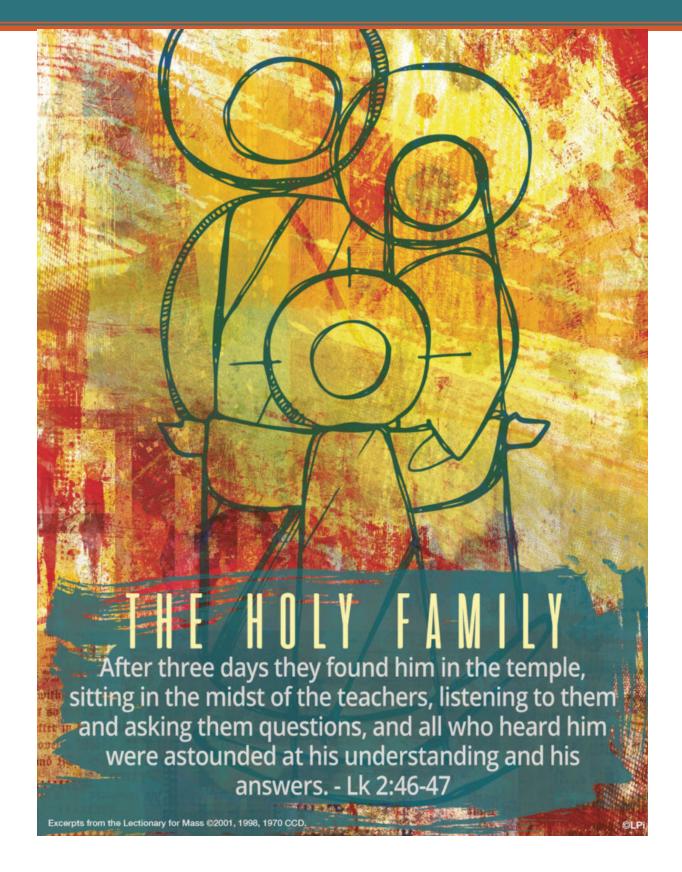
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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

My dear Parish Family

Today is Dec 16th and I was just reminded that it's time to write the column for the bulletin for the Feast of the Holy Family.

The Holy Family....what made them holy? It was the fact that Jesus was at the center of their family life. It's easy to think of holiness at Christmas time, but what about the rest of the upcoming days, weeks, and the year ahead? How do we keep that sense of holiness...that knowledge that our families (our parish family and the families that make up the parish family) are called to be holy....set aside for a special purpose....called to keep Christ at the center of their family life and their family living.

This Christmas already seems like it will be different for me now that both parents are gone and I once again realize that I am an only child. Don't get me wrong, I have a ton of family [aunts, uncles, 30 cousins with all their families] - but - the primary family of Dad, Mom, and myself has forever changed.

Was our family holy....it's hard to call your family holy, but was Christ at the center of our family, yes. We had many years ago moved away from gifts at Christmas to realizing the gifts in one another. And the gift of having one another.

This Christmas and this Feast of the Holy Family, I am thankful for the gift that God has given me in having all of you in my life. This my parish family.

May we as the Parish Family of Our Lady of Mt Carmel remain a holy family throughout the year – a family that keeps Jesus at the center of their lives. May each of our families – the domestic churches of our homes – strive to remain holy – keeping Jesus at the center of our life as a family.

Have a good week.

Ir Mark

Very Reverend Mark D. Reyling, V.F. Pastor





The HOLY FAMILY **December 26, 2021**

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 26th The Holy Family 8:00 AM Sharon Reyling

11:00 AM Nat DeMuri

Tuesday, December 28th 8:30 AM NO MASS

Wednesday, December 29th *6:30 PM* NO MASS

Thursday, December 30th 8:30 AM NO MASS

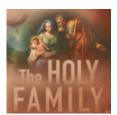
Friday, December 24th The Solemnity of Mary

5:00 PM For the People of the Parish

Saturday, January 1st The Epiphany of the Lord **5:30 PM** Timothy Lee Gualdoni

Sunday, January 2nd The Epiphany of the Lord 8:00 AM Dorothy Marlow

11:00 AM Leon, Helen & Barry Davison







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Saturday January 1st 10:00 AM Ellen Sharpe

