

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2014

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2014

- 9:00 am Lucille Watkins (d)
11:00 am Sue Ann Baker (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2014

- 8:30 am Helen Heitker (d)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2014

- 8:30 am Anna Mae Scheid (d)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014

Saint Agatha, virgin, martyr

- 8:30 am Harry Reilman (d)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, martyrs

- 8:30 am Sharon L. Treinen (d)

3pm-5pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2014

- 8:30 am Hazel Nesselhuf (d)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2014

- 8:30 am Anthony Chien Vu (d)
Maria Khiem Pham (d)

3pm - 4pm CONFESSIONS

- 4:30 pm Roy Fife (d)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2014

- 9:00 am Jacob Witt (d)
11:00 am Walter Gerbus (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

St. Lawrence is Thinking of You

ARCHBISHOP LEIBOLD HOME: Irma Hornback

BAYLEY PLACE: Ruth Jean Boschert

MERCY FRANCISCAN AT WEST PARK:

Eileen Meyers

TRIPLE CREEK RETIREMENT COMMUNITY:

Mary Catherine Dittrich

WESTERN HILLS RETIREMENT VILLAGE:

Donald Jostworth, Mildred Weber

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SERVERS

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- 4:30 pm M Niangane, E Stacy
9:00 am D Mittermeier, J Perry
11:00 am M Young, P Phan
7:00 pm A Lorenzo-Hernandez
M Clayton

LECTORS

February 8/9

- 4:30 pm Sister Helen Julia
9:00 am A Backs
11:00 am C Lageman
7:00 pm S Aufermann

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

February 8/9

- 4:30 pm J Brehm, C Hornback,
N Hornback, S Sunderman
9:00 am M Jones, S Jones,
J Remke, S Remke
11:00 am H Beischel, J Grimm,
N Lageman, M Redrow
7:00 pm S Hoffman, M Thompson

Please be sure to stop in the sacristy before Mass to let Father know you are present.

OFFERING

JANUARY 26, 2014

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Vocation View: Simeon and Anna both recognize Christ as He appears in their midst, because they have both spent years in prayer to constantly connect with the Father. Time in prayer disposes us to hear His voice. (Luke 2:22-40)

Thought for the Day: But since all your satisfactions and penances are too small and deficient to atone for so many sins, unite them to those of your Savior Jesus lifted upon the Cross. Receive his Divine Blood as it flows from His wounds, and offer it up to appease Divine justice. Unite your reparation to that of the most Blessed Virgin at the foot of the Cross and from the love of Jesus for His Mother, you will obtain everything.

St Peter Julian Eymard

Rest in Peace: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara Currin who died recently.

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Sunday workers: please report at 11:30

Tuesday workers: please report at 5:30

Parents of the students listed below are asked to work the following Bingo:

SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 2: E Little, A Long,
J Lopez-Nalasco, A Morales-Mendez, G Abe
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4: D Nguyen, A Ousley, S
Pacheco-Ortiz, A Perez-Vasquez


SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9: D Petty, R Ramirez,
K Ramirez, J Schlachter, I Abe
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11: R Scully,
A Showalter, H Velasquez-Solis, K Wilke

Cincinnati Catholic Alumni Club invites single Catholic professionals to its monthly First Friday and home Mass, Friday, February 7, 2014 at 7:30pm, 3858 Tower Road, Green Township. For more information and directions call Nancy at 574-0050.

West Side FREE tax Preparation Site is at Elder High School's Schaeper Center, 4005 Glenway Ave., opposite LaRosa's, Cincinnati, Ohio 45205. Elder Schaeper Center is handicap accessible. Don't pay to get your own money back. We will prepare your taxes for free. If you qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit, you may receive additional cash back (up to \$6,044). Your return can be e-filed and you can expect your money back in 10-15 days. Taxes prepared only for those earning less than \$52,000 a year. To make an appointment, call Price Hill Financial Opportunity Center at 587-6920 ext. 306 or e-mail to freetaxprep@santamaria-cincy.org and send your phone number & best times to reach you.

St. Boniface Church is celebrating 150 years on March 9, 2014 and at 4:00pm we are having a Celtic concert with Tim Kendzia. For more information call 741-1127 or e-mail at jwieghaus@hotmail.com.

