

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

"ALL IN NOW . . . SO WE ARE ALL IN HEAVEN"



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Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri: 8AM

Tuesday: 5:30PM

Saturday 5PM

Sunday 8 & 11AM

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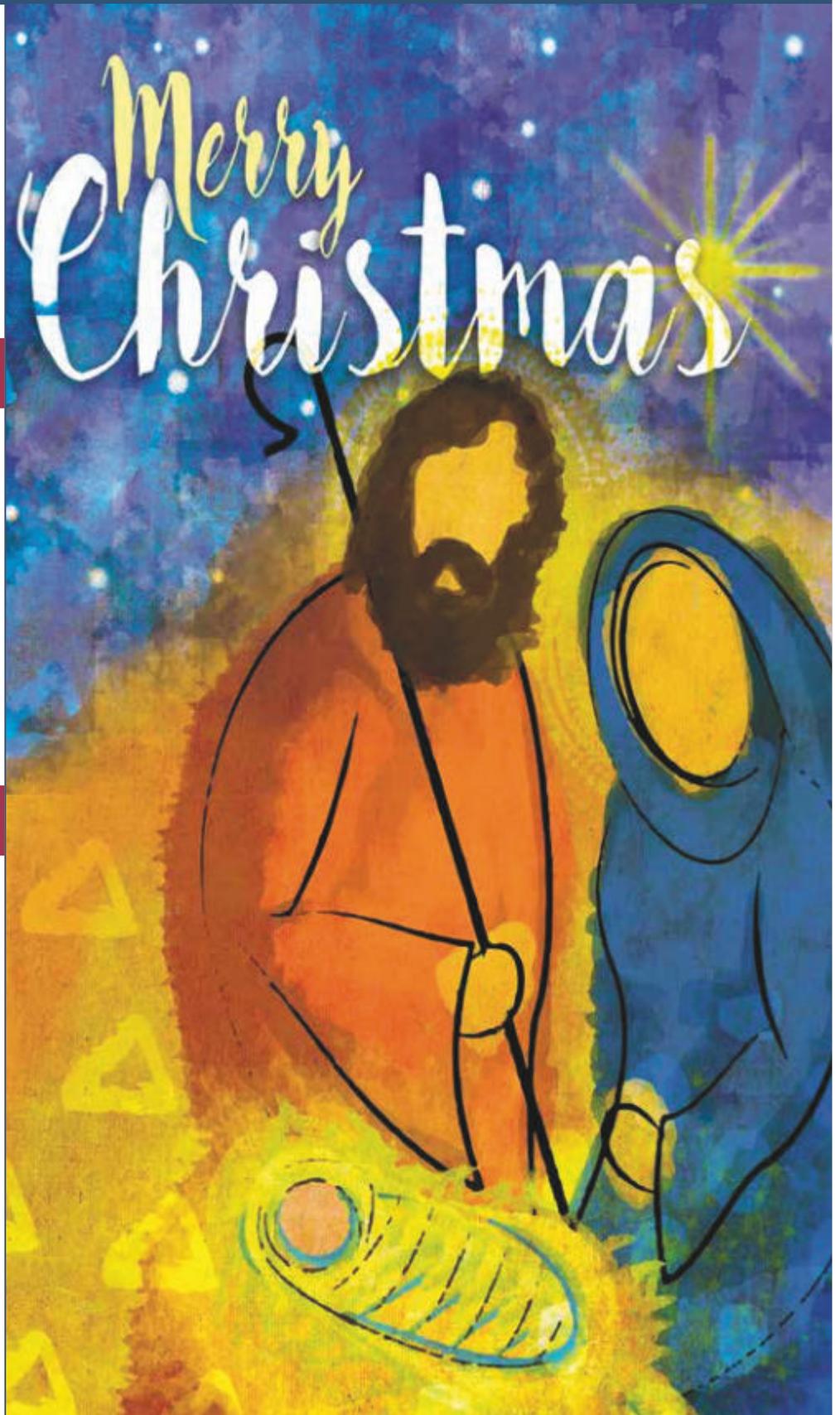
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Merry Christmas



DEC. 24 + 25 LITURGY GUIDE | DEC. 27 LITURGY GUIDE + BULLETIN

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

ARCHDIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, we earnestly ask you to bless this archdiocese with many priests, brothers, and sisters who will love you with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve your Church and to make you known and loved.

