When Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple, they offered a sacrificial gift “in accord with the dictate in the law of the Lord.” An offering of a specific size or kind is not “dictated” when we bring our gifts to the altar at Mass. Is my gift reflective of the many blessings I have received? (See Luke 2:24)

Cuando María y José trajeron a Jesús al Templo, ofrecieron un regalo en sacrificio “que ordena la Ley del Señor.” Una ofrenda de una clase o tamaño específico no ha sido “dictada” cuando traemos nuestros regalos al altar en la Misa. ¿Refleja mi regalo las muchas bendiciones que yo he recibido? (Ver Lucas 2:24)
The Presentation of the Lord  
February 2, 2020  
He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way.  
— Hebrews 2:17a

February 2, 2020

SAT 02/01 4:00 pm  Paul Andrieu Jr. (D)  
Raymond Moser (D)  
Medwin & Beverly Mina & Son (L)  

SUN 02/02 8:00 am  All Members of Cortez Family  
9:30 am  Mauricio Ramos (D, Anniv.)  
Ivette Raquel Acevedo (D, Anniv.)  
Purificacion Lim (L, B-Day)  

Brisbane 9:30 am  For the Parishioners  
Spanish 11:00 am  Blas Garcia (D)  
Ivette Raquel Acevedo (D, Anniv.)  
12:30 pm  Ivette Raquel Acevedo (D, Anniv.)  

MON 02/03 7:00 am  All Souls in Purgatory  
TUE 02/04 7:00 am  Joseph Gieo (D)  
WED 02/05 7:00 am  Norberto (D)  
5:30 pm  For the Parishioners  
THUR 02/06 7:00 am  For the Parishioners  
FRI 02/07 7:00 am  Bob Bariuan (D)  
7:00 pm  For the Parishioners  
SAT 02/08 7:30 am  For the Parishioners  
4:00 pm  Charlie Borg (D)  
Ernesto David (L, Healing)  

SUN 02/09 8:00 am  Cecilia & Mark Dudek & Family (L)  
9:30 am  Christine E. Ouano-Dodd (L, B-Day)  
Matilde Cheng (D, Anniv.)  

Brisbane 9:30 am  For the Parishioners  
Spanish 11:00 am  Todas las Almas en el Purgatorio  
12:30 pm  Nenet Seegmiller (L, Tks)  

Mass intentions for the entire year can be scheduled at the Parish Rectory during normal Office Hours. Bring a written/typed list with the requested mass date, time, and name to be mentioned. Donation: $10 per Mass.

OLV SCHOOL NEW STUDENT APPLICATIONS
Applications for new students (Kindergarten to Grade 6) to Our Lady of the Visitacion School are now being accepted. Applications are available at our school office or online at www.olvsf.org. Kindergarten applicants must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2020. Turn in the completed applications to the school office. If you have any questions, please contact the school at (415) 239-7840.

THE ROAD TO GOD
There is but one road to lead us to God—humility; all other ways would only lead astray, even were they fenced in with all virtues. — Nicolas Boileau-Despreaux
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — There will come to the temple the LORD whom you seek (Malachi 3:1-4).

Psalm — Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Ps 24).

Second Reading — Jesus had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way to help the descendants of Abraham (Hebrews 2:14-18).

Gospel — The just and pious Simeon proclaims the infant Jesus to be a revealing light to the Gentiles, the glory of the people Israel (Luke 2:22-40 [22-32]).


READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29; Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 58:7-10; Ps 112; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

February 7th-14th is National Marriage Week USA. It is a time to celebrate the gift that marriage is to our Church and reflect on how we can build up a culture of life and love that supports marriage and family. Our 2020 theme is “Stories from the Domestic Church.” The Archdiocese joins in the nationwide initiative with Catholics and other Christians as we celebrate marriage and family, the “first society” for all of us. Visit foryourmarriage.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP AT ST. PIUS

“Moving through the Loss of a Loved One” is a focused support group being offered by the St. Pius Grief Ministry. The group is intended for those who would like to participate in a support group focused on progressing through their personal grief journey. Meetings will be held at St. Pius Church Parish Center in Redwood City on Monday evenings for eight consecutive weeks, beginning on Monday, February 3rd. For more information or to register, contact the Grief Ministry at (650) 361-0655 or griefministry@pius.org. Walk-ins are welcome.

THIRD ANNUAL WOMEN’S RETREAT

St. Dominic’s offers its annual Retreat for Woman on Tuesday, February 4th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm in their Parish Hall. The theme is “Your Mind as a Sanctuary.” The retreat leader is Br. Matthew Wanner, O.P. The cost is $50 and includes breakfast pastries and catered boxed lunch. Confession is available, and Eucharistic Adoration is on the program. For complete information and to register, visit the website, stdominics.org/event?id=79737. For questions, please contact Kathy Folan at (415) 567-7824 x111 or kathy@stdominics.org.

