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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 29, 2017

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MONDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00am Special Intention – Fr. Brendan Fitzgerald

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31 - ST. JOHN BOSCO

9:00am Frank Conforti

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00am Sayel Zeiden

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2 – THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

9:00am Special Intention – Fr. Leo Prince

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3 – STS. BLAISE, AND ANSGAR

9:00am Frank Conforti

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00am Frank Conforti 5:00pm Anna Theresa Conforti

Sunday, FEBRUARY 5 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30am Frank Aiello

9:00am Special Intention Healing – Kay Kendall

9:30am Josephine & Stephen Koral

11:30am Special Intention Healing – Anne Vermehren

Intentions are available for each of the 6 candles that burn in The Adoration Chapel. The stipend for 1 week is \$25. If you would like to arrange for a candle intention, call the rectory office, and we will be happy to help you.

Week of JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 4

- *Special Intention President Donald Trump
- *Special Intention For the Unborn
- *In Memory of Alice Long 25th Anniversary INTENTIONS AVAILABLE FOR THE ABOVE DATES

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The Presentation of Our Lord

This coming Thursday, February 2, 2017, the Church will comemmorate the great feast of the Presentation of Our Lord. On this day, the celebration of the events of the Nativity come to a close. In the liturgical life of the Church, the Christmas season concluded with the Baptism of Our Lord. However, some Catholics keep the spirit of Christmas until February 2. For instance, it has been a long-standing custom of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (the Redemptorists...who maintained Mount Saint Alphonsus in Esopus for many years) to celebrate the Christmas season until the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord. We may have noticed the two little Christmas trees that continue to twinkle brightly at the entrance to the rectory. We are keeping the spirit of Christmas alive until the Presentation!

The Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord was first celebrated in the Eastern Church as "The Encounter." In accordance with Jewish law, the first-born male was to be presented to the Lord forty days after his birth. Our Lady and Saint Joseph, faithful to the Law of Moses did so out of love and respect for the precepts of their Jewish faith. Now Our Lady and Saint Joseph knew full well that their little infant was the Son of God. Objectively, they were not obligated to adhere to the Law of Moses. But they did.

There is a great lesson to be gleaned from this Feast, and that is <u>obedience</u>. A Franciscan priest once said that the most difficult of the Evangelical Counsels (poverty, chastity, and obedience), was not the one that many would expect, namely chastity, but rather <u>obedience</u>. There is that natural and adventurous tendency for us to do our own thing. But for Mary and Joseph, what is good and necessary in the plan of salvation is not to be ignored or cast aside.

Over the past fifty or so years, there has been a staggering spirit of rebellion in the Church and civil society.

Contraception, cohabitation, divorce and remarriage without the benefit of a Church-sanctioned annulment, dismissal of the precept for Sunday worship and inattention to the sacraments of baptism and confession. The list goes on and on. Now let's say the Holy Family chose not to follow the Mosaic law, unthinkable to them, but permissible, considering their essential role in the fruition of the New Covenant. Simeon and Anna would have been denied that blessed opportunity to behold the Savior whom they so patiently and prayerfully awaited, to say the least.

Reading about the violent and destructive protests following the inauguration of President Donald Trump, and the "womens" march on Washington, D.C., New York and elsewhere, I couldn't help but think about Herod I, the client king of Judea at the time of the birth of Jesus. Crazed by an irrational fear that this Messiah would grow up to be political-military powerhouse bent on expulsion of the

Roman imperial occupiers, Herod, ordered the massacre of countless boys from infancy to the age of four in the regions of Judea. Had the fear-filled and bloodthirsty Herod instead embraced the Savior, he would have lived a life of peace, and very likely would have been recognized by the Church as "Saint Herod I." But such was not so. The same goes for the frenzied protesters. Wouldn't they have been better off had they pursued a course of prayer, good-neighborliness, friendship, wit, conviviality, joy, and hope rather than burning a limousine, breaking windows, endangering law enforcement officers (and themselves), and ironically denigrating their cause(s) with their obscenity-laced speeches and placards? To embrace the Truth found only in Christ rather than the brick, the Molotov Cocktail, the spray paint can, the curse words, the threats upon the lives of the president and anyone who chose not to subscribe to their

"tolerant" view of the world? Had they possessed the love of Christ, this past weekend, historically a time of new beginnings and hope, would not have morphed before our eyes into a time of fear, mayhem, and anarchy, reminiscent of Saint Petersburg and Moscow during the initial days of the Bolshevik seizure of power in Russia in November 1917.

As Christians, we possess the virtue of hope. No one is outside the pale of God's mercy and history is replete with magnificent stories of radical conversion to Christ. May the obedience of the Holy Family and trust in the goodness and wisdom of Christ's teachings inspire a turning of hearts grown cold to Christ to the warmth, joy, and comfort of His salvific love.

N.B.: In the sixth century, the Western Church began to celebrate the Feast of the Presentation as a penitential prelude to Easter. In France the Feast of the Presentation was celebrated with solemn blessings of candles, as well as illuminated processions, hence the popular reference of this feast as <u>Candlemas</u>. Interesting that on the following day, the memorial of Saint Blaise, candles are used in the blessing of throats.

Fr. Michael Morris

THE ARCHDIOCESE IS MAKING A SERVICE AVAILABLE TO US FOR FREE UNTIL NEXT SEPTEMBER. THE SERVICE IS A WEB SITE CALLED "FORMED". THINK OF IT LIKE A CATHOLIC NETFLIX. YOU CAN WATCH CATHOLIC MOVIES, DOWNLOAD BOOKS, LISTEN TO TALKS, LIKE FROM SCOTT HAHN AND EVEN DO BIBLE STUDIES. OUR PARISH CODE IS 7YPHHN.

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Please pray for our loved ones serving in the Military...

Paul S. Davis, Army Reserve Christopher Delgado, Lieutenant, 82nd Airborne, Army NC Vincent DeSantola, Pvt. Marines, North Carolina Staff Sargent Patrick E. Dixon, Hurlburt Field A.F.B., Florida Thomas Summers, Major, Army, Camp Casey, Korea Kevin Woods, Colonel, US Army

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Adults/\$8; Seniors (62+)/\$7

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Kids Meal Children 12 & under - \$5.00

All proceeds will be used to serve our community.

REGINA COELI HEALING MASS

For Physical, Emotional & Psychological Healing, Join us TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017, at 7pm

RCIA PROGRAM AT REGINA COELI CHURCH...contact

the Religious Education office at 229-9139 or leave a message for Deacon Mark @ 229-2134.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY at Regina Coeli -. If you or someone you know might benefit from such a meeting, or if you would like more information contact Deacon Peter Dalmer @ 229-2134 or Janet Swartvager @ 889-4756.

REGINA COELI RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 229-9139.

THE BIBLE and the VIRGIN MARY & Wednesday Women's Bible Sharing For more information, call Kathie Depew @ 229-9139 or e-mail: mrskdepew@reginacoelihp.org

REGINA COELI NURSING HOME MINISTRY – People needed to bring the Good news to people living at home or in nursing homes. Generally Monday's and Saturday's....about 2-4 hours every three months. Please contact Deacon Peter at the rectory for more information and to volunteer.

St. Vincent DePaul - Please remember to support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in 2017 so that together we can continue to bring comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are poor and suffering. May the peace and joy of the New Year be yours. Thank you! Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call us so that together we can help! Please call (845) 332-2013.