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THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth. - Jn 1:14

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MASS TIMES

Weekends: Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am* & 11:00am Contemporary

Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12:00 Noon

Tuesday: 5:30pm Thursday: 8:00am

*8:30 Mass Live Streamed on YouTube

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Thursday: 8:30am - 9:00am

Friday: 11:15am - 11:45am Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm

Or by appointment

Baptism: Pre-baptismal program required.

Call the Parish Office for more information.

Matrimony: Call the Parish Office at least six months prior

to your desired date for more information. We look forward to celebrating with you!

Anointing of the Sick: Call Parish Office for an appointment.

PARISH OFFICE

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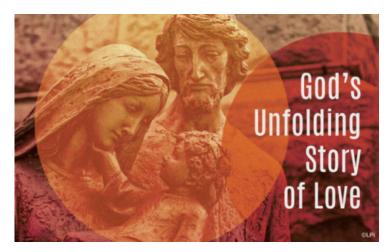
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December 25-26, 2021







THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/

Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/

Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/

Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/

Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/

Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 27

Noon - Mary Miller +

Tuesday, December 28

5:30pm - T. J. Welu

Wednesday, December 29

Noon - Margaret Vaessen

Thursday, December 30

8:00am - Ron Bock

Friday, December 31

Noon - Ray Crippes

Saturday, January 1

5:00pm - Helen & John Rodham

Sunday, January 2

8:30am - For the People of the Parish

11:00am - Richard Ruden

STAFF CORNER



FR. JIM GOEREND

Pastor

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On behalf of Deacon Bill and the staff of St. Joseph the Worker, I would like to extend a prayer that you and your family had a wonderful and blessed Christmas! I know, it's the day after Christmas but we celebrate the Christmas season until the Baptism of the Lord. The Christmas season is a time to give thanks for the gift of Jesus and for the blessings that God gives us each day. I think it's also important to remember and pray for those who are less fortunate than we may be. In this season of rejoicing at the birth of our savior, let us also pray for those who have endured hardship and struggles, especially for those who are recovering from the tornado outbreak in the Southeast earlier this month. In closing this message, I would like to share a Christmas prayer from Pope St. John XIII: O sweet Child of Bethlehem, grant that we may share with all our hearts in this profound mystery of Christmas. Put into the hearts of men and women this peace for which they sometimes seek so desperately and which you alone can give to them. Help them to know one another better, and to live as brothers and sisters, children of the same Father. Reveal to them also your beauty, holiness, and purity. Awaken in their hearts love and gratitude for your infinite goodness. Join them all together in your love. And give us your heavenly peace. Amen.

May you all have a blessed and wonderful Christmas season!

Fr. Jim



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THINGS TO KNOW

THIS WEEK

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Welcome to all of you! Merry Christmas!

To those of us with no church family to call their own,

To those of us who are Catholic but have been away for a while,

To those of us who are almost always here, and To those of us who are guests,

May this Christmas be a time of joy and happiness for all of you!

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THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped with Christmas Mass!
Thank you to the readers,
Eucharistic Ministers, greeters,
music ministers, those who helped with the environment, and everyone else who helped make Mass possible!

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JOINING THE PARISH

If you would like to join our community of faith, simply call the Parish Office at



563-588-1433 to set up an appointment. A member of the parish staff will meet with you and help you through the registration process!



ST. PAT'S MEAL

This Wednesday (Dec. 29)

Call Sharon at 563-451-3375 if you would like to contribute food items/money or would like to volunteer. Due to USDA regulations, we cannot accept "homemade" items. If you want to donate money for us to purchase food, we will do the shopping. Let Sharon know what you would like to donate.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed Dec. 30-31 for New Year's. Have fun and be safe out there!



AROUND THE PARISH

Archdiocesan Women's and Men's Conferences

Ladies and Gentlemen of the parish, please mark your calendars for the 2022 Women's Conference and the Men's Conference. The Women's Conference is Saturday, January 29 and the Men's Conference is Saturday, March 19. More information will be in upcoming bulletins!



Christmas Manger Prayer

O God, whose mighty Son was born in Bethlehem those days long ago, lead us to that same poor place, where Mary laid her tiny Child. And as we look on in wonder and praise, make us welcome Him in all new life, see Him in the poor.



and care for His handiwork the earth, the sky and the sea. O God, bless us again in Your great love.
We pray for this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Ink Cartridge Recycling

The parish collects all sorts of ink cartridges to be recycled and reused. Turn in your cartridges to the parish office or a designated box in the main vestibule. Thanks!



Holy Hour for Vocations

Join us for a Holy Hour here at St. Joseph the Worker on January 12 at 7:00pm. Archbishop Jackels will lead the Holy Hour and seminarian Thiet Hoang will give a reflection. Please join us to pray for priestly vocations.



