

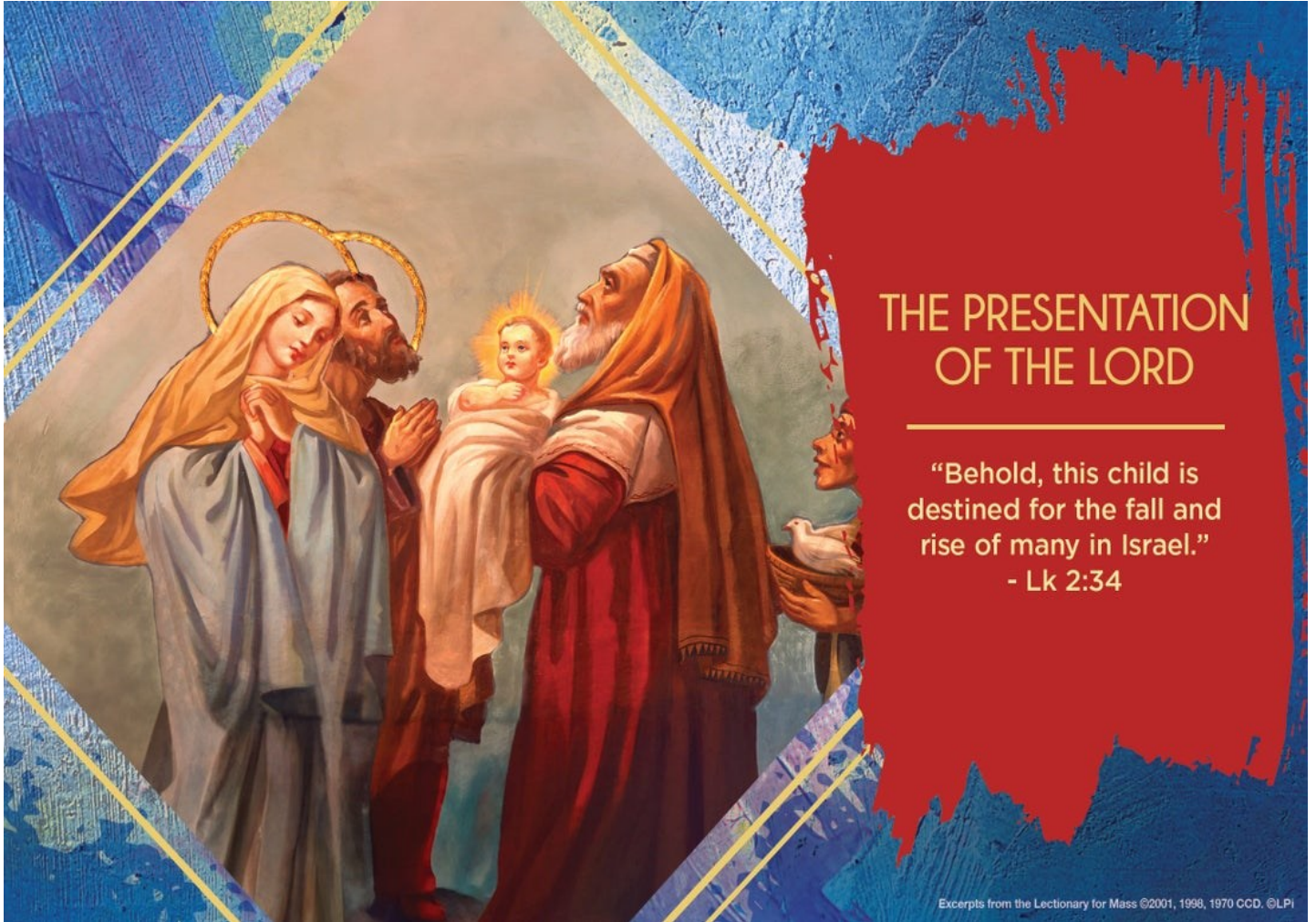


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THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

“Behold, this child is
destined for the fall and
rise of many in Israel.”
- Lk 2:34

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24- HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays, 7:00A.M.— Fridays, 6:00A.M.
Held in the Souby Baptistery

LITURGICAL SERVICES

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 4:30P.M.
Sunday: 8:00A.M., 11:00A.M. & 6:00P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES: *Monday No Mass—*
Tuesday– Friday 6:30A.M. Saturday: 8:30A.M.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS: 9:30A.M.
Exposition & Confession 8:30-9:20A.M.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA
Tuesday at 6:30A.M.

