



# Sacred Heart Cathedral

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Cathedral Office Hours  
Monday—Thursday 9:00am — 3:00pm  
Friday 9:00am — Noon  
**We are CLOSED Mon—Thurs from 12:10pm — 12:40pm**

## MASS TIMES

### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 4:00pm  
Sunday 7:00am, 9:15am & 11:15am

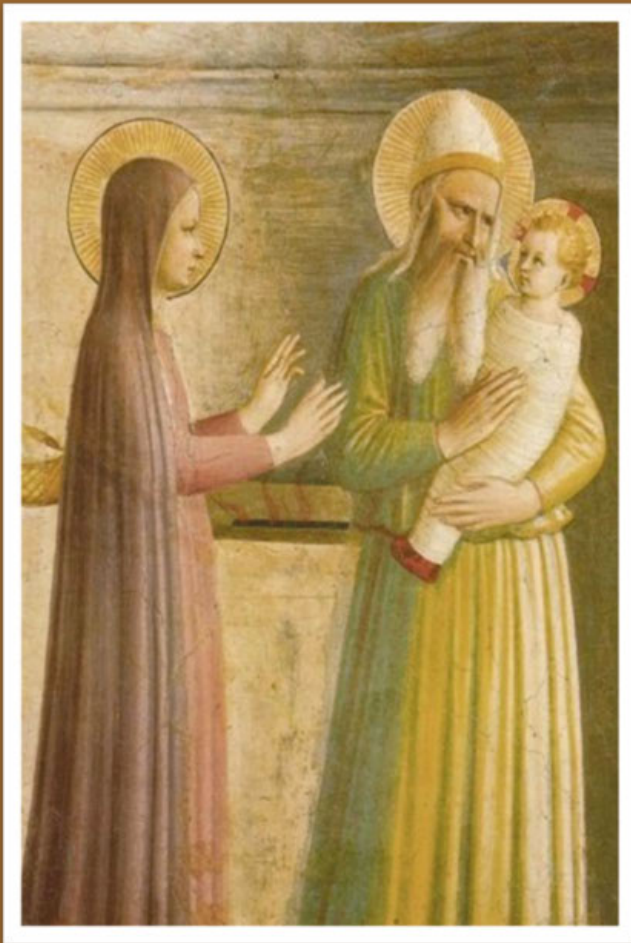
### **Daily Mass**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10pm  
Tuesday at 7:30am

## CELEBRATION OF PENANCE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:30am — Noon  
Friday 11:30am — Noon and 4:45 — 5:30pm  
Saturday 2:30 — 3:30pm

**February 2, 2025**  
**The Presentation Of The Lord**



### **Candlemas Reflection by Dom Prosper Guéranger (1805-1875), Abbot of Solesmes**

The mystery of today's ceremony of the blessing of candles has frequently been explained by liturgists, dating from the 7th century.

According to St. Ivo of Chartres, the wax which is formed from the juice of flowers by the bee, (which has always been considered as the emblem of virginity), signifies the virginal flesh of the Divine Infant, who diminished not, either by his conception or his birth, the spotless purity of his Blessed Mother. The same holy Bishop would have us see, in the flame of our candle, a symbol of Jesus, who came to enlighten our darkness. St. Anselm Archbishop of Canterbury, speaking on the same mystery, bids us consider three things in the blest candle: the wax, the wick, and the flame. The wax, he says, which is the production of the virginal bee, is the Flesh of our Lord; the wick, which is within, is his Soul; the flame, which burns on the top, is his Divinity.

Formerly, the faithful looked upon it as an honor to be permitted to bring their wax tapers to the Church, on this Feast of the Presentation, that they might be blessed together with those, which were to be borne in the procession by the Priests and sacred Ministers; and the same custom is still observed in some congregations. It would be well if Pastors were to encourage this practice, retaining it where it exists, or establishing it where it is not known. There has been such a systematic effort made to destroy, or, at least, to impoverish the exterior rites and practices of religion, that we find, throughout the world, thousands of Christians who have been insensibly made strangers to those admirable sentiments of faith, which the Church alone, in her Liturgy, can give to the body of the Faithful. Thus, we shall be telling many what they have never heard before, when we inform them, that the Church blesses the candles today, not only to be carried in the Procession, which forms part of the ceremony, but, also, for the use of the Faithful, inasmuch as they draw, upon such as use them with respect, whether on sea or on land, (as the Church says in the Prayer), special blessings from heaven. These blest candles ought, also, to be lit near the bed of the dying Christian, as a symbol of the immortality merited for us by Christ, and of the protection of Our Blessed Lady.

