

ST. ANNA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 2nd, 2025

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9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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REGULAR MASS

SCHEDULE

Monday 9:00 am

Tuesday 12:15 pm

Wednesday 12:15 pm

Thursday No Mass

Friday 9:00 am

VIGIL MASS

Confession 3:30-4:30pm

Saturday 5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00 am and 12:00 pm

*ADORATION

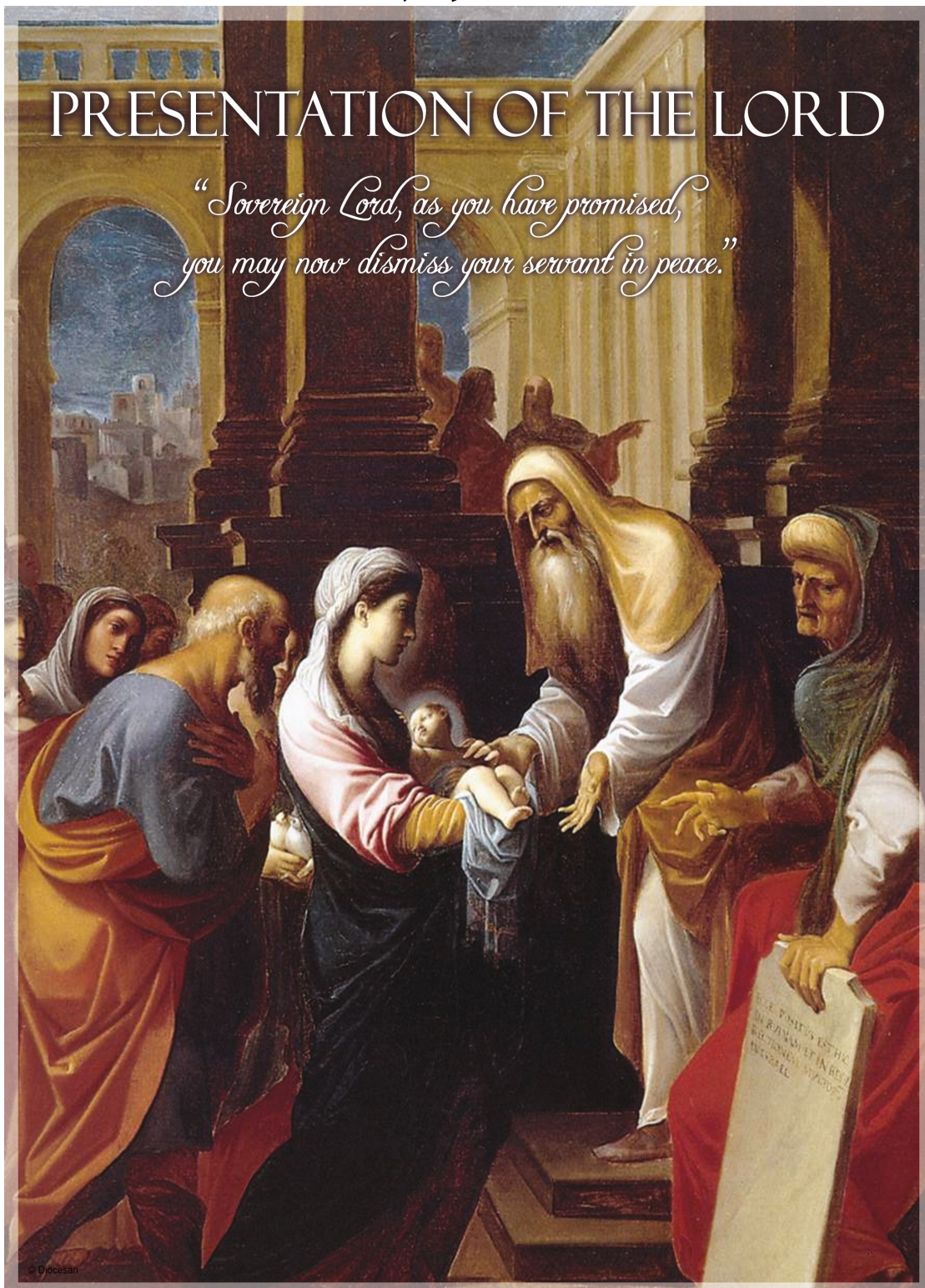
Fridays 9:30 am-3:30 pm

*in the Chapel

HOLY DAY OF

OBLIGATION MASSES

12:15 pm & 6:00 pm



FOR SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL 706-688-9870

FRIENDS OF THE HEART



The next get together will be on **February 6th, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. Our hostesses, Dolly DeProspero and Cindy Palmer, will provide the drinks and desserts while the rest of us bring our favorite dish!

COME SEE WHAT YOU ARE MISSING

- * What you should know about your patron saint
 - * Wonderful Children's Books
 - * Spiritual Growth Inspiration
 - * Bible Questions & Answers
- Visit St. Anna's Library which is open during office hours.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Are you feeling called to pray for a family member?

- A soul in Purgatory?
- An end to war?
- An end to abortion?
- For unity in our parish?



To pray for peace or find it for yourself, learn to pray a Holy Hour in adoration. Schedule an appointment Fridays between 11:30 AM and 2:30 PM by texting or calling Alan Farabaugh at 678-982-9290 or emailing to afarabaugh@bellsouth.net

FAITH & LOVE CONFERENCE WITH CHRISTOPHER WEST

Please join us for our annual Faith and Love conference at St. Catherine of Siena in Kennesaw on Saturday, **February 22, at 9:30 a.m.** This year we will be hosting Christopher West, ThD, internationally-known author and speaker on St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. His presentation will be "Our Bodies Proclaim the Gospel," which is an in-depth introduction to the Theology of the Body. The Most Rev. John Tran will celebrate Mass at 8:30 a.m. For more information, visit www.stcatherinercc.org/faithandlove. For questions, email charisas@stcatherinercc.org.