CONFESSIONS: Wednesday & Thursday-6:00A.M.,
Saturday-8:00A.M. & 3:30-4:20P.M., 30 minutes before
all Sunday Masses and by appointment.

ROSARY Wednesdays, 7:00A.M.
Sunday– Saturday 4:00P.M. (Church)

Please silence your cell phone during mass! Thank you!



Readings for the week of February 2, 2025

Sunday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/ Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11// Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mk 6:30-34



February 1-2, 2025

Sacristans: Saturday, 4:30p.m.— Elaine Williams
Sunday, 8:00a.m.— Jeannie Landry, 11:00a.m.—Susie Myers, 6:00pm—Jackie Conner
Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday, 4:30p.m.— Elaine Williams, Sunday, 8:00 a.m.—Jeannie Landry, 11:00a.m.—Susie Myers, 6:00p.m.— Jackie Conner
Lectors: Saturday, 4:30p.m.—Gwen Luc, Sunday, 8:00a.m.—Julius Hebert 11:00a.m.—Barry Dufrene, 6:00pm—Pete Boudreaux

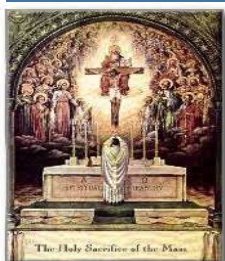
CANDLEMAS DAY

Candlemas Day is another name for the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Forty days after His birth, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple for the rites of purification and dedication as prescribed by the Torah. According to the Book of Leviticus (12:1-4), when a woman bore a male child, she was considered "unclean" for seven days. On the eighth day, the boy was circumcised. The mother continued to stay at home for 33 days for her blood to be purified. After the 40 days, the mother and the father came to the temple for the rite of purification, which included the offering of a sacrifice — a lamb for a holocaust (burnt offering) and a pigeon or turtledove for a sin offering, or for a poor couple who could not afford a lamb, two pigeons or two turtledoves. Note Joseph and Mary made the offering of the poor (Lk 2:24).

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD
Blessing of Candles will take place at all masses this weekend. Please feel free to bring candles from your home to be blessed during mass.



Feast of St. Blaise
Blessing of the throat will take place on Tuesday, February 4 at 6:30am Mass.



Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary before Mass

O Mother of devoted love and mercy, most blessed Virgin Mary, with all my heart and all my affection I take refuge in you, though I am a poor and undeserving sinner. You stood by your most dear Son as he was hanging on the cross. Stand mercifully by me, poor sinner though I am, and by all the priests who today offer this sacrifice, here and in all our holy Church. With the help of your gracious presence, may we offer a sacrifice that is right and acceptable in the presence of the most high and undivided Trinity. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Weekday, Feb. 1 9:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Priest, Father Peter-Jurgen Woller, Donald Loupe.

Saturday, Vigil, Feb. 1, 4:30pm: Patrick J. Bergeron, Vera & Charles Dupuis, Frank & Corinne Mula, Seth & Jackie Sumrall, Santo & Stella Rousso, George & Joyce Melancon, Anthony Governale, Sr., M/M Walter Romero, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, David Arcemont, Arcemont/Landry Family, Anthony Cannata, Vincent & Fannie Cannata, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Luda & Eli Fields, Deshotel, Prince, & Lacour Families, Joe & Bet Cefalu, Melvin J. Pitre, Doris B. & J. Darwin Richard, David Duplantis, Joe Parsiola, Agnes Robicheaux, James Kullman, Sr., Lionel & Mildred Arceneaux, Bucci/Caballero, Boudreaux/Chauvin Fam. L/D, Patricia Duplantis, Robert & Maridel LaBauve, Theresa Johnson, Glen Ghirardi, Samuel Bollhalter, Dr. Robert Blereau, Carolyn "Susie" Sanford.

