

LA IGLESIA DE SANTA
MARIA DE VISITACION

DECEMBER 26, 2021

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Saint Mary Church of the Visitation



O Come Let Us Adore Him!

MASS SCHEDULE



Friday, December 24, CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00pm MASS (English)
6:00pm MASS (Engilsh)
8:00pm MASS (Bilingual)
Español & Brasileira

Saturday, December 25, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

7:30am Mass
9:00am Mass
11:30am Mass

Sunday, December 26, THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

7:30am Mass
9:00am Mass
11:30am Mass
6:00pm Missa Brasileira

Monday, December 27, Saint John

9:00am Mass for Larry Pontillo (1 year)
Jason Anthony O'Brien req. by Mom & Dad

Tuesday, December 28, The Holy Innocents

9:00am Mass for Catherine Silva & Thomas S. Silva, Jr.
Req. by Joanne & John McCarty

Wednesday, December 29, St. Thomas Becket

9:00am Mass for Rose Pester req. by Judy Pester
William Hunt req. by Muhsian Venable

Thursday, December 30, 6th Day within the Octave Of the Nativity of the Lord

9:00am Mass for Mary Ann Pace by Mike Pace & Family
Charles Reid req. by Bonnie & Jim McManamy

Friday, December 31, St. Sylvester I

9:00am Mass for Special Intentioins for Dominick &
Lucille Piscionere and Marvin & Bonnie Pozefsky
req. by Joy Pozefsky
4:00pm Mass for Pro Populo

Saturday, January 1, SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

9:00am Mass for Sheila Logan req. by Trendera & Sr. Rita
4:00pm Mass for Pro Populo
6:00pm Misa en Español

Sunday, January 2, EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30am Mass for Pro Populo
9:00am Mass for Pro Populo
11:30am Mass for Pro Populo
6:00pm Missa Brasileira para todos aqueles no Brasil
que sofrem de COVID



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn
in honor of

THE HOLY FAMILY

December 25 - 31, 2021

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETINGS

Sunday at 7:00pm
Monday at 10:00am
Monday Men's Group at 7:00pm
Tuesday & Friday at 12:00pm
Wednesdays at 5:30pm
Thursday Women's Group at 11:30am

- Visitation Hall of St. Mary's -
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ALL ARE WELCOME

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From The Pastor's Desk...



Christmas Message 2021

My Beloved Brothers and Sisters,

A very Merry Christmas to you and those you love!

During this sacred season, our faith presents so many opportunities that help us become more aware of the importance of understanding our Savior's birth. You have heard from the pulpit themes that attempt to assist in helping to make the Christmas Season in which we spiritually experience the profound reality that when the time had come, divinely ordained by the Almighty Father, the heavens would open and God would come down.

It is a fact that our Lord's birth changed the world. Will it be a fact that His birth changed us? Are we closer to the Lord because of the way He entered the world? Are we closer to Him because of His early childhood experiences? Do we lose all intimidation of Almighty God knowing that when He assumed a human nature and grew strength, He chose to work with His hands?

All of the details, beginning with the Virgin birth moving through His adult life, demonstrate a complete surrender to ordinary life bearing the difficulties and uncertainties that every mortal being faces every day of their life. Meditating upon these great mysteries, we have absolutely no reason to be afraid of the Almighty. It is the reason that He became so small.

Move closer to Him now as the Church celebrates His Nativity and childhood. Allow the greatest life that has ever been lived to powerfully influence the overwhelming reality that He came down from Heaven, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary for you and for me.

Please be assured of my priestly blessing and my deep gratitude for being your pastor. Together, let us embrace the Spirit of Christmastime!

In Christ alone

*Father Michael Giannitelli
Pastor*

COMPARTIENDO EL EVANGELIO

San Juan 1,1-18

El prologo de San Juan nos muestra como La Palabra existía desde siempre, y la Palabra es el mismo Dios, la Palabra que no es una doctrina, sino una persona, la persona de Jesús. Dios se hace visible, cercano, por eso dice San Juan “Y la Palabra se hizo carne y habito entre nosotros”. En Jesús, Dios Padre nos revela quién es él: un Dios que ama, un Dios que salva, cercano a su pueblo. Por medio de Jesús, Dios nos vincula a sí mismo y él se vincula a nosotros.: comparte plenamente nuestra vida. Por medio de y con Jesús podemos responder al amor de Dios en fiel entrega a Dios y los unos a los otros.

