# St. Stephen Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours:

 Monday-Friday:
 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 7:30pm

 Saturday :
 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 3:30pm

 Sunday:
 9:00am - 1:30pm

# Saint Blaise Blessing (blessing of the throats) will be available after Mass on Sunday February 3

# Novena in Honor of St. Blaise

# PREPARATORY PRAYER

Almighty and Eternal God! With lively faith and reverently worshiping Thy Divine Majesty, I prostrate myself before Thee and invoke with filial trust Thy supreme bounty and mercy. Illumine the darkness of my intellect with a ray of Thy heavenly light and inflame my heart with the fire of Thy divine love, that I may contemplate the great virtues and merits of the saint in whose honor I make this novena, and following his example imitate, like him, the life of Thy divine Son.

Moreover, I beseech Thee to grant graciously, through the merits and intercession of this powerful Helper, the petition which through him I humbly place before Thee, devoutly saving, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." Vouchsafe graciously to hear it, if it redounds to Thy greater glory and to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

#### Prayer in honor of St. Blaise

O GOD, deliver us through the intercession of Thy holy bishop and martyr Blase, from all evil of soul and body, especially from all ills of the throat; and grant us the grace to make a good confession in the confident hope of obtaining Thy pardon, and ever to praise with worthy lips Thy most holy name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# **Invocation of St. Blaise**

St. BLASE, gracious benefactor of mankind and faithful servant of God, who for the love of our Savior did suffer so many tortures with patience and resignation; I invoke thy powerful intercession. Preserve me from all evils of soul and body. Because of thy great merits God endowed thee with the



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special grace to help those that suffer from ills of the throat; relieve and preserve me from them, so that I may always be able to fulfill my duties, and with the aid of God's grace perform good works. I invoke thy help as special physician of souls, that I may confess my sins sincerely in the holy sacrament of Penance and obtain their forgiveness. I recommend to thy merciful intercession also those who unfortunately concealed a sin in confession. Obtain for them the grace to accuse themselves sincerely and contritely of the sin they concealed, of the sacrilegious confessions and communions they made, and of all the sins they committed since then, so that they may receive pardon, the grace of God, and the remission of the eternal punishment. Amen.

#### Prayer

My LORD and my God! I offer up to Thee my petition in union with the bitter passion and death of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, together with the merits of His immaculate and blessed Mother, Mary ever virgin, and of all the saints, particularly with those of the holy Helper in whose honor I make this novena.

Look down upon me, merciful Lord! Grant me Thy grace and Thy love, and graciously hear my prayer. Amen.

Please contact Monika Mohos before or after Sunday Mass for any Mass intentions you would like to request.

You may also contact her by phone at:

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The bulletins are sent to the printing company at least one month in advance. Mass intentions received after the printing deadline may not appear in the bulletin, but are offered all the same.

Daily Mass readings and prayers in German may be found online at: http://erzabtei-beuron.de/schott/index.php

# Parish Calendar for February 2019

# February 3, Sunday – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

Saint Blaise Blessing (blessing of the throats) will be available after Mass

- 9:15 AM German Mass / Deutsche Messe Vierter Sonntag im Jahreskreis ~ Open ~
- 10:45 AM Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise *Évközi negyedik vasárnap* Wilma Emmi Déri (deceased) The faithful

# February 10, Sunday – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

- 9:15 AM German Mass / Deutsche Messe Fünfter Sonntag im Jahreskreis ~ Open ~
- 10:45 AM Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise *Évközi ötödik vasárnap* Joanna Long (deceased) The Mohos Family

