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When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

— Lk 2:39-40

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Mass Intentions Week of 12/22/20–12/27/20

Don Leinwander—Polly Leinwander and Family

Mass Schedule

In-person masses have been cancelled effective 11/22/20. Live-streamed masses are held Tue-Fri at 9:30 am, Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 10:30 am. These masses can be viewed on Facebook or the tri-parish website. See links at the bottom of this page.

Visitation of the Sick

We are most eager to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness, handicap or age. If you wish to receive the sacrament please call the rectory. Please notify us of any hospitalizations so that we may be of assistance.

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As Paris Agreement reaches five-year mark, world 'not doing well' on climate change, Vatican cardinal says

Dec 11, 2020
By Brian Roewe

Poland's Belchatow Power Station, the biggest coal-fired plant in Europe, is pictured in December 2018. When it comes to caring for creation, there is a "slight disconnect" between the pope's call for urgent action and the slow or lack of action by most Catholics, says Cardinal Peter Turkson, prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. (CNS/Reuters/Kacper Pempel)

The five-year mark for the Paris Agreement is no time to rejoice, but rather recognize "we're not doing well" in achieving its goals to curb greenhouse gas emissions and limit global climate change, top Vatican officials said this week.

"It's a blessing to come to this anniversary," Cardinal Peter Turkson, prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development, said at a webinar Dec. 9. "But unfortunately, we don't come with a record that enables us to rejoice as having achieved something on climate change. The climate scientists are telling us that we are [heading] toward a 3-degree rise in surface temperature change."

He continued, "We're not doing too well. We cannot applaud ourselves and we cannot tap ourselves on the back and say we've done well. We need to commit more strongly."

In a separate video message a day later, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Vatican Secretary of State, said the world faces an "uphill" journey in implementing the Paris Agreement, and announced that Pope Francis would take part in a virtual United Nations summit on Saturday to press countries for more ambitious commitments and political will on climate change.

Turkson's comments came during a webinar co-sponsored by the Vatican's COVID-19 commission ahead of the upcoming Paris Agreement anniversary, while Parolin delivered his remarks at a similar event hosted by the ambassadors of the United Kingdom, France and Italy to the Holy See.

On Dec. 12, 2015, 195 nations adopted the Paris Agreement at COP 21, the United Nations climate summit held that year in Paris. The monumental accord was the first time nearly every nation on Earth, rather than just the most industrialized countries, committed to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The Paris Agreement calls for holding average global temperature rise to "well below" 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 degrees Fahrenheit), while striving to limit the increase to 1.5 C (2.7 F). To meet the 1.5-degree target, climate scientists say that global emissions must reach net zero no later than 2050 and be cut in half by the end of this decade. That will require massive economic and societal shifts, including pivoting from fossil fuels to renewable energy sources.

In the five years since Paris, countries have only inched forward.

On Saturday, the U.N. and United Kingdom will co-host the Climate Ambition Summit, where Francis is expected to speak by video. The event is the latest effort to ramp up global commitments and recapture momentum for the Paris Agreement and addressing climate change, which lost ground in the coronavirus pandemic.

Parolin said that with current dual crises confronting the world, "we find ourselves facing a real social and cultural challenge," Vatican news reported. He said the moment calls for a new cultural model built on awareness, wisdom and will — the latter in shortest supply.

"Strengthening political will is one of the reasons why we are here," he said of the Vatican's participation in events around the Paris accord anniversary.

2020 has been a year of milestones for the environmental movement. April marked the 50th celebration of Earth Day. And like the Paris Agreement, Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si', on Care for Our Common Home" also arrived at its five-year mark.

The expectation was that such celebrations would mobilize masses of people worldwide to press for substantial policies and actions to reduce emissions ahead of COP 26, the next U.N. climate summit, which had been scheduled for earlier this month in Glasgow, Scotland. At that gathering, nations were expected to submit updated — and more ambitious — climate plans.

But the coronavirus pandemic dislodged the original plans, as the summit was postponed until 2021, and global attention turned from bending the emissions curve to subduing a highly contagious virus.

"The COVID pandemic has demonstrated that our planet and our people are increasingly sick together," said Sandrine Dixson-Declève, co-president of the Club of Rome, who moderated the Dec. 9 Vatican webinar, which was organized with numerous Catholic development and climate organizations.

Read the article in its entirety on the tri-parish website: <https://www.stspiusmaryanthony.com/this-week-bulletin-article>

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Charity			
Total	\$1260.00	\$1480.00	\$275.00
CSA Goals	\$10,531	\$6,789	\$13,639
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% of Goal			
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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

While families come in all shapes and sizes and no two are the same, they all need a common focus and grounding. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with a proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. In additional to all of these things, the axis of every family has to be centered on faith. It is here that we can learn about the virtues and discover the windows to God Himself in His gifts of faith, hope, and love. We can learn, modeling our experience after the Holy Family, how to use these as anchors in our lives so that we can live out the other virtues with greater integrity. Because our human families struggle with weakness and sin, we have to come back to the Holy Family often for inspiration and guidance. In the bond of love that they shared, they clung to the anchor of God Himself and endured challenges far greater than many we will ever face.

Pray For our friends and neighbors who are ill or homebound. If you know someone who should be put on or removed from this list, please call the office.

Dawn DenHartog	Joseph Treb
LaVerne Treb	John Poole
Virginia Bartelt	

Readings for the week of December 27, 2020

- 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
- 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

Kids Corner

Hey Kids!

Have you ever seen the monogram (initials of a name) **JMJ**? Well, it's the initials of the Holy Family... **Jesus Mary Joseph..** and today, December 27th, we celebrate the Holy Family **JMJ**. God gave us the Ten Commandments to help us live the lives he planned for us. Do you suppose the 4th Commandment "Honor thy Father and thy Mother" was meant to help us show love and respect for our parents when we are kids, teenagers, and adults? What do you think this commandment means? Would it mean to love and respect our parents, teachers, policemen and all other people.... even elected officials we might not like or agree with. Should we be "civil" even with our brothers and sisters because they are part of our family??? We don't have to agree with everybody all the time but we have to respect others... That's what makes us **Family!** We are all part of Jesus' family so let's really celebrate the day by being a good member of our earthly family. Wouldn't Jesus just love that!

Here's something else very special this week.....January 1st (New Year's Day) is a Holy Day of Obligation and we are to participate in mass because it is the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**. We may not be able to celebrate in a church that day but we most certainly can celebrate virtually with Father Kinney so check out our churches's website for the time. You can also celebrate with a mass that is televised. Remember when you make your New Year's resolution this year be sure to resolve to improve your relationship with God.

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