshua Eden

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

8:00AM Mass Association
12:05PM Blessings For Alessia, Maria Lopreiato

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

8:00AM Eugenia Marcuzzi
12:05PM Nicholas, Carmela & Michael Bonello
7:00PM First Friday Mass -

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

4:30PM Bruna Ierulli, Ulderico Farelli

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