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February 2nd, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord



Office Hours

Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM Saturday - 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00 PM

& 6:00 PM (Español)

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:15 AM

Holy Day of Obligation

5:30 PM Vigil Mass 8:00 AM & 5:30:00 PM

Confessions

Friday at 4:00 PM Saturday at 11:00AM

Baptisms

Sunday at the end of 11:15AM Mass

Weddings

Saturday at 1:00 PM

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Food Pantry

Wednesday 10:00 AM - NOON

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SUNDAY connection

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus is a combined feast, commemorating the Jewish practice of the purification of the mother after childbirth and the presentation of the child in the Temple. It is known as the Feast of the Purification of Mary (by the offering two pigeons in the Temple), and the Feast of Candlemas (because of its ancient rite of blessing of the candles to be used in the church for the next year — a practice dating from the middle of the fifth century) and the Feast of Encounter (because the New Testament, represented by the Baby Jesus, encountered the Old Testament, represented by Simeon and Anna).

Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the infant Jesus as the promised Savior, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all.

This should remind us that Jesus is our High Priest and the Light of the World.

Weekday READINGS

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20-24/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-32/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-18a/Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-24/Ps 48:2-4, 9-11//Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1-9abc/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-21/Ps 23:1-6/Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 138:1-8/1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk 5:1-1



Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Discuss with the family the persons of Simeon and Anna as they meet Jesus. (Luke 2: 25–40)

Because Simeon and Anna lived lives of prayer and fasting in the Temple, they were filled with the Spirit of God. That is why they were able to identify Jesus as the Savior even though Jesus was only a baby. To these two holy people, he was recognizable as the Redeemer who had been promised. Simeon described Jesus as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

We too are called to recognize Jesus as Lord. Together as a family discuss ways to recognize Jesus as Lord by praying and attending Mass, fasting, and serving others. As a family, decide on one specific sacrifice you can make in order to alleviate the suffering or need of someone you know.

QUESTIONS & CATHOLIC ANSWERS

ON THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FROM A HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS BENEDICT XVI

St. Peter's Basilica, Saturday, 2 February 2013

In his account of the infancy of Jesus St Luke emphasizes how faithful Mary and Joseph were to the Law of the Lord. They fulfilled with profound devotion all the prescriptions prescribed following the birth of a firstborn male. Two of them were very ancient prescriptions: one concerns the mother and the other the newborn child. The woman was required to abstain from ritual practices for forty days, after which she was to offer a double sacrifice: a lamb as a burnt offering and a turtle-dove as a sin offering; but if she were poor, she could offer a pair of turtle doves or two young pigeons (cf. Lev 12:1-8).

St Luke explained that Mary and Joseph offer the sacrifice of the poor (cf. 2:24) in order to emphasize that Jesus was born into a family of simple people, lowly but of steadfast faith: a family that belonged to the poor of Israel who form the true People of God. For the first-born male who, according to Mosaic Law, was set apart for God, redemption was prescribed instead, established as an offering of five shekels to be paid to a priest in any place. This was in everlasting memory of the fact that in the time of Herod God saved the firstborn of the Jews (cf. Ex 13:11-16).

It is important to note that these two acts — the purification of the mother and the redemption of the son — did not require a visit to the Temple. However, Mary and Joseph wished to fulfil all the prescriptions in Jerusalem, and St Luke shows us how the entire scene converges on the Temple and thus focuses on Jesus who enters it. And it is here, precisely through the prescriptions of the Law, that the principal event is transformed, namely, it becomes the "presentation" of Jesus in the Temple of God, which means the act of offering the Son of the Most High to the Father who sent him (cf. Lk 1:32, 35).