RETRouvaille MARRIAGE PROGRAM



Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. This may need your time and attention.

Sometimes lines of communication break down and they need repair. Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, "How can I make my marriage better?" If so, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is a marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a weekend program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage. For more information about our upcoming **Retrouvaille Weekend, February 7-9**, contact: Mus and Rubina at 404-234-6006 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org

ST. CECILIA'S CORNER

ECUMENISM (OR HOW DO WE LIVE WITH OUR CHRISTIAN NEIGHBORS!)



This past week (Jan.18-25) has long been celebrated as the Week for Christian Unity. For over 100 years, Catholics have been in discussions with Protestant groups in search of what Jesus demanded of us, "that we may be one." These discussions have brought groups together to look at what things separate us. So, to put this in context, there are over 30,000 different Protestant groups in this country alone. Meanwhile, Catholicism has maintained itself from apostolic times to the present, not without difficulty, but nevertheless intact.

That long history is important. Why? Because there are three things that Catholicism requires for unity. They are apostolic tradition, apostolic leadership and the 7 sacraments. At present, only the Orthodox churches maintain all of that and Catholicism considers them "an equal partner." Groups that do not have those three elements are considered "deficient" and their members are called "separated brethren" or "ecclesial communities." These discussions are in a wonderful document called "**UNITATIS REDINTEGRATIO**" (Latin for Becoming United). This document sets forth the terms for any kind of discussion regarding reunification.

