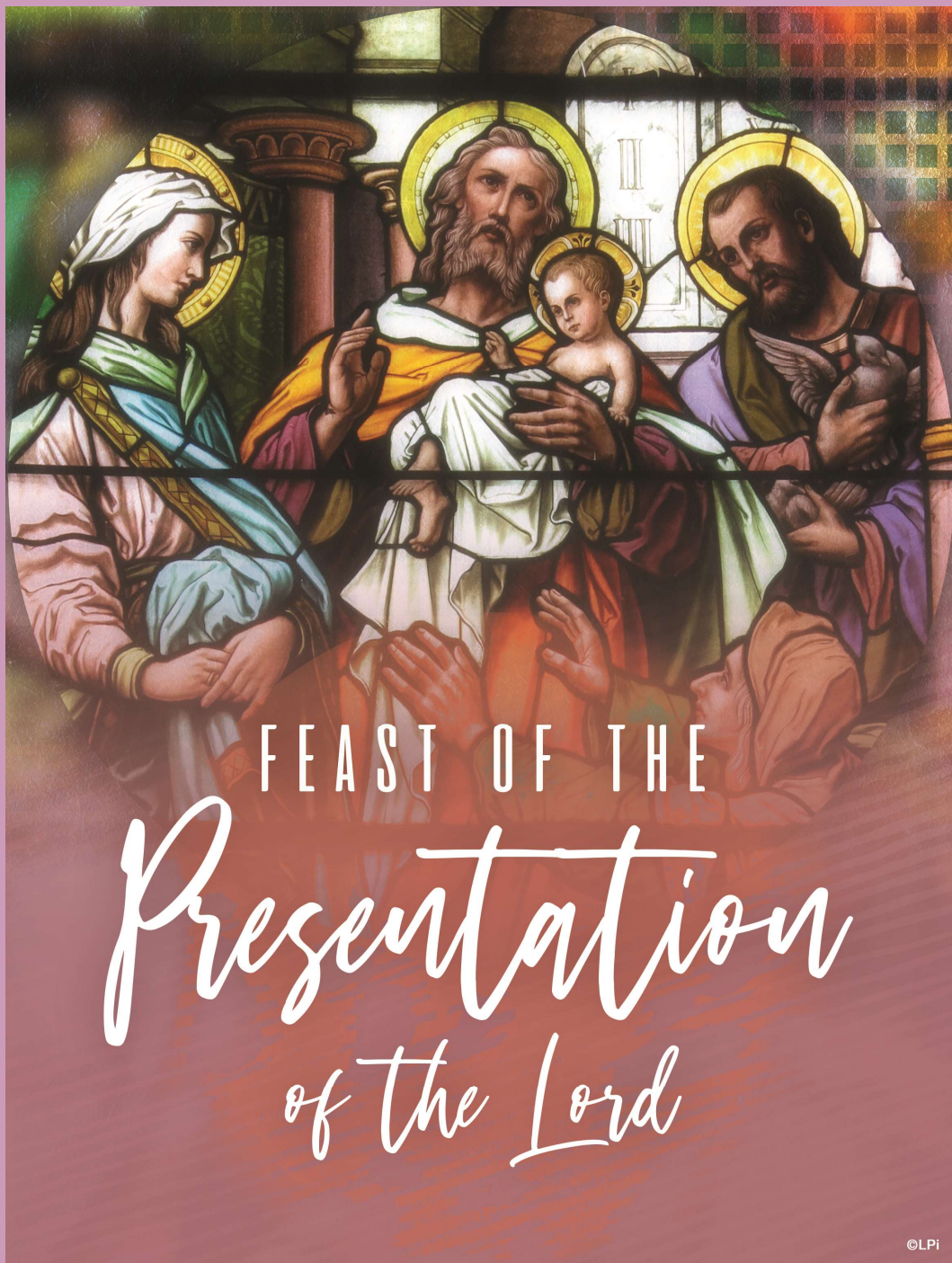


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February 2, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, February 1

