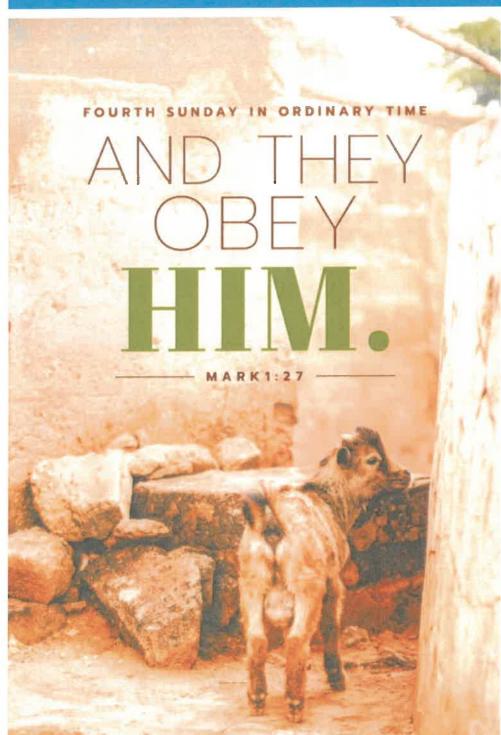
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January 28, 2024 | 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday 8:15 am

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am and 5:00 pm

Rite of Reconciliation (Confessions) Saturday following the 8:15 am Mass in the church.

Anointing of the Sick Please call or visit the parish office to make an appointment.

Parish Office Hours Mon-Fri: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturday & Sunday Closed

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FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF

Dear Parishioners and Visitors.

We are quickly coming up on Groundhog Day, February 2nd. Folklore has it that we can predict how much longer winter will last according to whether or not a groundhog sees its shadow when it comes out of its burrow. But you are not reading this message in order to learn folklore about weather prognostication.

The reason I mention it at all is that, according to Wikipedia (source of all wisdom and knowledge!) the placement of Groundhog Day on February 2nd is based on the fact that February 2nd is Candlemas, which is another name for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast commemorates an event described in the Gospel of Luke, chapter 2, verses 22-40. Mary and Joseph brought the Baby Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. While they were there, an elderly man named Simeon and an elderly woman named Anna recognized the child as the long-awaited Messiah.

Simeon proclaimed his great canticle, known in Latin as his "Nunc dimittis." He described Jesus as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." Taking their cue from these words, as well as the many times the Gospels refer to Jesus as our Light (more than 15 times!), Christians have been celebrating the feast of the Presentation of the Lord at least since the fourth century, with a blessing of candles (symbolic of the Light of the World) and a procession.

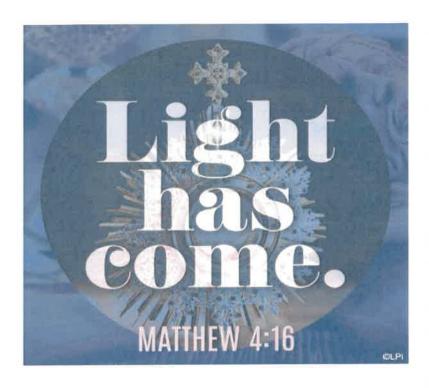
So, when February 2nd arrives, go ahead and enjoy the groundhog thing, if you like; but more importantly, pray to Christ, the Light of the World. Remember that he has called us to be children of the Light (John 12:36). No more darkness, in our thoughts or in our words! Let's focus on the Light that makes everything clear! If all of us let the Light of Christ shine in us and through us, the world will be a brighter and better place.

