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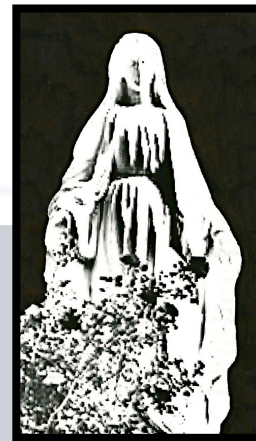
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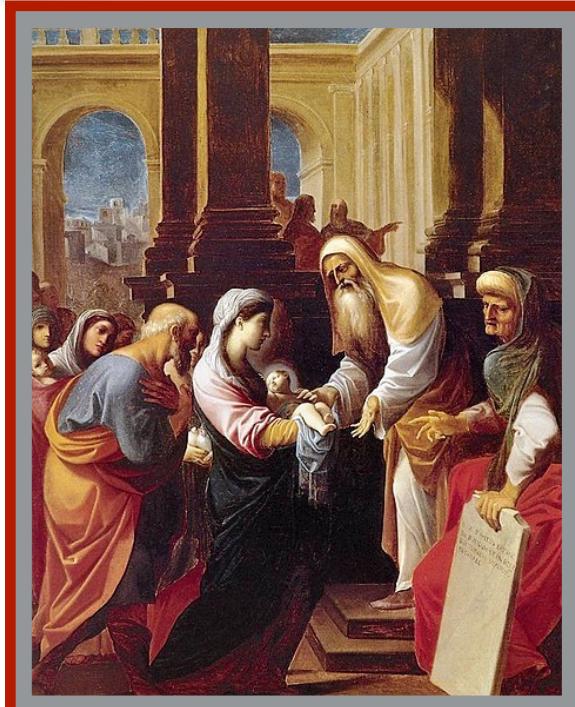
February 2, 2025  
**The Presentation  
 of the Lord**



# Our Lady of Light

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"The Presentation of the Christ Child in the Temple"  
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**Daily Mass**  
 Mondays and Wed.-Fri.  
**8:00 AM**

**Vigil on Saturday**  
**5:30 PM**

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**Parish Office**  
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 is to provide an amicable  
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 Together we strive to be  
 instruments of God's love,  
 peace, and joy,  
 following the example of  
 Our Lady of Light.

There are many terrific  
 opportunities within our  
 family of faith, to Love,  
 Grow & Serve. Please  
 see our lists of Activities,  
 Organizations, & Events,  
 inside this bulletin!





## Mass Intentions

Arranging to have a Mass Intention for anyone is one of the most beautiful gifts given, and one of the most joyful to receive! There are many openings available on the calendar. You may use the Mass Intention envelopes found in the Church pews. Place your request in the collection basket during Mass or drop it in the Parish Hall mail slot. Please include your contact information or contact **Robin Shull** at 619-473-1086 or [rkshull54@gmail.com](mailto:rkshull54@gmail.com)

## Please!

### Remember in your prayers

Liz Sjoquist, Annette Musco, Paul Colwell, Jan Nasland, Sue Ide, Pat Schumacher, Betty Ward, Mike Delvac, Fr. Rick, John Rzuclidlo, Susan Lancaster, Bryan Pasyton, Renee Head, Thom Upham, Caroline & Zachary Shelton, Lawrence D'Souza, LA Fire victims/ First Responders, Nancy Clark, the Craighead Family, and the McKinley Family.

### Pray for the repose of these souls

Jared Jones, Daniel McKinley, Rowdie Sinderud, Brenda Van Ommering, and Barbara Lanphere.



## Mass Intentions for This Week

<b>Saturday, February 1</b> 5:30 PM	<b>Vigil Mass</b> For the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>Sunday, February 2</b> 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	<b>The Presentation of the Lord</b> Parishioners and Benefactors Zachary Sheldon. Healing
<b>Monday, February 3</b> 8:00 AM	<b>St. Blaise, Bishop &amp; Martyr</b> <b>St. Ansgar, Bishop</b> For Those held in Captivity <u>Blessing of Throats at Mass</u>
<b>Tuesday, February 4</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday, February 5</b> 8:00 AM	<b>St. Agatha, Virgin &amp; Martyr</b> For the Sick
<b>Thursday, February 6</b> 8:00 AM	<b>St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</b> For the Church
<b>Friday, February 7</b> 8:00 AM	<b>First Friday of the Month</b> For the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



**Pope's Intention:** For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. 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.