5:00 pm Herb Emilson - Birthday Remembrance

Sunday, February 2

7:00 am Available

9:30 am Patrick Hoarty, Sr. - Memorial
Patrick Hoarty, Jr. - Memorial

11:00 am Rosaleen Cobbett, Ron Sylvester, and
Yann Roache - Anniversary

Monday, February 3

9:00 am Tom Greland - 4th Anniversary

Tuesday, February 4

9:00 am Mary Alice Kelley - Anniversary

Wednesday, February 5

9:00 am Available

Thursday, February 6

9:00 am Romeo & Jeannette Guimond - Memorial

Friday, February 7

9:00 am Available

Saturday, February 8

5:00 pm Mary Joan McCarthy - 5th Anniversary

Sunday, February 9

7:00 am Available

9:30 am Carol Higgins - Month's Mind

11:00 am Eileen Smith - Memorial
Maureen Duff - Memorial

The Presentation of the Lord

The readings for this feast remind us that from earliest times, the people of God were anticipating the coming of a savior. Both Simeon and Anna, had spent their lives in prayer and quiet watchfulness until God should come. God had promised Simeon through the Holy Spirit that his life would not end before he had seen God's own Anointed King. Anna never ceased to hope because day by day she kept her contact with God, her source of strength. The example of these two witnesses prompts us to reflect on hope and what it is that we hope for. Pope Francis has invited us during this Jubilee Year of Hope to rediscover hope in our prayer and worship and then, to bring hope and sow hope into all that our daily lives hold, because "hope does not disappoint."

Mass on Sunday at 6:00 pm will be celebrated
on: February 2 & 23 March 2, 9 23, 30



Blessing of Throats

The Blessing of Throats will take place after Mass on:

Monday - February 3 9:00 am

Saturday - February 8 5:00 pm

Sunday - February 9 7, 9:30 and 11 am

Saint Blaise was a physician and a priest who was elevated to Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia. At his intercession, a child was cured of a disease of the throat. Since then, his aid has been requested to protect people from diseases of the throat.



Cursillo is a joyful jam-packed three day experience of learning, faith sharing, praying and having fun. The goal is to deepen your faith and strengthen your ability to bring God's love and grace into the world. The next Women's Weekend is Thursday, February 27th through Sunday, March 2nd at the Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich, MA. For more information, e-mail Colleen and Tom Casey at casey673@gmail.com. You may also visit www.bostoncursillo.org or [@bostoncursillo](https://www.instagram.com/bostoncursillo) on Instagram to register.

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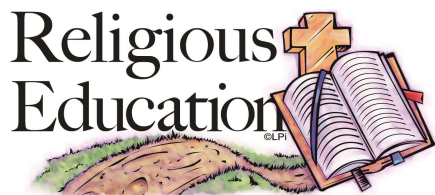
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at Saint Christine's Church every Thursday following the 9:00 am daily Mass and ending at 6:45 pm with Benediction. Please join us!

Cori Forms: All Ministers who volunteer at Saint Christine's need to fill out an annual Cori Form. **If you will be away for several weeks or months this winter, please fill out a Cori Form before you leave.** Please stop by the rectory to fill out your form.



SOUP'S ON: Once again during Lent, Catholic Women Today and Tomorrow will sell soup mixes in jars. Our goal is to provide a scholarship for a 2025 graduating senior from Saint Christine's Parish. We need one quart mason jars with covers for the soup mixes. If you have any jars you would like to donate, there will be a carton in the foyer of the church to put your jars during the next few weeks. Thank you for making last year's Soup Sale such a success. If you have any questions, please call Trish at 781-500-9088.

Presentation of the Lord



Faith Formation classes will meet this week.

Grade 2 First Penance

Congratulations to our second graders who made their First Penance this past Saturday as they prepare to receive First Holy Communion. Also special thanks to our Grade 2 catechists and parents who worked so hard in preparing the children to receive this healing sacrament of God's forgiveness.

Grade 2 Walk through Mass

Sunday, February 9th 9:30 am

We welcome all our second grade students and their families to join us for a step by step catechesis of the parts of the Mass in preparation for First Holy Communion. Please join us.

First Holy Communion Clothing: If anyone has a First Communion dress or suit that you would like to donate for our communicants, please bring them to the parish hall or the CCD Office. Thank you.



Faith Formation Classes Cancellations

Now that the winter season is upon us, there may be occasions that classes will be cancelled due to inclement weather. If classes are cancelled, notification will be available on TV channels 5 and 7 and also announced on WATD radio. (95.9)

***If Marshfield schools are closed, Saint Christine's Faith Formation classes are also cancelled.

Parking Lot Reminder

Parents, please hold your child's hand as you escort them to and from church and CCD classes. Drivers: please drive slowly and use extreme caution as you drive through the parking lot. Thank you.



