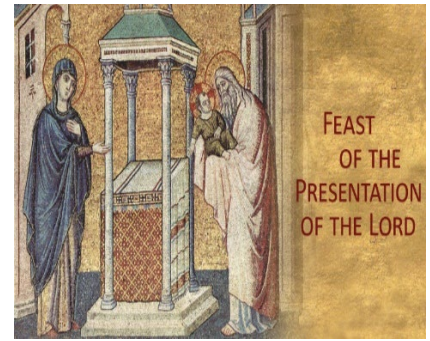


**Camberley and Bagshot Catholic
Parish Newsletter**
The Presentation of the Lord
(Candlemas)
2nd February 2025



WE ENCOUNTER JESUS - WE GROW TOGETHER IN HIS LOVE

Making disciples who encounter the saving love of Jesus Christ

Growing together by being known, loved and supported

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to worship, witness, and serve



Today the Church celebrates the **Feast of the Presentation of Jesus** in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles.

Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the infant Jesus as the promised Savior, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfilment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all. Because of the prophecy of Simeon this is the day when we bless candles used in public worship and private prayer.

"O Gracious Father, almighty and eternal God, you created all things out of nothing, and by your command caused the labour of bees to be revealed in the perfection of wax. You commanded your servant Moses to keep lamps continually burning before you. Bless and sanctify these candles that their light may be for us a visible reminder of the true light who enlightens everyone coming into the world. As these candles, kindled with a visible flame, scatter the darkness of night, so also may our hearts be enlightened by the invisible fire of the Holy Spirit that we might avoid the darkness of sin, see your salvation, and attain to the Light that never fades away. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen."

The Readings of Mass for the Presentation of the Lord Year C

Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord whom you seek will come to his Temple

Psalms 24

THE LORD OF HOSTS HE IS THE KING OF GLORY

Hebrews 2:14-18

He had to be made like his brothers, so that he might become merciful

Luke 2:22-40

The child grew, filled with wisdom

GIFTS SURVEY We would love to hear about any **gifts, skills and talents** you wish to offer go to [Parish Gifts Survey · Church Suite Forms](#) or contact the parish office

Parish Timetable

Holy Mass is broadcast live on the [Camberley & Bagshot Catholic Parish Facebook Page](#)

Sat 1st February Votive Mass of Our Lady	9.00am	Adoration, confessions, and rosary St Tarcisius Church
	10.00am 10.30am	Holy Mass St Tarcisius Church <i>Maria Sapinska Intention</i> First Saturday Devotions
The Presentation of the Lord	-----	-----
	5.00pm 5.30pm	Confessions Ss Peter & John Church Vigil Mass Ss Peter & John Church <i>People of the parish</i>
Sun 2nd February The Presentation of the Lord	9.15am	Sunday Mass St Tarcisius Church <i>David Keighley RIP</i>
	10.40am	Rosary at Christ the King Church
	11.15am	Sunday Mass at Christ the King <i>Rita & Stan Intentions</i>
Mon 3rd February <i>St Blaise</i>	9.15am	Morning prayer Christ the King Church
	9.30am	Holy Mass Christ the King Church <i>including the blessing of throats</i>
	10.00am	Intercession before the Blessed Sacrament
	6.00pm	Rosary on zoom
Tuesday 4th Feb <i>Week 4 in Ord time</i>	9.15am	Morning prayer St Tarcisius Church
	9.30am	Holy Mass St Tarcisius Church <i>Sheilagh Buckley Ints</i>
Wed 5th February	10am	Exposition of the Blessed sacrament until 12 noon <i>St Tarcisius Church</i>
Thurs 6th February <i>St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs</i>	12 noon	Holy Mass Ss Peter & John Church
Friday 7th February <i>Week 4 in Ord time</i>	9.15am	Morning prayer Ss Peter & John Church
	9.30am	Holy Mass Ss Peter & John Church
	7.00pm	Mass followed by adoration & prayer ministry Ss Peter & John Church
Sat 8th February Votive Mass of Our Lady	9.00am	Adoration, confessions, and rosary St Tarcisius Church
	10.00am 10.30am	Holy Mass St Tarcisius Church <i>Private Intention</i> First Saturday Devotions
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5th Sunday in Ordinary time	5.00pm 5.30pm	Confessions Ss Peter & John Church Vigil Mass Ss Peter & John Church <i>Mary Gurnan RIP</i>
Sun 9th February 5th Sunday in Ordinary time	9.15am	Sunday Mass St Tarcisius Church <i>Michael Roycroft RIP</i>
	10.40am	Rosary at Christ the King Church
	11.15am	Sunday Mass at Christ the King <i>People of the Parish</i>
		Retiring collection; the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund

'My ChurchSuite' is a database system used by this parish. Parishioners can manage their own personal details and sign up for events through the ChurchSuite system. To register as a parishioner with this parish please enter your details using the following link <https://cbparish.co.uk/cs-parishdatabase>



Trinity Troopers Youth Club - (Children in school years 4-7)

Next meets **Friday 14th February 7.30pm – 9.00pm** at St Tarcisius Church hall.

The Youth Club meets every second Friday of the Month £1 entrance.

New members welcome - Parents should contact Fr Paul for more details.

Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, Frimley, is running a youth club for ages 12-14

(Years 7 to 9 at school) in the church hall. *This Youth Club meets every third Friday of the Month.*

Contact Christiana via email at omakolo@yahoo.com or mobile - 07885 593400.

