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# January 9, 2022

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# Baptism of the Lord



**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA MEMORIALS**  
**A Mass will be celebrated on**  
**February 6, 2022 at 8:00am.**

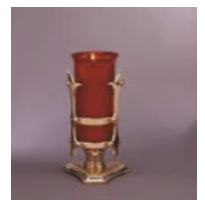
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**Thank you**  
**To all who donated.**

*Mass Intentions*

- MONDAY, January 10-Weekday**  
 5:30pm †Mary Brocksmith by Lisa & Jerry Sanderson
- TUESDAY, January 11-Weekday**  
 7:00am †Juliana Szentes by Family
- WEDNESDAY, January 12-Weekday**  
 7:00am For the Poor Souls in Purgatory and  
 Patients in the Hospital by The Hoang Family  
 5:30pm †Fr. Anthony Labedis, OFM Conv.  
 by Chris & Dianna Russick
- THURSDAY, January 13-Weekday**  
 7:00am †Tom Roesch by Charles Owens  
 9:00am **School Mass:** ††Peter & Anna by Minh Hoang
- FRIDAY, January 14-Weekday**  
 7:00am Intentions of Nenita Pamatmat by Family
- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
- SATURDAY, January 15**  
 5:00pm †Louis Kouri by Dick & Patti LaHood
- SUNDAY, January 16**  
 8:00am †Edwin Rogers by Family  
 10:30am Feast of Santo Nino by the Filipino Community

The Sanctuary Lamp intention for the  
 week of  
 January 8-14, 2022:  
 We remember in our daily prayers  
 ††Tommy & Marla Vallas  
 by Klara Vallas.



**PRAY FOR FRANCISCAN VOCATIONS**

Maria Serrano will have the Franciscan vocation picture and say the prayers for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially to the Conventual Franciscans of Saint Bonaventure Province.

**Please sign up for this important ministry opportunity in the vestibule.**



**BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

Today after the 8:00am & 10:30am Masses, blood pressure screening will be available. Meet at the side door of the church.



*Readings:*  
*Week of January 10-16*

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday:** 1Sm 3:1-10,19-20/Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday:** 1Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** 1Sm 8:4-7,10-22a/Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19;10:1a/  
 Mk 2:13-17  
**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/1Cor 12:4-11/  
 Jn 2:1-11



The winner of the Mary and Martha quilt is:  
**MARY KAY SOLLBERGER!!!**

Her name was drawn at the Mary and Martha Christmas Luncheon on December 9<sup>th</sup>.  
 Watch the bulletin for chances to win the next Mary and Martha quilt.

**THANK YOU!**

Once again Holy Family parish has helped to make another memorable Christmas by supporting this year's Giving Tree. You helped make a difference to those in need with your generosity. Thank you also to the students of Holy Family for making a lot of the beautiful ornaments on which the labels were affixed.

**COME SHARE IN THE JOY!**

Friar Bede Thigpen, OFM Conv. will be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate on January 15, 2022. The Ordination Mass will be at Holy Family Church at 11:00am. The celebrant will be Bishop William P. Callahan, OFM Conv. Come share in the joy of the Franciscan Community as one of our friars takes the next step in the journey of his Religious Vocation.



**FINANCE CORNER**

If you would like to make contributions electronically, please contact our business office at (309) 688-3427 x 201.

Anyone interest in a convenient method to make their regular Sunday contributions can use the link below. Here at Holy Family, we have implemented a secure website to accept your donations. The website for online donations is:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/peoriahollyfamily>

**Thank you and God Bless you.**

**Jan-22**

First Sunday	\$15,709.50
Second Sunday	
Third Sunday	
Fourth Sunday	
Fifth Sunday	

Monthly Total	\$15,709.50
Monthly Budget	\$59,700.00
Monthly Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(43,990.50)

Fiscal Year Total	\$352,982.71
Fiscal Year to Date Budget	\$377,900.00
Fiscal Year Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(24,917.29)



**St. Jude's Bake Sale**

I want to thank everyone who helped make the annual St. Jude bake sale a success. \$1,475.00 was raised for the St. Jude's Kids.