Super Bowl Sunday

All our parishioners and students are encourage to bring a can of soup or stew or a box of macaroni and cheese to the church or their CCD classes for the next two weeks to support the Marshfield Food Pantry and our neighbors in need. Thank you for your generosity.

Valentine Fun Night

On Saturday, February 8th, our high school juniors will hold their third annual Parent's Night Out. There will be Games and Crafts for children in pre-school through Grade 5 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm in the parish hall. Children will have pizza, make Valentine Day crafts, play knee hockey, corn hole, badminton and sing karaoke. High school students and their parents will oversee all activities. The cost is \$15 per child and \$5 for each additional child in the family. Proceeds for the event will be donated to the MPSD McKinney Vento Program which supports foster children and families who are homeless or financially struggling. Sign up your child at: <https://tinyurl.com/Feb8NightOut>. Space is limited. If you have any questions, please e-mail Andrea Robbins at acrobbins@gmail.com or call 617-308-4620. Join us for a fun night!!



Rosary: A public Rosary will be prayed on Saturday, February 8th at noon in front of the Marshfield Police Station on Ocean Street. Please join us in praying for Our Lady's intentions, our own intentions and for our country. We hope to see you there!!!

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Date Correction

Come and join Fr. Mario and other parishioners on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje from **July 22nd through July 30th**. For those who are interested, there will be an informational meeting this Sunday, February 2nd at 12 noon in parish hall. For additional information, please contact Father Mario.

Rosaries for the Missions: Crafters and Volunteers are needed to help make rosaries for the World Mission Rosary Society. Each color represents a different continent where missionaries are spreading the gospel. Volunteers are needed to make these rosaries for our children in our Faith Formation Programs and Catholic schools. Volunteers can make the rosaries at the own pace or it can be a parish group activity. If you can help, please e-mail: dbraithwaite@propfaithboston.org or call Daria at 617-779-3867. Thank you for your gift to the missions.

St. Christine's Scholarship Applications for our parish graduating seniors who have participated in ministries and are involved in parish life are available at the church and rectory. Applications can also be downloaded on Saint Christine's website. All applications are due by Tuesday, April 1st.



You can support Saint Christine's Parish on a regular basis by signing up for Online Giving. By giving your weekly contribution on a recurring electronic basis, you help our parish more accurately forecast our finances. This method is a safe, secure and dependable means of giving for you and it is also convenient too. Click on the Online Giving icon or scan the QR code on our parish website at www.saintchristines.org. If you need any assistance, please call the rectory at 781 834-6003 x 11.



Marshfield Food Pantry needs donations of canned stew, macaroni and cheese, soups, pancake mixes and syrup, detergents and personal care items such as soap, shampoo and conditioner, tooth paste and tooth brushes, razors and shaving cream, deodorants, diapers and baby wipes. You may bring your donations to the Food Pantry located at Library Plaza on Tuesday and Friday mornings from 10 am to 12 noon and Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. All monetary donations may be mailed to the Food Pantry at P. O. Box 1097, Marshfield MA. Thank you for your generosity and support to help our neighbors in need.

Offertory Collection amounts for January 25/26 will be available in next week's bulletin.

Next weekend, there will be a second collection for Fuel to help defray the cost of heating the church and parish hall during the winter months. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sowing Seeds



Needed are winter clothing in good condition in all sizes for adults and children as well as gift cards to local stores. Sowing Seeds helps Marshfield residents with bills such as rent, utilities, mortgage payments, phone and car repairs. If you need help, please call 781-837-3337 and leave your name, phone number and a brief message. Sowing Seeds does not handle emergencies and all calls are confidential. The Clothing Bank is located on Rt. 139 and School Street and is open on Thursday and Saturday from 10 am to 12 noon to accept and receive clothing. Thank you for your support.

Live Streaming Masses

You can watch Mass celebrated at Saint Christine's anytime on your computer. Go to saintchristines.org, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the You Tube link. Masses will be streamed on:

Sunday, February 9th 11:00 am
Saturday, February 15th 5:00 pm



If any parishioner is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister or a Visitor to the Sick and Homebound, or would like more information, please call Mary Doolan, our Pastoral Associate, at 781-834-6003 ext 21.

Fiat, a gathering of women interested in learning more about religious life, cordially invites you to the next meeting on Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. (ET) on Zoom. The topic will be "World Day for Consecrated Life." If you are interested in attending, please contact Sr. Marian Batho, CSJ at marian.batho@csjboston.org or 617-746-2025 for more information and the link to the meeting.

