



St. Peter † Prince of Apostles

The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2020

He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way.

— Hebrews 2:17a

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Mon. 8:15 a.m., Tues. 5:30 p.m.-*Spanish*, Wed. 5:30
p.m., Thurs-Fri 8:15a.m.

— Confessions —

Friday: 5:30 p.m. & Saturday 8:30 a.m.

— Marriage or Baptism —

Contact the church office for more info.:
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— Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament —

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Holy Family Chapel is offered Monday following 8:15am mass until 8pm; Tuesday 10am-5pm; Wednesday 8am-5pm; Thursday following 8:15am mass until 8pm; and Friday, following 8:15am mass until 5pm. Contact Lucy Jones, 559/924-7401.

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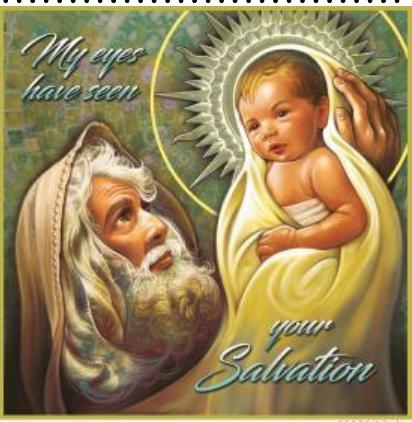
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Dear Padre,

A guided meditation on the rosary's fourth Joyful Mystery (The Presentation of Our Lord) mentions "our Blessed Mother's purification." What does that mean?

According to Jewish law, a mother was considered ritually impure for forty days after giving birth to a son, and eighty days after the birth of a daughter (see Leviticus 12:1-8). After the prescribed period of purification, she made an offering to God in the Temple for her atonement and another offering to support the priests. Her purification offering was a pigeon or turtledove; the burnt offering for the priests was a yearling lamb. However, if a woman couldn't afford the lamb, she could instead substitute two turtledoves or pigeons. Mary's offering of two birds indicated her poverty (see Luke 2:24).

Moreover, the Law stipulated that every firstborn male be presented to God in the Temple. "The LORD spoke to Moses and said, 'Consecrate to me every firstborn; whatever opens the womb...whether of human being or beast, belongs to me'" (Exodus 13:1-2). As a devout, law-abiding Jewish couple, Mary and Joseph traveled eighty miles from Nazareth to Jerusalem to present their son to God. Mary couldn't afford a lamb as a burnt offering; rather she offered Jesus as the true Lamb of God in the name of the human race. Saint Alphonsus Liguori wrote, "O my God, I on my part unite my sacrifice to that of Mary. I offer to you your own divine Son, and by his merits I ask you to grant me all the graces I need for salvation."

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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WILDLIFE WORLD / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM Pope Francis

In the Temple...Mary and Joseph find the roots of their faith, for faith is not something learned from a book, but the art of living with God, learned from the experience of those who have gone before us. The two young people, in meeting two older people [Simeon and Anna], thus find themselves.

—FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD,
FEBRUARY 2, 2018

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Calendar

Monday

FEBRUARY 3
Weekday
2 Sm 15:13-14, 30;
16:5-13
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 4
Weekday
2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b,
24-25a, 30-19:3
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 5
St. Agatha,
Virgin and Martyr
2 Sm 24:2, 9-17
Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

FEBRUARY 6
St. Paul Miki and
Companions, Martyrs
1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
Mk 6:7-13

Friday

FEBRUARY 7
Weekday
Sir 47:2-11
Mk 6:14-29

Saturday

FEBRUARY 8
Weekday
1 Kgs 3:4-13
Mk 6:30-34

Sunday

FEBRUARY 9
Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Is 58:7-10
1 Cor 2:1-5
Mt 5:13-16

— Weekly Reflection/Reflexión Semanal —

Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted.

LUKE 2:34



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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— Prayers Intentions/Oraciones de los Fieles —

Prayers for the Sick / Oraciones para los enfermos

We pray for Michael Sexton, Carol Rodrigues, Stella Mendez, Howard Works, Alice Stewart, Ana Colido, Mary Beth Murray, Rose Galvan, Richard P. Simas, Marti Vannote, Gary Garrett Jr., Charles Turner, Albert Cardenas, Delton Taylor, Bob & Noni Schweizer, Jerry Gregory, Jenifer Pressley, Isaac Orosco Jr., Roxie Martin, Angelina Mireles, Francisco Mendoza, and all who are sick. May they feel the healing powers of our prayers.