Sunday January 2nd

8:00 AM Gerrie Eichhorn

11:00 AM Vel Criste



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Sunday January 2nd 8:00 AM TBD

11:00 AM TBD



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Sunday January 2nd

8:00 AM Don Guebert

11:00 AM Laurel Dillon, Jan Wieland Beth Walker

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Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, I think of the words St. John wrote in one of his epistles: "we have come to know and believe in the love God has for us." My sincere prayer for the people of our diocese is that as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus, each of us comes to know and believe more deeply in the love God has for us. May this Christmas be filled with a spirit of kindness and compassion, and may you, your families and loved ones be filled with the peace of Christ.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Bishop Michael McGovern

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

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 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf.

5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/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

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

Sunday: The Holy Family

Monday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

Tuesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Wednesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

Friday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve

Saturday: New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God;

World Day of Peace

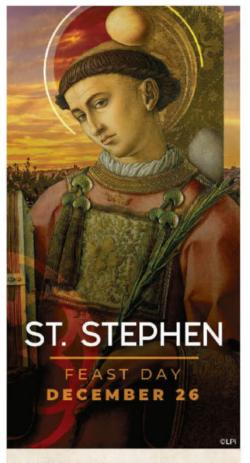
Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory

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Inspiration for the week

It was the best of times and it was the worst of times. Our families can bring out the best and the worst in us. This is true of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our church, our society, and the like. In all of our family experiences, what stands out as our most challenging memory? Everything human can be found on the pages of family life. But there is also a Divine story to be discovered as well. When life gets difficult and perplexing, today's Feast of the Holy Family stands to remind us that it is not just by human effort that we tread treacherous waters. We have to remember and learn from the Divine effort too. We need this perspective if our love lessons are going to be learned completely and well. We are all works in progress and we all come from homes that are broken by imperfection. In whatever life brings us and in whatever family we find ourselves, may the promptings we feel toward faith and hope lead us to greater love.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow.

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Our Gifts to God December 19th will be reported in the Jan 2nd bulletin

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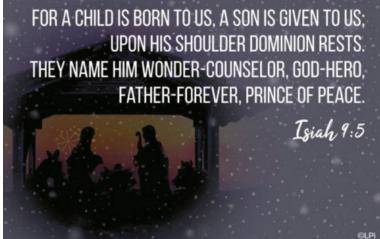
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Calendar of EVENTS

OLF:
Christmas MONDAY - Church Office Closed
School Back in Session - Early Dismissal 2:00 PM
Fr. Mark is at Retreat in Belleville for the week.
Cub Scout Pack 85 Roundtable Meeting
Knights of Columbus 7:00 PM at KC Hall
Cub Scout Pack 85 Wolf Pack Meeting Lower Gym
RCIA after 6:30 PM Mass - in Holy Family Room
Adult Bible Study 7:00 PM in Cabrini Hall Classroom
School Board Meeting 6:00 pm in School Library
Cub Scout Pack 85 Den Meetings Cabrini Classrooms
Boy Scout Troop 85 5:00 PM in Lower Gym?
RCIA aft 6:30 PM Mass - in Holy Family Room
Daughters of Isabella 6:30 PM in Cabrini Hall



The HOLY FAMILY December 26, 2021

Family Life. Even the pre-teen Jesus astonishes and worries his parents as they fret over their child! Those of us who are parents know this stress. But all of us, even us aged ones, are still children of God, dearly loved and called to be obedient.

- How will I obey God this day?
- What commandment will I keep?
- What mercy work will I do?

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Vocations Corner 2021

Today's Gospel tells of Jesus starting the work of His "vocation". He begins His teaching at the age of 12. Our vocations starts (maybe even earlier than age 12) as an indwelling, with the quiet whisper of God's pull on our heart. It's often personal and difficult to describe to others and often takes much prayer and discernment to see clearly. St. Francis de Sales reflected on this individual nature of our call, "We all have a vocation. We believe that God has placed us in this life to fill a special need that no one else can accomplish."

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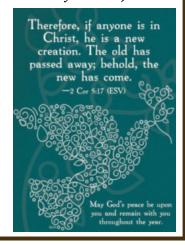
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