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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Mon – Thursday, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm. Office is closed on Fridays.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:00 – 4:15 pm

Masses: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 11:00 am; Saturday, 4:30 pm; Sunday 10:00 am

February 2nd, 2020

Padre's Portion.... Today we hear the story of Simeon and Anna. And the Gospel tells us that both Simeon and Anna went to the Temple every day, because both of them believed that one day, they would see the Messiah there. They went every day! The Gospel says, in a nice way, that they were both older. So this is something that Simeon and Anna had done for a long time. And of course, they are both rewarded for their Faith and their perseverance, by the fact that they do get to see Jesus on the day that He is presented to God in the Temple. God fulfills His promises to Simeon and Anna. All those days, all those trips, all that time they spent at the Temple, they get to see the Messiah that will save them and us. It must have been quite a day. Simeon even says, "Lord, now I can go in peace, my eyes have seen the salvation."

Joseph and Mary's presentation of the baby was no pro forma event. The words of the prophet Malachi are fulfilled in the poor parents presenting their firstborn son along with their humble sacrifice of two turtledoves. (Now I am sending my messenger— he will prepare the way before me; And the lord whom you seek will come suddenly to his temple; The messenger of the covenant whom you desire—see, he is coming! says the LORD of hosts. Malachi 3:1) The mother of God is in no need of ritual purification – and her husband did not set themselves above the Law.

Have you ever thought about the things that we all do every day? I'm not talking about things that you do once in a while, or once a month, or even once a week. I'm talking every, single day. Maybe you read the newspaper every day. Maybe you make your bed every day. Maybe you use your keys to lock or unlock something, every day. Maybe you eat breakfast every day. Maybe you exercise every day. Maybe you watch television every day. A lot of people do. That lists of things that each one of us does every day is probably longer than we'd first think. And that list of things that ALL of us do every day is probably much shorter than we think. Most all of us sleep some every day, but we know that on any given day there are people who aren't sleeping for one reason or another. Most of us eat every day, and yet, we know there are people who routinely go more than a day without eating. Probably more likely, we all drink something every day. To not do so would make you dehydrated. Most all of us go to the bathroom every day. We won't get into that here. And hopefully, all of us brush our teeth every day.

This Feast Day and this story have got to make all of us think, how much is God a part of our lives every single day? We don't all have to come to the Temple every day, like Simeon and Anna did. And yet hopefully there is some acknowledgment of God every day in our lives. That's how we work our way to heaven. God makes promises to us, and we have made promises to Him. How can we remember those promises if we go on day after day without even thinking about God? This is why we need to find some time for God every single day in our lives. God wants us in communion with Him all the time.

Sometimes we really do need to show up. Sometimes our presence can make all the difference in the world. Sometimes our prayer life and our relationship with God CAN'T wait, and CAN'T be put on the back burner. Sometimes God wants us right now! We've got to make God more and more a part of our daily lives. What do we have to do to make that happen?

You know, not brushing your teeth every day, not taking a shower every day, not eating right every day, not exercising every day, not getting enough sleep every day, all of these things can get us into trouble one way or another. So too, not letting God into our life every day can cost us. We can miss out on so much! Don't let that happen. Let God fulfill His promises to you every day!

This is where it starts to get 'real', i.e. moving past the holly, tinsel, and jolly carols of Christmas 40 days ago. The tiny child snuggled in the crèche a few weeks ago is now revealed to be a sign of hope and contradiction. Simeon says, "Lord, now I can go in peace, my eyes have seen the salvation." What shall we ask of the Lord as we celebrate his Presentation?

God Bless.

Mass Intentions for Feb 1st - Feb 9th

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Times

Sat, Feb 1st 4:30 pm Bob & Jan Moffenbeier - Prayer Pal Isaiah 58:7-10 (73A) Sun, Feb 2nd 10:00 am Parishioners 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Wed, Feb 5th 11:00 am Father Bob - Lisa & Shelley Matthew 5:13-16 Thurs, Feb 6th +Fred & Claudine Willis - Adler/Romano Family 11:00 am

Fri, Feb 7th 11:00 am Special Intention - Josephine Rivelli

Sat, Feb 8th 4:30 pm +Edna Groce - Altar Society

Sun, Feb 9th 10:00 am Parishioners

This week at Sacred Heart

Monday Altar Society Mtg 1:00pm, Fellowship Hall

St. Vincent DePaul Mtg 1:00pm, rectory basement **Tuesday** Wednesday Mass at 11:00 am, Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40 am **Thursday** Mass at 11:00 am, Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40 am

Friday Mass at 11:00 am, Rosary precedes Mass at 10:40 am

First Friday Adoration, please find a sub if you are unable to fulfill your time.

Saturday Mass at 4:30 pm. Sunday Mass at 10:00 am.



The next monthly food collection for St. Vincent de Paul is 8-ounce packages of cheddar cheese (sharp, medium or mild). The cheese may be in bricks, sliced or shredded. In addition, 15-ounce cans of mixed vegetables are also requested. If you prefer to donate money, you may do this by using your February St. Vincent de Paul envelope.



Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Altar Society Dessert Party, Wednesday February 12th at 1:00pm. Great desserts and games as well as door prizes and a fun time to socialize with others. The Altar Society is excited to host all who come, they look forward to seeing you there.

Would you like to place flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or remembering a special occasion? There is a calendar sign up on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church. Please sign there or contact Helen Unfred at 503-659-6579.

Do you or anyone you know need an electric wheelchair? It is free; you will just need a truck to pick it up. If so contact Rob Kappa at 503-653-9575

Are you single and over age 55? Solo Seniors is a catholic-based social organization, for single men and women over the age of 55 in the greater Portland area.. It is primarily provides social and recreational programs in a safe and friendly environment for its members. For more information, a solo brochure or a copy of our monthly newsletter, call Ann Buchholz 503-235-9047

Portland Catholic Women - Save the Date

March 21 2020, Haley Stewart, author of The Grace of Enough and famous podcaster of Fountains for Carrots, will be encouraging us to move forward in our faith. Join this Lenten renewal from 9 to 4 at Christ the King in Milwaukie. Registration <u>www.marysfiat.com</u>

Ministry Schedule for the weekend of February 8th & February 9th

Greeters Gary & Dianne Lanctot Diane Boland & Bryan Schmunk

Lectors Carol Pomante Ron Shibler Abby Provost Altar Server Mikayla Maris **Host Minister** Duane Erland Sylvia Kelner

Cup Ministers Mary Koeber & Fran Kamm Mark Pavlakovich & Paul Rager Blaine Moore & Michael Rivelli **Ushers** Ricky Schramm & Eric Wieland

Chilren's Liturgy Linda Burrell/Olivia Sanielle Santilli **Coffee & Donuts Sacristan** Lora Mae McCuin Margaret Barilko

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 2019-2020 ACTUAL

Jan 5th \$6,521 Jan 12th \$5,496 Jan 19th \$7,671 Jan 29th \$5,606

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