How does that translate to the Catholic church in general? As Catholics, we are required to set the terms for any discussion. This has long been a problem because many folks seem to want to gloss over our differences. And those differences are real, whether we like it or not. Any gathering which does not recognize the primacy of the Catholic Church is already against the fundamental principles of Catholicism. Is this awkward? Yes! As one who has been to these gatherings, I lovingly feel this pain. But simply put, if you are not Catholic, then you are "Protestant", which means you are protesting against the Church. A hard truth to know but one that is very important. In the 1970s through the 2000s there were lots of efforts on the international level down to the local level to deal with differences. While these brought forth some great efforts, the differences have not been solved. The Catholic Church has not avoided these discussions, but it has remained steadfast in setting forth the terms. That why Catholic parishes will not participate in ecumenical services. We are the One, Holy and Apostolic Church. But we also say, "please return home because we love you." I should say in closing that ecumenical work is very sad because the differences can have a difficult effect upon families, communities and friendships. Thus, we are called to work even harder to bring all back to the Catholic faith. It is the mandate our Lord gave us.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

Tax Benefits of Gifts of Securities:

Transferring appreciated stock that you have owned for at least a year is an easy way to support the parish and receive tax benefits. To make a gift to your parish endowment fund by transferring securities, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation (jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440) or visit cfnga.org to learn more.

FEBRUARY 2ND 2025 | THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS:

February 9th: Black and Indian Missions



(BLACK) QR CODE FOR THE OSV CAMPAIGN

ONLINE OFFERTORY GIVING:

You can give online by scanning the (GREEN) QR!



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YOUTH GROUP (9-12TH) FEBRUARY MEET UPS

Wednesdays at 6:30PM

5th, 12th, 19th & 26th

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YOUTH MEALS: We are still doing a meal train for our youth group. If you are interested in donating or making a meal visit:

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/dd9471>



WEEKLY MEETINGS FEBRUARY 2ND—FEBRUARY 8TH

Sunday:

Mass—9:00AM

Mass—12:00PM

School of Religion —10:30AM

Monday:

Mass—9:00AM

Girls Choir —4:30PM

Tuesday:

Mass —12:15PM

RCIA Class—7:00PM^(PH)

Wednesday:

Mass —12:15PM

Boys Choir —4:30PM

Youth Group & Confirmation

Class —6:30PM

Adult Choir —7:00PM

Thursday:

OFFICE CLOSED

NO MASS

Friday:

Mass —9:00AM

Adoration —9:30AM-3:30PM

Saturday:

Reconciliation—3:30-4:30PM

Vigil Mass—5:00PM

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM:

Sunday 9:00 AM:

Sunday 12:00 PM:

Monday 9:00 AM

Tuesday 12:15 PM:

Wednesday 12:15 PM:

Friday 9:00 AM



Barbara McDonald (D)
John & Rose Cocchi (D)
For the Parishioners of St. Anna's
Javier Rodriguez (L) & ancestors
Maria Elena Moreno (D)
Rey Renteria (D)
Johnathan Webster (L)

SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by appointment

INFANT BAPTISM

Catholic parents must be active, registered and participate in a Baptism class. Please, call the office to schedule.

MARRIAGE

Call at least six months before proposed date.

Catholics must be active and registered!

RCIA

Open to those inquiring about the Catholic Faith.

Tuesdays (Oct.-April) 7:00PM

For more information contact Christine Feibish:

cfeibish62@gmail.com

SCRIPTURE READINGS: For the Week of February 2, 2025

Sunday

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 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

Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday

Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

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

Sunday

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 1 Cor 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

****PLEASE DO NOT FEED JOEY OR AUDREY****



If you become aware of or have a reasonable suspicion of abuse you are required to report within 24 hours by Georgia law.

Reports of child abuse and neglect can be made by phone to 1-855-GA CHILD (1-855-422-4453) 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

Archdiocesan policy **requires a follow up letter** to be sent to your local DFCS office detailing all the information provided to the intake center in order to keep records of our response to allegations of abuse. A copy of the letter also needs

to be sent to the **Office of Child and Youth Protection**. If an allegation of abuse involves any member of the clergy,

employee, or volunteer of the Archdiocese of Atlanta, you must contact the Office of the District Attorney and the Office of

Child and Youth Protection in addition to DFCS within 24 hours.

