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Catholic Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021



The Nativity of the Lord

HOLY MASS

Saturday | 4:30 PM
4:30 Mass in church and
on YouTube
Sunday | 8 AM and 10:30 AM

Weekdays

Wed - Fri | 8 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

Schedule Varies.

Consult bulletin or call rectory.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday | 3:00 PM-4:00 p.m.
Sunday | 7:30-7:45 a.m.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the rectory to schedule
an appointment.

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HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parish Family of St. Augustine,

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY:

Wow! Christmas on Saturday morning! Feast of the Holy Family Saturday evening and into Sunday morning! May the Holy Family help us through their prayers and example that our hearts and our homes may be holy!

MANY THANKS:

TO ALL WHO DECORATED CHURCH SO BEAUTIFULLY FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES AND FOR ALL WHO HELPED WITH CHRISTMAS MASSES: OUR DEACONS, SACRISTANS, LECTORS, USHERS-SANITIZERS, ALTAR SERVERS, ORGANISTS AND CHOIR, AND PARISH OFFICE STAFF!! MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

MANY THANKS ALSO: to Tim/Catherine Nesbit for donating a beautiful artificial Christmas Tree for use in the Gymn and/or Multipurpose room! God bless you!

MASSES FOR NEW YEARS:

As 2021 ends and 2022 begins, we celebrate the Feast of Mary, Mother of God: Friday Dec. 31 New Year's Eve, at 5 p.m. Saturday Jan. 1 at 9:00 a.m.

WEEK-END MASSES JAN. 1-2:

For the Solemnity of the Epiphany!! Saturday Jan. 1 at 4:30 p.m. Sunday Jan. 2: at 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

May the Lord bless us all!

Fr. Bill



NOTRE DAME ACADEMY NEWS

All of us at Notre Dame Academy would like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas!

Enjoy this time with your family and loved ones.

Linda Hobbs
Principal, Notre Dame Academy
200 S. Second St. Belleville, IL 62220
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PARISHES' SCHOOL OF RELIGION

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The Parishes' School of Religion does not meet on Sunday, December 26 OR Wednesday, December 29. May this time be an opportunity to be with family and friends.

Sister Theresa Markus, S.S.N.D.
Sister Carol Markus, S.S.N.D.
Co-coordinators of the Parishes' School of Religion

CBAY

CBAY Celebrates Christmas!

We do not have our schedule set for 2022, but have a tentative date of January 9 as our first meeting in the new year. Althoff Catholic High School Campus Minister, Mr. John Bouc, will be joining us for this meeting.

Also, we are looking for some more adults to help with the meetings. If you are interested, let us know.

Questions? Contact Nancy Furlow @ 222-0585 or nancy.furlow@charter.net.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Please keep in your prayers, all who are ill, especially those listed below, their families and their caregivers.

Adalyn H. Amie T. Amy K. Ashley C. Aubrey C. Becky B. Becky S. Bill A. Bill P. Brenda Brenda W. Brittany G. Cameron K. Chuck A. Chris S. Cindy C. C.J. Deacon Gerry Dennis G. Dennis S.	Deztiny D-M. Elsie W. Fernando C. George V. Gio F. Grace G. Hudyma Family Irwin Family Jean L. Jeanine H. Jeannie P. Jerry A. Jet D. Jim H. Jim W. M. Joe T. Juanita W. Julie M. Larry S.N. Leontine R.	Liz A. Logan G. Lori M. Marlene W. Marcia R. Mary B. Mary T.H. Matt C. Maureen R. McGee Family Michael Q. Mike G. Natalie B. Nick Peggy L. Ray A. Rita M. Ryan S. J Schrage Family Shari C.	Shirley B. Stephanie K. Steve B. Sue C. Susan H. Susan P. Teresa S. Tina Tom C. Toporynski Family Tracy G. Vern R. Vince B.
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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICE:

Adam Brian James B. DeAndre Jimmy C. Chaz F. Shawn M.	Matt B. Derek B. Fr. Paul H. Jonathan P. Josh J. John K. Juno D.	Connor F. Justin Jon V. Brett B. Nicholas Rebecca Robert	Nathan S. Brian B. Matthew K. Jacob H. Katlyn K. Adam M.
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To add names to the Prayer List, please contact Karen Goetz by phone at 618-789-1076 or by email at karen.goetz@rd.nestle.com . Names will be published for 4 weeks unless we are notified to retain them longer.

