

## FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday		Monday	, <del></del> _	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						·		First Saturday
M, T, Th & F - 8 a.m. at St. Thomas W - 8 a.m. St. Bridget W - 6 p.m. St. Thomas St. Gridget St.			St. Thon Saturday 11 St. Bridg Sunday 8	get -	Confession is offered 30 mins. before each weekend Mass, during Adoration on Wednesdays from 5 to 6p.m. and by appointment.			9:30am Bible Study at St. Bridget's  Blessing of the Throat will be offered at the 4pm Mass
<b>Presentation of</b>	2		3	4	5	6	First Friday 🔑 7	8
our Lord  CCD (9:30am)  Blessing of the Thro will be offered at all to Masses  Latin Mass 5th Sunday in	<u>oat</u>	* St. Vincent de Pau (8:45am)  Blessing of the 2 will be offered at the	ıl meeting <u>Γhroat</u>		Feast Day of St. Agatha  Eucharistic Adoration (5pm), Confession & the Mass starting at 6pm  * Parish Council Meeting (7pm)	Feast Day of St. Paul Miki & Companions  * Men of St. Joseph meeting (7:00am)  * Daughters of Mary meeting (7:00am)  *Knights of Columbus meeting (7pm)	RCIA	Feast Day of St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine of Bakhita 9:30am Bible Study at St. Bridget's
Ordinary Time	9		10	11	12	13	14	15
CCD (9:30am)		Feast Day of St. Scho		Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes	Eucharistic Adoration (5pm), Confession & the Mass starting at 6pm	* Men of St. Joseph meeting (7:00am) * Daughters of Mary meeting (7:00am)	Feast Day of St. Cyril & Methodius & St. Valentine RCIA	9:30am Bible Study at St. Bridget's
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	16		17	18	19	20	21	22
CCD (9:30am) Latin Mass		Feast Day of the Sev Founders of the Serv			Eucharistic Adoration (5pm), Confession & the Mass starting at 6pm	* Men of St. Joseph meeting (7:00am) * Daughters of Mary meeting (7:00am)	Feast Day of St. Peter Damian RCIA	Feast Day of the Chair of St. Peter the Apostle 9:30am Bible Study at St. Bridget's St. Peregrine Mass 4pm at St. Thomas
7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	23		24	25	26	27	28	
CCD (9:30am)					Eucharistic Adoration (5pm), Confession & the Mass starting at 6pm	Feast Day of St. Gregory of Narek  * Men of St. Joseph meeting (7:00am)  * Daughters of Mary meeting (7:00am)	RCIA	

## **February: From Feast to Fast**



The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family. Between the events which marked Christmas and the beginning of Christ's public life the Church has seen fit to recall the example of the Holy Family for the emulation of the Christian family. Though the shortest month of the year, February is rich in Liturgical activity. It contains a feast (Presentation of our Lord) that bridges two other seasons (Christmas and Easter)! In addition, the faithful may receive in February two of the four major public sacramentals that the Church confers during the liturgical year: blessed candles and the blessing of throats.

The Blessing of the Throat
will be offered at all Masses
the weekend of February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
And at the 8 a.m. Mass on Monday,
February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2<sup>nd</sup> harkens back to the Christmas mystery of Light except that now, Christ, the helpless babe, is "the Light of Revelation to the Gentiles who will save his people from their sins." Candles, symbolizing Christ our Light, will be carried in procession this day, just as the Paschal candle during the Easter Vigil Liturgy.

"The Light of Revelation" shines more brightly with each successive Sunday of Ordinary Time, until its magnificence – exposing our sinfulness and need for conversion – propels us into the penitential Season of Lent. We prepare to accept the cross of blessed ashes on Ash Wednesday (March 5<sup>th</sup>) and plunge ourselves into anticipating the major exercises of Lent – fasting, prayer, almsgiving – laying our thoughts and prayers on the heart of our Mother Mary. She, who offered her Son in the temple and on the Cross, will teach us how to deny ourselves, take up our cross daily, and follow after her Son.