Sunday, Feb. 2, 8:00am: Rose H. Percle, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Joe & Bernice Giandelone, Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Mark Manfre, Luc/Percle Family, Donald Luc, Sr., Steve Luc, John, Josephine, Johnny, Jeffery, DiMatteo, Hilda & Richard Landry, Sr., Geri & Mel Bourgeois. **11:00am:** Jim Holt, Holt/Alfred Families L/D, Hugh & Nell Brown, M/M Raymond Egle, A.J. Cannata, Marian & Richard Romaine, Bill & Eloise Gowland, Charles Gowland, Sr., Mark Manfre, Beverley Hamer, Conner & Williams Families, Jim Kressin. **6:00pm** Charles Gowland, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Carl J. & Glenda W. Streva Family L/D., C.J. & Mary Doiron, Wilbert, Nan, Lois, & Tim Melancon, Conner-Melancon Fam., Mac, Mary & Stephen McCleary, Betty Rulf

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Eloise & Bill Gowland, John & Stella Mula, George & Joyce Melancon, Anthony Cannata, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Rickey Arceneaux, C. J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, Rosemary Cutrera, Howard Thibodaux.

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 6:30am: Mark Manfre, David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Gerald Blanchard, Bet & Joseph Cefalu, Sr., Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Marcelle Ordogne.

Thursday, Feb. 6, 6:30am: David Arcemont, Joyce & George Melancon, Carl & Glenda Streva Family L/D, John & Stella Mula, Bet & Joe Cefalu, Gerald Blanchard, Santo & Stella Rousso, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Rickey Arceneaux, C.J. & Viva Solar, Glenda Solar Gros, Blackie & Mildred Arceneaux, David Duplantis.

Friday, Feb. 7, 6:30am: Holy Souls in Purgatory, Carl & Glenda Streva Fam. L/D, Cameron Webster, Audrey & Joe Webster, Audrey & Bert Chauvin, Charles Gowland, Sr., Santo & Stella Russo, Anthony, Vincent C. & Fannie Cannata, Patrick Bergeron.