PARISH SUPPORT DEC. 12, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	6,272.00
Loose Collection.....	819.00
Online Giving.....	3,305.00
Total.....	\$ 10,396.00
Building Fund.....	50.00
Debt Reduction.....	358.00
Candles	40.00
Food Pantry	100.00
Guatemala Missions.....	90.00
Christmas Flowers.....	95.00
All Saints.....	20.00
All Souls.....	20.00
Christmas	220.00
Family Faith Formation Ctr.....	5.00
Human Development	20.00
For the Needy	5.00
For the Poor.....	80.00
Religious Retirement	1,110.00
Immaculate Conception	479.00
Total.....	\$ 13,088.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Your donations enable St. Augustine to continue to be of service to our Parish and our

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS/SANITIZERS, AND SERVERS for the following weekend

SATURDAY, December 25th, 4:30 p.m.

L: Cindy Wuebbels
EM: John Bogacki
U: Susann Christ
S: Volunteers

SUNDAY, December 26th, 8:00 a.m.

L: Rita Palsmeier
EM: Rosemary Tedesco
U: Peggy & Dave Harris
S: Volunteers

SUNDAY, December 26th, 10:30 a.m.

L: Denise Breunig
EM: Cindy Wuebbels
U: Rob Breunig & Pam Rauckman
S: Ethan Barbour, Vanessa Barbour & Volunteer

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st, 5:00 p.m.

L: Pam Stout
EM:
U: John Bogacki & Susann Christ
S: Volunteers

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1st, 9:00 a.m.

L: Debbie Tempel
EM: Joan Reuter
U: Ken & Betty Haren
S: Volunteers

SUNDAY, January 2nd, 8:00 a.m.

L: Rita Palsmeier
EM: Rosemary Tedesco
U: Peggy & Dave Harris
S:

SUNDAY, January 2nd, 10:30 a.m.

L: Denise Breunig
EM: Cindy Wuebbels
U: Rob Breunig & Pam Rauckman
S:

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF December 26, 2021 - January 2, 2022

Fri., Dec. 24, 5:00 p.m.	Jim Bauer, Lindsay White, Deceased members of the Poepping Family & Friends
Sat. Dec. 25, 7:15 a.m.	James & Judy Ganey
Sat., Dec. 25, 9:00 a.m.	Bernadette Kimutis, Augusto Climaco
Sat., Dec. 25, 4:30 p.m.	Leona & Walter Spehn, James C. Smith
Sun., Dec. 26, 8:00 a.m.	For the People
Sun., Dec. 26, 10:30 a.m.	Roberta Cook, Norma Renth
Weds., Dec. 29, 8:00 a.m.	Mitzi Berens
Thurs., Dec. 30, 8:00 a.m.	Paul Schmidt, Jr.
Fri., Dec. 31, 5:00 p.m.	Greg Warnecke
Sat., Jan. 1, 9:00 a.m.	Mary Jane Wobbe
Sat., Jan. 1, 4:30 p.m.	William Blanquart
Sun., Jan. 2, 8:00 a.m.	For the People
Sun., Jan. 2, 10:30 a.m.	Iwaszysyn Family

The Nativity of the Lord

Our hearts are aglow with the joy of Christmas! Our senses are alive with the season, from the rich smells of evergreen and gingerbread to the feel of crisp air on our skin and the warmth of a loved one's embrace. At some point in the holiday hustle and bustle, take a few moments of quiet. In the silence, reflect on the other senses of the season. Imagine the cool damp of an animal stable, the earthy smell of hay and feed, and the crisp night air blowing in softly. Imagine kneeling beside an exhausted, joyful mother and a relieved, protective father. Imagine an infant wrapped in cloth scraps held out to your open arms. Imagine holding the infant Jesus. As his eyes meet yours, welcome into your heart the greatest gift of Christmas.

VOCATION CORNER: Today's Gospel tells of Jesus starting the work of His "vocation". He begins His teaching at the age of 12. Our vocation 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."

