## WELCOME TO THE SHRINE of OUR LADY

We welcome all our Parishioners and esteemed Guests as you come to experience the beauty of the Ancient Liturgy and Devotions here at this special Parish and also Diocesan Shrine to Our Lady of Fatima. We hope vou will become a regular member of our Catholic Parish where, always, Tradition is in season! God bless you!



## THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Sat. 01 - 28

Sun. 01 - 29

Mon. 01 - 30

Tues. 01 - 31

Wed. 02 - 01

Fri. 02 - 03

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

Thurs. 02 - 02

NUNC dimittis servum tuum. Domine \* Secundum verbum tuum in pace: Quia viderunt oculi mei \* salutare tuum Quod parasti \* ante faciem omnium populorum: Lumen ad revelationem gentium, \* Et gloriam plebis tuae Israel.

NOW dismiss Thy servant, O Lord, \* in peace, according to Thy word: For mine own eyes hath seen \* Thy salvation, Which Thou hast prepared \* in the sight of all the peoples, A light to reveal Thee to the nations \* and the glory of Thy people Israel.

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY \*\*\* JANUARY 29, 2023 \*\*\* FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

**COLLECTION** - The sum total: \$5,106.79; Sat. 4 PM: \$381.00; Sun. 7:30 AM: \$641.00; 10:30 AM: \$2,743.01; Online: \$1,341.78. Those who care to continue to help us in our mission, please send your donations by mail or use online giving on our website (latinmasspensacola.com) by making a withdrawal using your credit card (which the Parish will incur about a 4% charge) or directly from your bank. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY RAFFLE - The tickets for our Annual Holy Name Society Raffle are in the back of the Church. Every parishioner/family is asked to buy at least 100 tickets. The raffle will take place on Candlemas Day as usual. Envelopes for each one are set there along with our new 2023 calendars and the new pocket calendars.

CANDLEMAS - As the time flows by, we soon will celebrate the end of Christmastide with the great Feast of the Presentation on Thursday, February 2nd. As usual this includes the Blessing of Candles and outdoor candlelight Procession (if weather permits), and the High Mass with Novena to the Child Jesus. There will be a reception in the Canon Pérez Hall during which the annual Holy Name Raffle will take place. Have you retrieved and returned your Raffle tickets? This is an important feature of our life here at the Shrine.

CSA - Now that we have begun a new year it is time to be thinking about the CSA for 2023. We remind everyone that it is requirement to participate in this to be considered a bona fide Parishioner. After we meet our goal every cent comes

SECRETARY - It is with great sadness that we need to announce that our Secretary, Lisa Fisher, will have to step down from her duties because of serious health reasons. This means that we NEED A NEW SECRETARY! If you or anyone you know wants the part-time position please let Canon Pérez know ASAP. We are still in need of a Housekeeper and

HOLY NAME SOCIETY - The Holy Name Society will have its next meeting on Sunday, January 29th, at 9 AM in the Canon Pérez Parish Hall. All men are invited!

THEOLOGY CLASS - We have begun our Theology Classes on Wednesdays at 7 pm. The presentation from the Kolbe Center has been rescheduled to Wednesday, Feb. 8th. ANOINTING OF THE SICK - As usual in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes and the World Day of the Sick, we will have the conferring of the Sacrament of Unction on all over 60 years of age as well as those who are seriously or chronically ill after the 4PM Mass on Saturday, February 11th. All are asked to go to Confession before.

## MASS INTENTIONS, SAINTS and ASSIGNMENTS

4:00 PM Int. Dr. Richard Hyland St. Thomas Aquinas, D 4:00 PM Dr. Richard Hyland 7:30 AM Lillian Teresa Credeur St. Valerius of Zaragoza, B & M 10:30 AM Pro Populo St. Francis De Sales, B, D & F 7:30 AM Cedric Feinstein 8:30 AM Iohnny García St. Martina, V & M 6:00 PM Int. Kenneth Small Family St. Iohn Bosco, P & F 10:30 AM Conor Voreis 6:00 PM Int. Duagui Family St. Ignatius, B & M CANDLEMAS 6:00 PM S.S. Holy Name Society Altar Duty

