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Wed	5:30 PM
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Sunday	8:30, 10:30, 5:30

## Excerpts from Every Heart an Altar



### NATIVITY MEDALLION

Merry Christmas! Is it over? No, it's just beginning! We celebrate Christmas as a liturgical season that lasts not just for one day, but continues until we observe the Baptism of our Lord. And what a season it is! The joy we experience in gathering with friends and family is but a reflection of the joy we receive as Jesus, true God and true man, became incarnate in order to make us His brothers and sisters that we may share in His life forever. Merry Christmas indeed!

As we begin the celebration of the Christmas season, we reflect upon the medallion that represents the Nativity – the birth –of Jesus. The evergreen tree, as one that does not die or fade away, represents our everlasting hope through Christ. The stable reminds us that the promised Savior came into the world in such a place. The letters X and P are the Greek “Chi Rho,” the first two letters of the name of Christ. The star represents both the Star of David, the lineage from which Jesus was born and also the Star of Bethlehem.

While they were there, the time came for her to have her child,  
and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped  
him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a  
manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Luke 2:6-7

“The Gospels were written by men who were among the first to have the faith and wanted to share it with others. Having known in faith who Jesus is, they could see and make others see the traces of his mystery in all his earthly life. From the swaddling clothes of his birth to the vinegar of his Passion and the shroud of his Resurrection, everything in Jesus’ life was a sign of his mystery ... what was visible in his early life leads to the invisible mystery of his divine sonship and redemptive mission.” (CCC 515)

“Jesus became a child so that you could become a mature human being. He was wrapped in swaddling clothes so that you could be unraveled from the meshes of death. He came on earth so that you could live beneath the stars. There was no place for him in the inn so that there could be many dwelling places for you in heaven. He was rich, but became poor for us. His poverty is our riches and his weakness is our strength. He is poor for us but in himself he is rich. You can see him lying there in swaddling cloths but what you cannot see is that he is God’s son.” (Saint Ambrose)



#### St. Joan of Arc Parish Mission Statement

*St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church is a community gathered in Jesus Christ. We welcome all people and provide them opportunities to know God, grow in faith, and use their gifts to serve others. Through Word, Sacrament, Prayer, and Service, we honor our tradition as we extend our ministry to each new generation.*

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## Mass Intentions

**December 20-26**

**Wednesday, December 23**

**5:30 PM**

Ivy Lopez

**Thursday, December 24**

Intention of The Joe Burrows Family

Richard Bravo

Matthew Summers

**Saturday, December 25**

Ivy Lopez

**Sunday, December 26**

The Parish of St. Joan of Arc

William Lennon

Infant Louis Loughery

## 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

Thursday:

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

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

## COMING UP AT SJOA



This coming Saturday, January 1, is the day we give honor to **Mary, the Holy Mother of God**, and it is also the World Day of Peace. Please join us in at 10:00 AM honoring Mary and praying for peace in our families, peace in our city, and peace in our world.



**Thank you** to all who helped with our Angel Tree program of gifts to children of inmates, and a big thank you also to the many cooks who helped with our Men's Prayer Breakfast and our Christmas Party and Welcome. You are wonderful and we appreciate your help.



St. Joan of Arc School is celebrating its Centennial Weekend with a **Gala** and YOU are invited! We only have 325 tickets so gather your old classmates and your friends now and plan on celebrating this monumental event. <https://sjoa.org/gala>



Are you exhausted from the holidays? Consider attending Adoration on Wednesday afternoons between 4:00 and 5:15, just before the 5:30 PM Mass. Let the calmness and tranquility of the time with Jesus soothe you.



Are you or someone you know grieving the loss of a loved one? Perhaps the Tri-Parish Seasons of Hope group could help. The next six-week session of the tri-parish Seasons of Hope bereavement group will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 11 here. We will meet each Tuesday through Feb. 15. Contact: Kyle Murphy at [kmurphy@sjoa.org](mailto:kmurphy@sjoa.org) or Jeff Hutson at [jeff@jeffhutson.com](mailto:jeff@jeffhutson.com)

## Weekly Prayer Petition



Heavenly Father, as we prepare to start a new year, give us the fortitude to make YOU a part of every day, not just Sunday.