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 Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

GIFT BEARERS for December 25th and 26th:

Friday, Dec. 24th, 5:00 p.m. Greg & Linda Gundlach

Saturday, Dec. 25th, 7:15 a.m. Bonnie Fietsam & daughter
Andrea

Saturday, Dec. 25th, 9:00 a.m. Karena Ng, Penelope Climaco
& Jay Climaco

Saturday, Dec. 25th, 4:30 p.m. Terry & Brenda Mathias

Sunday, Dec. 26th, 8:00 a.m. Ron & Mary Tedesco

Sunday, Dec. 26th, 10:30 a.m. Robert & Denise Breunig

CHRISTMAS DAY and THE WEEK OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Jesus the Christ was born in history. He is both man and God. What does that mean today for those who bear the name Christian?

◆ How can we, how can I remain faithful?

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph Every child is born to greatness in the Lord. Every child is full of grace – even when growing old. Every family is holy. This is the message today. Not only Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. But also, me and mine. Also, yours.

◆ How will I cherish my children, my family this week?

◆ How can I grow and become strong in the Lord?

◆ How will I strengthen family life by mercy works?

BULLETIN BOARD

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

You can brighten the Christmas season for local seniors in need. Your contribution to the 2021 Ladies Sodality collection for nursing home residents will help those with no family and little income purchase items and services they must pay for with their own limited funds...maybe an extra snack, a fee for an outing or a salon appointment. Donations can be placed in the offering basket through Christmas weekend. Please make checks payable to QMS. God bless you for the generous support St. Augustine parish gives this project each year.

ST. PEREGRINE MASS - Next Mass is Thursday, January 6, at 8:00 a.m. at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church.

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P.A.N.D.A. presents

Through the Decades Trivia Night

January 29, 2022
6:30 PM CST
Online via Zoom
\$20 per person | Groups of 10
Prize drawings | 50/50 tickets



The Parents Association of Notre Dame Academy invites you to join us at our online trivia night to kick off Catholic Schools Week. All proceeds from ticket sales and donations will go to Notre Dame Academy.

Trivia Through the Decades will consist of five rounds of trivia, each focusing on a different decade.

Log in at 6:30 PM CST; Trivia starts at 7:00 PM. We will offer mulligans and 50/50 tickets 30 minutes before the trivia starts. To add to the excitement we will also have five rounds of prize drawings.

Choose a team, or select the team that you were invited to. You can register up to 10 individuals on each team. After a team is full, please choose a different team. We will adjust and combine ALL teams that are under 10 people to make it a fair competition!

Purchase tickets for our drawings!

Drawing prizes:

4 days / 3 nights in Branson, MO
St. Louis Zoo Family Package for 4
Two designer clutches
Date Night In
Date Night Out

The 2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do - John 14:12

The true joy of Christmas is in the everlasting love of Christ. May you find His peace, love and joy now and in the coming New Year. With deepest gratitude for your prayers and generosity,

Ministries and Programs Funded by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

THIS ADVENT SEASON GIVE A DIFFERENT KIND OF GIFT AND SHARE THE LOVE! This is the season of giving! And when you give, you can help your sisters and brothers in need and share love around the world. With a donation, you can provide help like important prenatal care and vaccinations. You can provide items like a Rebuilding Kit that gives shelter to families in the aftermath of a disaster, or a Winterization Kit that helps keep them warm this winter. Send your donation to:

Catholic Relief Services
228 West Lexington Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201
community@crs.org
877-435-7277
Website: <https://support.crs.org>



BLOOD DRIVE - January 10, 2022 - 2:00 - 6:00 P.M. - Kuhl Hall

Please give the Gift of Life. If you have given blood on or before November 15, 2021, you are eligible to give again on January 10, 2022. Blood is always needed no matter what season it is. Please refrain from drinking tea two weeks before giving blood as it depletes your iron. Also, please go to redcrossblood.org/

HOLY TRINITY 2022 QUILT OF THE MONTH RAFFLE

Get your chance to win a beautiful, handmade quilt each month! Drawings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month, with the winning ticket returned to the box. Buy your ticket early for the most chances to win. Tickets are \$30 each or 4 for \$100. If you have questions, contact Carol Geluck at 618-792-9439 or by email at crickettbns@yahoo.com, or Marianne Schanthal at 618-660-7368.

Pictures of the quilts and copies of the raffle tickets are posted on the bulletin board in the gathering space. Mail your tickets to :

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