

# PARISH NEWS

*Luke's Gospel is the only one to mention the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple.*

*What is Luke trying to communicate here and what connection does it have with Mary?*

February 2 is exactly forty days after December 25, the nativity of Jesus. Jewish law (Ex 13:2, 12) dictated that Jesus, as the firstborn, be consecrated to God. This was done by the parents as they presented their Son in the Temple.

Jewish law further specified (Lv 12:2-8) that a mother was ritually impure after giving birth, and that she had to wait a set period of time (forty days for a boy) before she was to offer a sacrifice to the Lord for purification.

The convergence of these two Jewish regulations occasions Luke's account of both the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of Mary. These days the liturgical emphasis is more on the Presentation of Jesus. Luke highlights the role of Simeon and Anna, two righteous Jews who recognized Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah and praised God for being able to see and experience such a marvel in their lifetimes.

Simeon's prayer concerning the special role of Jesus states that Jesus is "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." This phrase eventually originated the custom of blessing candles on this day which were to be used in the ceremonies, rituals, and processions throughout the church year. Thus February 2 is also known as Candlemas Day. This day is indeed a rich feast to be savored.



**Mass Intentions** Mass Intentions for 2019 Anyone interested in Mass Intentions for your living and deceased loved ones, please contact the Parish Center.

**PLEASE NOTE: We have NO intentions for the many of the Sunday Masses to be celebrated at St. Donato's. If you would like to schedule a Mass please call the parish office.**

## TAX RETURNS

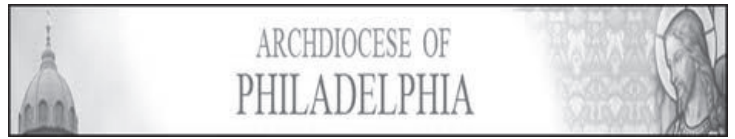
Any parishioner whose donations, during 2018, amounted to more than \$250.00 will automatically receive a receipt letter in the mail. If you believe that your donations were under that amount and you still wish to receive a letter please call the office and inform us and one will be sent out.

## AMAZONSMILE

Amazon will donate .05% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church whenever you shop at AmazonSmile. Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)



Because of scheduling conflicts we will not be able to resume the exposition on Thursdays in the church until February. The grotto chapel always has the Eucharist present in it and has exposition from 8:30 am until 6:00 pm Monday thru Saturday.



## ARCHDIOCESE CATHOLIC NEWS

For the Archdiocese News: visit: [www.CatholicPhilly.com](http://www.CatholicPhilly.com) The website is updated daily with local, national, and international Catholic news. Sign-up for the Free weekly newsletter.

## HEART OF A PRIEST

Relic Pilgrimage of St. Jean Vianney's Incorrupt Heart will be at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, 18th St & Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Phila, PA on February 2 & 3, 2019. For more info, visit: <http://cathedralphila.org/sjv/>

## MALVERN RETREAT HOUSE ART SHOW

8th Annual Art Show will be on January 30 to February 3, 2019 from 10am-7pm Daily at McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center. Free Admission. For info, visit: [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com)

## RETRouvaille

Marriage Help – Catholic based program to help marriages that are stressed or in trouble. The Next program will be at Malvern Retreat House on February 8-10, 2019. All calls confidential. For more info, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit: [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

## FIVE KEYS TO FREEDOM

Five Keys of Unbound next session will be February 24, 2019 from 2-4pm at Our Lady of Peace, Milmont Park, PA. Speaker: Meghan Cokeley, Director of the Archdiocesan Office for the New Evangelization. For info, visit: [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events).