**Please Pray For:** Leslie Ashburn-Nardo; Kevin Beaty; Anne Bedan; Adeline Beining; Sam Blandina; Kim Bourque (Kathy Caparo's Sister); Mable Brown; Beth Brockelman (Pam Laucella's sister); LeJean Buehler; Frederick Bullard; Cathy Chamberlaine; Katie Cleary; Marvin Colbert (brother-in-law of Yolanda Christie); David Colby; Kelly Colen; Ella Comer; Maureen Cox (d-i-l of Judy Cox); Ian Craig (son of Libby); Judd Cromer; Pat Dagon (mother of Matt), Ellie Davis; Lyla DeArmond; Mary Ellen Diemer; Gregg Dwyer; Dee Enrico-Janik; Jack Fife; Brian Gaddie; Rita Gatzemeyer; Donna Gesell-Stuart; Gail Gerlach; Joyce Geske; Pearl Gorski (grandmother of Sara Mitchell) Larry Grein; Owen Griffith; Marty Halal; Sara Hanlon; Betsy Harvey; Noreen Hazeur Williams; Polly Henn; Susie Hoffman; Doris Hogan; Patty Hughes; many members of the Irwin Family; Donntae Jackson; Harley Janssen; Bill Jehling; Dalaena Johnson; Judith Jones; Rod Kramer, Jim Laidlaw; Charlie Lane; Tom & Marie, (Catherine Hayes brother and sister); Kovan McCauley; Peggy McClellan (friend of Dee Enrico-Janik); JoAnn McDaniel; Sharon Montieth; Buffy Moosbrugger; Mark Morris; Kathleen Naghdi; Rev. Joseph Newton; Teresa O'Connel; Rob Ohlemiller; Valerie Parmer (mother of Sara Mitchell), Steve Pavicich; Sharon Pence; Angee Poe (friend of Margaret Graves); Mike M. Pointer; Barb Rainbolt; Charles Randall; Mary Roy; Devin Ryan; Beth Salmon; Beth Sellers; Frederick Selm; Helen Setmeyer; Christina Shedrick; Georgia Sosnowski; The Thornburg Family; Jeanetta Torence; Richard Toumey; Mary Strigari Vish; James Vodde; Sr. Joe Wainscott; Jerry Walker; Drake Williams (son of Kyle and Abby); Carole Williams; Jane & Gary Williams; Karen Wilmering; Valorie Woods.



We mourn with Sharon Hilmes, wife of Richard Toumey, and their sons Alexander and Daniel. Richard, parishioner, choir and RCIA team member, and former French Market Finance Committee chair, passed away December 16.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES SERVING IN THE MILITARY:** Sgt. Dylan Barnett; P.O. 2nd class Matthew Collier, P.O. 2nd Class James Fisher, LCDR Kurt E. Davis; Maj Rocknee Gardner; P.O. 2nd Class Eileen Grosvenor-Jarp, LCPL Jonah Hollis, P.O. 2nd Class Kyle McClelland, CPT Jon Mecker, GySgt. Tom Mitsch; Ssg Jeffrey Mitsch; Marine Jonathan Price, CPT Kevin Zander.

Due to publishing deadlines, our collection reporting is a week behind. Our reporting will get caught up after the new year.

### DECEMBER 11-12 COLLECTION

Weekly Budget:	\$50,384.00
Weekly Contributions:	\$12,335.00
Faith Direct	\$32,253.68
Weekly Shortage:	<b>\$5,795.32</b>
YTD Overage	\$22,213.02



**50/50 Club:** Envelope #2392 was drawn and that household did not participate this week. The pot next week is \$381. ICG#2454



St. Joan of Arc can receive your year-end gifts through December 31 whether that be in the collection basket, at the parish office, or sent by mail. If you are sending your contribution by mail, the envelope must be

postmarked on December 31 or prior. Please contact Molly Ellsworth at [mellsworth@sjoa.org](mailto:mellsworth@sjoa.org) for information about corporate matching gifts (Lilly, KSM, Salesforce etc.), or possibly avoiding capital gains by contributing stock gifts and /or a direct donation from your IRA's Required Minimum Distribution. As always, we are grateful for your generosity!



The Parish Office will be closed December 23 – January 2. We will reopen Monday, January 3 at 8:00 AM.