Meetings of the Week

The **"Tots Play Group"** meets every Tuesday morning from 9:30 am to 11:00 am in the parish hall. Toddlers, babies, Pre-K children, parents, grand parents and guardians are welcome. Activities for all ages and light refreshments will be available.

Card Making and Coffee will meet on Friday, February 7th, in the parish hall after the 9:00 am Mass. All supplies will be provided. We just need your hands to help. Please call Eileen Shacoichis at 781-834-4097 for information.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Sunday, February 9th in the Children's Room from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. Please call Mary Belsan at 834-4308 or Maryellen Mastriani at 781-834-3420 for more information.

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WEEKLY SCRIPTURES



**THE PRESENTATION
OF THE LORD
FEBRUARY 2, 2025**

Reading

Malachi 3:1-4(524)

Thus says the Lord GOD:
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,
And the messenger of the covenant whom you desire.
Yes, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.
But who will endure the day of his coming?
And who can stand when he appears?
For he is like the refiner's fire,
or like the fuller's lye.
He will sit refining and purifying silver,
and he will purify the sons of Levi,
Refining them like gold or like silver
that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD.
Then the sacrifice of Judah and Jerusalem
will please the LORD,
as in the days of old, as in years gone by.

Psalms

24:7, 8, 9, 10

R. (8) Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in!

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Who is this king of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle.

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in!

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Who is this king of glory?

The LORD of hosts; he is the king of glory.

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Reading

Hebrews 2:14-18

Since the children share in blood and flesh,
Jesus likewise shared in them,
that through death he might destroy the one
who has the power of death, that is, the Devil,
and free those who through fear of death
had been subject to slavery all their life.
Surely he did not help angels
but rather the descendants of Abraham;
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
to expiate the sins of the people.
Because he himself was tested through what he suffered,
he is able to help those who are being tested.

Alleluia

Luke 2:32

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**A light of revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel.**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

When the days were completed for their purification
according to the law of Moses,
Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem
to present him to the Lord,
just as it is written in the law of the Lord,
Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord,
and to offer the sacrifice of
a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons,
in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon.

This man was righteous and devout,
awaiting the consolation of Israel,
and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit
that he should not see death
before he had seen the Christ of the Lord.

He came in the Spirit into the temple;
and when the parents brought in the child Jesus
to perform the custom of the law in regard to him,

he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

“Now, Master, you may let your servant go
in peace, according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples:
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and glory for your people Israel.”

The child’s father and mother were amazed at what
was said about him;
and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his
mother,

“Behold, this child is destined
for the fall and rise of many in Israel,
and to be a sign that will be contradicted
-and you yourself a sword will pierce-
so that the thoughts of many hearts may be re-
vealed.”

There was also a prophetess, Anna,
the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher.
She was advanced in years,
having lived seven years with her husband after her
marriage,
and then as a widow until she was eighty-four.
She never left the temple,
but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer.
And coming forward at that very time,
she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child
to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusa-
lem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions
of the law of the Lord,
they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Naz-
areth.

The child grew and became strong, filled with wis-
dom;
and the favor of God was upon him.



Front Porch with God

Me: Wow Lord! What a day, eh?

God: Yes indeed. It looks pretty good from where I’m
sitting!

Me: Must be like that day where Mary and Joseph
took Jesus to the temple. Wow - would I have liked to
be Simeon or Anna that day, eh?!

God: You say that to me like I wasn’t there

Me: Sorry...I know you were there - just me being me
with my words. Sorry

God: No need to apologize. You’re human, right?

Me: Human, yeah. But back to Simeon and Anna...in
that moment at the temple, they each realized this in-
fant was your Son! They were human? With that kinda
knowledge!?

God: Not knowledge. FAITH! They had that kind of
faith

Me: Wow, if only...

God: There’s no ‘if only’ about it. You can have that
much faith

Me: Oh, like when your Son talked about moving a
mountain

God: You don’t believe that your faith could do that?

Me: Well, I haven’t moved any mountains yet

God: Have you tried?

Me: Well, not exactly, but to actually move Mt. Ever-
est or one of the Alps or something? I don’t think so

God: Oh ye of such little faith!

Me: No but seriously - my faith? Me?

God: That simply illustrates how much you still may
grow in your faith

Me: Well, if I’m that far behind, what chance do I
have to ever gain your kingdom?

God: The odds are actually pretty good in your favor,
but I’ll ask you to forget I said that for a while yet.



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Monday through Friday 9:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

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