## MAN-UP PHILLY MEN'S CONFERENCE

On Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 7:30am-5pm at Neumann University Mirenda Center for Sport, Spirituality, and Character Development, Aston, PA, the men of our parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 11th Annual Men's Spirituality Conference. For info and to Register, visit: [www.manupphilly.com](http://www.manupphilly.com)

## LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Join us for a Day of Recollection in Lent as an act of prayer, fasting and almsgiving on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 9am-3:30pm at Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, Phila, PA. No charge to attend and parking is free in the Cathedral lot. Please RSVP via e-mail: [sr.gbraccio@archphila.org](mailto:sr.gbraccio@archphila.org)

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE

Mark Your Calendar! The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC will be Saturday, October 19, 2019. More details to come!

## AID FOR FRIENDS

The cold weather is here...time to start cooking those savory stews and soups! Please consider cooking extra meals for our needy clients. Trays are available near the church exits. We'd like to fully stock all of the freezers (Lourdes, St. Matthias, St. Denis) in this region, before the cold and snowy weather hits. For info, please call the OLL Parish Center or Ginny Schwartz at 610-348-2947.

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Sunday – January 27

8am-1pm Food For the Needy Dropoff—Rectory Porch

12:30pm Baptism—Church

### Monday – January 28

7pm CCD Classes—Parish Center

7pm Youth Group—Parish Center

### Tuesday – January 29

7:30pm RCIA Classes—Parish Center

### Wednesday – January 30

7pm Legion of Mary—Parish Center

7pm Adult Choir Practice—Choir Loft

### Thursday – January 31

1pm Senior Citizens Group—St. Donato Church Hall

### Saturday – February 2

8:30am Saturday Salve—Church

10am Church Cleaning

4pm Devotion to St. Raymond Relic—Church

### Sunday – February 3

8am-1pm Devotion to St. Raymond Relic—Church

## PARISH MINISTRIES—February 3rd

### Saturday 4:00pm

Lector: J & P Varzaly

Servers: A. Miller, T. Miller

### Sunday 8:00am

Lector: G. Boggia

Servers: J. Allie, J. Jackson

### 9:30am

Servers: J. Hare, V. Marozzi, D. Green, L. Haselbarth

### 10:00am (St. Donato)

Lector: L. Allegrini-Komorowski

### 11:30am

Lector: D. Aniatang

Servers: K. Key, K. Key, D. Ermine

### 8:00pm

Lector: D. Wayne

## LIHEAP

LIHEAP helps income-eligible families pay their winter heating bills. LIHEAP grants available November 1, 2018. **PGW** at 215-684-6100 or visit: [www.pgworks.com/LIHEAP](http://www.pgworks.com/LIHEAP). **PECO** at 1-800-344-3574 or visit: [www.peco.com/LIHEAP](http://www.peco.com/LIHEAP)

## PECO-MEAF

With PECO's Matching Energy Assistance Fund (MEAF), customers donations are matched 100% by PECO. Every dollar collected and matched is given directly to MEAF recipients through a one-time grant. Call 1-800-403-6806.

## RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Retreats are for anyone hurting from the spiritual and emotional pain of an abortion on March 22-24, 2019 in Malvern, PA. Call: 215-720-5828 or visit: [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Center

1941 Wynnewood Road  
Philadelphia, PA 19151

215-473-1669 (phone)

215-473-1670 (fax)

### [www.ourladylourdes.org](http://www.ourladylourdes.org)

For information concerning sacraments or to meet with a staff member, please contact Denise Baker the parish secretary at the office number above.

## REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. (vigil)

Sunday 8:00, 9:30 (Latin High Mass),

11:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. at St. Donato Worship Site

### Sacrament of Reconciliation (confessions)

Saturday 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

## OLL WEBSITE

Check It Out! Includes the Weekly Bulletin, Calendar, and Mass Schedule, Updates.

Visit: [www.ourladylourdes.org](http://www.ourladylourdes.org)

## Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes

If you are new to our area and/or you enjoy coming to our parish, SIGN UP and be a part of our Overbrook Family! Fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or contact the Parish Center to register.

### PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ New Registration ☐ Change of Address

☐ Moving out of Parish