



Mary Help of Christians
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February 1st, 2026 † Septuagesima Sunday

Sunday, Feb. 1, HOLY MASS 9:00 am - St. Ignatius, BM

Pro Populo

Mon., Feb. 2, No Mass in Springs - Purification BVM

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Tues., Feb. 3, HOLY MASS and BLESSING OF THROATS 8:15am - Feria (St. Blaise, BM)

Glover Family (Glover)

Wed., Feb. 4, HOLY MASS 8:15am - St. Andrew Corsini, BC

Rodney Fries (Fries)

Thurs., Feb. 5, HOLY MASS 8:15am - St. Agatha, VM

Private Intention (Fries)

Fri., Feb. 6, DISTRIBUTION of HOLY COMMUNION and BENEDICTION 8:15am

WEDDING MASS - 10:00am

HOLY MASS and BENEDICTION 6:30 pm - St. Titus, BC *First Friday*

Nichole Bieri (Fries)

Sat., Feb. 7, EXPOSITION 8:00am HOLY MASS 9:00 am - St. Romuald, Ab

Christopher Fries (Fries)

First Saturday

Sunday, Feb. 8, HIGH MASS 9:00 am - Sexuagesima Sunday

Pro Populo

Serving Schedule:

Sun., Feb. 1st: Anthony Kosovich, Joseph Fries

Tues., Feb. 3rd: Anthony Vigil, Andrew Fries

Thurs., Feb. 5th: Alexander Vigil, Jude Vigil

Fri., Feb. 6th 6:30pm: Nick Vigil, Tobias Vigil

Sun., Feb. 8th: Steven Kosovich, Alexander Vigil

Wed., Feb. 4th: John Fries, Hugo Vigil

Fri., Feb. 6th 8:15am: Joseph Fries, Anthony Vigil

Sat., Feb. 7th: Anthony Kosovich, Andrew Fries

“Sweetest Jesus, be not to me a judge but a Savior.” - Ejaculation of St. Jerome Emilian

Confessions: Sundays - 8:00 am and after Mass

Tues. & Wed: 7:45am

Benediction with Rosary and Confessions: will be at 1:50pm on Wednesdays that Mass is scheduled

Ending Hymn: De Profundis

Catechism Classes: Sun., Feb. 1st, 8:15am - 8:45am

Blessing of Religious Articles: Following Holy Mass on the Third Sunday of each month.

PRAY FOR: Jacqueline Meyer, Anna Ahern, Christine Flores, Frank Eberwein, Rose Borders, Mark Gilmor, Arlin Wertish, the Slusher Family, Alex and Xavier Trujillo, Pauline Buonocore, Kyle Kaltenbacher, Elijah Nosko, Joshua Potts, Cynthia Bernard, Michael Micklich, our Military and Police, RIP Gerard Crochet, RIP Mary Allie, RIP Gabriel Trujillo, RIP Mary Watson, RIP Timothy Pogar, RIP Don Hopkins, RIP Roger McCarville, RIP Joe Vogel, RIP Hol Tom Gallegos, RIP Mike Felthager, RIP Mary Gilmor, RIP Maria Atwood, RIP Charles Lambrecht and family, RIP Jose Raul Flores, RIP Frances Kwitek, RIP Susan Walz, RIP Matias & Ben Trujillo, RIP Richard Micklich, RIP Edward Ponder and all those in need. (Contact Sister to add to this list.)

FIRST FRIDAY and FIRST SATURDAY: in reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary are this week. There will not be All Night Adoration, but Holy Hours can be made privately. Devotions for First Saturday will begin at 8:00 am; these include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary with meditations and prayers to the Immaculate Heart.

FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION: Beeswax candles will be available in the back of Church hopefully by next Sunday. A donation to help cover the cost of the candles would be appreciated.

FLOWER COLLECTION: will be taken today for fresh flowers to beautify the House of God!

BLESSING OF THROATS: will follow Mass on Feb. 3rd and on Sunday, Feb. 8th. This special blessing begs for preservation from diseases of the throat and from choking through the intercession of St. Blaise.

BANNS of MARRIAGE: are announced for the third and final time for Matthew Kosovich and Abby Lee Moore. Anyone aware of an impediment is obliged to notify the pastor.

PLENARY INDULGENCE: can be gained by the recitation of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the feast of the Purification, Feb. 2nd, under the usual conditions.

COLLECTION TOTALS for JANUARY: 1-1 \$322; 1-4 \$621; 1-11 \$918; 1-18 \$1091; 1-25 \$1670.

The Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This great solemnity, which closes the holy season of Christmas, has been established in commemoration of the two last mysteries of our Savior's Birth and Infancy. The most pure and beautiful Virgin, in obedience to the law, presented the child Jesus in the temple, offering a couple of turtle-doves for her purification, and five sicles as a ransom for her first-born, Jesus. On this day is fulfilled the prophecy of Aggeus concerning the Messiah, Agg. ii. 8: "Yet one little while . . . and I will move all nations: and the Desired of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with glory." This day St. Simeon and holy Anna, full of the Holy Ghost, recognize our Lord and welcome Him into the temple, as the Salvation, the Light, and the Peace of the world. Wax candles are solemnly blessed on this day, in commemoration of our Lord, whom they represent as the Light of the world: "Three things," says St. Anscliu of Canterbury, "may be considered in the blessed candle: the wax, 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." These blessed candles are to be carried in procession, in remembrance of that wondrous procession made in the temple by our Lady, St. Joseph, St. Simeon, and holy Anna. They should also be kept, to be used by the faithful either on land or sea, and especially to be lit near the bed of a dying Christian, as a symbol of the immortality merited for us by Christ, and as a pledge of the protection of our Lady. Besides all this, blessed candles when burning have a special significance for ourselves. In the first place, they remind us that we ought to acquire the three divine virtues: faith which illuminates, hope which warms, and charity which inflames; for the candle gives light, warmth, and comfort. Furthermore, they suggest to us Christian love of neighbor; for as the burning taper, while warming us to charity, wastes itself, so too should we enlighten our fellow-men by our good works, and at the same time spend ourselves by our deeds of charity and works of neighborly love for others. As the flame of the candle, no matter how we hold it, always burns upward, so too should all our wishes and efforts be directed from the lower to the higher. Our thoughts should be in heaven. Finally, a burning taper reminds us of the uncertainty and fleetness of human life; for when a candle is lighted it begins to waste, and steadily consumes itself, bearing a lively resemblance to human life: at the moment of our birth we began to die, and our life is gradually wasting away amid the din and struggle of life's battle.