## Organizations & Contact Info

<b>Altar &amp; Rosary Society</b> Charlene Phelps	Meetings; 2nd Thursday of each Month <a href="mailto:9933char@gmail.com">9933char@gmail.com</a>	619-659-0488
<b>Prayer Circle</b> Pat Hansen	<a href="mailto:hansenpat@msn.com">hansenpat@msn.com</a>	619-445-3822
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<b>Finance Council</b> Mark Duda	<a href="mailto:mark@ourladyoflight.church">mark@ourladyoflight.church</a>	619-722-4300

## Parish Office Hours

Please note that the Parish Office is temporarily closed for scheduled hours. If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call Fr. Rick at 619-445-4972. Otherwise you may leave a message at 619-445-3620 or contact us by email at [office@ourladyoflight.church](mailto:office@ourladyoflight.church). You may continue to use the mail slot up in the Parish Hall to the right of the main double doors, under the OFFICE sign.



## A Message from Father Rick

According to Jewish tradition the customary offering for a first born male was a lamb. Because the family of Jesus could not afford a lamb they offered a pair of doves instead. The roots of the ritual of presenting a newly born to the Lord at the temple went back to the history of Israel when as a people they were slaves in Egypt. One of the plagues that God sent to the people of Egypt was the death of every first born male throughout the land. The children of the Jews were saved because of the blood of the lamb. As an act of gratitude for a newly born child and as a way of redeeming the child, the parents had to offer a lamb to the temple, or in case of Mary and Joseph, they had to offer a pair of doves. Today, every time we celebrate the Eucharist we offer not any kind of animal but the "lamb of God" our Lord Jesus Christ himself. The feast of the Presentation of the Lord reminds us that every child is a gift from God, a very precious gift that Jesus himself paid a great price. Let us also remind ourselves that every time we celebrate the Eucharist, we are redeemed by Our Lord Jesus.

## Parish Offerings January 26

Plate Collections	\$	182
Envelope Tithes	\$	1,870
Donations (Restricted)	\$	120
Coffee & Donuts	\$	13
Building Fund (Restricted)	\$	0
Total	\$	2,185
Average Weekly Operating Expenses	\$	2,817

Please note that the Building Funds cannot be used towards Operating Expenses.

## The Latest Topics!



### \*Online bulletin...

The bulletin is back online...not sure what the glitch was, but it has returned. Currently working on getting it all updated. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

### \*Blessing of the Candles...this Sunday

This Sunday, February 2, is the Presentation of the Lord and also the Blessing of Candles. Father Rick will be blessing candles following communion at all Masses including the Vigil Mass. You are encouraged to bring candles from home to be blessed.

### \*From the BBQ group...

We need someone, or two people, to volunteer to send out requests to numerous local businesses for donations. The donations will be used to make up the gift baskets. This task may be broken down over the time leading up to the BBQ, but we need to get going on this part very soon. This task would be leading up to the BBQ and would free you up on BBQ day to relax and enjoy! If interested please email Dan at [Danieldescanso91916@gmail.com](mailto:Danieldescanso91916@gmail.com)

### \*Blessing of Throats...St. Blaise

On Monday, February 3, there will be the Blessing of Throats at the 8 AM Mass following communion. All parishioners are welcome to receive this blessing.

### \*Income Tax Letters

Any parishioner who has donated \$250 or more will automatically be mailed a donation letter from the church signed by Father Rick. Letters should be sent out by the end of January or the first week in February.

### \*LA Fire Victims Collection

Thank you to all of you that donated to the victims of the recent LA Fires. Through your generosity we will be sending the LA Archdiocese \$338 to aide in helping those affected.

### \*40 Days for Life

Heads Up 40 Days for Life Volunteers! Our Spring Campaign will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 5. Remember, Tuesday is our Day to Pray. Please plan on setting aside at least one hour a week to sacrifice and pray for the most important human rights issue of our day! For more information contact [hansenpat@msn.com](mailto:hansenpat@msn.com)

## Mary's Corner

"Men do not fear a powerful hostile army as the powers of hell fear the name and protection of Mary."

St. Bonaventure