Mass Book is now open for 2025.



~~~ *In your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*



### Baptisms

Saturday, January 11, 2025

Mary Josephine Manfre

Child of Mario Peter Manfre &

Amber Schanbarger Manfre

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Harlee Ann Crandall

Child of Thomas Lee Crandall & Danielle Roy Crandall

*In His goodness, may He continue to pour out His blessings upon you.*



### Saint Agatha

St Agatha, also known as Agatha of Sicily, is one of the most highly venerated virgin martyrs of the Catholic Church. Agatha

stands before us as one who placed her complete trust in the Lord despite facing horrific ordeals. Her unwavering belief and courage defied every humiliation and atrocity thrown at her. In response to Jesus in the Gospel, Agatha took up her cross and its appalling suffering with a strength and courage we wish we had. When facing suffering of any kind, especially the unjust suffering because of what others have done, turn towards Saint Agatha for help. She signifies true selflessness, true self-giving. We would do well to ask her help in keeping the rules of Lockdown and not be instruments of spreading the virus, especially when it has not caused us any suffering.

### Sacred Heart Thrift Store

Open on Mondays & Thursdays 8:30-11:30am

## Angel of God

my guardian dear to whom His love commits me here  
ever this day be at my side to light and guard to rule  
and guide. Amen.

### PRAY FOR... PEACE,

Protection from Floods and Storms, Caregivers,

Huan Tran, Kathryn Stadalis, Stephen Giroir, Beulah Deshotel, Mona Thibodeaux, Hilda Landry, Kim Verrett, Rodney Frederick, Donna Henry, Jane Davis, Roger Adams Jr., Ross Rock, Brittany Thomas, Dalton Dupree, Noah Fryou, Tara Trahan, Ashley Ribardi, Deanna Rome, Jimmy LeBlanc, Dale Hubert, Pat Rock, Barbara Breaux, Stacy Giroir, Eston Roger, Robbie & Kacie Toups, Janet Bennett, Jean Stephens, Zweigle/Dupree Families, Gloria & Jessie Michel, Lelia Johnson, Nicki Plessala, Jim Miller, Jaiden, Tammy Fitch, Chad Duval, Jr., Harley Blanco, Demarius Granger, Darrel Beadle, Killian Mabe, Joan Judycki, Mary Ann Trosclair, Anna Hargrave & Family, Shannon Swiber, Holly Brasseaux, Katy Bourgeois, Ina Clarke, Marilyn Pye, Leonard & Priscilla Scully, Catherine & Elijah Landry, Robin Jeansonne, Charlie Solar, Sr., Karen Duhon, Barbara Olson, Jahmarla Guidry, Laine Mosher, Aceson Alleman, Catherine Thibodeaux, Scott Barbier, Martha Guillory, Will Lapoint, Edwin Bergeron, Jason Theriot, Evie Herrington, Mac Percle, Yvonne Zweigle, Bryson Plaisance, Betty Ross, Nedra Giroir, Jim Davis, Rachel Adams, Ave Ross, Elijah Carter, Valerie Streety, Larry Guillory, Anna Broussard, Reberta Ford, Margie Aucoin, Gentry Garrett, Cherie Dyer, Lovenia Percle, Layla Giroir, Wendy Hotard, Charles Gibson, Jr., Patty Fontenot, Rhonda Lile, Beth Naquin, Renee Harper, Warren Landry, Louis Tamporella, Mable Lester, Tammy Richard, Elliot Prejean, Kattie Ghirardi, Lynette Breaux, Ashia Starling, Mary Ann Adams, Kay Olds, Franklin Pierce, Marlene Pierce, Brent Gravois, Ava Carpenter, Ellen Rink, Richard Ford, Kelley Dalton, Jim Mestepey, Ryan, Willie Mae Lewis, Earline & David Gastins, Elias Dupree, Peggy Perry, Keely Price, Steve Sealine, Robbie Sword, Mary Price, Austin Courtney, Elijah Allen, Jerry Trosclair, Danny Chiasson, Kenneth Hope, Max Anderson, Steve Morell, Jeanne McCloy, Keelan Arbuckle, Louis Chaisson, Dr. Conrad Poe, Billy Lamar, Audie Taquino, Sabrina Gaspard, Billy Giordano, Catherine Bourdier, Brenda Landry Lamartinieri, Dr. Melvin Bourgeois, Zachary Daniels, Christian Smith, Rebeka Cowen, Kim Stansbury, Cindy Dupuis, Gloria Canova, Karlie Brasseaux, Merlin Boudreaux, II, Debbie LeBlanc, Jim Boudreaux, Cosmo Christopher, Ann Eastburn, Laura Vice, Nolan Bernucho, Anne Murray, Philip Dural, Kent Ledet, Jr., Gina Guzzino Crooks, Avery Compton, Claire Smith, Betty Keeling, Stephanie Broussard, Rita Duplantis, Sandra Mensman, Ward Mensman, Glenn Thibodaux, Duval Arthur, Takeshia Dixon, Russell Vicknair, Myra White, Lester Beam, Fern Gandelone, Gertrude Prestenbach, Lisa G. Kent, Ida Mae Percle, Joseph Mensman, Edmond "Eddie" Guidry, Jr., Spenser Kron, Dr. "Chip" Metz, Everett J. Prestenbach, Dianne Broussard, Annette Landry, April Kindred, Donna M. Credeur, Cynthia A. Wiltz, Mark Landry, Chris Sunseri, Mary Trasclair, Jason Dugar, Patricia Stelly, Peggy LeBlanc, Jennifer Beckett, DPG., JB, BW, Lanie White, Reid Breaux, and All those in Nursing Homes.



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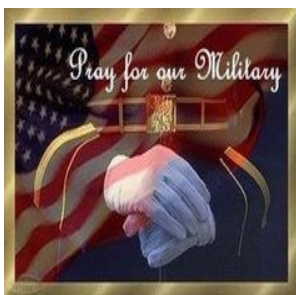
## Children's Corner

**Sharing the Gospel** When Joseph and Mary brought baby Jesus to the temple, they dedicated Jesus to God. An old man named Simeon was also in the temple that day. As soon as Simeon saw and held baby Jesus, he praised God. He knew that Jesus was going to bring God's love to all people, including you.



**Prayer** God, I thank you for sending Jesus to save all people from sin.

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