Bless our families, bless our children. Choose from our homes those needed for your work.

Mary, Queen of the Clergy, pray for us, pray for our priests, religious, and deacons. Obtain for us many more.

Amen.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

December 24, Christmas Eve, 2PM + 4PM

READING 1: IS 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not be silent,
for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet,
until her vindication shines forth like the dawn
and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
you shall be called by a new name
pronounced by the mouth of the LORD.
You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD,
a royal diadem held by your God.
No more shall people call you "Forsaken,"
or your land "Desolate,"
but you shall be called "My Delight,"
and your land "Espoused."
For the LORD delights in you
and makes your land his spouse.
As a young man marries a virgin,
your Builder shall marry you;
and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride
so shall your God rejoice in you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 89

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

READING 2: ACTS 13:16-17, 22-25

When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue,
he stood up, motioned with his hand, and said,
"Fellow Israelites and you others who are God-fearing, listen.
The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors
and exalted the people during their sojourn in the
land of Egypt.
With uplifted arm he led them out of it.
Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king;
of him he testified,
'I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart;

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he will carry out my every wish.'

From this man's descendants God, according to his promise,
has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus.
John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of
repentance
to all the people of Israel;
and as John was completing his course, he would say,
'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he.
Behold, one is coming after me;
I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.'"

GOSPEL: MT 1:1-25

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ,
the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham became the father of Isaac,
Isaac the father of Jacob,
Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers.
Judah became the father of Perez and Zerah,
whose mother was Tamar.
Perez became the father of Hezron,
Hezron the father of Ram,
Ram the father of Amminadab.
Amminadab became the father of Nahshon,
Nahshon the father of Salmon,
Salmon the father of Boaz,
whose mother was Rahab.
Boaz became the father of Obed,
whose mother was Ruth.
Obed became the father of Jesse,
Jesse the father of David the king.

David became the father of Solomon,
whose mother had been the wife of Uriah.
Solomon became the father of Rehoboam,
Rehoboam the father of Abijah,
Abijah the father of Asaph.
Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat,
Jehoshaphat the father of Joram,
Joram the father of Uzziah.
Uzziah became the father of Jotham,
Jotham the father of Ahaz,
Ahaz the father of Hezekiah.
Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh,
Manasseh the father of Amos,

Amos the father of Josiah.
Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers
at the time of the Babylonian exile.

After the Babylonian exile
Jechoniah became the father of Shealtiel,
Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel,
Zerubbabel the father of Abiud.
Abiud became the father of Eliakim,
Eliakim the father of Azor,
Azor the father of Zadok.
Zadok became the father of Achim,
Achim the father of Eliud,
Eliud the father of Eleazar.
Eleazar became the father of Matthan,
Matthan the father of Jacob,
Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary.
Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ.

Thus the total number of generations
from Abraham to David
is fourteen generations;
from David to the Babylonian exile,
fourteen generations;
from the Babylonian exile to the Christ,
fourteen generations.

Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about.
When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph,
but before they lived together,
she was found with child through the Holy Spirit.
Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man,
yet unwilling to expose her to shame,
decided to divorce her quietly.
Such was his intention when, behold,
the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said,
"Joseph, son of David,
do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.
For it is through the Holy Spirit
that this child has been conceived in her.