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES IMMIGRANT SERVICES

The Interfaith Refugee Welcome, a Bay Area interfaith group providing financial support for immigrants in transition, will host a concert featuring world-class chamber musicians Amy Foote (soprano) and Matt Linder (guitar) on Friday, February 7th at 7:30 pm, at Zion Lutheran Church, 495 9th Ave. (at Anza) in San Francisco. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities Center for Immigration Legal & Support Services. Suggested donation is $20 for individuals and $30 for families. Includes win-and-cheese reception preceding the concert.

Catholic Charities has been chosen as this year’s beneficiary for its steadfast work in protecting the lives and dignity of immigrants by providing legal services, counsel and advocacy. All are invited to come and hear this married couple perform music from the Renaissance to the present day while benefiting our immigrant community.

MASS FOR “GOD’S SPECIAL PEOPLE”

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone is the main celebrant at a Mass celebrating World Day of the Sick on Saturday, February 8th at 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary’s Cathedral. All are invited to attend. The event is sponsored by the Order of Malta. The Order of Malta says: “This is a Celebration for God’s Special People. Catholic adults and children with disabilities are invited to participate in a Mass designed for them. Every parish has members with disabilities: This is a special day for us all to join the celebration of Mass as a community supporting inclusivity of our special needs family.” A reception follows Mass in the hall below the Cathedral. Mass will be livestreamed on the archdiocesan YouTube channel. For more information, please visit the website at sfarch.org/events/healingmass. A link to Pope Francis’s message for World Day of the Sick 2020 is also available on the website.
ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
The Archdiocesan Annual Appeal is our one chance annually to join with Catholics throughout our Archdiocese and assist those who depend on us. Your generosity supports social justice ministries, our schools, seminarians, and Deacons, to name just a few. On behalf of everyone who needs and utilizes our programs and services, I invite you to support this Appeal. It is critical to our mission and ministry as an Archdiocese.

Today is Appeal Sunday, and each household is asked to make a special effort to support the people we assist. Please prayerfully consider your gift and respond as you are able. Every dollar you give to the Appeal goes toward our parish goal of $43,000 for Visitation and $4,520 for OLG Mission. Brochures are available in the pews.

MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY
The Archdiocese of San Francisco is developing a ministry for mental health. Our website contains important new information and resources, including the California Catholic Bishops’ pastoral letter on “Hope and Healing,” two articles from U.S. Catholic magazine on how parishes can take action to help the mentally ill, and a video by a California pastor describing his parish’s experience with mental health ministry. Visit the website, sfarch.org/mental-health, for this and much more. Or contact Ed Hopfner, Office of Marriage & Family Life, at hopfnere@sfarch.org or (415) 614-5547.

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LITURGY MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Saturday, February 8th
4:00 pm R1 – Willie Delizo R2– Elissa Lam
E– Mike State, Ed Barles, Cindy Malunao
U– Ricky Lim, Pacifico Grospe, Mario Escalona, Miguel Campos

Sunday, February 9th
8:00 a.m. R1 – Celia Francis R2 – Sia Moelasi
E– Dely Musngi, Connie Cabardo, Miguel Campos
U– Arnold Bautista, Malou Bautista, Pacifico Grospe
9:30 a.m. R1 – Tino Medios R2 – Miguel Campos
E– Crispin Lim, Purificacion Lim, Mindy Mangibin
U– Jorge Portillo, Jose Ochoa, Butch Mangibin, Tino Medios
12:30 pm R1 – Jocelyn Mina R2 – Ed Ramirez
E– Ed Barles, Willie Delizo, Lily Escandor
U– Lily Sweeney, Brandon Carino, J. Cenina

RESPECT LIFE ESSAY CONTEST
MASS AND AWARDS
Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone will preside at the Respect Life Essay Contest Awards Mass on Sunday, February 9th at 11:00 am in St. Mary’s Cathedral. Mass is followed by an awards ceremony in Patrons Hall. All the students who participated and submitted an essay or a work of art are invited to attend, with their families and friends. Congratulations to all the archdiocesan Catholic schools, parish religious education programs, and home-schools whose students took part in the 31st annual essay contest, and thanks to the volunteers who read the essays. The list of winners is posted online at sfarch.org/essay-contest. Please RSVP by February 6th, with the number of guests who will be attending. RSVP to Maria Martinez-Mont at (415) 998-5708 or martinezmontm@sfarch.org.

OLV SPORTS CRAB FEED
OLV Sports is hosting their annual Crab Feed Dinner on Saturday, February 15th in the Parish Hall. Tickets are $65 per person. Seating is limited and going fast. No tickets are sold at the door. For tickets, please call Melissa Long at the school office, (415) 239-7840. We need donations of sodas, waters and raffle prizes.

PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT RETREAT
Is God calling you or someone you know to the priesthood? To discern your vocation is to discover God’s purpose for your life. Come to our Weekend Discernment Retreat and investigate where God may be calling you. Open to single men, 21 years or older. The retreat is February 21st–23rd at St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park; lodging and all meals are provided. Attendance does not imply further obligation. For more information, please visit our website, stpsu.edu/is-god-calling-you, or contact Fr. Cameron Faller, Vocation Director, at (415) 614-5683.