Thank you,  
 Carolyn Alaksiewicz



**MEN'S CLUB EVENTS**

**Saturday, January 8, 2022**  
 St. Joseph's Men's Club Breakfast  
 School Cafeteria  
 7:30am

**Monday, January 10, 2022**  
 Men's Club meeting  
 celebrating college football  
 Kouri's Pub  
 6:30pm



# MASS INTENTIONS

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2023 AT HOLY FAMILY

**Please read this notice carefully  
as it clarifies our practice in taking Mass intentions.**

On **January 24th** the 2023 Mass book will be opened. When you give offerings for Mass intentions, the Parish Office has limitations on accepting several intentions from a single person/family on specific dates. We have to oblige the needs of all parishioners. **Individuals can request only two Mass intentions to be satisfied during any calendar month at Holy Family.** Suggested stipends are \$10.00 per Mass.

Should you wish the celebration of more than the allotted Masses, we are happy to forward those intentions we cannot handle within a one-year period to our House of Studies in Chicago, to Marytown, or to some of our mission priests who can offer them more quickly. The fruits of the Mass are the same whether we offer it in our own parish or elsewhere. Also, please take into consideration that we CANNOT accommodate everyone's request for weekend Masses. The church is required to celebrate one Mass per weekend for the *People of the Parish*; therefore, we are limited to the number of Masses available on weekends. Mass intentions may be given for our weekly Children's School Mass on Thursdays throughout the school year.

Because our Mass book fills up so quickly, I would like to encourage you to consider lighting the Sanctuary Lamp in our church for your intentions throughout the year. The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ, and it is a profession of our love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or for a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The suggested donation is \$25.00, and the candle will burn for 14 days. The memorial will be published in the Bulletin and will be included in the daily prayer intentions of the friars.

We very much appreciate your understanding and support in the year ahead as we better manage your requests for Mass offerings in the future.

### The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

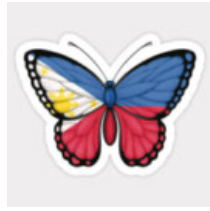
That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.





## *The Feast of Santo Nino*

*January 16, 2022*

*10:30am*

Mass by the Conventual Franciscan Friars for the Intentions of the Filipino American Community and Santo Nino Devotees

Lunch Reception and Philippine cultural presentation follows immediately in the School Gym

**For more information please call:**

**Olive Enriquez**

**Cultural Shrines Ministry at Holy Family Church**

**309-370-0862**



### **NOVENA TO SANTO NINO DE CEBU**

O Most Amiable Child Jesus, the humblest and yet the greatest, the poorest and yet the richest, the weakest and yet the most powerful, do bless us and protect us for thou has reigned and came down to us to be our model in virtues, our guide in all our endeavors, and our strength in times of sorrow. By becoming like a Child Lord Jesus, You proved that you're not a far God, but someone close to us being together with us in the stark realities of life. Indeed, Your generous kindness goes beyond our merits and the fondest hopes of our prayers. Shower us Your love. Forgive us the sins of which our consciences are afraid, and grant us the blessings we dare not even ask for. With all the fervor of our soul, hear our prayer. AMEN.

**NOVENA DATES: JANUARY 8-16, 2022**

**FEAST DAY: 3RD SUNDAY IN JANUARY**



## FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

*“I am baptizing you with water .... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” Lk. 3:15*

It all started with baptism.

Not that I in any way remember my own baptism!

My guess is the great majority of you don't remember yours either.

Admittedly, as an infant, I have absolutely no recollection of anything even faintly resembling the *“Holy Spirit and fire”* that today's Gospel speaks of so powerfully.

But what I know is that what we call *“faith”* began for me and for you at that moment when the priest poured water over our heads, anointed us with sacred oil, handed us a lighted candle, and said these sacred words:

*“May you be given a new birth .... Know that you are now welcomed into his holy people .... You are clothed in Christ .... May you keep the flame of faith alive in your heart.”*

It's where our life of faith began.

