

## **ST GERARD MAJELLA CHILDRENS NEWSLETTER** **69 Talbot Road, Knowle, Bristol, BS4 2DT**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) – Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January**

### **WELCOME!**

We celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, which occurs 40 days after the birth of Jesus and is also known as Candlemas day. Since the blessing of candles is included in today's liturgy. The Gospel of Luke says that Jesus was met by Anna and Simeon. Simeon held the baby Jesus and called him a Light to the World



**Opening prayer:** God of all, you love and care for each one of us. Help us to see how important each person is to you and to treat all people with respect and kindness. Amen.

### **Candlemas**

Did you know: The festival is called Candlemas because this was the day that all the Church's candles for the year were blessed.

On Candlemas night, many people place lighted candles in their windows at home, and light them, when they say their prayers.



**Closing Prayer:** God of life, help us to see how important and special all your children are – no matter who they are, or what they look like. Teach us to treat all members of our global family with love and respect. Amen.

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**WORDSEARCH - Can you find: MARY, JOSEPH, TEMPLE, JESUS, SERVANT, PEACE, SALVATION, SIMEON, CANDLE**

**Other News...**

**Dates to look out for:**

Tuesday 2 February Presentation of the Lord

Sunday 14 February 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (last Sunday before Lent)