Fr. Philip





THE WEEK AHEAD



SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30: 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Monday:

Mk 5:1-20

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Ps 86:1-Tuesday:

2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 6:1-6 Wednesday:

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, Thursday:

12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk Friday:

2:22-40 or 2:22-32

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk Saturday:

6:30-34

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (see 3a)/1 Sunday:

Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading: I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. (Jb 7:4)

Second Reading: If I preach the gospel, this is no reason for me to boast, for an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it! (1 Cor 9:16)

Gospel: He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons. (Mk 1:34)

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SSJ HAPPENINGS

Monday, January 29

- 8:15 am Mass | † Elsa Castrejon de Trabado | † Mary Spinner | Ketty Rivello
- 7:00 pm OCIA (Formerly RCIA) (FR)

Tuesday, January 30

- 8:15 am Mass | † Pauli Warren
- 9:45 am Moms Group Bible Study (FR)

Wednesday, January 31 - St. John Bosco

- 6:30 am Men's Bible Study (FR)
- 8:15 am Mass | † Timothy Gallagher
- 9:15 am Adoration
- 3:30 pm Parking Lot Prayer
- 4:00 pm Centering Prayer (FR)
- 7:00 pm Catholicism Re-Run Adult Study (FR)

Thursday, February 1

- 8:15 am Mass | † Camelia Garcia
- 9:00 am Theology Study (FR)
- 6:00 pm Family to Family Class (CC)

Friday, February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord

• 8:15 am Mass | † Denise La Braun

Saturday, February 3 - Sts. Blaise and Ansgar

- 8:15 am Mass | † Araeeli Vizconde | † Dan Cenido Sr. | Donna DeGeorge Shuart
- 9:00 am Confessions
- 4:00 pm Mass | † Bob Scopin

Sunday, February 4 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Mass | Saints Simon & Jude Catholic Church
- 9:30 am Mass | † Giovanna Reynolds
- 10:30 am Mardi Gras Celebration (CH)
- 11:15 am Mass | † Kelly Theodore Landry
- 5:00 pm Mass | † Dr. Jerry Widlow

Meeting Location Key

FR - Franciscan Room CC - Community Center CH - Colman Hall LL - Learning Lane PLZ - Mondor Plaza LIB - School Library YR - Youth Room HA - Hospitality Area

FAITH FORMATION & SACRAMENTS

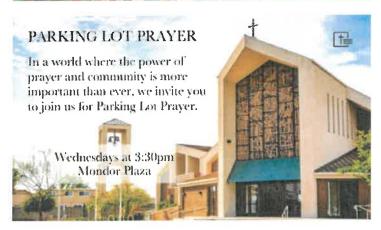


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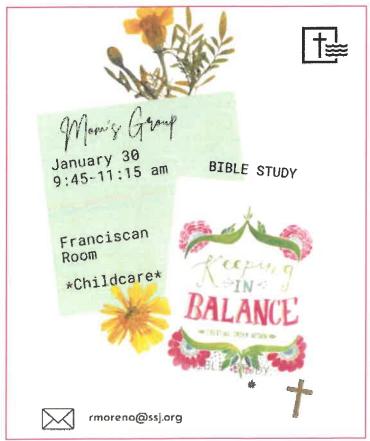
9am - 10am in Franciscan Room 0-3 yrs old with adult











SSJ SCHOOL NEWS





FAITH

Our Catholic faith is at the center of all learning and activities at Saints Simon & Jude Catholic School Our students attend Mass once a week as a dass and once a month as a school additionally, our students belong to saint families—inter-grade groupings to support faith development through prayer and services projects.



KNOWLEDGE

We purposafully keep our class sizes small (16 for our 4 year olds, 20 for kindergartan through 5th Drade and 25 in through 5th Dade and 25 in middle school) Our teachers are all credentialed and are trained to meet the needs of all types of learners Our academically ingorous program challenges our students and prepares them for high school and beyond



SERVICE

As part of keeping our catholic faith at the center of our education, students are required to complete service hours each trimester. Additionally, service projects are brought into the classroom that support local communities and families in need.