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She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”
All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:
Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.”
When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became Man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Save us, savior of the world. For by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

LAMB OF GOD

- Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
- Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
- Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Distribution of Holy Communion

CONCLUDING RITES

FINAL BLESSING

DISMISSAL

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December 24, Christmas Eve, 10PM

READING 1: IS 9:1-6

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone. You have brought them abundant joy and great rejoicing, as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, as people make merry when dividing spoils. For the yoke that burdened them, the pole on their shoulder, and the rod of their taskmaster you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. For every boot that tramped in battle, every cloak rolled in blood, will be burned as fuel for flames. For a child is born to us, a son is given us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. His dominion is vast and forever peaceful, from David's throne, and over his kingdom, which he confirms and sustains by judgment and justice, both now and forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 96

Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord

READING 2: TI 2:11-14

Beloved:
The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

GOSPEL: LK 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. 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.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: “Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

HOMILY, PROFESSION OF FAITH, UNIVERSAL PRAYER

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CHRISTMAS MASS
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December 25, Christmas, 8AM + 11AM

READING 1: IS 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him who brings glad tidings,
announcing peace, bearing good news,
announcing salvation, and saying to Zion,
"Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry,
together they shout for joy,
for they see directly, before their eyes,
the LORD restoring Zion.
Break out together in song,
O ruins of Jerusalem!
For the LORD comforts his people,
he redeems Jerusalem.
The LORD has bared his holy arm
in the sight of all the nations;
all the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 98
All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

READING 2: HEB 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters:
In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways
to our ancestors through the prophets;
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son,
whom he made heir of all things
and through whom he created the universe,
who is the refulgence of his glory,
the very imprint of his being,
and who sustains all things by his mighty word.
When he had accomplished purification from sins,
he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high,
as far superior to the angels
as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say:
You are my son; this day I have begotten you?
Or again:
I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me?
And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says:
Let all the angels of God worship him.

GOSPEL: JN 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
He was in the beginning with God.
All things came to be through him,
and without him nothing came to be.
What came to be through him was life,
and this life was the light of the human race;
the light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.
A man named John was sent from God.
He came for testimony, to testify to the light,
so that all might believe through him.
He was not the light,
but came to testify to the light.
The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.
He was in the world,
and the world came to be through him,
but the world did not know him.
He came to what was his own,
but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him
he gave power to become children of God,
to those who believe in his name,
who were born not by natural generation

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nor by human choice nor by a man's decision
but of God.
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.
John testified to him and cried out, saying,
"This was he of whom I said,
"The one who is coming after me ranks ahead of me
because he existed before me."
From his fullness we have all received,
grace in place of grace,
because while the law was given through Moses,
grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
No one has ever seen God.
The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side,
has revealed him.

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DECEMBER 27, 2020 | THE HOLY FAMILY OF
JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
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READING 1: GN 15:1-6; 21:1-3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 105
The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

READING 2: HEB 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

GOSPEL: LK 2:22-40

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Christmas Flowers

IN MEMORY AND IN HONOR

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| Ron Abicht | Charlotte Goodman | Amy Mannick | Tayo & Tara Santos |
| Jim & Bernadette Adamietz | June Groebner | Jack, Roselee & Joyce Martin | Victoria Santos |
| Theresa & Francis Adamietz | Ann & John Haberborgor | William & Louise Martin | Eva Schafer |
| Clem Adelman | Audrey Hagen | Kristy McCracken | Frank Schoeb |
| Clem Adelman | Julie Hagen | John McManus | Roger Schoeb |
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| Mary & John Albertano | Mary Harrington | Harold & Kathryn McQuiston | Danielle Shrewsbury |
| Richard Armstrong | Gladys Hei | Jim & Mary McQuiston | Joseph & Mary Silbernagel |
| Clito Arnedo | Matt Hei | John & Margaret McQuiston | Bill Simms |
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A NOTE FROM FATHER LITTLE



Dear Friends in Christ,

As we continue through the Octave of Christmas with this Feast of the Holy Family, we continue to behold the infant Jesus in the Nativity scene with Mary and Joseph, and we look forward to the visit of the Magi, in which will culminate these holy days. I pray that in the company of the Holy Family, whatever darkness there may be in your

life is lifted—even a little bit, and that the light, peace, and joy of the Lord will take its place. I share with you these lovely verses from the Irish poet Patrick Kavanagh, which I find always stir my heart to love Jesus even more. I shared them with our wonderful and gifted staff on the Christmas card for them this year, and thought that they deserved to be shared with all of you, our beloved parish family:

