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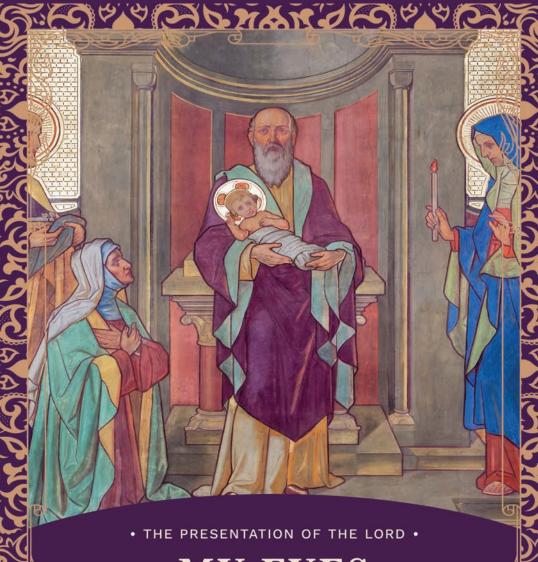
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MY EYES HAVE SEEN YOUR SALVATION.

Parish Information

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm Vigil

Sunday: 9:00am - English,

11:00am - Español

Monday/Tuesday/Thursday:

8:00am, in the chapel

Wednesday: 6:00pm - Español,

in the chapel

Friday: 6:00pm, in the chapel

Reconciliation

Saturday: 8:30am - 9:30am

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 5:30pm

(closed 12:00pm-1:00pm)

Friday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

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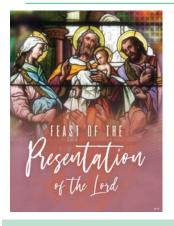
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We have medals, bibles, rosaries, Chapel veils, prayer cards, missals, large print bibles, religious candles, various statues.

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Parish Mission Statement:

We the people of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Called by God, Approach the Father in Word and Sacrament, Live relationship with Jesus in Catholic Community, Seek the Called in the Love of the Holy Spirit.

DAILY GOSPELS

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD February 02, 2025 Year C



Sat. February 01 BVM	Mk 4:35-41	4:00pm	Seigworth Family (Chris Seigworth)
Sun. February 02 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32	9:00am 11:00am	Parishioners† Ron Baker (Fran Baker)
Mon. February 03 (Fourth Week in Ordinary Time) Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop	Mk 5:1-20	8:00am	† Mr. Jospeh Reid (Anonymous)
Tues. February 04	Mk 5:21-43	8:00am	† Tom Monty (Francisco Mejia)
Wed. February 05 Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	Mk 6:1-6	8:00am	† Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bernachi (Anonymous)
Thurs. February 06 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs	Mk 6:7-13	8:00am	† Martina Aguila (Anonymous)
Fri. February 07	Mk 6:14-29	6:00pm	† Orana Echeveria (Jeronmio Echeveria)
Sat. February 08 Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin; BVM	Mk 6:30-34	4:00pm	† Felix Natividad (Lupe Natividad)
Sun. February 09 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Lk 5:1-11	9:00am 11:00am	Parishioners† Rick Banuelos (Gloria Valles)

If you would like to add an announcement or event to the bulletin, **please fill out our Bulletin Submission Form**, available in the Parish Office and on our website *(under the About tab)*.

When completing the form, please be sure to include your event's date, time, and location.





Reflection for THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: Year C

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - February 02, 2025

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

<u>Readings</u>: • Malachi 3:1-4 • Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10 • Hebrews 2:14-18 • Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020225.cfm

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

Healing Our Blindness

The value of stewardship living is difficult to see unless we are experiencing that way of life for ourselves. You can read 100 Everyday Stewardship reflections and go to church every Sunday, but unless you are actively growing in faith and trying to live a life of generous stewardship, you cannot see the power of such a lifestyle. Like most things, we need direct, purposeful experiences to really understand.