St. Blaise, B & M

St. Andrew Corsini, B Sat. 02 - 04 8:00 AM Int. The Adornetto Family St. Eutichius, M 4:00 PM S.S. Ladies' Sodality Sun. 02 - 05 7:30 AM Pro Populo **SEPTUAGESIMA** 

Forgotten Souls in Purgatory

Int. V. Rev. Canon Héctor R.G. Pérez

St. Agatha, V & M Lawn Maintenance

Lectors

Josie McBride

## **CANDLEMAS - THE PURIFICATION - THE PRESENTATION**

The Emmanuel has left Bethlehem; He has come among the people; He is about to take possession of His Temple, and the mere fact of His entering it, will straightways give it a glory, which is far above that of its predecessor. He will often visit it during His mortal life; but His coming to it today, carried as He is in Mary's arms, is enough for the accomplishment of the promise, and all the shadows and figures of this Temple at once pale before the rays of the Sun of Truth and Justice. The blood of oxen and goats will, for a few years more, flow on its altar; but the Infant, Who holds in His veins the Blood that is to redeem the world, is, at this moment, standing near that very Altar. Amidst the Priests who are there, and amidst the crowd of Israelites who are moving to and fro in the sacred building, there are a few faithful ones, who are in expectation of the Deliverer, and they know that the time of His manifestation is at hand; — but there is not one among them all, who knows, that at that very moment, this expected Messias is under the same roof with himself... But, this great event could not be accomplished, without a prodigy being wrought by the Eternal God, as a welcome to His Son. The Shepherds had been summoned by the Angel, and the Magi had been called by the Star, when Jesus was born in Bethlehem: this time, it is the Holy Ghost Himself Who sends a witness to the Infant, now in the great Temple...There was then living in Jerusalem an old man whose life was well nigh spent. He was a Man of desires, and his name was Simeon; his heart had longed unceasingly for the Messias, and at last, his hope was recompensed. The Holy Ghost revealed to him that he should not see death without first seeing the rising of the Divine Light. As Mary and Joseph were ascending the steps of the Temple to take Jesus to the Altar, Simeon felt within himself the strong impulse of the Spirit of God; he leaves his house, and walks towards the Temple; the ardor of his desire makes him forget the feebleness of age. He reaches the porch of God's House—and there, amidst the many mothers who had come to present their children, his inspired gaze recognizes the Virgin, of whom he had so often read in Isaias, and he presses through the crowd to the Child she is holding in her arms...Mary, guided by the same Divine Spirit, welcomes the saintly old man, and puts into his trembling arms the dear object of her love, the Salvation of the world. Happy Simeon! figure of the ancient world, grown old in its expectation, and near its end. No sooner has he received the sweet Fruit of Life than his youth is renewed as that of the eagle, and in his person is wrought the transformation which was to be granted to the whole human race. He cannot keep silence—he must sing a Canticle—he must do as the Shepherds and Magi had done, he must give testimony: "Now," says he, "now, O Lord, Thou dost dismiss Thy servant in Peace, because my eyes have seen Thy Salvation, which Thou hast prepared—a Light that is to enlighten the Gentiles and give glory to Thy people Israel."... Immediately, there comes, attracted to the spot by the same Holy Spirit, the holy Anna, Phanuel's daughter, noted for her piety, and venerated by the people on account of her great age. Simeon and Anna, the representatives of the Old Testament, unite their voices, and celebrate the happy coming of the Child Who is to renew the face of the earth; they give praise to the mercy of Jehovah, who, in this place, in this Second Temple, gives Peace to the world, as the Prophet Aggeus (Haggai) had foretold...Simeon gives back to Mary the Child she is going to offer to the Lord. The two Doves are presented to the Priest, who sacrifices them on the Altar; the price for the ransom is paid; the whole law is satisfied; and, after having paid her homage to her Creator in this sacred place, where she spent her early years, Mary, with Jesus fastly pressed to her bosom, and her faithful Joseph by her side, leaves the Temple...Such is the mystery of this Fortieth Day, which closes, by this admirable Feast of the Purification, the holy season of Christmas. Several learned writers, among whom we may mention Henschenius and Pope Benedict the Fourteenth, are of opinion that this Solemnity was instituted by the Apostles themselves. This much is certain, that it was a long-established Feast even in the fifth century. (Dom Prosper Guéranger).