Christmas, 1939

by Patrick Kavanagh

*O Divine Baby in the cradle,
All that is poet in me
Is the dream I dreamed
of Your Childhood
And the dream You
dreamed of me.*

*O Divine Baby in the cradle,
All that is truth in me
Is my mind tuned to the cadence
Of a child's philosophy.*

*O Divine Baby in the cradle,
All that is pride in me
Is my mind bowed in homage
Upon Your Mother's knee.*

*O Divine Baby in the cradle,
All that is joy in me
Is that I have saved from the ruin
Of my soul Your Infancy.*

May the divine baby in the cradle make your heart sure of his father's love for you. May you love the truth that comes from him through his Church, because only those who are humble enough to accept that truth as a child can live happily in this world with all its bad philosophies, movements, and fads. May the humility of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph lead you to accept the challenges of this life, not because they are good in and of themselves, but because they give us reason to draw closer to God who will deliver us and who is so pleased by our faith and good works. May the divine baby in the cradle teach you to be joyful because his smallness gives us permission to be small as well, especially when the world and our own ego try to convince us we have to be big.

I thank everyone on the occasion of this first Christmas as your pastor, and I count the Year of Our Lord 2020, despite its many trials, one of the most blessed of my life. It is a grace to be called here and to serve here as your priest, with so many good souls who are "All In."

Sincerely yours in the newborn Savior,

STAFF UPDATE

It is with a heavy heart, but a strong sense of the Lord's providence, that I share with you Nathan Rooney's decision to resign from his position at St. John's. As you'll read in his words below, with the arrival of their third daughter, the Lord is calling him to be "All In" at home at this time.

In my brief time working alongside Nathan I have been so touched by his strong faith, work ethic, and love for the Lord and this community. But these attributes came as no surprise to me, because Nathan had already been a face of St. John's for me for a number of years as a neighboring pastor. His gentle yet highly organized and diligent approach to his work at St. John's has been so appreciated—in particular during this time of great challenge in reopening for public worship within pandemic guidelines.

We are grateful to Nathan for seven years of service to St. John's and thrilled that he, Kayla, Heidi, Evie, and Lucia will continue to be parishioners here.

Please join me in thanking him and wishing him well in this transition.

Fr. Ben Little

I write to let you know that I have made the decision to resign from my position of pastoral associate effective Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021. Back in early June, when Kayla and I first learned of the opportunity to adopt again and were discerning whether to say "yes," one of the factors we needed to consider was my employment at St. John's. It became clear to us very soon after that if God was offering us the opportunity to grow our family, "yes" was going to be our response, and the other details would need to be figured out with time. And I am grateful for that time to better understand where the Lord was directing me and our family.

Using the wise counsel that I have received in recent months, I have been asking the Lord to guide me to where I am called to love more and where I can be "All In," and I sense that this is the decision that allows me to better strive for both. Having had the opportunity to work for this parish in this role, with the many generous and gracious people who have mentored and supported me and my family, is a blessing that I will count for years to come. Words cannot express enough gratitude for how well I have been treated by each of you, and all those who call St. John's their spiritual home. I look forward to remaining a parishioner and to focusing my energies on my dear wife and the three little girls who call me Daddy.

Thank you to each of you.

Nathan Rooney



MASS INTENTIONS



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| SAT., DEC. 26: | + Maria Mathies |
| SUN., DEC. 27: | |
| 8AM: | + Fred Coller |
| 11AM: | + John VanDiver |
| MON., DEC. 28: | + Mary Jo Linnen |
| TUES., DEC. 29: | + Fr. John Fitzpatrick |
| WEDS., DEC. 30: | + Norma Williams |
| THURS., DEC. 31: | + Ralph Braun |
| FRI., JAN. 1: | Special Intention for the Pozarski Family |
| SAT., JAN. 2: | + Paula Kopp |
| SUN., JAN. 3: | |
| 8AM: | + Colleen De Long |
| 11AM: | + Reid Jessen |
| MON., JAN. 4: | + Harold Beckman |
| TUES., JAN. 5: | + Bill Verkuilen |
| WEDS., JAN. 6: | |
| 8AM: | Special Intention for Zachary & Gina Kirchner |
| 9:35AM: | + Patricia Juffer |
| THURS., JAN. 7: | + Fr. John Fitzpatrick |
| FRI., JAN. 8: | (Communion and prayer service only) |

ST. JOHN'S RADIO

St. John's is live on the air! We have acquired a low power FM radio transmitter and will be broadcasting public Masses on 91.9 FM. The broadcast can be clearly heard in the church parking lot, along the front of the church on W. 125th Street, and in the school driveway on Lynn Ave.