I worked in a stewardship parish for over 20 years, but it was only after I started treating all I have as God's, and began to actively offer all I am to Him for His glory, that I really got the message. That doesn't mean I am a perfect steward. Far from it! However, the stress and anxiety that comes with life has greatly diminished because all is in God's hands. I choose to act more generously than before, which provides me with a sense of fulfillment and joy. How I act towards my family, friends, and even people I meet daily has changed. Now I am more mindful of their presence, and I seek to give them a part of me that just might change their day and bring them a little closer to Christ. I am transforming into a disciple who seeks to use all I have been given to transform all that is around me.

It would be a shame to be blind to the important things for an entire life. Today, consider taking a path of life-changing stewardship. Give it all to God. In the midst of all you have been given, you just might find God in a profound way. You may even find the real person God created you to be.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS©LPI



Pray for All Who are Sick or Infirmed

Susan Regino,



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Fr. Matthew Krempel,
Fr. Michael Berry,
Bob Duncan,
Robby & Lois Robinson
Alan & Dale Rodberg,
Helena Hall,
Betty Myrick,
Carlos Valenzuela,
Marlene Tidwell,
Michael Page,
Linda Pinnick,
Carol Kreft,
Diane Schatz,
Ray Martin,
Rita Cownie,
Mark Kucharek,
Fr. Charlie Urnick,
James Cleary,

Angie Huizenga,
Sandra Lyons,
James Driscoll,
Michael Barrett,
Diane Seiler,
Frankie Daiber,
Fermin Esquibel,
Joseph Matthews,
Richard Potts,
Mary Woodward,
Toni Grzechowika,
Ron Tuohey Sr.,
Richard Fernandez,
Anthony Fernandez,
Susan & Steve Richards,
Ventura Villalobos,
Jaime Fernandez.

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Ellsie Taylor,
Ryan Smith,
Olivia Sanchez,
Ann Peterson,
Gabriel Esquivel,
Caitlin Amburgue,
Peyton Mann,
Jaime O'Niell,
Art Penfold,
Jerrod Wetzel,
Teresa Stafford,
Fernando Galvan Jr,
Rocco DiConza,
Rick Maiero,
Alex Freiday,
Jimmy Gifford,
Josh Lazarski,

Patrick & Jennifer Weinmiester,
Katherine Tyler,
Con Sanchez,
Don & Pam Weinmiester,
Bob Lucero,
Susan Cowin,
Andrew Colton,
Jean Marie Hunt,
Carmen & Robert Clemente,
Bill Glass,
O'Niell Family,
Jim Gunton,
Joseph Matthews,
Manuel Hernandez,
Sabrey Byrd,
Michele deLany,

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Larry Dye,
Juan Acuña,
Ernestine Stein,
Patty George,
Gary Arivzo,
Dylan Short,
Ginny Carter,
Marcheta Keller,
Mert Glancy,
Vicky & Nestor Sanchez,
Gloria Gallegos,
Arturo Zamora,
Rodney Paul,
William Kenney,
Faye Scott,
Dillon Caponi,
Roy Talbott



St. Josephine Bakhita | February 8

The saints are more than lovely pictures on a holy card. If we dig a little deeper, their lives can challenge and transform our own. On February 8th, the Church celebrates St. Josephine Bakhita. As a young girl, St. Josephine was kidnapped from her family in Darfur and sold into slavery at age nine. She was introduced to Catholicism as an adolescent and experienced a profound love for Jesus Christ. St. Josephine eventually gained legal freedom and entered religious life. Though she bore over one hundred scars beneath her habit, St. Josephine forgave her enemies and became known in the convent for her humility and joyful spirit.