I know this, as you do also, because our parents and godparents have assured us that it took place. We know it because the day, the time, the names of the godparents, the priest, and the church were all written in our family Bibles – which usually rested on a table in our living rooms.

Baptism was the beginning experience for each of us – an experience that in effect opened a door that led us into a life that was highlighted by what we have come to refer to as *“faith.”*

This *“faith”* that our parents and grandparents passed on to us created a belief system that would have profound effects on each of our lives.

It would establish our full names, for example.

It would remind us in many cases of how we chose a particular view of the world that would in turn affect a whole variety of life choices, life attitudes, life meanings.

It would inform us, for example, of how we were introduced to certain kinds of music, art, books, worldviews. In many cases, it would determine where we went to school, who we would marry, what kind of work we would do.

Baptism, then, is a life determiner.

It's where it all began for each of us.

It even established in many cases a particular experience that influenced innumerable decisions that we made in our lives.

It certainly did for the man named *“John”* featured in today's Gospel reading. In fact, he was so influenced by the experience of baptism that he came to be named *“the Baptizer.”*

However, John was also noted for having a limited view of baptism. His understanding was that he was preaching judgment, repentance, fire and brimstone – a decidedly partial view of God.

But he was certainly right in his understanding that serious change and renewal was needed. And that alone was most assuredly why God chose him to call people to a new kind of faith.

It's also why Jesus himself embraced baptism.

For Jesus, just like for each of us, baptism was where it all began.

Only his experience was far more influential, far richer.

It was at his baptism that Jesus discovered the realization that God had fallen madly in love with his creation. It was his baptism that caused Jesus to experience a God that he called *Abba* – a God that wanted to not punish, but to lovingly embrace each of us like a father.

Jesus in effect took John the Baptist's vision of God to an entirely different level. The God he called *Abba* was not about condemning people, but instead his goal was singular: to forgive sinners, to eat with outcasts, to raise the dead to new life, to give sight to the blind, to forgive the adulterer, to wash feet with tears.

Through our baptism *into Christ* we are called to become like our God – a people sprinkled with holy water, anointed with holy oil, and blessed with these sacred words:

*“May you keep the flame of faith alive in your heart”* – that same flame that it all began with.

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# To the many people who helped with the Festival of the Nativities

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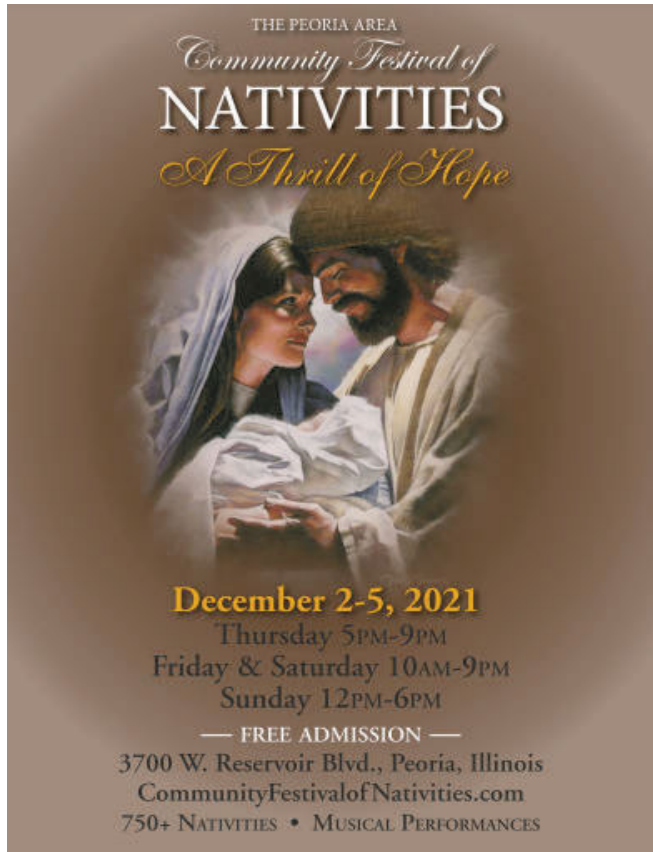
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