



Assumption Catholic Church

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May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ To The World!

February 2, 2020

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord



Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

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Angela Bowers, Organist

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

What is the significance of Simeon's encounter with the baby Jesus and his mother in the temple? Simeon was a just and devout man who was very much in tune with the Holy Spirit. He believed that the Lord would return to his temple and renew his chosen people. The Holy Spirit also revealed to him that the Messiah and King of Israel would also bring salvation to the Gentile nations. When Joseph and Mary presented the baby Jesus in the temple, Simeon immediately recognized this humble child of Bethlehem as the fulfillment of all the messianic prophecies, hopes, and prayers. Inspired by the Holy Spirit he prophesied that Jesus was to be "a revealing light to the Gentiles." The Holy Spirit reveals the presence of the Lord to those who are receptive and eager to receive him.

Simeon blessed Mary and Joseph and he prophesied to Mary about the destiny of this child and the suffering she would undergo for his sake. There is a certain paradox for those blessed by the Lord. Mary was given the blessedness of being the mother of the Son of God. That blessedness also would become a sword which pierced her heart as her Son died upon the cross. She received both a crown of joy and a cross of sorrow. But her joy was not diminished by her sorrow because it was fueled by her faith, hope, and trust in God and his promises. Jesus promised his disciples that "no one will take your joy from you" (John 16:22). The Lord gives us a supernatural joy which enables us to bear any sorrow or pain and which neither life nor death can take away. Ask the Lord to renew our faith in the indwelling presence of his Spirit within us. And give him thanks and praise for coming to make his home with us.

Today's Readings

Malachi 3:1-4

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 58:7-10

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

Meet Angela Bowers

Angela is our organist at the Saturday Vigil Mass and has been involved in our music ministry for many years.



Message from Angela...

Greetings!

For those of you who do not already know me, my name is Angela Bowers.

I grew up in the parish of St. Peter's in Westernport, but I have been a member of Assumption since 1980 when my husband and I returned to the area after he served for 10 years in the United States Air Force.

I got to know many of you and your children over the years while teaching 1st grade, and in more recent years, Kindergarten and Pre-K CCD classes.

Other friendships were made through music. I have been an organist here for more than 30 years and at times sang in our church choir and served as a cantor.

I retired four years ago as an Ophthalmic Technician. My husband, David, joined me in retirement in December. We have one daughter, Lauren, who lives with her husband in Quincy, Illinois.

After more than a year of absence due to health issues, I am happy to be back making music in our beautiful church.

Blessings and Peace,

Angela

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, February 1

4:00 p.m. - Jerry Marsh †

Sunday, February 2

8:30 a.m. - Frank Fitzgerald †

Monday, February 3

No Mass

Tuesday, February 4

No Mass

Wednesday, February 5

No Mass

Thursday, February 6

No Mass

Friday, February 7

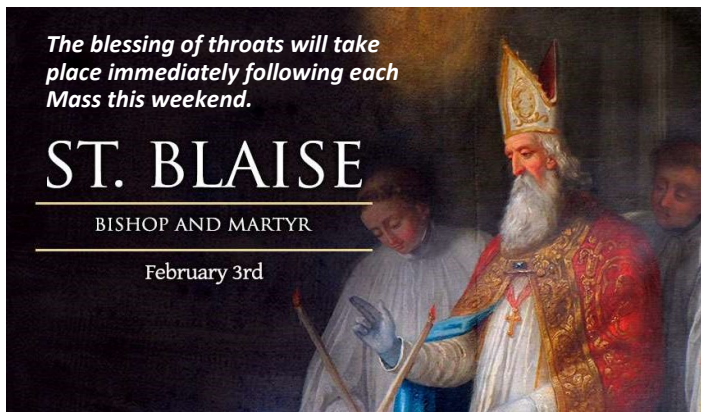
No Mass

Saturday, February 8

4:00 p.m. - Carmela & Larry DeMasi †

Sunday, February 9

8:30 a.m. - Jim Bell †



Poor Box Donations

Thanks to your generous poor box contributions in January, we sent \$272 to Helping Hands of the Potomac Highlands.