Author Fr. Jeff Kirby writes, "Saint Josephine gives us all a scarred and human face to the evils of human trafficking, racial tension, and of the brutality found in the peripheries. Her life demands a response." As we approach the season of Lent, let us recall our own call to conversion and an active concern for those who suffer. *©LPi*



Please pray for all those who have died, especially:

Josefina Williams Danielle Torrance
Beth Childs Rosie Camp Irene Fortier
Mildred Diaz Corine Ortega



Parish Events This Week

Monday Mass JPC OCIA	Feb. 03 8:00am 6:00pm 6:30pm	Location Chapel Library Rm. 5,6,7	
Tuesday Mass Bible-James Women's Fellowship	Feb. 04 8:00am 10:00am 5:45pm	Location Chapel Rm. 5,6,7 Library	
Wednesday Rosary Mass (Esp.) CERS CERS Youth JPC	Feb. 05 10:00am 6:00pm 6:45pm 6:45pm 6:45pm	Location Rm. 5,6,7 Chapel Rm. 1 Rm. 5,6,7 Library	
Thursday Mass R.E. Classes	Feb. 06 8:00am 5:30pm	Location Chapel Rms. 1-7, Kitchen & Library	
Friday Mass CERS	Feb. 07 6:00pm 6:45pm	Location Chapel Rm. 5,6,7, Kitchen & Library	
Saturday Confessions Pro-Life Meeting Mass	Feb. 08 8:30am 9:30am 4:00pm	Location Church Library Church	

What We Gave Back to God

January 26th, 2025

Attendance: 682

Needed to meet weekly expenses\$ 8,000.00Plate Collection\$ 6,762.85Online Giving\$ 317.77Building Fund\$ 143.00

December 2024

Monthly Operating Expense

Deficit or Gain	\$	+14,223.46
Monthly Plate Collection	\$	41,009.73
Christmas Plate Collection	\$	12,223.43
Monthly Operating Expense	Ψ	09,009.70

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me; and suddenly there will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek. (Mal 3:1)

Psalm:

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Ps 24)

Second Reading:

Therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God. (Heb 2:17)

Gospel:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation." (Lk 2:29-30)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Anna and Simeon saw greatness and glory in the face of a tiny babe. Jesus was insignificant in the eyes of others who looked for the Messiah in the gilded halls of kings. But Anna and Simeon recognized God when they saw him. Do we?

Observances for the week of February 2, 2025

Sunday: The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for

Consecrated Life

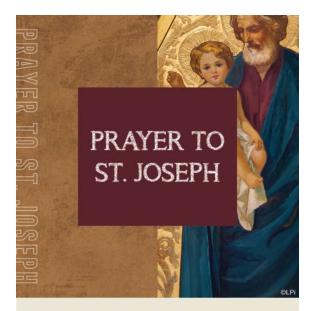
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Thursday: St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs **Saturday:** St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita,

Virgin; BVM

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day



Devotions, Explained!

For centuries, Christians have relied on the intercessory prayers of Joseph, earthly spouse of the Blessed Virgin and foster father of Christ. One particular novena prayer to St. Joseph is often called "the unfailing prayer to St. Joseph."

Prayer of Faith

Dear God,
Open my eyes to Your
movement in my life.
And, even when I don't see it
or don't understand, help me
to rely on the promises of Your
love and mercy.

Amen.

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Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: The oldest trick of the devil is to distract us from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do—there are so many other things we could be doing. So, do we have the courage to look to our own hearts, to come face to face with our own choices, our own true selves?

The Thoughts of Many Hearts

When Simeon cradles the infant Messiah in his arms, he speaks of salvation and glory and revelation. He speaks of his own death. He speaks of the fulfillment of God's promise to all people.

But most memorable, in my opinion, are his words about the hearts of men. This Child, he says, will be the way "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Perhaps you're like me. Perhaps you don't enjoy scrutinizing yourself, your actions, your intentions. You don't like reflecting on why you feel or react the way you do, and you really don't enjoy measuring those feelings and reactions against what you know they could be.

It's exhausting to sit with God, your heart in your hands, both of us looking at it, talking about it. So far too often, I opt out.

The oldest trick of the devil, you see, is to distract us from thinking about our hearts. It's not hard for him to do. There are so many other things I could be doing, after all. Answering emails. Catching up on laundry. Scrolling Facebook. Worrying about inflation and the election. Stressing about my kid's dance recital and next week's busy schedule.

But where is God truly at work? Where is the place God will point to, when my life on Earth has come to its close?

