

**Parish Bulletin for 2 February 2025, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
World Day for the Consecrated Life**

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Sat Feb 1 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - RIP Felicidad Cruz, req. by Robert and Evelyn Thordarson

Sun. Feb 2 - **Presentation of the Lord**

9:30am OL – RIP Josef, Marjan & Ludvik Casar, req. by Stan & Stephanie Casar and family

11:00am SA – Special intention: Allysa Visda, req. by Esmeralda Bautista

Mon. Feb 3 - NO MASS

Tue. Feb 4 - 5:00pm SA - RIP Christopher Comia, req. by Flor & Lita de Guzman

Wed. Feb 5 - 10:00am OL - RIP Marija Verovšek, req. by B. Stegne

Thu. Feb 6 - 9:00am SA - RIP John & Lydia Swirsky, req. by Paul and Dolores Mulaire

Fri. Feb 7 - 10:00am OL - RIP Deceased members of the Poredos families, req. by Anton Poredos and family

Sat Feb 8 - 5:30pm SA - Sun Vigil Mass - Thanksgiving, req. by Robert & Evelyn Thordarson

Sun. Feb 9 - **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30am OL – RIP Deceased members, req. by OL Lourdes Auxiliary

11:00am SA – Thanksgiving, req. by Waldo & Loida Balisi family

Please note: Mass schedules may be subject to change.

Thank you for your donations last weekend.

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Thank you for the flowers donated to beautify the sanctuary. We appreciate your kindness in enhancing our church celebrations.

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. 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.

Most Reverend Murray Chatlain will be installed as the 8th Archbishop of Winnipeg on Friday evening, April 4, 2025 at St. Mary's Cathedral. More information will follow in the coming days.

2024 tax receipts will be available for pick up at the church beginning this Sunday, February 2nd until Sunday, February 23rd. Receipts not picked up during this time will be mailed out by the end of February.

“But the fog is not on the maps.” Several years ago, two land surveyors were sent from a large city in Wales to survey the mountains in North Wales. For a week, they stayed in an isolated cabin in shepherd country. Every day they went out with maps, compasses, and charts checking the countryside and the valleys. Several days into the first week, an old shepherd came up to them and said, “*Might be best if I go with you tomorrow.*” They said, “*No, there's no need for that. We have our maps and charts. We'll be fine. We have everything we need.*” The old shepherd said again, “*It might be best if I went with you tomorrow.*” “*No, we have our maps and charts. We know these hills just like you. We'll be okay.*” And the old shepherd said, “*You may have your maps, but the fog is not on the maps.*” — There come times in our lives when all the charts, maps, and other resources are insufficient. There come times when we can only do God's work in His power and in His strength. It is an awesome, humbling, and revealing experience to stand before the Miracle Worker as He reaches out and calls us.

Faith is a gift: The famous author of *The Song of Bernadette*, Franz Werfel, gave an enthusiastic graduation talk at Mundelein College for girls in Chicago about the Blessed Virgin. This was all the more remarkable since the students knew that he was a Jew. During the short question period after the speech, one student asked him, “*Mr. Werfel, if I am not getting too personal, could you explain how it is that you seem to know so much about the Catholic Church and its teachings and still you are not a Catholic?*” “*Yes,*” he answered. “*I can explain. Faith is a gift, and I have not yet received that gift.*” (Frank Michalic in *Tonic for the Heart*; quoted by Fr. Botelho).

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS WHILE I WAS AWAY. THANK YOU TO FR. SEAN CAHILL FOR HELPING US. [FR.DADO]



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