Dear Parishioners and Guests,

Music class has been such a joy this year. Students recently participated in an all-school Christmas program showcasing their vocal talents. They have spent the past several weeks preparing and we are so very proud of the work they have achieved!

Our music studies this school year began with a focus on rhythm and counting. They were introduced to playing various percussion and instruments of indefinite pitch. We then continued to learn about notation and playing other instruments.

Playing instruments like the handbells, keyboards, and the ukulele have helped them understand music's dynamic range. This has led us to further studies of vocal music. The human voice as an instrument is such a powerful tool in conveying feeling and emotion. Singing as a choir has taught students the importance of listening to each other and working as a team.

There is no better example of this teamwork than with students who participate in the cantor choir. They have committed themselves to rehearsing afterschool twice a week in order to lead music for Tuesday and Thursday school masses. Seeing the importance of music within the liturgy has led them to develop a greater appreciation for the mass and given them a responsibility of leadership among their classmates.

We look forward to the many music lessons and opportunities that await us in 2022!

Joseph Burrows,  
SJOA Music Director and Music Teacher



# Faith Community Service

## Faith



On January 9, we invite 6th through 12th graders to join us for a night of faith, food and fun. We will have dinner after the 5:30 Mass

followed by a talk and small groups. We will close the night with the **Office Olympics**. Come ready to compete and win prizes. RSVP to Kyle Murphy, [kmurphy@sjoa.org](mailto:kmurphy@sjoa.org), so we know how many to have for food.

After our January 9 Office Olympics, we invite teens in our parish to continue joining us each week at 6:30 PM, after the Sunday 5:30 PM Mass. Each week we will have a snack and some time to socialize and journey in our faith together. We hope to keep seeing you week after week. This is open to anyone in grades 6 through 12 and we will have small groups separated by age group. Come join the fun!

If you would like more information or are an adult interested in accompanying teens in their faith journey, contact Kyle Murphy, [kmurphy@sjoa.org](mailto:kmurphy@sjoa.org).

## Community



Young adults of the parish, please join the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Young Adults in the New Year and the Celebration of the Epiphany! **The Magi Ball** is not just a celebration of the

conclusion of the Christmas season but also the extended observation of offering to God our unique talents. Please join other young adults for a solemn evening beginning with Mass with the Archbishop followed by an eventful night of faith, fellowship, and fun. Friday, January 7 beginning with mass at the Cathedral. Celebration at McGown Hall. Please contact Moses Tinio with questions: [tiniomos@gmail.com](mailto:tiniomos@gmail.com)

## 100 Opportunities for Service



We are now **live-streaming the 8:30 AM Mass online**. Please pass the word to your friends who would benefit from this information. We need more assistants in this ministry. If you could help, please contact Karen Blackwell Smith at [kwellsm@earthlink.net](mailto:kwellsm@earthlink.net). Young techies, please consider helping us once a month!



New Years Resolution this year? How about one that you can do from the comfort of your own home without bothersome meetings to attend? The **Altar Society** is looking for several people to share the responsibility of laundering the Altar Server albs. Please contact Monica Foye if you are interested. 317-490-3627 [mm13green@yahoo.com](mailto:mm13green@yahoo.com)



One of the many ministries we have at St. Joan of Arc is the **Engaged Couple Sponsors** ministry. Members of this group meet with couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, and discuss issues which often are the reality of married life. Married sponsors will mentor a couples 2-3 times during this period. The time commitment is not overwhelming. We are in need of several *happily married* couples :) for this ministry. We welcome couples who are not both Catholic, also. Training is provided. Please contact Melinda Rivelli if you are interested: [mrivelli@sjoa.org](mailto:mrivelli@sjoa.org) or 217-283-5508 x 1116.



Parents and young adults who enjoy sports and being around the energy of teens, please consider volunteering your time with our **CYO Volleyball** program. Contact Annie Strevels at [astrevels@sjoa.org](mailto:astrevels@sjoa.org).

ST. JOAN OF ARC

# YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF

Join us for :

## OFFICE OLYMPICS

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 9  
6:33 PM (AFTER MASS)  
SJOA GYM**

6th - 12th Graders are invited to join us for pizza, a faith talk, and fun Office Olympics competition. Prizes will be awarded.

Contact Kyle for more details and to RSVP  
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