Western Bowl is starting an adult/child bowling league which runs for 13 weeks beginning February 16 to Sunday, May 25. Cost is \$20 per team per week (last week is free.) For more information call Western Bowl at 574-2222. Also, please see our link on FACEBOOK.

from the
Pastor's desk 

Presentation of the Lord & Candlemas Day:

Today is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord when Jesus is presented as the Light for the Revelation to the Gentiles. By way of extenuating the Light, who is Christ, the Church has blessed candles on this day for centuries, hence Candlemas Day. So, that is why Masses this Sunday will begin with the blessing of candles.

Blessing of Throats: Monday, February 3 is the feast of St. Blaise. In anticipation of his feast day, I will be blessing throats at the end of Masses this weekend.

Eucharistic Adoration will be on Thursdays, from 3pm – 5pm.

St. Lawrence Scouts will have their annual Las Vegas Night tonight, February 1, from 8:00pm – 12:00am. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Ticket includes admission, drinks and set-ups. You must be 21 years of age or older to attend. Please call Connie at 941-1756. Please support St. Lawrence Scouts.

Get Ready for the Big Game and support St. Lawrence's student choir. The Eagles Wings will be at the rear of church after 4:30pm Mass today and tomorrow after 9:00 o'clock and 11 o'clock Masses selling baked goodies. Some of these treats will be perfect for your SUPER BOWL PARTY. So support your favorite team and the student choir at the same time. Proceeds from the sale will be used to cover parade expenses and to purchase music for all our performances as well as our spring show. Thank you for your generous and continued support.

Congratulations to all of the St. Lawrence students who made the HONOR ROLL at Seton High School!

First Honors: Phuong Phan

Second Honors: Jessica Frey, McKenzie Ledonne, Madison McGinnis, Jessica Moses, Victoria Nguyen, Sarah Sunderman

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Baby Bottle Campaign 2014: On February 15 & 16, 2014, we will again participate in the Baby Bottle Campaign benefitting the programs of Pregnancy Center West. The funds are urgently needed in order to continue to provide free pregnancy testing and life-affirming guidance to women who may otherwise think abortion is their only option. The Center also provides many other free services, including parenting classes, referral for professional help including pre-natal care, the "In Control" chastity program presented in local Catholic schools, free diapers, formula and baby supplies to more than 1,000 clients each year. For more information about Pregnancy Center West, visit www.pc-west.org. Please fill the bottles with any monetary amount that you wish. Then, return the baby bottles during the weekend of February 22 & 23, 2014. If you miss these turn-in dates, please return the bottle directly to the Pregnancy Center West or call them at 244-5700. Thank you in advance for your generosity. If you have any questions, please call Denise Little at 922-2423.



Baptism or Confirmation: If you have a child that you would like to have baptized or received into the Catholic Faith, or if you know of a Catholic adult or older child who would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this coming March with the 7th and 8th graders, please contact Mrs. Aufermann at 921-4996 or aufermann@stlawrenceparish.org, or contact the rectory at 921-0328.

Travel with Elder High School: Join "Friends of Elder" on a Colorado Train Adventure, September 20-27, 2014! Tour includes 7 nights/15 meals, U. S. Air Force Academy, Pike's Peak Cog RR, Royal Gorge Vintage RR, 1880 Cumbres and Toltec RR, Durango-Silverton Narrow RR, see Anasazi cliff dwellings-Mesa Verde National Park, cross the Continental Divide and more! Limited seats for this tour. For more information visit www.ElderHS.org and click on Alumni-Travel for a brochure or call Norb Guetle at 451-1227.

Marriage Encounter: Want more of your spouse's attention after the Super Bowl? Take some time during this cold winter to warm up your marriage! Renew the excitement in your marriage! Schedule a weekend away – just for the two of you! Make your good marriage warmer and happier with a Marriage Encounter Weekend! This year, resolve to make your marriage better than it's ever been! The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world. The next Marriage Encounter weekends in this area for 2014 are February 14-16 at the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, Ohio and March 21-23 at the Holiday Inn in Eastgate, Cincinnati, Ohio. Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. Look for other upcoming weekends in 2014 at www.wvme.org or www.esharing.org. For more details or reservations call Dave & Jan Stockelman at 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or on the web at www.esharing.org.

Western Hills Bridal Fair will be on Sunday, February 16, 2014 at The Meadows from Noon – 4:00pm. There will be refreshments and door prizes. No charge for admission.