Financial Giving

Monthly Standing Orders can be set up using online banking or by writing to your bank

Bank: HSBC Account name: RCD A&B Camberley & Bagshot Parish Account number: 31077368 Sort code: 40 05 20



Cheques made payable to 'The Camberley and Bagshot Catholic Parish', please write "Parish Offering" on the back of the cheque You can **donate online** via our website

www.cbparish.com If you are a taxpayer, you can contribute to the Parish via the **Gift**

Aid scheme. To obtain Gift Aid Envelopes please contact **Stana Juvan: stana_m@hotmail.com**

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Second Collections

Saturday 8th/Sunday 9th February;

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund

Saturday 22nd/Sunday 23rd February

Appeal on behalf of the White Fathers

Admission to St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School, Frimley - September 2025

Our school is linked to the Catholic Churches in Frimley, Camberley and Bagshot. We are also a named feeder school for two outstanding Catholic Secondary Schools - All Hallows (Farnham) and St. John the Baptist (Woking). To find out more about the school and to arrange a visit contact the school office on 01276 709099

Parish Events

Tuesday 4th Feb

Confirmation Preparation at 11 Bell Place Bagshot

Sat 8th/Sun 9th Feb

First Communion Preparation

Monday 10th Feb

Mission Team Meeting 7.30pm on Zoom

Sunday 2nd March

"Pancake Sunday" social 3pm at St Tarcisius Hall

Wednesday 5th March

Ash Wednesday – the beginning of the season of Lent

Sunday 9th March

Stations of the Cross 4pm at St Tarcisius Church

Saturday 15th March

Confirmation group trip to the Flame Youth Event at Wembley Arena

Baptisms

William Jude O'Shea: Sunday 16th March 1.30pm at St Tarcisius Church

Jasmine Jayne Pais: Sunday 27th April 1.30pm at St Tarcisius Church

Parents wanting their children to be baptised should contact the parish office to find out about the next preparation course which will take place in February

Applications for this summer's Pilgrimage to Lourdes (25-31 July by air, 24 July-1 August by coach/jumbulance) are now open on the pilgrimage website. www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes

Mystery revealed: An introduction to iconography, 22 February, 10am-4pm, The House of Prayer35 Seymour Road East Molesey KT8 0PB (Cost: £35). *Explore iconography and reflect on how images affect and enable us to connect with our faith. There will be times of led input, sharing and space for personal prayer and creativity, including drawing.* To find out more go to www.christian-retreat.org

Exploring the vocation to teaching in our diocesan schools, Wed 12 February, 5.30pm, online This would be suitable for anyone considering a career change or simply interested in finding out more about the role of teachers in our Catholic schools for any age group or for any subject specialism. it would be helpful if those attending could submit any questions they have in advance using this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/XfpFLLSTHP>

Approaching ageing with optimism & courage, Fridays 28 February-28 March, 10.30am-1pm, The House of Prayer, East Molesey, KT8 0PB (Cost for 5 sessions: £75). An opportunity to reflect on where you are now, and think about what you desire for the future, to help you embrace the challenge of ageing and the spiritual gifts it could bring. www.christian-retreat.org

First Friday Mass : On Friday 07/Feb there will be a 7pm Mass at Ss. Peter & John. For those who wish to stay on, Mass will be followed by Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Prayer Ministry during a time of musical worship and silence concluding at 8:30pm.

Young Adult's Pilgrimage to Rome, 28 July-4 August 2025, (Cost £995 inc. flights, half-board & event entry). A pilgrimage for young adults (18-30) [Jubilee for Youth - Pilgrims of Hope - Rome 2025 \(28-Jul-2025\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)

Word on Fire Evangelisation & Culture Conference



Friday 21st Feb – evening keynote from Bishop Robert Barron 5:30pm to 6:30pm
Saturday 22nd Feb – various talks throughout the day from 09:30 to 6pm
at Excel London, just 10 minutes from Canary Wharf and 12 minutes from the City.
Ticket prices: £109 for both 21st and 22nd Feb, £79 for just 22nd

<https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event>

Farnborough Hill School Open afternoons. Starting at 1.40 pm, they are taking place on Friday 7 February and Friday 25 April 2025. Farnborough Hill, Farnborough, Hampshire GU14 8AT.

Lenten Retreat, 18-20 March, Ladywell Franciscan Centre, GU7 1ST (Cost: £290). This retreat will look at how we inhabit time, what we can learn from its spiritual significance and how we can re-orientate ourselves to live more freely the gift of our lives. [Email](#) to find out more and book.

The **World Day of Prayer** ecumenical service this year will be on **Friday 07/Mar/25** at 10:00am at St. Paul's Church, Crawley Ridge, Camberley GU15 2AD. The theme will be "I Made You Wonderful" which is based on Psalm 139. All are welcome."



Sunday 9th February is the feast of Saint Maroun. St. Maroun also known as Saint Maron, was a 5th century Syriac Christian monk who after his death was followed by a religious movement that became known as the Maronites. The Church that grew from this movement is the Maronite Church. St. Maroun was known for his missionary work, healing and miracles, and teachings of a monastic devotion to God.

St. Maroun, born in the middle of the 4th century in Syria, was a priest who later became a hermit, retiring to a mountain of Taurus near Antioch. He sought not only to cure the physical ailments that people suffered, but had a great quest for nurturing and healing the "lost souls" of both non-Christians and Christians of his time. His missionary work came to fruition when in the mountains of Syria, St. Maroun was able to convert a temple into a Christian Church. This was to be the beginning of the conversion to Christianity in Syria which would then influence and spread to Lebanon. Our prayers are for all Christians from the Middle East to whom St Maroun is their patron saint.

Frimley Park Hospital - If you have a planned inpatient stay at Frimley Park Hospital, contact Fr. Paul beforehand to arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick if needed, please. Once admitted, if you can self-refer to the Chaplaincy team by emailing fhft.chaplaincy@nhs.net or calling 0300 613 4184 or asking the ward staff for assistance please. Notifying the Chaplaincy team will enable you to receive pastoral support and Holy Communion during your stay.

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