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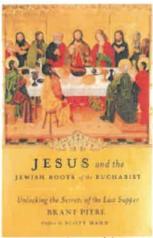
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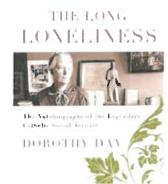


Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist Brant Pitre

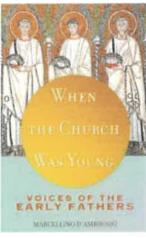


Conversion - The Spiritual Journey of a Twentieth-Century Pilgrim Malcolm Muggeridge





The Long Loneliness
Dorothy Day



When the Church Was Young Marcellindo D'Ambrosio

AROUND THE COMMUNITY









PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Entrance: Gather Your People - Bob Hurd



Draw us forth to the table of life: brothers and sisters, each of us called to walk in your light.

We are parts of the body of Christ, needing each other, each of the gifts the Spirit provides.

Reading I: Dt 18:15-20

Moses spoke to all the people, saying: "A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you from among your own kin; to him you shall listen. This is

exactly what you requested of the LORD, your God, at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let us not again hear the voice of the LORD, our God,

nor see this great fire any more, lest we die.' And the LORD said to me, 'This was well said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. Whoever will not listen to my words which he speaks in my name, I myself will make him answer for it. But if a prophet presumes to speak in my name an oracle that I have not commanded him to speak, or speaks in the name of other gods, he shall die."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95 - Owen Alstott



Reading II: 1 Cor 7:32-35

Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties. An unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how he may please the Lord. But a married man is anxious about the things of the world, how he may please his wife, and he is divided. An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. A married woman, on the other hand, is anxious about the things of the world, how she may please her husband. I am telling you this for your own benefit, not to impose a restraint upon you, but for the sake of propriety and adherence to the Lord without distraction.

Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Saint Ann - Ed Bolduc



V: The people who sit in darkness have seen a great light; on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen.

PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Gospel: Mk 1:21-28

Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him. All were amazed and asked one another, "What is this? A new teaching with authority. He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee.

Preparation of the Gifts: Open My Eyes, Lord - Jesse Manibusan



Bridge

And the first shall be last, and our eyes are opened, and we'll hear like never before. And we'll speak in new ways, and we'll see God's face in places we've never known.

11:15am Mass: God Be in My Head - Andrew Carter

God be in my head and in my understanding, God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and at my departing.

Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Saint Ann - Ed Bolduc

Communion: O How Blessed - Dan Schutte



Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS, READINGS & WORSHIP

Meditation: The Breastplate of St. Patrick - Sarah Hart

I bind myself to the power of heaven.

I bind myself to the light of the sun, the brightness of the moon, the deepness of the sea; I bind myself to the power of Christ.



I bind myself to the guidance of angels.

I bind myself to the love of the Lamb, for he alone is peace and he alone is light.

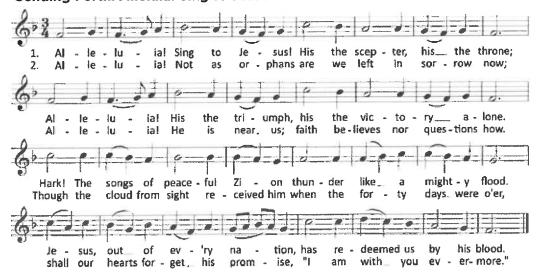
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11:15 Mass: O Esca Viatorum - Heinrich Isaac (1450-1517)

O food of men wayfaring, the bread of angels sharing, O Manna from on high! We hunger; Lord, supply us, nor thy delights deny us, whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

O Stream of love past telling. O purest fountain, welling from out the Savior's side! We faint with thirst; revive us, of thine abundance give us, and all we need provide.

Sending Forth: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus - HYFRYDOL





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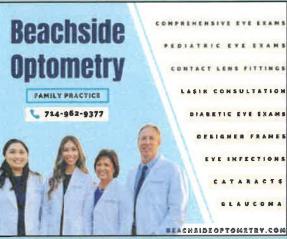
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