**This Weeks Sanctuary Candle**

*In Memory Of — Mr. & Mrs. Witenski & Family  
Requested by — Bell Family*



**Saturday, February 1, 2025**

*Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41*  
2:30—3:30 pm Confession  
3:00 pm Rosary  
4:00 pm Shawn McKechny—Joanna Sanguedolce

**Sunday, February 2, 2025—The Presentation Of The Lord**

*Mal 3:1-4, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-32*  
7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
9:15 am McInerney Family—Family  
Hugh Higgins—Jepson Family  
Robert D. Foley—Joe Foley & Family  
Jerry Desiato—Stephanie & Anthony Anello  
11:15 am Gianna Medical of Central & Western NY—Michele & Jim Kelly  
8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

**Monday, February 3, 2025—Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr**

*Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20*  
11:30—Noon Confession  
12:10 pm Intentions of the Moffitt Family—Family

**Tuesday, February 4, 2025**

*Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43*  
7:30 am Bernard & Mildred McMahon—Culotta Family  
7:00 pm Hands of Christ Award w/Bishop Matano

**Wednesday, February 5, 2025—Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

*Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Mk 6:1-6*  
11:30—Noon Confession  
12:10 pm Intentions of Cathy Ryan—Kristen & Jim Nietopski  
7:00 pm Hands of Christ Awards w/Bishop Matano

**Thursday, February 6, 2025—Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs**

*Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Mk 6:7-13*  
11:30—Noon Confession  
12:10 pm Intentions of Joseph Joy—Mom & Dad

**Friday, February 7, 2025—First Friday**

*Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29*  
11:30—Noon Confession  
12:10 pm Deceased members of the DiPilato & Mastrodonato Family—Family  
1:00—3:00 pm Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration  
3:00 pm Benediction  
4:45—5:30 pm Confession

**Saturday, February 8, 2025**

*Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mt 6:30-34*  
2:30—3:30 pm Confession  
3:00 pm Rosary  
4:00 pm Mango Christin Makungu—Bernadette Makungu

**Sunday, February 9, 2025—Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Is 6:1-2a, 3-8, 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11*  
7:00 am John Mendel—Maryann, Catherine & Elizabeth  
9:15 am Kearney Family—Family  
Intentions of Michael Piersall—Kelly Gotham  
Intentions of James & Sally Lechner—Family  
11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout



**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

In your charity, please pray for Jeffrey Jones and all of our deceased

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.*



**Sick, Infirm and Homebound**

Because of HIPAA laws, the only way the Parish Staff learns of parishioners who are ill or infirmed is if the **parishioner, or a family member notifies the office.**

If you, or someone you know is ill, hospitalized or moved to a nursing facility or family member's home, please let the Cathedral Main Office know.

If you/they are unable to attend Mass, please contact the office to arrange to receive communion.

If a family member has gone to hospice care or needs healing prayers, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be administered by our priest. Please call the office, at 585-254-3221.



On February 15 & 16, Pack and Troop 68 will be having a bottle and can drive after all the masses. It is a good way to put those bottle and cans towards a good cause, supporting scouting at the Cathedral. The troop will collect bottles and cans at the Ridgeway Ave. entrance. If you need assistance, we can collect these from your vehicle. Any questions, please call John Fien at (585) 703-7634.



**PRAY FOR OUR SICK**



Shirley Atwell, Heather Beisheim, Ken Cross, Robert DiFulio, Heidi Erb, Sr. Joan Hilbert RSM, Jon Herron, Megan E. Miller, Gregory McCarthy, Irene Morgan, Donald Stiner, Joseph Whipple

**Catholic Ministry Appeal  
Our Goal for The Cathedral is \$72,000  
We Reached Our Goal!!**

As of 1/28/2025, we have 194 Donors who have contributed to the CMA and we have reached our goal, which has now reached 123.70%. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given, to prayerfully consider doing so.

Thank you, we are very grateful!

**STAND TOGETHER FOR LIFE**

*Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday*

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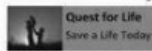


Jan. 25, 2025  
114 University Ave.  
14605

FEATURED SPEAKERS:  
**Mike Warren**  
*Quest for Life*

**Rick Paoletti**  
*40 Days For Life*

9:45 – 11:00  
Rosary 9:15



Come for coffee and donuts hosted by Roc Love Will End Abortion

**Calling All Bakers  
For Joesph's Place  
Bake Food Sale**



The Social Ministry Committee will be holding a baked food sale as a fundraiser for the 10th year anniversary of Joseph's Place. Donations of baked goods are needed for Sunday, February 16.

The GOODIES will be on sale after the 9:15 and 11:15 masses. Please bring your baked sale items the day of the sale on February 16. If you have any questions, please contact the Cathedral office at 254-3221 x104.

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester  
In residence: Rev. Daniel White, Secretary to the Bishop

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**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**



John Martello & Krista Brugnioni

*Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.*

**Parish Offertory January 25 & 26, 2025**

Actual	Goal	Variance
\$8,228	\$7,750	+\$478
<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Goal</b>	<b>YTD Variance</b>
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