The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers lay men and women the opportunity to grow in faith, knowledge and skills through classes, mentoring, supervised ministry experiences and community support. For information call 231-1200 for a graduate or non-degreed option or to set up a personal interview.

Will 2014 be the year to say YES to Jesus? As Apostles of the Resurrection, the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor set free the healing energy of Christ in the Community of Life. Our sisters have a diverse range of careers-each making a difference in the world. **Single women 20-45 are welcome to join us for coffee and conversation** and see how you can **make a difference**. Visit our website at www.sfp-vocations.org for monthly Sundays with Mass followed by coffee and conversation or schedule a visit or busy woman's retreat at St. Clare Convent, Cincinnati, Ohio by contacting Ruthy Trusler, rtrusler@sfp-vocations.org or call 761-9040 ext. 132

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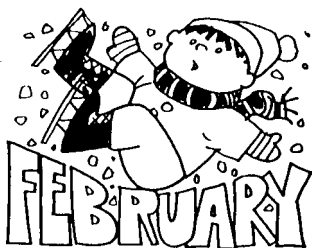
Food for the Soul: Fr. Earl Fernandes, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology at the Athenaeum of Ohio, will lead us in considering “Human Dignity and End of Life Issues” on Tuesday, February 4, 2014, 7:30pm at the Holy Grail Tavern and Grille, 1278 Ebenezer Road in Delhi. Further information is available at bgerth@lourdes.org or call 922-0715.

Food for the Soul: Fr. Dave Endres, Assistant Professor of Church History and Historical Theology, will speak to us about “Pope Francis – Our New Shepherd” on Thursday, February 27, 2014 also at The Holy Grail Tavern and Grille, 1278 Ebenezer Road in Delhi. Further information available at bgerth@lourdes.org or call 922-0715.

St. Al's and St. Jude parishes invite couples to a Valentine Dinner on Friday, February 14 beginning at 6:00pm at St. Al's in Bridgetown. Dinner includes appetizers, a catered dinner, drinks, desserts and coffee. Guests will be treated to an engaging and humorous presentation by nationally renowned author, psychologist, radio and television host Dr. Ray Guarendi. Tickets are \$50 a couple and reservations are required by contacting Peggy Grome at 574-5673

Fr. Mitch Pacwa, S. J., Founder of Ignatius Productions and EWTN host is coming to St. Bernard Catholic Church, 7130 Harrison Avenue, Cincinnati on Saturday, March 1, 2014. Conference will open with Mass celebrated at 8:00am and end at 3:00pm. The conference titled, “By His Stripes We Are Healed” will be an opportunity for Father Pacwa to explain how we can look to the passion of Christ as a source of healing for any suffering we might undergo in this life, pointing out how every aspect of our Lord's suffering is relatable to the pain that we experience.

Cost of registration is \$25 and includes lunch. There will be only 300 tickets sold. To register send an email with the number of tickets you'd like and your contact information to kingsservants@gmail.com.



ST. LAWRENCE MONTHLY SOCIAL

Circle **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5** on your calendar! Join us this day for a delicious dinner and an afternoon of socializing and fun at our social. Our dinner menu is definitely a favorite:

**FRIED CHICKEN
MASHED POTATOES/GRAVY
SUCCOTASH
TOSSED SALAD/DRESSINGS
ROLLS/BUTTER
FRUIT CUPS/COOKIES
COFFEE/ICED TEA/SOFT DRINKS**

Dinner is served at **NOON** and after everyone has eaten, you can enjoy games of bingo and/or cards, door prizes, split-the-pot, instant, and a lovely raffle. Since we did not have a January Social, all who celebrated a birthday in January along with those who celebrate a February birthday will receive a candy treat.

“Regulars” will receive telephone calls from your “Cincinnati Belles” to verify that you will attend the February 5 Social. Those who do not come each month are very welcome to attend and it is only necessary to make a dinner reservation. All dinner counts for “regulars” and those making reservations should be telephoned to Sister Helen Julia at 244-7376 by **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**, so that an accurate dinner count can be given to our caterer, A Taste of Class.

If the Social would have to be cancelled for any reason, all “regulars” would be notified by your “Cincinnati Belles” and Sister would have a voice message to this effect on her telephone. Those who made reservations would also be notified. Pray for a beautiful day on **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**. See you then!

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