



MONDAY FEBRUARY 2 - Presentation of the Lord

7:00AM Samuel & Jennie Fanara by Bequest
Virginia Parella, 9th Anniv. by Sister Jennie

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3 - Sts. Blaise & Ansgar

7:00AM Caroline & Louise Maturi by Estate
Alice & Edward Coffey

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4

7:00AM Mildred Wendell by Leonard Schmidt

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5 – St. Agatha

7:00AM Joseph & Lillian Baron by Family
5:30PM Nocturnal Adoration
Joseph & Anne Russo & Deceased
Members of Russo Family by Family
Virginia Parella by Sal & Bernice

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6 – St. Paul Miki

7:00AM Mass
9:00AM Our Lady of Mount Carmel School
Matt Viveiros by Staff, Faculty &
Students of OLMC School
Robert Johnson by Faculty &
Students of OLMC School

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7

9:00AM Purgatorial Society
John Wentzell, 6th Anniv. by Mom
Leon & Rita Dobridnia, 62nd Wedding
Anniversary
5:00PM Joseph & Barbara Mc Ardle by Family
John & Mary Simoes by Joyce & David

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8 – 5th Sunday in Ord. Time

7:30AM Mass
9:00AM Lorraine Garafalo by DeLuca Family
Ann Marie Carlo by Rose Goglia
10:30AM Madelyn DeLeo, Birthday Remembrance
by Natalie Urban
Arnold Smith by Dee & Family

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: First Penance will be held on Wednesday, February 11th at 7:00PM in the Church.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. It is forty days after Christmas and has been traditionally known as **CANDLEMAS DAY**. Candles are blest that day as a sign that Christ is to be the light of all nations. These blest candles will be available all day in the Church after they are blest at the 7:00AM Mass.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise, a Bishop and Martyr of the Early Church. Throats are traditionally blest that day due to the miraculous healing power of St. Blaise in curing a child who was choking to death. Throats will be blest at the 7:00AM Mass that morning.

NOCTURNAL ADORATION SOCIETY MASS

will be celebrated on Thursday, March 4th at 5:30PM. The petition for the month of March is for all deceased members of the Nocturnal Adoration Society and the respect for life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death. The flowers have been donated by Carmela Russo in memory of Joseph and Anna Russo and deceased members of the Russo family.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION for the year 2004-2005 will take place at Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 2:00PM. We thank all of the parishioners and their families, friends and neighbors who supported the Eight Grade Macaroni Supper. It was great to see all of us come together as one!

ST. MARY OF THE BAY MARDI GRAS on Saturday, February 27th 6PM to 10PM. Lower Church, tickets \$5.00 per person, \$3.00 kids under 12. Entertainment: Mixed Emotions. Menu: Salad, Chicken Parmesan, Macaroni, Rolls, Butter, Dessert & Coffee. Cash bar for Soda, Water, Wine & Beer. Fabulous Raffles!

PROVIDENCE VISITOR will be available at the back of the Church next week. Please pick up a copy, take it home and spend time looking it over. If you are interested in subscribing to the paper, just drop the specially-marked envelope in the budget collection basket next week.

FIRST FRIDAY CLUB will meet on March 5th at St. Elizabeth's Church in Bristol.

Readings for the Week of February 1, 2004	
Sunday:	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30
Monday:	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11

WOMAN TO WOMAN SUPPORT NETWORK, CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER DINNER & FASHION SHOW next Monday, February 9th at 6:30PM, Venus de Milo. Fashions by Macy's. Door prizes and raffles. Please call Colette Rodrigues for tickets, directions, and donations. (401) 841-9211.

BISHOP MULVEE will direct a weekend Retreat for men 18 – 35 who are discerning a call to the Priesthood on February 13 -14, 2004, from 7:00PM Saturday at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence. Interested? Anyone interested should call Fr. Marcel Taillon, Vocation Recruiter, at 831-8011.

DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY FOR SOCIAL MINISTRY: Effective Monday, January 12th, offices located at 83 Stewart Street, Providence, have a new address and phone number (same building – different entrance). The new phone number for Social Ministry, Community Services and Advocacy, Life and Family Ministry, Governmental Liaison and Hispanic Ministry is (401) 421-7833 and the address is 184 Broad Street, Providence, R.I. 02903.

THE LA SALETTE CROSS: The children to whom Mary appeared at La Salette, France, on September 19th 1846, described the crucifix on Mary's breast as more radiant than anything else in the apparition. A hammer hung on one side and pliers on the other. Although Mary did not explain the significance of these implements, it is thought that the hammer represents sin, which nailed Jesus to the Cross. Just as the pliers removed the nails, penance and prayer help reconcile the world to God.

DEAR PARISHIONERS

Many new additions and improvements have taken place and will take place here at Mount Carmel. As I mentioned last week in the bulletin, our parish school has brand new state of the art Dell Computers, new lockers have been added, new lunch room tables and a hot lunch program is in full swing. In the Church, we hope to begin painting the interior of the Church and repairing the many cracks in the plaster and the old water damage from the former leaky roof, with a target date of completion by Holy Week. In the rectory, through the generous donation of a parishioner, the kitchen is being structurally repaired: fixing two damaged ceiling beams, insulating pipes that constantly freeze, replacing a 20 year old refrigerator that leaked every night, and enlarging and updating the space and cabinetry. A truck was purchased for the parish after the old one died and a twenty-foot ladder was likewise purchased so that we can do required maintenance (e.g. cleaning the ceiling fans, repairing lights in the Parish Hall). Most importantly, our debt to the diocese should be under \$200,000.00 in a few months!!!

In the Ordination Rite when a priest is ordained, the Bishop hands to him the Chalice and Paten as part of the Sacred Ceremony. I have often joked with the Bishop, that he should likewise hand the pastor a tool belt, a toilet plunger, and the Yellow Pages, since these things too become a necessary part of parish life.

Working together much has been and will continue to be accomplished for our parish and school. Thank you for your generous donations of time, talent, and treasure.

Fr. Zinno

<u>BUDGET SUMMARY: JANUARY</u>
Week of January 4 - \$5,842.71
Week of January 11 - \$5,258.96
Week of January 18 - \$5,265.03
Week of January 25 - \$5,350.66
Latin America - \$876.00
Maintenance - \$1,118.50
Debt Reduction January - \$7,939.00

SONS OF ITALY LODGE #2289: The next meeting will be held on March 4th to view slides of "Venice, Pisa, Sienna, and Assisi".