Mass Intentions

Saturday - February 1, 2025		
	Living & Deceased	Fr. Padit
	Members of the Nguyen Family By Chris Nguyen	
4:00 pm	Dcn. Randy & Family	Fr. Padit
	By Gemma Pompa	
6:00 pm	Maria Eugenia Rodriguez	Fr. Eddie
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<u>Sunday -</u> 8.00 am	- February 2, 2025 Ron Tannariello	Fr. Padit
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9:30 am		Fr. Briese
11.15 am	By Joe & Darlene Parishian are of OLOI	En Duissa
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Monday	- February 3, 2025	
8:00 am	Alex & Eileen	Fr. Eddie
5.30 nm	By Nina Mizzi Gary Stromberg	Fr. Padit
3.50 pm	By DeLisle & Ava Callender	11. I aun
	- February 4, 2025	
8:00 am		Fr. Padit
5:30 pm	By Paula, Alan & JB The Living & Deceased	Fr. Padit
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	By Marta Giardina	
	day - February 5, 2025	E D 11:
8:00 am	The Living & Deceased Members of the Duick Family	Fr. Padit
	By Cynthia Duick	
5:30 pm	Claude Vinton Bodden	Fr. Padit
Thumada	By Judith Phang	
	y - February 6, 2025 In Thanksgiving to	Fr. Eddie
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5:30 pm	Perla A. Meneses By Luz Maria	Fr. Eddie
Friday -	February 7, 2025	
	Leo Haskins	Fr. Eddie
= 20	By Dora & Steve Haskins	E D 11:
5:30 pm	Jose Fidel Alba By Maria Eugenia Alba	Fr. Padit
Saturday - February 8, 2025		
8:00 am		Fr. Padit
	The Nguyen Family	
4.00	By Chris Nguyen	Fr. Padit
4:00 pm	Dcn. Francis & Family By Gemma Pompa	rr. Paun
6:00 pm	Luz Marina Suarez	Fr. Eddie
	By Maria Eugenia Suarez	
	- February 9, 2025	E D:
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9:30 am	All Living & Deceased	Fr. Briese
	Members of the Earl Family	
11·15 am	By Marlene Earl Parishioners of OLOL	Fr. Padit
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Altar Flowers Offering Available at the Parish Office

Altar Bread Offered In Thanksgiving for Cindy Hitson Requested by Women of Grace





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PARISH GOAL \$187,000

Thank you to all of you who have supported the DSA in the past, and have helped our Parish to meet its goal. The funds collected helped our Diocese of Palm Beach in assisting those in need the most, and provided funding for the various programs throughout the Diocese, from Catholic Charities to Seminarians formation. Please, consider participating in such a charitable endeavor as an expression of personal gratitude for the Lord's countless blessings.

Collections of January 12th

The Baptism of the Lord

First Collection: \$11,961.51 Online Giving: \$3,076.77

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Thank You!

PRAYER TOME

7:30 am and 5:00 pm **Prayer of the Rosary before Mass** Monday through Saturday

On Saturdays after Morning Mass, we invite you to join either of our two Prayer groups that gather in the Church and Chapel.

PRAY for the safety of all Men and Women in the **MILITARY**



VOCATIONS CHALICE PROGRAM



Contact the Parish Office. the Knights of Columbus, or Mr. Jack Viadero, to receive the Vocations Chalice to pray throughout the week for vocations.





FRIDAY

4:00pm - 5:00pm

SATURDAY

11:00am - 12 Noon

The Church is open for prayer throughout the day, from 6 am to 6 pm. After hours, the Grotto of Lourdes and Prayer Garden continue being available to the faithful for prayer and meditation.

Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Keep us informed about your need for prayer



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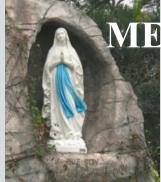
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Wills & Bequests

A Bequest, a gift of money or assets left through your will, is vital to your Parish Church and the people the Church serves. It is a unique gift and an investment in the future. By leaving a bequest you are making a lasting difference in the life of the Parish community.



Our Lady of Lourdes welcomes charitable donations made by bequest through your Will or through Trust. In remembering our Church you also leave a lasting legacy.