# February 17, Sunday – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

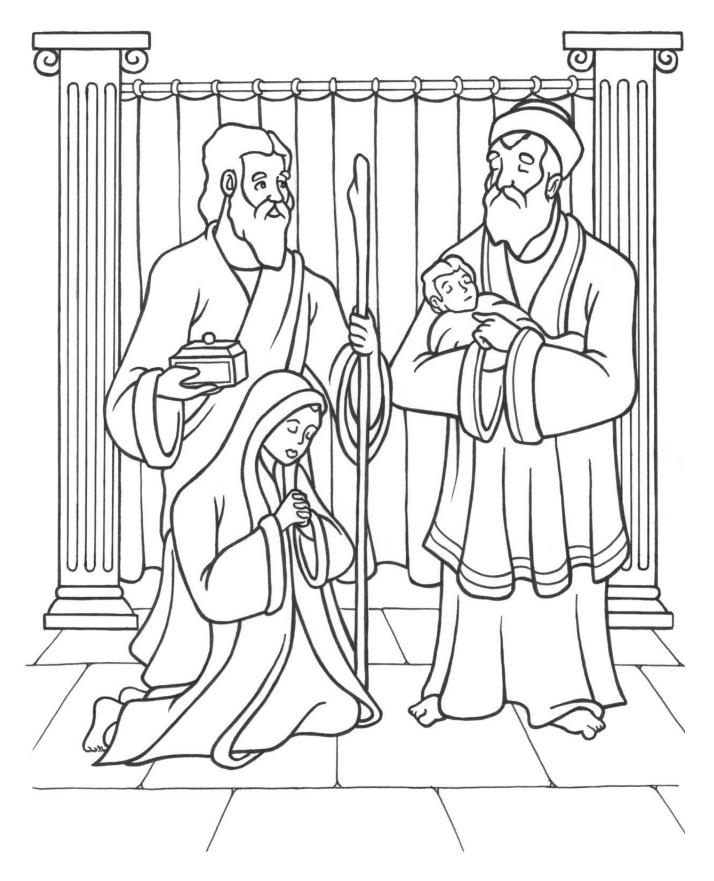
- 9:15 AM German Mass / Deutsche Messe *Sechster Sonntag im Jahreskreis* Andreas, Franziska and Philip Birgel (deceased) The faithful Theresia and Anna Seitz (both deceased) The Seitz Family
- 10:45 AM Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise Évközi hatodik vasárnap ~ Open ~

#### February 24, Sunday – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – green

- 9:15 AM German Mass / Deutsche Messe *Siebter Sonntag im Jahreskreis* Josef & Grete and Stefan & Julianna Boehm Nikolaus & Franziska and Nikolaus & Eva Friedrich Johann & Elisabetha Hepp (all deceased)
- 10:45 AM Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise Évközi hetedik vasárnap ~ Open ~



The Presentation of the Lord



# The Presentation of the Lord - February 2

At the end of the fourth century, a woman named Etheria made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Her journal, discovered in 1887, gives an unprecedented glimpse of liturgical life there. Among the celebrations she describes is the Epiphany, the observance of Christ's birth, and the gala procession in honor of his Presentation in the Temple 40 days later. Under the Mosaic Law, a woman was ritually "unclean" for 40 days after childbirth, when she was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice—her "purification." Contact with anyone who had brushed against mystery—birth or death—excluded a person from Jewish worship. This feast emphasizes Jesus' first appearance in the Temple more than Mary's purification.

The observance spread throughout the Western Church in the fifth and sixth centuries. Because the Church in the West celebrated Jesus' birth on December 25, the Presentation was moved to February 2, 40 days after Christmas.

At the beginning of the eighth century, Pope Sergius inaugurated a candlelight procession; at the end of the same century the blessing and distribution of candles which continues to this day became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name: Candlemas.

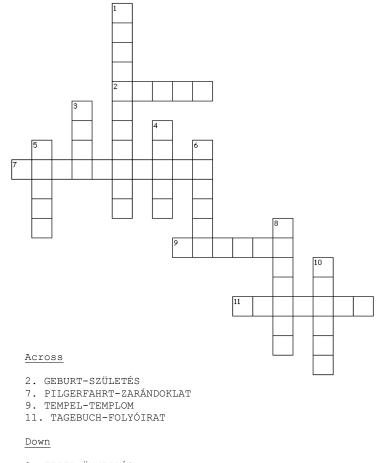
In Luke's account, Jesus was welcomed in the temple by two elderly people, Simeon and the widow Anna. They embody Israel in their patient expectation; they acknowledge the infant Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. Early references to the Roman feast dub it the feast of Saint Simeon, the old man who burst into a song of joy which the Church still sings at day's end

### Find this month's vocabulary words.

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BIRTH	CANDLE	CELEBRATION	CENTURY
DEATH	JOURNAL	PEOPLE	PILGRIMAGE
SONG	TEMPLE	WIDOW	

# Fill in the vocabulary words using the German and Hungarian translations as clues.



- 1. FEIER-ÜNNEPLÉS
- 3. LIED-DAL
- 4. TOD-HALÁL 5. WITWE-ÖZVEGY
- 6. MENSCHEN-EMBEREK 8. JAHRHUNDERT-SZÁZAD
- 10. KERZE-GYERTYA

"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."

"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 revealed."