U.S. Armed Forces and All who serve & protect us, Craig Bourdier, Ryan Bourdier, Andrew Bourdier, Joseph Johnson, V, Mathew Young, Luke Zweigle, Draven Smith, Brian Hartman, Ory Arcemont, Ryan Hunter, Cameron Case, Carson LeBlanc, Matthew Tregle, Tanner Richards, Johnathan Villegas, Brandon Daigle.



### PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please send your prayer intentions to [shsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shsecretary@htdiocese.org) or call the rectory 385-0770 and we will include them in our daily prayers.

**Something to Draw** a picture of the old man Simeon happily holding baby Jesus.

**Mission for the Week** Ask the Holy Spirit to show you how special Jesus is.



**BAPTISMS:** Saturday or Sunday. Church Baptism Application should be turned in before the baptism seminar. BOTH parents AND Godparents MUST attend a baptism seminar held on the first Tuesday of each month, 6:00PM in the Gallen Room . Please register by calling the church office.

**WEDDINGS:** Couples should make an appointment with the parish priest at least six months in advance.

**ANONING OF THE SICK:** Call the rectory anytime at 385-0770.

**COMMUNION IN THE HOME/HOME VISITS:** Call the rectory at 385-0770.

**HOSPITAL VISITS:** If you or someone you know would like to be visited in the hospital, call the rectory at 385-0770.

To request a Parish Registration Form, call the Rectory at 385-0770 or [shcsecretary@htdiocese.org](mailto:shcsecretary@htdiocese.org)



### St. Josephine Bakhita

The saints are more than lovely pictures on a holy card. If we dig a little deeper, their lives can challenge and transform our own.

On February 8th, the Church celebrates St. Josephine Bakhita. As a young girl, St. Josephine was kidnapped from her family in Darfur and sold into slavery at age nine. She was introduced to Catholicism as an adolescent and experienced a profound love for Jesus Christ. St. Josephine eventually gained legal freedom and entered religious life. Though she bore over one hundred scars beneath her habit, St. Josephine forgave her enemies and became known in the convent for her humility and joyful spirit.

Author Fr. Jeff Kirby writes, "Saint Josephine gives us all a scarred and human face to the evils of human trafficking, racial tension, and of the brutality found in the peripheries. Her life demands a response." As we approach the season of Lent, let us recall our own call to conversion and an active concern for those who suffer.

### PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND EVERYBODY

#### Prayer of Faith

Dear God,  
Open my eyes to Your movement in my life.  
And, even when I don't see it or don't understand, help me to rely on the promises of Your love and mercy. *Amen.*



## Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope



Jubilee Year occurs every 25 years, and is a moment in the life of the Church where we are invited to experience God's mercy in a profound way, a time to be reconciled, restored, and renewed. This Jubilee Year of 2025 is uniquely focused on hope. Let us be reminded that Jesus is our hope. From His birth to His resurrection, Jesus is our hope.

The year began on the Feast of the Holy Family, December 29, 2024 and closes on the Feast of the Holy Family December 28, 2025.

There are five churches in the Diocese designated as pilgrim churches: Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales, Co-Cathedral Church of St. Joseph, Sacred Heart of Morgan City, Sacred Heart of Montegut, and Sacred Heart of Cut Off.

*The Indulgence may be gained either for the person visiting this sacred pilgrim site or for a holy soul in purgatory.*

### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Anna and Simeon saw greatness and glory in the face of a tiny babe. Jesus was insignificant in the eyes of others who looked for the Messiah in the gilded halls of kings. But Anna and Simeon recognized God when they saw him. Do we?

#### **MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**

The **second collection** this weekend is for the Parish Maintenance Fund.

*Thank you for your continued support!  
of this important fund!~*

### Charter for the Protection of Children & Young People

**Reporting Numbers:** To report suspected abuse of a minor, call the LA Department of Children & Family Services (24/7) 1(855) 452-5437. **Outreach line for victims of sexual abuse by church workers.** If you suspect child abuse by clergy, church officials, church employees or volunteers, please also contact the Victims' Assistance Coordinator (985) 850-3172 and Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Outreach Line (985) 873-0026.