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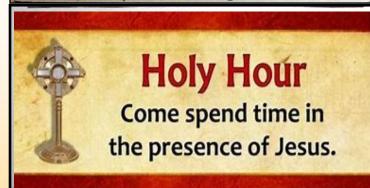
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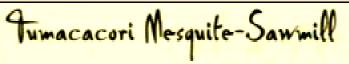
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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2025** 



# THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

"Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34

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# St Ann's Parish & Its Missions

# **Our Mission Statement**

As a Roman Catholic Church in the Diocese of Tucson, our mission is to spread the word of God. Our mission is to promote peace, love and unity to all the people of our community.

The doors of Saint Ann's Parish and Its Missions are open to all who wish to enter.

# **Pastor**

Rev. Joseph Esson

# Office/Parish Center (for all Churches)

2231 E Frontage Road Tubac AZ 85646-2911

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### Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation

Please contact the parish office



### St . Ann's Parish

Sunday's at 9:00 a.m.

# **Assumption Chapel**

Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

#### St Ferdinand's

Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

#### Mass- St Ann's Parish

Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 9:00 a.m.

# **Entrance Antiphon**

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

### **Communion Antiphon**

Let your face shine on your servant.

Save me in your merciful love.

O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

# **Prayer after Communion**

Nourished by these redeeming gifts, we pray, O Lord, that through this help to eternal salvation true faith may ever increase.

# Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses

### Adoration

Adoration of the blessed sacrament: Every 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, St Ann's Parish.

Adoration Thursday, 4:PM to 6:PM February 6, 2025 No Adoration February 20, 2025

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Saturday, February 1, 2025
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St Ann's Parish



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By Colleen Jurkiewicz Doman

#### The Sword and the Family

In the first few weeks of parenthood, the tears flowed fast and freely, and with very little provocation.

Sometimes I wept because it was getting dark out, and sometimes because the sun was coming up. Sometimes I wept because the days were so unbearably long. Sometimes I wept because they were so cruelly short and slipped past so quickly, bearing away with them forever these inaugural moments of my daughter's life — moments I knew I would long for on my deathbed.

So, the inclusion of the Presentation of Christ in the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary has always struck me. The Blessed Mother, just a few weeks after giving birth, standing at the holy temple: Is she tired? Is she emotional? Is she frightened? Is she happy? We cannot know for sure, but if she is anything like most of the postpartum women I know, she is all four. But she stands there dutifully, offering her baby to the Lord, and this is what she is told, "A sword shall pierce your heart."

Joyful? I would have snatched the baby back, called the police and sobbed for a week.

But Mary knows that Simeon speaks the truth, and she cannot receive God's will with anything less than joy, even if it means a pierced heart.

Family means love, but love means — what, exactly? Pleasure, fulfillment, contentment? Yes, but so much more, too. Love means you have much to lose.

How full is family life with these beautiful moments which, on the surface, look and feel painful — but hold within them the opportunity to be like Mary, to bow our heads and once again say "Yes, Lord."

"Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another..."

— Colossians 3:12

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# Announcements/Events from St Ann's & Dioceses



The practice of requesting a mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic Tradition. Continuing in this long standing practice, you can remember someone who has died recently or many years ago. But intentions do not have to be just for the dead. They make beautiful gifts for any special occasion: birthday, anniversary, in thanksgiving for a prayer answered, etc.

You can also offer an intention for someone who is struggling with a serious illness or other life trauma..

Please call or come to the parish office to set up a mass intention. Mass intentions are \$10.00 each

All mass intention must be done a week before mass date to be posted in the bulletin.

\*Special Intention

Weekend of 02-/04-05/-2025 Manuel "Gorgonio" Contreras St Ann's & Assumption Jene Hono Y Health Assumption

# Tubac Festival of the Arts

Once again we are getting ready for one of our biggest fundraiser.

We are in great need of **volunteers**.

We need help with our **food** and **Religious items** booths and our **Parking**.

We need people for 4 hour increments starting Wednesday through Sunday. Feb 05-09 Please do not forget to sign up.

Also If you are a person who likes to work with

arts & crafts and would like to **donated some of your** work to the church, we would greatly appreciate it. Remember this festival is a huge fundraiser for our parish.



Blessings all and thank you for your support

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There are a couple dates coming up on the Catholic calendar, the Presentation and St. Blaise Day.

February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Forty days after Jesus' birth, Mary and Joseph present him in the temple [Luke 2:22] In

some countries, Catholics leave up their Nativity scenes till this date. Mexican families often host a party on this day. In France, it is a day to serve crepes. The round shape and golden color of a crepe resembles the sun and represents the coming of Christ the Light of the World Here, and in many countries, Catholics call Presentation Day "Candlemas." It also celebrates the world being filled with the light of Christ, represented in the light of candles. So, they bring candles to Mass to be blessed and used during the year.

# World Day of the Sick Mass lost Rev. Edward J. Weisenburger, J.C.L. Principal Celebrant



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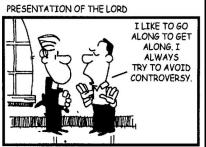
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# **Sunday's Readings**

# 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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**Weekly** Prayer

# **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

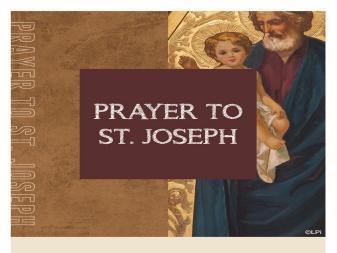
Monday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

Wednesday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

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.

# Offering

**Parish Collection for** 

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# Worship & Meditation

# Readings for the week of February 2, 2025

### Sunday:

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

### Monday:

Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/ Mk 5:1-20

### **Tuesday:**

Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43

### Wednesday:

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/ Mk 6:1-6

### Thursday:

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mk 6:7-13

# Friday:

Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/ Mk 6:14-29

# Saturday:

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Mk 6:30-34

### **Next Sunday:**

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 (1c)/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11



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# **Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

What is the secret to sharing in God's power to overcome our difficulties? Mary teaches us this in the prophecy of her pierced heart. This Sunday, the old man Simeon prophecies that when her son faces opposition, Mary's soul will be pierced by a sword. The seemingly pointless agony of a mother helplessly watching her son be mocked, tortured, killed and then cruelly desecrated in death by a spear — somehow this piercing of her heart releases a power by which "the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed" (Luke 2:35). What to make of this?

Whatever problems we currently face, the deepest threat is finally that evil thoughts are hidden in the human heart: hatred, envy, pride, lust, greed and so on. Behind every tyrant's injustice, for example, is a heart unpierced by love. Evil hides in our hearts. Mary's pierced heart, and its suffering love for her son, reveals and scatters these evil thoughts, and replaces them with love, forgiveness, generosity and peace.

This week, I invite us to ponder Mary's pierced heart. Her heart is quietly at work for us in the Church and world, exposing our evil thoughts and making a path for her son's divine love. This is how she gently cooperates in our salvation. Closed hearts are our biggest problem; love-pierced hearts are the ultimate power to overcome every difficulty.

- Father John Muir

# **Liturgical** Life

# 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

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# 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 longawaited 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.