We invite you to listen to Mass in your car in the event that the church reaches its COVID-19 capacity of 250 people, or any time you want to be close to Church without entering the building.



HELP WANTED

MAINTENANCE SUPPORT STAFF NEEDED

Immediate positions are open for full- and part-time flexible positions on our maintenance team. Duties include sanitizing, general maintenance, cleaning, repairs, event facilitation, and other duties as they arise. Hours will vary but nights and weekend are needed. Motivated individuals should reach out directly to Director of Maintenance Rich Pelletier at rpelletier@stjohns-savage.org or 952-890-9465 x125.

READINGS THIS WEEK



Readings for the week of December 27, 2020

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| SUNDAY: | Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 |
| MONDAY: | 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18 |
| TUESDAY: | 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35 |
| WEDNESDAY: | 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40 |
| THURSDAY: | 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18 |
| FRIDAY: | Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21 |
| SATURDAY: | 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28 |

Readings for the week of January 3, 2021

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| 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 |
| MONDAY: | 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 |
| TUESDAY: | 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44 |
| WEDNESDAY: | 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52 |
| THURSDAY: | 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a |
| FRIDAY: | 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16 |

IN OUR PRAYERS

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HOLY FAMILY FLOWERS

For a donation of \$35, a plant will be placed by the statue of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph for a 2-week period and your intention is placed in the bulletin. Purchase in the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day Friday, December 25, 2020

In today's Christmas Mass at dawn we have the Gospel reading that God has entered quietly into the world. Not into the great city of Jerusalem, but into a small village about five miles south. Not into a noble family, but to an outcast couple keeping the newborn in a manger. Not announced by royal edicts, but to common shepherds, the first human heralds of Christ's birth. As Christian stewards we simply allow Christ to live in us no matter what our circumstances happen to be. We allow Christ to share his love with us and reflect that love out to others. We now are the heralds of Christ's Incarnation. What an unimaginable gift from a generous Lord. Good stewards rejoice in this gift and give glory to God. Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph December 26/27, 2020

When Jesus is presented in the Temple, our Blessed Mother formally offers him to God's service without reservation. It is a service that Simeon prophetically foretells: a service to God that will turn the old laws and cultural norms upside down. As we await the dawn of a new year, are we destined to hold on to old habits and customs tightly or like Jesus, are we willing to serve the Lord and proclaim the Gospel in new and creative ways?

The Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021

"..they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh..." - Matthew 2:11

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what gifts God may be asking us to share!

Things we need to know about gifts:

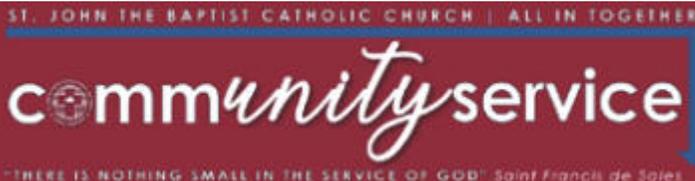
1. Everything we have is a gift from God.
2. We must be grateful for the gifts we receive.
3. We have a responsibility to share our gifts.
4. We must ask God for guidance in using our gifts.
5. We must turn away from materialism.
6. True joy is found in good stewardship.

