

#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, Feb. 1 ~ Vigil/Presentation of the Lord 5:30 PM Joseph Gallo Sunday, February 2 ~ Presentation of the Lord 9:30 AM Monday, February 3 9:00 AM Helmut Fakler Wednesday, February 5 The People of the Parish 9:00 AM Friday, February 7 9:00 AM Agnes Ferrone Sat., Feb. 8 ~ Vigil/5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Lena Ferrara, Dave Barbuti 5:30 PM Sunday, Feb. 9 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon Ed Woods 9:30 AM

#### **Ministers of the Word**

Sat., Feb. 8 ~ Vigil/5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:30 PM Ted Wall Sunday, Feb. 9 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:30 AM Tom Troy

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Sat., Feb. 8 ~ Vigil/5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:30 PM Jen Zupetz (a), Kathy Fayol (c) Sunday, Feb. 9 ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Liz Klimczak (a), Lisa Dyer (c) 9:30 AM

#### **Pray For Those Who Serve**

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy) Juan Gonzales (Navy) Kaila McGowan (Marines) Joseph Ruize (Navy) Robert Pape-Laucella (Marines) Pasko Shkreli (Army) Carissa Tironi (Army) Nicholas Turner (Army) Elliott Weidel (Marines)

### **Pray For the Infirm**

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanna Bach, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C., Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, John & Lorraine DiCicco, Walter Earl, Anna Gallo, Rocco Gallo, Margaret Hale, Nicole Langer, Fr. Joe Komonchak, Julia Oparski, Marianna Oparski, Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando, Sal Rappo, Helen Ryan, Fran Salewski, Arthur Seaman, Dcn. & Fran Trapani, Kevin Uffelman, Terry Waterson

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# PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

### **Pray For Facility Residents**

Barbara Ceriale, Brad Ceriale, Gina Lempka, Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius, Sue Schmaus, Elissa Zahn

## **Looking Ahead**

A.A. Meetings Thursdays 6:30 PM / Sundays 3:30 PM

Monday, February 3 Liturgy Committee Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

**Tuesday**, February 4 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, February 7

First Friday Holy Hour following the 9 AM Mass

COR Men's Gathering 5:30-6:45 PM at St. Joseph's/Wurtsboro



Sunday, February 9 SuperBowl Score Pool Winners Announced

Monday, February 10 Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

**Tuesday, February 11** Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, February 19 Ladies' Guild Meeting ~ 1;00-3:00 PM

Monday, February 17 Presidents' Day ~ No 9 AM Mass & Office Closed

**Tuesday, February 18** Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

> Wednesday, February 19 Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:00 PM at St. Joseph's/Wurtsboro

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**Today's Scripture Readings** 

Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40



#### LIVING THE LITURGY: Recognition

Joseph and Mary, Simeon and Anna, the priests, the prophets, and the kings, all were Jews looking for the coming of the Anointed One, the Christ, the Messiah. This longing for the Holy One of God is reflected in the Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 24, that describes God coming as, " strong and mighty ... mighty in battle ... Lord of hosts ... King of Glory" (Ps. 24:8,10). But the scene described in today's Gospel Reading is rather different. Who comes to the Temple but a baby, one like so many other babies brought in in order to present them to the Lord according to the Law of the Lord.

Immediately, Simeon and Anna see this baby for who he is! They see with eyes of faithful trust in the Lord and so recognize him when he came. As the child grew, more and more would recognize him, seek him out for healing, and eventually would listen to him and seek to follow him. In this, God gives us a choice. We can recognize and follow, or we can refuse to see what God has done in Christ Jesus and not follow. Simeon prophesied this when he said that the baby, "is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel" (Lk. 2:34).

Recognizing the work of the Lord may become difficult when the Lord works contrary to what we expect or want. Instead of a mighty warrior, we are given a baby. Instead of power and might, we are given one crucified. When Christ reveals himself to us, will we recognize him? Or will we miss him because we are expecting something else?

> When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him. Luke 2:39-40

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## **SCORING CONTEST**

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## Mass **Cards**

The office has beautiful Mass Cards available for Memorial Intentions for the deceased, to pray for healing, or to celebrate a special occa-



sion. The person requesting the intention is also asked if they wish to bring the gifts forward at the Mass. Mass Cards are a lasting way to honor and remember our loved ones. To purchase a Mass Card, call the office at 845-733 -1477 or stop in on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday morning.

Because he himself (Jesus) suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. Hebrews 2:18

Built-in tab Ð tithe & offering Of ALL that you give me I give you a tenth Genesis 28.02 (MN) De 1000 to gue ne dense, et denno to aparte para 8. Genesis 28.22

# **A SILLY REQUEST?**

Please do NOT use tape on vour collection envelopes! It takes the volunteer Counters much more time to open them than if the built-in tab was left accessible.

It may sound like a minor request, but your cooperation will be MUCH appreciated. Thanks!!