Prayers for the Deceased / Oraciones para los difuntos

We pray Helen Pratt, Oscar Temores, Eric Gonzales, Maria Ibarra, Celia Chavez, Bodine Perry, Maria Hernandez, Guadalupe Vasquez, Manuel Toste, Virginia Harris, Gerald Jeff, and all the faithful departed. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

A CHRISTMAS REPRISE

The Church's celebration three weeks ago of the Baptism of the Lord signaled the "official" end of the Christmas season. Today's feast of the Presentation of the Lord seems to extend the Incarnation celebration a bit longer. In fact, some have called this feast a "second Epiphany." The first reading recalls the anticipation of Advent, as Malachi writes, "Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me." The reading from Hebrews reminds us of the Incarnation, proclaiming that Jesus had a "share" in our own "blood and flesh." The Gospel finds the infant Jesus on his first visit to Jerusalem and his human parents once again surprised and in awe over the events surround his birth. In the simplicity of the manger, in the grandeur of the temple, in the domesticity of Nazareth, Jesus comes. May we come to know him and so be filled with "wisdom" and the "favor of God." Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

RETORNO A LA NAVIDAD

La celebración de hace tres semanas del Bautismo del Señor señaló el fin "oficial" del tiempo de Navidad para la Iglesia. La fiesta de hoy de la Presentación del Señor parece extender la celebración un poco más allá. En realidad, algunos han nombrado esta fiesta una "Segunda Epifanía". La primera lectura nos recuerda la anticipación del Adviento, como escribe Malaquías: "Envío a mi mensajero para que准备 el camino ante mí". La lectura de los Hebreos nos recuerda la Encarnación, proclamando que Jesús tuvo una "parte" de la misma "carne y sangre". El Evangelio encuentra al niño Jesús en su primera visita a Jerusalén, y a sus padres una vez más sorprendidos y asombrados por los acontecimientos de su nacimiento. En la sencillez del pesebre, en la grandeza del templo, en la domesticidad de Nazaret, Jesús viene. ¡Que lleguemos a conocerlo y por ello nos encontremos llenos de "sabiduría" y de la "gracia de Dios!" Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

— Religious Education Information —

♦ **CCD is in need of TWO CATECHISTS: one for first grade on Mondays, and a second for 3rd, 4th and 5th grade on Mondays.**

♦ **La oficina del Catecismo ocupa dos CATECHISTAS: una para el primer grado los lunes, y el segundo para 3, 4, y 5 grado los lunes.**

-Mass Intentions/Intenciones de Misa-Saturday, Feb. 1:

5:30 p.m. Frank E. Fagundes † by Raymund Fagundes

Sunday, Feb. 2:

7:00 a.m. Chris Rodrigues † by Johnny & Brenda Nunes

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Intentions of Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Evelyn Smales † by Oscar & Gerry Lucio
Charles & Jane Levy † by Catherine Levy
Fil Balunan † by Family12:00 p.m. (Sp) Kevin Koelwyn † by Mary Ann Ramponi
Enrique Herrera by Esposa y hijosMonday, Feb 3 :

8:15 a.m. Christian Rodrigues † by Jason & Kim Rodrigues

Tuesday, Feb 4:

5:30p.m. Tony Henderson † by Family

Wednesday, Feb 5:

5:30 p.m. Trene Mello † by Felipe Family

Thursday, Feb 6:

8:15 a.m. Fatima Lucia Gonzalez 2nd B-day by Parents

Friday, Feb 7:

8:15 a.m. Bob Serpa † by Al & Arlene Menevez

Saturday, Feb. 8:

5:30 p.m. Ben Carreiro † by Tina Carreiro & Sons

Sunday, Feb. 9:

7:00 a.m. Antonio G. Pedro † by wife Maria Pedro

8:30 a.m. (Strfd) Intentions of Parishioners

10:00 a.m. Eddie Barriga by Parents,
Tony & Mary Romeiro by Steven & Eric Romeiro
Mamie & Tony Evangelo † by Mary Evangelo,
Clarrissa & Evelyn Larios-Birthday by mom
Michael Rodriguez † de Familia
Moises DeLeon by Gutierrez Familia**-Stewardship Corner/Co-responsabilidad -****January 25 & 26 2020****1st Collection:** \$9,568.83**2nd Collection:** N/A**Thank you for your generosity/Gracias por su generosidad****Second Collection Today/2da Colecta hoy:
Parish Improvement Fund/Fondo de Mejoras
Parroquiales****Second Collection Next Week/
2da Colecta la próxima semana:
Mary, Immaculate Queen School/Mary, Immaculate Queen School****MIQSCHOOL NEWS**

MIQ is looking for substitutes for our Pre-K class. Candidates must have at least 12 units of early childhood development to apply.

Our community lifts up prayers for the healing of Mrs. Carol Rodrigues. May God wrap her in His love.

It's a great day to be a knight!

Want to know more about MIQ? Stop in and take a tour!

Applications are taken year round for new students and scholarships offered.

"Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him." - Psalm 34:8**Mary Immaculate Queen School is accepting new student applications!****884 N. Lemoore Ave Lemoore, CA 93245****Phone: 559-924-3425 ext. 202 Fax: 924-7848****Don't wait to join our MIQ school family.****Scholarships are available to make it affordable for you.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATES

- 1. TAX Forms are available for request. Please leave a name , phone #, address & envelope number. IF YOU PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE GIVING you can print out your own TAX sheet. The Church office does not have access to your online giving account.**

- 2. BLOOD DRIVE Feb. 23 from 830am-1pm. MORE DETAILS TO COME.**



RIGHT TO LIFE

A pledge form is included in this weeks bulletin. All funds collected go to further the work of protecting the unborn.



PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT MEETING

Is God calling you to consider a life of service as a priest or religious? Are you seeking a better and more meaningful life? Would you like to know more about what the life a priest is all about? Any man who is 17+ years old is invited to attend a gathering for men who want to discern where God may be calling them to serve Him. A Vocations Discernment Group meeting will be held in our area on February 22, 2020 @ 2-3:30pm at St Jude Church 208 W Jefferson Ave, Easton. For more information contact Fr Mike at the parish office



REUNION PARA DISCERNIMIENTO DEL SACERDOCIO

Esta Dios llamándote a considerar una vida de servicio como sacerdote o religioso? Estas buscando una vida mejor y más significativa? Le interesaba conocer mejor lo que es la vida de un sacerdote? Cualquier hombre que tiene al menos 17 años de edad está invitado a asistir a una reunión para los que quieren discernir el llamado de Dios para servirle. El Grupo de Discernimiento en nuestra área tendrá su próximo reunión el 22 de febrero 2020 de 2-3:30 de la tarde en la Iglesia San Judas, 208 E Jefferson Ave, Easton. Para más información póngase en contacto con El Padre Mike en la oficina

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

On behalf of Msgr. John J. O' Friel's Knights of Columbus Council: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual "Pancake Breakfast" Sunday February 23, 2020. Located at MIQ School from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon in O'Doury Hall. Cost per Tickets \$8.00 for Adults, Children Under the age of 5 Eat Free.

Tickets are available for purchase at St. Peter's Church or from any Knights of Columbus member.

If you have any questions please let me know or contact Richard Lee at

• Ministry News

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration is offered in the Holy Family Chapel Monday through Friday. Everyone is welcome to stop by and visit with Jesus—He is waiting for you. Call the Coordinator for more information at 903-9924.

St. Peter's Mom Bible Study

Mothers of children 0-18, please join us on the 2nd and 4th Fridays each month. We meet from 9-11am in the Rectory and childcare is provided. Join our FB group "Catholic Mothers Bible Study Group, Lemoore" for details, or contact Juli Polder at (916)284-6753.

Women's Bible Study

We are meeting in St. Agnes every Thurs. @ 10am. For any info call Carol Wood 924-4907.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

Prayer quilt ministry will meet on Mon., Jan. 27th in St. Agnes Rm. at 1:30 pm. Please join us. If you are in need of a quilt they can be found in the church office. Quilts are free but donations are appreciated. FMI please call Patti 707 9822 or Diane Howder 707-4470.

Formación Bíblica

Te invitamos a tener una formación bíblica y a conocer mas de la palabra de Dios, El Señor te espera. Sacia tu sed porque el es agua viva! Para mas información contacte a Rosa Reeder 559-707-0361.

Grief Ministry

"Comfort; give comfort to my people" says the Lord

We meet the 2nd Sunday of the month at 3p in St Agnes Rm. Please Call 718-7191

2020 WORLD MARRIAGE DAY ANNIVERSARY MASS

2020 World Marriage day Anniversary Mass with Bishop Joseph V. Brennan, D.D. will be celebrated with Anniversary couples on **Sunday, February 9, 2020** at 3:00pm at Saint Anthony of Padua Parish in Fresno. Married Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 or more years are invited to **register directly** on the diocesan website home page: www.dioceseoffresno.org, or by email or telephone with Maria Elena: mguerrero@dioceseoffresno.org; 559.488.7474 Ext 103. There is a **\$10 fee** to help defray the cost of the event. However, no Jubilee couple will be turned away because of the lack of funds. Please bring your own camera or cell phone. Registration is now open. Registration will close on February 5, 2020

La Misa de Aniversario del Dia Mundial del Matrimonio

La Misa de Aniversario del Día Mundial del Matrimonio 2020 con el Obispo Joseph V. Brennan, D.D. será celebrada con las Parejas de Aniversarios el Domingo, **9 de febrero, 2020** a las 3:00pm en la Parroquia de San Antonio de Padua en Fresno. Las Parejas casadas celebrando aniversarios de 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 o más años están invitadas a registrarse directamente en nuestro sitio web. www.dioceseoffresno.org, por correo electrónico mguerrero@dioceseoffresno.org o por teléfono comunicándose con María Elena 559-488-7474 ext 103. Hay una cuota de registro de **\$10 dólares** para ayudar a costear los gastos del evento. Sin embargo, ninguna pareja de aniversario será rechazada por falta de fondos. Por favor traiga su propia cámara o teléfono celular. Las Registraciones ya están abiertas y terminan el 5 Febrero, 2020

