MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:30am - David & Rosalie Angie - Family

11:30am - (Spanish) Jorge Martinez - Martinez Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

12:10pm - Frederick & Michelina Gigliotti — Estate of Lucy Marcello

7:30pm - (Spanish) Anthony & Caroline Marcello — Estate of Lucy Marcello

Wednesday, February 5

8:00am - Emilio & Teresa Mariani - Joanne & George Kleisley

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:00am - George & Arline Kleisley - George & Joanne Kleisley

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

12:10pm - LILLIAN P. EBNER - ESTATE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

4:00pm - Agnes Arthmann - Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bellavia & Gloria Carusotti

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:30am - Aurelio Donato & Luigi Ciaramaglia -Elena Donato & Jenny Ciaramaglia 11:30am - People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Monday, February 3

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

6:30pm - Holy Hour, Spanish (Chapel) 5pm -7pm - Homily Evaluation of Deacons (Church)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

11:00am - Bible Study (Rectory)

6:30 - 7:30pm - Faith Formation (MTMC)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

6:30pm - RCIA & Confirmation (MTMC)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

6:30-8:00pm - Youth Group (Youth House)

7:00pm - Prayer Meeting, Spanish (MTMC)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

10am - Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (MTMC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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So Please, get ready! Save Thursdays on your calendar beginning February 20th at 6 PM.

You won't be sorry! Sign up sheet in back of Church.

"Candlemas Day" - February 2

February 2 is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. It is also known as "Candlemas Day" when we bless the candles we use in church. The substance of the candles represent us burning brightly for the Lord...

I once belonged to a church that had devotional candles you could light. Above these candles was a prayer you were to pray as you lit the candle. The prayer indicated in some way part of what it means to be the 'substance' in which the Lord's Light can burn. Part of the prayer went like this:

"O Blessed Lord... accept this burning candle as a sign of my faith and love for you. Like this candle, I am ready to be used in your service without asking why and to what purpose. Even as this candle is, I wish to be consumed in the Light and warmth of Your Love.

Please hear my prayer, and if it is Your Will, grant my petition... Above all, make me loyal and faithful to You in all the circumstances of my life. Amen."

Chris Rice wrote a song called "Go Light Your World". The words of the song go like this:

"There is a candle in every soul. Some brightly burning, some dark and cold. There is a spirit who brings the fire. Ignites his candle and makes his home.

Carry your candle, run to the darkness Seek out the helpless, confused and torn Hold out your candle for all to see it Take your candle and go light your world.

Frustrated brothers, see how he has tried to Light his own candle some other way See now our sister, she's been robbed and lied to Still holds a candle without a flame

So carry your candle, run to the darkness. Seek out the lonely, the tired and worn Hold out your candle for all to see it Take your candle and go light your world.

We are a family whose hearts are blazing We raise our candles and light up the sky Praying to the Father, "In the name of Jesus Make us a beacon in darkest times!"

Carry your candle, run to the darkness Seek out the helpless, deceived and poor Hold out your candle for all to see it Take your candle and go light your world.

My brothers and sisters at Holy Apostles, May the Lord help us to carry our candles like this! May your candle and mine burn brightly, clearly purely, radiantly, and brilliantly! May the Lord awaken you and me out of any of our own darknesses and may He light whatever is unlit, barely burning or flickering out! And in this spirit, I pray for each and every one of us a prayer inspired by St. Columban:

"Lord, kindle within us the fire of Your Divine Love, the flames of which burn beyond the stars!... May Your Divine Love burn ever within us!

Give me the desire to have my candle ever burning! Give this desire to each one of us and to all of us!

Jesus, help us give Your Light to others! Light our candles so that they may burn forever and ward off the darkness of this world! ... May we love You and each other.

May we desire You alone. May we contemplate You and think of You night and day... Inspire in us the depth of love that is fitting to be able to receive your Light and transmit it to others.

May Your Love pervade our whole being, possess us completely, fill our senses – that we may know no other love but love for You Who are Everything! May we give that love and share that love with all we meet!

And may we help those without a flame to hold their candles up to want one!... May we help those with wavering, burning out and flickering candles to protect their flame so that it doesn't go out!

Please Lord, give us the ability to go out and light our world!