Bible references about gift giving:

We should give:

- ...regularly (I Corinthians 16:2)
- ...secretly (Matthew 6:1-2)
- ...sacrificially (Luke 21:1-4)
- ...based on your earnings (I Corinthians 16:2)
- ...purposefully (II Corinthians 9:7)
- ...cheerfully (II Corinthians 9:7)
- ...with God's priorities in mind (Matthew 6:19-21)
- ...generously, realizing that your giving determines what you receive (Luke 6:38, II Corinthians 9:6)

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JANUARY 2021 ST. JOHN'S SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Martin Luther King Pajama Drive

Drop off new pajamas for infants, children, and teens when you grab your Faith Formation packets:

-Thursday, January 7 from 5:30–6:30PM at door 17

-Saturday, January 9 from 10–11AM at door 17

Or drop in the boxes at doors 7, 10, or 11 until Sunday, Jan 17.

Virtual Service Ideas

Pray for our seminarians and religious sisters

On-Your-Own Family Service Ideas

Feed My Starving Children

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THANK YOU

Thank you for the outpouring of CommUnity Service this month! Due to your generosity, St. John's was able to provide Sharing & Caring Hands with sandwiches, cookies, socks, and gloves to benefit individuals in need in our greater community. Your efforts definitely exemplified the attitude of St. Therese of Lisieux when she said, "Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with love." Thank you to everyone who contributed, from making sandwiches to delivering the items. Your love and concern for others shines through!

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Winter PARISH PIZZA PARTY & VIRTUAL **BINGO**

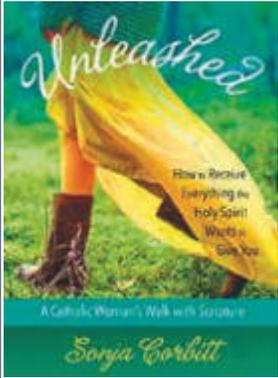
You're invited to the Parish Pizza Party & Virtual Bingo event! This community event is fun for all ages! Preorder your take-n-bake pizza and bingo cards to join members of the SJB church & school community for an evening of family fun and fellowship.

Details and sign up information coming in January!

Sat., January 23 | 7PM



UPCOMING EVENTS



NEW FRIDAY MORNING FAITH STUDY BEGINS JANUARY 8

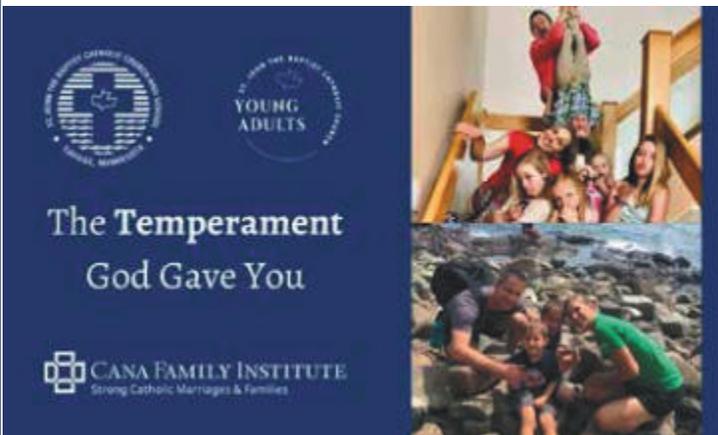
Start the new year with a new faith study! Join us on Fridays from 9:30–11AM in the atrium as allowed, or via Zoom.

We will walk through the book *Unleashed* by Sonja Corbitt and hear scripture in a way that is immensely practical. The reading for each week will be half a chapter, allowing time for reflection and deeper discussion. Each chapter includes a review, an invitation, and a God prompt.

Let's learn together how the Holy Spirit flows through our lives in relationships, prayer, and even in times of suffering.

No registration required. There is no cost to participate, but you will need a copy of the book (available on Amazon Smile, or at Holy Cross or St. Patrick's Guild).

Contact Julie McNally with any questions or to receive the Zoom link: Julie.mcnally7@gmail.com or 612-250-2218.