There are various forms of bequests that you may make. For example, the proceeds of an unrestricted bequest may be used where needed, whereas a restricted bequest specifies the use of the donation. Bequests may come in the form of a specific dollar amount, securities, real estate, tangible property, and retirement account assets. A residuary bequest allows Our Lady of Lourdes to receive all or a percentage of your estate after all obligations have been met. If a Will or Trust already exists, an amendment can be done by an attorney through a document called a codicil, which adds a new bequest.

Our Lady of Lourdes is a charitable, not-for-profit institution; therefore, all bequests are fully deductible for estate tax purposes.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church presents...

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes with **Barcelona**

March 8 - 17, 2026



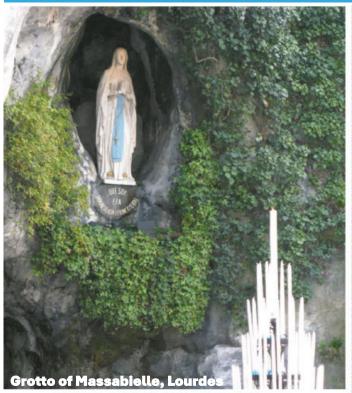
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10 Days • 14 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Fatima, Aljustrel, Valinhos, Cathedral of Burgos, Lourdes, Grotto of Massabielle, Barcelona, Barcelona Cathedral

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Day 1 Overnight Flight

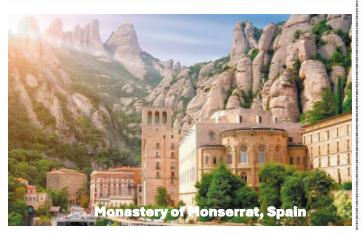
Days 2, 3 Hotel Estrela de Fatima, Fatima

Days 4, 5 Silken Gran Teatro, Burgos

Days 6,7 Hotel Mercure Imperial Lourdes, Lourdes

Days 8, 9 Occidental 1929 Hotel, Barcelona

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



Day 1: Sunday, March 8, 2026 Overnight Flight Travel overnight to Portugal, one of Europe's most hospitable countries. Here, you can enjoy a superb climate, historic sites, and beautiful scenery.

Day 2: Monday, March 9, 2026 Fatima, Portugal - Tour Begins Your tour begins in Fatima, Portugal's world-famous religious center. (D)

Day 3: Tuesday, March 10, 2026 Fatima - Aljustrel - Fatima You may celebrate Mass* before traveling to the original town of Fatima and the parish church where the children Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia were baptized. Continue to Aljustrel, where the children lived, and view the site of the fifth apparition in Valinhos. Later, return to Fatima** to enjoy free time for personal worship and to explore the basilica and its grounds. You may want to join an optional experience to the centuries old capital of Lisbon. (B, D)

Day 4: Wednesday, March 11, 2026 Fatima - Burgos, Spain Attend a morning Mass* before traveling east to Burgos, known as the cradle of the Castile region. Situated on the Pilgrims Road, Burgos stands on the banks of the Rio Arlanzon with the slender, elegant spires of its famous cathedral rising into the sky. Mass* is available this evening. (B, D)

Day 5: Thursday, March 12, 2026 Burgos Join a local expert on a walking tour of Burgos' medieval town center. Spend time at Burgos Cathedral, a masterpiece of Spanish Gothic architecture and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The cathedral, the third largest in Spain, offers such masterpieces as the filigree work in the spires of the towers, the starry dome, the choir, the sarcophagi, and the golden staircase. Next, visit a monastery and learn about monastic life and architecture. Mass* is available this evening. (B)

Day 6: Friday, March 13, 2026 Burgos - Lourdes, France Today, travel northeast through the Pyrenees mountains to Lourdes. This is where the Virgin Mary appeared in the Grotto of Massabielle to the poor shepherd girl Bernadette a total of 18 times between February 11 and July 16, 1858. Since then, this little market town has been a world-renowned pilgrimage site. Tonight you may wish to partake in a candlelight procession.** (B, D)