JOIN US IN WELCOMING

Newly Baptized

Owen Thomas Avenarius child of Logan & Allyson

If you would like to have your child baptized or would like to receive Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation as an adult, call the Parish Office at 563-588-1433.

Now Hiring: Communications Coordinator!

The ideal candidate is skilled with Adobe Creative Suite, has experience managing and marketing an organization's brand, and is passionate about bringing others to Christ. If interested, send a resume and cover letter to Jen Porter at j.porter@dbgarch.org. Call the Parish



j.porter@dbqarch.org. Call the Parish
Office at 563-588-1433 if you have any questions.

IN OTHER NEWS

Back to Basics

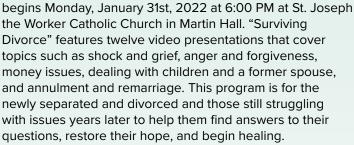
Looking ahead to January, we have another Back to Basics series on

BACK TO BASICS Catholic Social Teaching

Sundays between the liturgies. Join us on January 9, 16, 23, and 30 at 9:45 am to learn about and discuss Catholic Social Teaching. Ann Sirianni and Deacon Bill will be presenting along with other parishioners. Hope you can join us for any or all of the Sundays to hear about this important part of our faith. Our next Back to Basics will be during Lent and we'll offer thoughts on and experience of many different types of prayer.

Surviving Divorce

Divorced? Know someone who is struggling with divorce? A twelveweek "Surviving Divorce" program



A "Come and See Night" will be held on Monday, January 17th, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Anyone is welcome to come learn more about the program and meet the facilitators and others. Childcare will be provided for each of the sessions. The \$25 program fee covers the cost of all program materials. For more information email Maria Schmitz at dbq062s6@dbqarch.org or call 773-789-9795. To register go to: www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F45AAAC22A7FFC34-registration.

New Family Enrollment at Holy Family

New family enrollment for grades K-12 students at Holy Family Catholic Schools will open on Monday, Jan. 31, 2022. Priority enrollment is given to members of Holy Family's supporting parishes. For more information or to schedule a personal tour of a Holy Family Catholic school, visit holyfamilydbq.org/visit.

Preschool, Pre-K, and Pre-K Plus Enrollment

New family enrollment in three-year-old preschool or four-year-old pre-K will open at Holy Family's five early childhood sites on Monday, Jan. 10, 2022. Priority enrollment is given to children who are registered members of one of Holy Family's supporting parishes. Please contact Director of Enrollment Rebecca Mueller (rmueller@holyfamilydbq.org, 563-582-5456) or Holy Family Early Childhood Program Director Lis Ernst (lernst@holyfamilydbq.org, 563-583-5206) to request information about our programs. Holy Family participates in the state of lowa free Pre-K grant.

A YEAR-END NOTE FROM OUR OPERATIONS MANAGER

Recording and Acknowledging Year-End Contributions

It's that time of year again when we are thinking about our year end gifts. And what a year it has been! In following IRS regulations, if your contribution is not mailed and postmarked, or received in



2021, it is not credited to 2021. The date on the check does not determine the contribution year. Please keep this in mind. If you would like to know the amount you have given to date, call the parish office at 563-588-1433.

LPL Financial Services

As the year comes to a close, would you like to save some tax dollars? You could transfer stock to St. Joseph the Worker Parish and avoid capital gains tax. Contact our broker:



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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

December 11-12

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THIS WEEK'S ADVERTISER

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Thank You!



Thank you so much for joining us today! We hope you have a great experience worshiping at SJTW!

What to Expect

Face In consultation with the Pastoral Council and following CDC guidelines, we strongly Coverings recommend that *everyone*, regardless of vaccination status, wears a face covering in church as we face the widening spread of Covid-19 and its variants. Our Eucharistic Ministers are required to wear a face mask. Thanks for your cooperation!

Distancing

Social If you would feel more comfortable practicing social distancing from those outside your household, please feel free to do so. The pandemic isn't quite over yet, so we ask everyone to please be respectful of others' comfort levels.

Sign of We ask that you refrain from giving a Peace "physical" Sign of Peace to those outside your household.

Music Music is a very important part of Mass! Singing is a way we pray to God! We encourage you to join in by following the on-screen lyrics!

Eucharist Receiving Holy Communion is the most sacred part of Mass. This is when we receive Jesus in His Body and Blood. Communion from the Cup remains suspended until further notice. We also ask that everyone continues to receive Communion in the hand.

Liturgy

Children's We offer Children's Liturgy of the Word on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sunday of the month at the 8:30 & 11:00 Masses. Kids aged 5-10 are dismissed to experience the Mass on a level that relates to them! They will return after the Homily.







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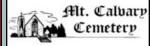
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