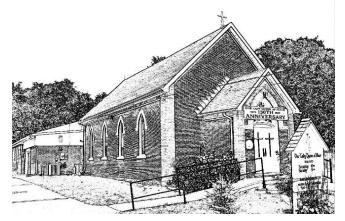
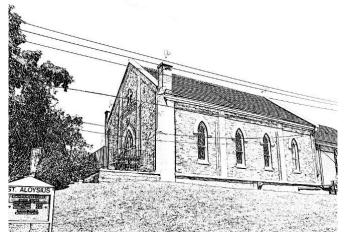
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February 1st & 2nd, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord

Sat. Feb 1 st	4:00 p.m.	FF	Holy Mass † Heather Tuckey by the Abbott Family		
	6:00 p.m.	BC	NO MASS ***Moved to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday February 2 nd ***		
Sun Feb 2 nd	9:00 a.m.	BC	Holy Mass with Fr. John † For the Health & Well Being of Jeff Armstrong by		
			Dan & Joann Laviolette		
	11:00 a.m.	FF	Holy Mass † Blessing of Candles		
	3:00 p.m.	BC	Holy Mass † Blessing of Candles		
Wed. Feb 5 th	1:00 p.m.	BC	NO MASS		
	2:30 p.m.	KLR	Holy Mass † Kawartha Lakes Retirement Residence		
Thurs. Feb 6 th	9:00 a.m.	FF	Holy Mass † For the Intention of the St. Aloysius Ladies Group		
Fri. Feb 7 th	9:00 a.m.	FF	Holy Mass †		
	1:00 p.m.	BC	Holy Mass †		
Sat. Feb 8 th	4:00 p.m.	FF	Holy Mass †		
	6:00 p.m.	BC	NO MASS ***Moved to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday February 9 th ***		
Sun Feb 9th	9:00 a.m.	BC	Holy Mass with Fr. John †		
	11:00 a.m.	FF	Holy Mass †		
	3:00 p.m.	BC	Holy Mass †		

Let us remember in Our Prayers all who are Sick

Bobcaygeon – Paul Sirois, Lynn Lebel, Joseph Ehmann, Judith Dann, Helen Vozza, Barbara Gartner, Joan Carnevale, Jerelyn Forestall & Jeff Armstrong

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Summary of Funds Collected Jan. 20th to 26th, 2025

OLQP	Sunday Offertory	\$ 637. ⁴⁰
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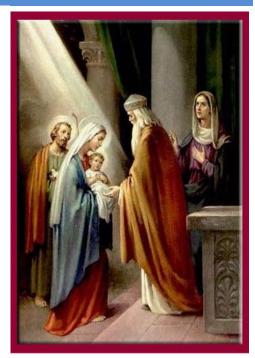
From the Desk of the Pastor...

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is an ancient celebration in the Church. It is also called Candlemas because, on this day, candles are blessed in many parishes. These candles remind us that Jesus is the Light of the World. The feast is celebrated on February 2, forty days after Christmas. It recalls the day when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem to present Him to God.

This event is rooted in Jewish tradition. According to the Law of Moses, every firstborn son belonged to God. Jewish parents were to bring their son to the Temple and offer a small sacrifice in thanksgiving. By bringing Jesus to the Temple, Mary and Joseph followed God's law faithfully. This act shows their humility and obedience to God.

The feast celebrates three main ideas. First, Jesus is recognized as the Light of the World, a light for all people. Second, it shows that Jesus came to fulfill the law, not to destroy it. He and His family obeyed the customs of their people. Third, it honours the deep faith of Mary and Joseph, who followed God's will at every step.

In the Gospel of Luke, we read about two holy people, Simeon and Anna, who meet Jesus at the Temple. Both Simeon and Anna see that Jesus is special. They have waited their whole lives for this moment. Simeon praises God and calls Jesus a "light for revelation to the Gentiles." This points to Jesus' mission to save not only Israel but also all nations.



On Candlemas, the Church invites us to remember that Jesus brings light to our lives. Like Simeon and Anna, we are called to recognize Jesus in our world. We also look to Mary and Joseph as examples of faith and obedience.

Happy Feast Day to everyone!

February 1st & 2nd, 2025

St. Aloysius:

Ladies Group: Please plan to attend a meeting after the 9:00 a.m. mass on Thursday Feb. 6th in the parish hall. New members always welcome!

IS IT TOO MUCH TO ASK ...

Is too much to ask of a Catholic to attend mass Every week as well as on holy days of obligations?

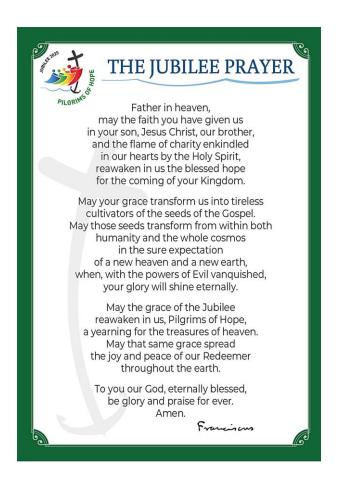
Well, let us do the math, if you assume that a person is in mass for one hour per Sunday and on holidays, then, that comes out to 58 hours per year in church. If there are 8,750 hours in a year, that means it is only 0.662% of your year would be



spent in mass. Compared this to the average American who spends 4.5 hours per day on their phone and 3 hours per day watching television.

So if you believe that God the Father created the heavens and the earth, that He gave you the opportunity at life and love that Jesus Christ died for your sins and has offered you the chance of salvation through him, then, 58 hours per year in worship, prayer, and communion with the Lord Almighty should be the absolute bare minimum that we can dedicate.

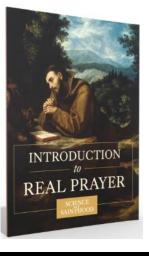
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February 2025 Prayer Intentions: For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

The Pope entrusts his Worldwide Prayer Network each month with prayer intentions that express his deep concerns for humanity and the mission of the Church. His monthly prayer intention is a global call to transform our prayers into "concrete actions," serving as a compass for a mission of compassion for the world. In this way, he proposes a path to mobilize us each month, through prayer and action, for a more humane, fraternal, and solidary world.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life

Prayer for Vocations

Bountiful Father, / your Son Jesus, urged us to pray for laborers for your harvest. / Grant, we pray, / an abundance of priests and consecrated men and women / to care for the needs of your Church / in the Diocese of Palm Beach.

Through the intercession of Our Lady, Queen of Apostles,/ pour out your Holy Spirit upon our families. May we encourage each person / to discern and follow the vocation to which you have called them. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

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