It is the very depths of my heart. The place where I am my most authentic self, for better or worse. The place where all my pretensions crumble away, and I am alone with the truth of who I am and what I choose to do.

Am I brave enough to look into the depths of my own heart?

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary?

Answer:

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple.

Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification.

The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.

Parish News and Events

Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children
Wednesday, January 22nd







RECENTLY AT OUR PARISH





Santo Niño Festival - Daily Novenas & Masses Thursday, January 16th - Sunday, January 26th





Rosary Group

Wednesdays at 10:00am in Parish Center: Rm. 5,6,7

Come join us for prayer & Christian fellowship.



Pro-Life meetings: 2nd Sat. of each month, 9:30am in the library





First Saturday Devotion

February 1, 2024 2:30pm to 3:30pm In the Chapel



First Friday Devotion

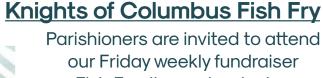
February 7, 2024 5:00pm In the Chapel

BECOME A KNIGHT TODAY

The Knights of Columbus are recruiting new members and will have a table set up in the church after the Saturday and Sunday mass for registration and information.

Starting February 1st weekend thru March





our Friday weekly fundraiser Fish Fry dinners beginning March 7 thru April 11, 2025.

The dinners will be held in St. Mary's parish hall, starting at 4:30 to 6:30 pm.

Fish Fry dinner to include pub battered cod, french fries, coleslaw, and a drink for \$15 per plate (child's plate \$8).



Fellowship Spaghetti Dinners this Summer!

In addition, we are planning monthly social and fellowship dinners on the second Saturday of each month beginning June 14 thru December 13, 2025.

The dinners will be held in St. Mary's parish hall, starting at 5 to 6:30pm after the 4 pm mass.

Dinner to include spaghetti and meatballs, salad, buttered garlic bread, and a drink.





Mission Belles of Our Lady of the Desert **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH**

Light lunch will be served at 12pm noon

Meeting begins at 12:30pm



HEY YOU! We are inviting all the youth ages 13-18 to join us on Wednesdays, from 7pm-8:15pm for our Youth Bible Study!

Come and join us to learn more about your faith and the Word of God! Be sure to bring a bible and a notebook!

For more information contact Mariela Balderrama @ (928) 279-4411.





Ways to Support Your Parish

St. Vincent de Paul

We extend our thanks to the Knights of Columbus who sponsored the coat drive on our behalf, as well as to all the wonderful parishioners who donated coats or food.

Without your generosity we would not be able to provide for those who come to us in need.

We can always use more volunteers, even if for only a few hours a week.

Bishop Dolan has released his 7-year Pastoral Plan for the Diocese of Phoenix. which begins January 2025 and ends December 2031, the 500th anniversary of Our Lady of Guadalupe appearing to Saint Juan Diego.

To learn more about Bishop Dolan's Seven-year Pastoral Plan



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Parishioners now have the opportunity to contribute to the altar flowers "In Memory" or "In Honor" of a loved one. The names will be published in the bulletin.

There are two bouquets at the altar, available for a donation of \$50 for each, You may choose to donate one or two bouquets.



Religious Formation and Sacraments



Registration for the 2024–2025 Religious Education session has closed.

Registration for the 2025-2026 year will open in Summer 2025, with updates posted to our Facebook page and website.

For more information about our Religious Education programs, please see our website at stmarykingman.com

Adult Formation (ages 15 and up) Mondays: 6:30 - 8:00pm

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation

Children's Religious Education Thursdays: 5:30-7:00pm

Early Childhood (ages 4-6)

No sacramental preparation

2nd/3rd Grade (ages 7-10)

1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation

OCIA-C (OCIA Adapted for Children) (ages 7-14)

Baptism, 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation

Catecismo en Español (7-14 años)

Bautismo, 1a Reconciliación, 1a Santa Comunión, Confirmación

Saints in the Making (ages 9-12)

For children who have received all their sacraments



Baptism Information

(children ages 6 and younger)



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

To have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline describing the required forms.

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.

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