Nos dice tambien el evangelio que hubo muchos que no recibieron la Palabra, es decir que no aceptaron a Jesus, pero a los que lo aceptaron les Dios poder para ser hijos de Dios.

Que maravilloso es recibir este gran regalo que se nos da en esta Navidad, Dios que se nos da en Jesus como el mejor regalo que viene a transformar nuestra vida a llenarla de amor, paz, armonia, de gozo.

Que tu corazón exulte de gratitud y que tu vida de fe sea contagiosa para que otros viendo a ti crean que Dios vive entre nosotros.

TIPS PARA NAVIDEÑO PARA REFLEXIONAR

Navidad se escribe con N de niño nacido
Navidad se escribe con A de amor inmenso
Navidad se escribe con V de vida plena
Navidad se escribe con I de ilusión cumplida
Navidad se escribe con D de don gratuito
Navidad se escribe con A de alegría auténtica
Navidad se escribe con D de Dios.



¶ todos los que forman parte de esta bella comunidad de Santa María de la Visitación les deseamos una navidad llena del amor misericordioso de Dios, que Jesús Niño les traiga armonía y paz y que el año nuevo sea de mucha bendición.

LA RISA ES SALUD: - Un dia un señor pedía limosna y un señor que lo ve le dice: ¿por qué usted no se pone a trabajar?

Y el pobre le dijo: ¡Le pedí limosna no consejos!



A Liturgia do Dia 26 de Dezembro nos faz ler este episódio depois do Natal, que é dedicado a celebrar a Sagrada Família. E muito sabiamente! Muito pedagogicamente! Porque nesse episódio aparecem de maneira muito viva os valores da família: a dedicação e a responsabilidade dos pais, o tesouro que é um filho, a religião na família, o deixar-se guiar pela vontade de Deus, manifestado de maneira tão sublime nas palavras do Menino Jesus: “Não sabeis que eu me devo ocupar nas coisas de meu Pai?” (Lc 2,49). São Lucas registra que Maria ia guardando a lembrança de todas essas coisas no seu coração . Que a humilde casa de Nazaré ilumine com as luzes de seus sublimes exemplos cada família deste nosso planeta enlouquecido! E que as crianças cresçam em estatura e graça como Jesus, diante de Deus e dos homens”. Deus tem um propósito de crescimento para ti e para os teus filhos também.

Peçamos ao Espírito Santo que orienta nossa vida para Deus: Senhor ajuda-nos a crescer cada dia, em sabedoria e graça, buscando como Jesus adequar nossa vida ao querer do Pai.

Neste Natal que a luz do amor e da paz brilhe na sua casa, e o Ano Novo traga muitos dias felizes e prósperos!

Com carinho: Comunidade Brasileira

A FAMILY PRAYER

*God our Father,
your Son, Jesus Christ,
is our Way, our Truth and our Life.
His way of being human shapes our
understanding of the human person and
of human relationships of every kind.
In a special way it shapes our
understanding of ourselves as a family.
Trying to live as Jesus lived –
respectful, forgiving, helpful and
caring towards one another –
is a daily challenge to every person
in this family of ours.
We are in constant need of your
forgiveness and help. May your
Holy Spirit – the Spirit of Jesus
himself – bind us together in love.
Together, as a family, may we face with
hope and confidence whatever suffering or
sorrow may come our way.
May our hearts be ever open to the needs
of other families and individuals
everywhere in our world.
We make this prayer through
Christ our Lord.
Amen.*





“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” (1 John 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received — being children of God!

As God’s children, it’s in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day!

Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.

To our gifted and talented Knitters of the Norwich Diocese, please join the Office of Faith Events in reaching out to the community during the cold winter months by donating handmade scarves. Whatever you could do to help support our new “Street Ministry” to the poor would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be brought or sent to the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich.

We will be accepting donations until February 28. Thank you so much for donating your time and talent! Questions? Contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 ext. 304



Our Lady, Queen of Hope Award

This coming Spring, during the 2022 Virtual Women’s Conference, the Norwich Diocesan Women’s Conference Committee will vote on and name the recipient of the second annual Our Lady Queen of Hope Award. This award honors a woman in the diocese for her vision and leadership in the Catholic Church. She displays strong faith, and is committed to living out Catholic values, displaying leadership, love and service, and has been a part of successful initiatives that benefit the Church and has helped to move parish communities forward. You can nominate a woman of the Norwich diocese for this award by visiting www.norwichdiocese.org and downloading the nomination form or contacting Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

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