The beneficiary for poor box contributions in February is **Food for Thought**. This agency provides Mineral County children in need with weekend meals during the school year and food throughout the summer months.

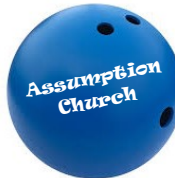
Collections & Attendance: January 25-26, 2020

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,260
Loose Contributions	\$262
Repairs & Maintenance	\$3
Votive Candles	\$33
Poor Box.....	\$58
Total	\$2,616

Second Collection for the Church in Latin America..... \$521

Saturday Attendance:.....	67
Sunday Attendance:.....	135
Total	202

thank you!



Let's Go Bowling!

All CCD students are invited to go bowling on Sunday, February 9, from 3-5 p.m. at Rainbow Lanes!

If your child plans to participate, please sign up on the form in the back of the church or call the church office (304.788.2488) by 2 p.m. on Thursday.

Ladies Guild Pepperoni Rolls

Pepperoni roll orders can be picked up this weekend at the following times in St. Mary's Hall:

Saturday, Feb. 1 - 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 2 - 8:30-11:00 a.m.

The Ladies Guild prepared a total of 500 pepperoni rolls. This is their biggest fund raiser of the year...thank you to everyone who supported it!

If you did not place an order, there may be extras available. Stop by the hall if you're interested.

This Week at Assumption Parish...

SUN	2/2	8:30 am - 11:00 am	Pick up pepperoni rolls
		9:30 am	CCD
MON	2/3		
TUE	2/4	11:00 am	Walking Group
		5:00 pm	Cantor Practice
		5:30 pm	Choir Practice
WED	2/5	11:00 am	Walking Group
THU	2/6	11:00 am	Walking Group
		7:00 pm	K of C business meeting
FRI	2/7		
SAT	2/8	3:00 pm	Reconciliation
SUN	2/9	9:30 am	Donut Sunday
		9:30 am	CCD
		3:00 pm	CCD Bowling

Have an event to add? Please call or email the parish office.

K of C Meets This Thursday

The Knights of Columbus Council #10545 will hold their regular monthly business meeting this Thursday, February 6, at 7 p.m. at the council home.

If you are interested in becoming a Knight, please contact Kenny Brant who serves as the Grand Knight (304.813.0935). Les Halapy serves as the Deputy Grand Knight.

Voices Needed!

Our choir is looking for anyone interested in singing as a Cantor or choir member. All are welcome! Practice is Tuesdays from 5:00 to 5:30 for cantors and 5:30 to 6:30 for choir.

If you're interested, please contact any choir member, Choir Director Linda Davis-Kyle (301.707.4215), or the Parish Office (304.788.2488).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, February 1, 4 p.m.

Lector	Alan Taylor
Extraordinary Ministers	Meredythe Barrick Jenny Cole Carol Durst
Altar Servers	Mike & Rosie Landis

Sunday, February 2, 8:30 a.m.

Lector	Geoff Newlin
Extraordinary Ministers	Janet Corley Beverley Iser Alan Taylor
Altar Servers	Beverley Iser Isabella Ascherl River Cameron

Saturday, February 8, 4 p.m.

Lector	Sue Harber
Extraordinary Ministers	Mitch Durst Kathy Finnell Rosalee Freeman
Altar Servers	Melissa Stanislawczyk Alan Taylor

Sunday, February 9, 8:30 a.m.

Lector	Jada McGann
Extraordinary Ministers	Kara Breedlove Mike Landis Tina Stephen
Altar Servers	Abby Del Signore Libby Del Signore Neva Pritts

NOTE: Please arrange for a replacement if you will not be able to fulfill your scheduled time.

Cast your burden on the Lord
who will sustain you.

Psalm 55:22