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Presentation of the Lord to the Temple

This Saturday and Sunday readings: Gal. 4:1-7 Lk. 2:22-39

Next Saturday and Sunday readings: 2Tim. 2:15-26 Jn. 6:15-21

Please pray with us today for the soul of **Elizabeth Saraydarian** (she passed away in California 40 days), “Hagop Bekarian’s sister” requested by Hagop&Stella Bekarian and family. May the Lord bless her soul and forgive her and our sins.

-Following the holy Mass, the blessing of candles for the feast of the Presentation,

-Followed by the ceremony of blessing the throats for the feast of St. Blaise.

Please remember Holy Cross Parish in your will

Prayer List: Please pray with us for the sick in the parish and especially for; **Hagop Kehyaian, Yeghia Grigorian, Aveda Kitabjian, William Levon Babayan, Hovsep Topalian and Lucy Aylaian.** Please let the Church know if someone needs prayer and we can add him to this list as long as he wishes!

Sick in the parish: Please let Father Mikael know about anyone who is sick, homebound or for any reason cannot come to Church.

Sunday Collection: our collection last Sunday 27 January 2019 was: \$923 and from candles: \$80. Please note that our weekly expenses are around \$3000. May the Lord bless and compensate you in this life and the next.

Saturday evening Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM in English: We are introducing the vigil Mass in English to our Mass schedule for all those who for any reason cannot make it to Sunday Mass.

Altar Flowers opening: Altar flowers for the whole month of February are donated by **Perantine Nakkashian and her family** for the soul of her husband Avedis Nakkashian (25th anniversary). May the Lord bless his soul and grant him eternal life. Please let the parish office know if you wish to donate altar flowers for any given Sunday. (you can bring the flowers yourself or give a \$50 donation toward buying them)

-We have openings for March / 2019

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Please come early on any given Holy Mass if you wish to have confession and Father will be happy to perform the sacrament. Also, you can call at any given time during the week to schedule a time for confession.

Devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: You are all invited to a Holy Mass dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on every first Friday of each month. Next will be: **Friday the 1st of March 2019 at 07:00PM** followed by a Eucharistic adoration.

Houses blessing: Dear Parishioners, if you want your house to be blessed please let Father Mikael know. House blessing is an important instrument in the Church used to know people better and preferably have the whole family gathered in one place to meet the family especially those who comes less to services or prefer not to stay for social hours.

Eparchial Youth Spiritual retreat and annual Convention 2019: the upcoming Eparchy Youth Spiritual Retreat and Annual Conference which this year will be hosted by Our Lady of Nareg Parish in Montreal/Canada. The dates are: The Youth Spiritual Retreat on Friday, Saturday and Sunday of June 28-29-30, 2019, and the Eparchy Conference on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of July 1-2-3, 2019. A detailed information about the Hotel and the Retreat Center and program will be transmitted in a future email.

This year's central Theme will be: Prayer, Virgin Mary and Rosary: "A Community that Prays Together Stays Together".