Day 7: Saturday, March 14, 2026 Lourdes After morning Mass,* enjoy a walking tour of Lourdes, visiting the places associated with the life of St. Bernadette: the "Boly Mill" (the site of her birthplace), the "Cachot" (the former prison where she and her family lived), and the parish church housing the saint's baptismal font. Later, enjoy some time at leisure to explore the town's rich historical and natural heritage. Become immersed in the atmosphere of the time of the apparitions and revel in the spirit of brotherhood that is still present today. (B, D)

Day 8: Sunday, March 15, 2026 Lourdes - Barcelona, Spain Celebrate Mass* before crossing back into Spain on your way to Barcelona, one of Europe's most fascinating cities. (B)

Day 9: Monday, March 16, 2026 Barcelona Get to know Barcelona with a panoramic tour showcasing the Columbus Monument and Parc de Montjuic and end the morning among the narrow streets of the Gothic Quarter. Spend this afternoon at leisure exploring the city further or choose an optional excursion to the quaint mountain village of Montserrat. This evening, gather with your fellow travelers for a dinner celebrating the end of a memorable tour. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuesday, March 17, 2026 Barcelona - Tour Ends Return home eager to share vivid memories of a beautiful land with an old, rich, and diverse cultural heritage. (B)

Available Option: The Wonders of Lisbon • \$70pp

More than 2,000 years ago, Romans told tales of Lisbon, a city of seven hills rumored to have been founded by Odysseus. This afternoon, after a two-hour ride, begin your Lisbon tour in the seaside Belem Quarter, where the façade of Gothic Jeronimo's Monastery awaits you. Continue to the avenues of the Downtown of Rossio Square and Terreiro do Paco. End your afternoon by experiencing the history of Lisbon from its founding to the present day. Duration: Approximately 5 hours. Transportation is included.



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During our Barcelona walking tour in the Gothic Quarter, expect to walk around 1 mile on cobblestone streets and uphill at times.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

We are visiting medieval towns with steep, uneven, cobblestone ground, and stairs and steps are everywhere.

As this tour travels to 3 countries, expect 3 days of long bus transfers.

*Mass is subject to availability and may not be offered in English.

**In Fatima and Lourdes, there is a candlelight procession every night at 9:30 PM and 9:00 PM.

Breakfasts in Lourdes are Continental.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Due to traffic regulations, buses cannot reach historic city centers. This means at times, the bus may drop the group off at one location but pick it up elsewhere. If you opt out of an activity, you'll need to arrange your own transfer to the next bus pick-up spot, as passengers cannot remain on the bus during stops due to European regulations.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Our air passengers will arrive into Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Lisbon airport for Fatima. Travel time from Lisbon to Fatima is approximately 2 hours.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, arrival flights should arrive prior to 2:00 p.m.

Experience It! Burgos, Land of Cathedrals

Burgos was founded in 884 AD and its historical heritage is immediately evident. Its main sites are ecclesiastical, most notably its cathedral, but it has an atmosphere of rare grandeur. Burgos Cathedral, begun in 1221 and completed in 1567, is among the most admired in the world. Especially remarkable is its south portal, the "Puerta del Sarmental," considered the best example of Gothic sculpture of its century. The cathedral is modeled after Bourges Cathedral in France and reflects the Gothic style made popular in Spain by the Cistercian Order.

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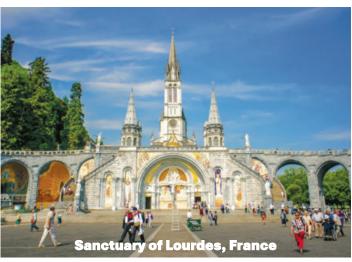
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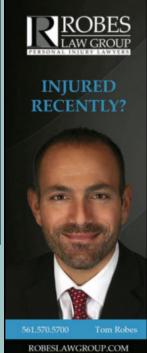
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