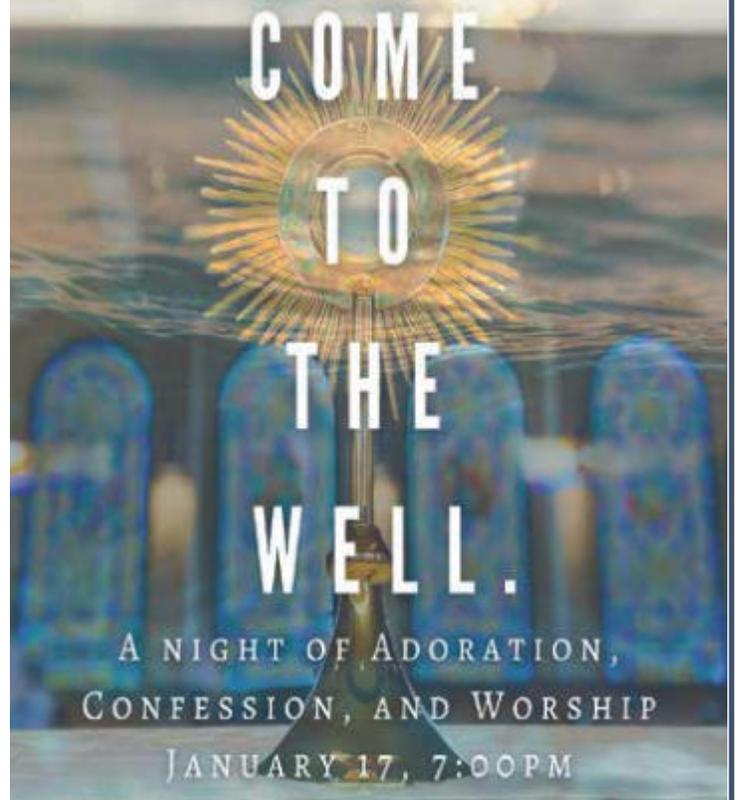
YOU'RE INVITED: THE TEMPERAMENT GOD GAVE YOU

The Temperament God Gave You group helps moms grow in awareness of being a daughter of God while discovering ways to guide parenting decisions. Making purposeful resolutions to grow closer to God, husbands, and children while meeting with other moms who want the same things will transform our entire lives! A group is forming at St. John's and there will be a virtual option! Please register at this link by the end of December: <https://canafamilyinstitute.com/find>.



Join Father Ben and Father Michael for a drink and candid conversation via Zoom! Join this lively and interactive discussion with your questions. Zoom link coming soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS



COME TO THE WELL

Young Adult Ministry invites you to come find renewal and community in Jesus in the Eucharist. We will be offering a night of adoration, confession, and worship on Sunday, January 17 at 7PM. For those under 18, please have this permission slip signed by a parent or guardian: <https://stjbsavage.breezechms.com/form/Cometothewell>

YEAR END GIFTS TO ST. JOHN'S

Every gift that you give to St. John's helps to make Jesus Christ known and loved, provides resources to allow St. John's to minister to our community, and maintains the financial health of our parish operations. Here's how you can continue to help, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic:

Sign up for on-line giving. An automated donation means you can support us continually, easily, and without having to be present physically. You can sign up on our website using the "giving" link at the top of the Church Info page at stjohns-savage.org. Or, mail in or drop off contributions at the parish office.

GIFTING STOCK TO ST. JOHN'S

Please also prayerfully consider making a donation of appreciated stock to St. John's. It is easy to do and allows you to make a generous, tax efficient donation. With the stock market near its all-time high, now is a perfect time to donate appreciated stock.

Please contact Jim Weiland at 952-890-5112 to discuss this option and learn more.

CARES ACT – DONATION TO QUALIFYING CHARITIES

Included in the CARES Act the Federal Government enacted last spring, individuals, including those who do NOT itemize deductions on their tax returns, can easily deduct up to \$300 in donations to qualifying charities this year. Please consider St. John's as you plan for how to take advantage of this portion of the CARES Act. Please consult your tax advisor more information. You can also learn more by going to the link to the IRS website:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/special-300-tax-deduction-helps-most-people-give-to-charity-this-year-even-if-they-dont-itemize>.

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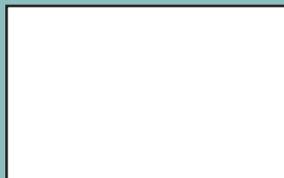
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