

SAINT ANNA PARISH

December 26, 2021

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THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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Parish Office Hours

8am-3pm, Monday through Friday

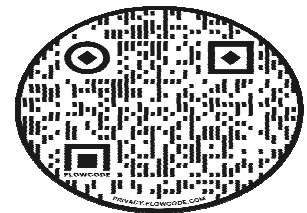
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Safety Environment Notice

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children & young people approved by the US Bishops & Diocese of Worcester policies. Contact Judith Audelle, Victim Services Coordinator, at 508-929-4363 (direct& confidential). Claire Freda is the St. Anna Parish Safety environment Coordinator.

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



As we commemorate The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph we remember that Mary is the model of all mothers, example of faith and full surrender to the will of God. Saint Joseph a silent father who protects and loves his family. Jesus the Son of God who desired to be born of a woman and to be raised in a humble

family. The Holy Family is a sanctuary of faith, love and humility.

As Saint John Paul II says: *“Here we admire, put into practice, the divine plan to make the family an intimate community of life and love; here we learn that every Christian family is called to be a small “domestic church” that must shine with the Gospel virtues”*

We pray, Lord God, we ask you to pour all your blessings upon our families, grant them peace, and fullness of prosperity. May all families be a temple of your presence, your mercy and love. Amen.

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I will be away visiting my family in Colombia from **December 27th until January 14th. Fr. Dario Acevedo and Fr. Anthony DiRusso** will be helping with the masses.

Please pray for me as I travel to spend some time with my mother and grandmother. I will be celebrating New Years with the two of them. Together we will offer a special prayer for you and your families as we begin 2022. Thank you so much for your support and love. I will miss you!

Fr. Carlos

Parish News

RCIA



Would you like to become Catholic or you would like to find out more about the Catholic Church? Would you like to receive all of the sacraments of initiation: **Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation?** For information about Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), please contact Fr. Carlos at fathercarlosruiz@gmail.com or 978-537-5293.

LEGACY OF HOPE

Update

Parish Goal: \$376,602

Our share of 40%: \$150,641

Pledged as of December 19, 2021: \$336,828.00

In order to reach the goal, we need: **\$39,774.00.00**

If you have not pledged, please join us in thoughtful and prayerful consideration for a truly sacrificial gift.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

ADORATION - Everyone is welcome to join us every Tuesday after the 7:30am Mass from 8:00am to 10:00am.

CONFESSIONS - There will be no Tuesday mornings confessions, December 28, 2021- January 11, 2022.

PARISH COLLECTION REPORT -

The collection Report was not available at the time the bulletin was submitted.

Our Lady, Health Of The Sick, Pray for Us

Samuel Madore, Deacon Jim, Jacob DeCarolis, Diana Escabi, Linda Gonynor, Rickie Gorski Jr., Kathy Holman, Brian LeBlanc, Harry, Cindy and Harrison Levin, Melanie Creamer, Melissa Michaud, Marietta Zani, Frank Cipriani, Barbara Almedia, Sloan Blake, M. Goguen, Steven Davi, Fran Warm, Jason and Frank Fennelly, Amelia Lavenski, Joe P., W. Fletcher, Anna Mae Flayhan, John Ricci, Enrico Domingo, George Gallant, Paul Morizzo, Jacob Rivera, Robert Flynn, David H., Olive Thompson, Lela Male, Deacon Malcolm Colgate, Pat and John LaPosta.



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

8:00AM

Michael Sweeney (2nd anniversary)

by Dan & Donna Benoit

Anthony Pulsinelli (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

Bertha Cascio by her husband

Alfreda Maldari (month's mind) by St. Anna Parish

10:00AM

Marshall Carrier (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

12:00PM

Jason Hickey (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

Ann Marie Porcella by family

Lawrence and Estelle Seymour by family

6:30 BRAZILIAN MASS

DAILY DECEMBER 27-30, 2021

7:30 AM

MONDAY: Alfred and Albina Gagnon by Dan & Donna Benoit

TUESDAY: Charlie Dale by family

WEDNESDAY: St. Martin de Porres by Anibal Ortiz

THURSDAY: Geraldine (Fusco) DiRusso by niece

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

4:00PM

Rev. Richard Roger by St. Anna Parish

Angelo DiRusso by niece

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2021

8:00AM

David Benoit by Dan & Donna Benoit

Rozy Bracani by a friend

Bertha Cascio by her husband

10:00AM

Francesco Bianco by daughter Adelina Bianco and granddaughters Sarah and Shanna Infantino

Mary Lou Montuori by Patti Lanza and Carol LeBlanc

12:00PM

Gloria Spinelli (1st anniversary) by St. Anna Parish

Mary Champagne by Ken and Sandra Lolli

6:30 BRAZILIAN MASS

St. Matthew 25 Society

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Our Parish Gift Card Giving Tree collection was a tremendous success! We collected and were able to distribute over \$5000.00 worth of Gift Cards for children in need to five local area agencies. Thank you to all parishioners and friends for your overwhelming kindness, support and above all generosity! God bless all of you and your loved ones this Christmas Season!

To Everyone—Mille Grazie & Buon Natale!!

Religious Education News

CHRISTMAS VACATION SCHEDULE

We will resume on Sunday, January 9th. We wish all of you a safe and restful Holiday Season filled with true joy, peace and happiness that can only be experienced through the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

School News

Leading up to the promise of Christmas, there was a lot of excitement at the school! In classrooms, students certainly exhibited the element of "JOY". It was wonderful how Grades K-5 were able to perform their Christmas Concerts in person. At our school mass on Wednesday, the students in Grades 6-8 presented The Living Nativity!

Your generosity for our fundraising events thus far have been extraordinary-what a testament to this community! The Sock Drive in Grade Three surpassed their goal of 500 pairs!!

As we close out this year of 2021, which has been a difficult one for all of us in many ways, I have also been reflecting on the blessings which have come this year. Even in these tough times of a pandemic, I see families supporting one another and the school community each day. I pray that we continue to work together in order to have a successful 2022.

In closing, I cannot express enough how very humbled I was by the beautiful gifts, cards, and many well wishes that so many families brought in for the office. I sincerely thank you all for your tremendous generosity. I hope and pray that all SAS families are able to enjoy this beautiful holiday season and stay healthy and safe. Wishing you all a very Happy and Healthy New Year!!!

God Bless,
Mrs. Legendre

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