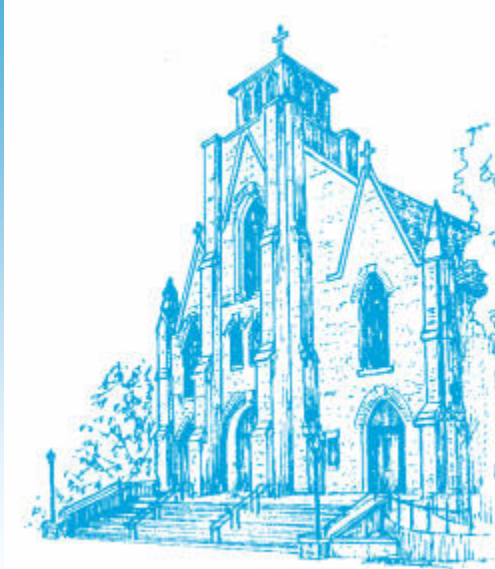


December 26th, 2021

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MASSES:

Saturday: 5 PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10 AM (Spanish), 12 PM

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 8:30 AM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45 PM in church

BAPTISM:

2nd Sunday of the month in English at 1:30 PM

3rd Sunday of the month in Spanish at 1:30 PM

Make prior arrangements by appointment through the Rectory office. An original birth certificate is required.

MATRIMONY:

Marriage arrangements in the parish must be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please log on to www.pre-cana.org for the complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

The first Saturday of the month at our 8:30 AM Mass we will be doing anointing of the sick. If you are home-bound, or if you know someone who is unable to come to Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist, the sacrament of Reconciliation, or the Anointing of the Sick, feel free to call us.

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday, 9 AM - 7:30 PM

Saturday, 11 AM - 3 PM

MISAS:

Misa dominical en español: domingo 10 AM

Otras misas en inglés: sábado 5 PM (vigilia);

domingo 8:30 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM

Entre semana: lunes a sábado 8:30 AM (inglés)

RECONCILIACIÓN:

Sábados 4:00 - 4:45 PM en la iglesia

BAUTISMO:

El segundo domingo del mes a la 1:15 en inglés El

tercer domingo del mes a la 1:15 en español

Hagan preparativos con la rectoría.

Se requiere un certificado original de nacimiento.

MATRIMONIO:

Hay que hacer preparativos por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha del matrimonio.

Favor de visitar www.pre-cana.org para información completa sobre la preparación de matrimonio en la diócesis.

UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS:

El primer Sábado del mes en nuestra Misa de las 8:30

AM haremos la unción de los enfermos. Si usted no

puede salir de la casa, o si conoce a alguien que no

puede asistir la Misa, contactenos cuando quiera.

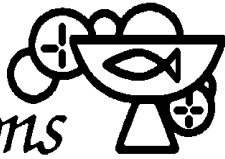
Horas de la Rectoría

Lunes a viernes, 9 AM - 7:30 PM

Sábado, 11 AM - 3 PM

ST. FIDELIS, COLLEGE POINT, NY

Mass Intentions for the Week



- SATURDAY, December 25th**
5:00 pm Edward & Mary Neumar
- SUNDAY, December 26th**
8:30 am Lewis Baglione, Albert Kaporch, Dcane Mirakaj, Theresa & James Labosco, George Socha, Kevin Walsh, Patricia Walsh, Charles Walsh, Marylyn Tie, Mary Higgins, Annie O'Hara
10:00 am Jesus Gonzalez, Carmen Almazo, Martha Martinez, Eliazar Crisantos, Carmen Castro, Jose Luis Castro, Helida Pereira Castro, Helida Rosa Castro Pereira, Susana Fullea Castro, Luis Alfonso Ureña, Paulino & Carmen Martinez.
12:00 pm Frances & Sebastian Buonocore
- MONDAY, December 27th**
8:30 am Purgatorial Society
- TUESDAY December 28th**
8:30 am Catherine & Joseph Hoey
- WEDNESDAY December 29th**
8:30 am Ben Baratta
- THURSDAY, December 30th**
8:30 am Joseph & Mary Schade
- FRIDAY, December 31st**
8:30 am Guillermo Velez
7:30 pm Mynor Agustin Marroquin
- SATURDAY, January 1st**
8:30 am Eileen O'Sullivan
10:00 am Juan de Dios Silva Castro
5:00 pm Eleazar Crisantos
- SUNDAY, January 2nd**
8:30 am Sarah Davey
10:00 am Juan Carlos Silva
12:00 pm John & Marylyn Tie



In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Carlos Arboleda, Lizbeth Anzures, Rose Bernal, David Broussard, Anthony Corradini, Regina Costa, Barbara Daueneheimer, Ed Duggan, Carollynn Freeda, Michael Holmes, Lauren Haropulos, Victor Hoyos, Rita Kwiecinski, Josephine Langellotti, Dean Larotonda, Mike Mannarino, Rose Mariello, Genevieve Minichetti, Florence Neeson, Eric Rivera, Melissa Rizzo, Amy Strack, Bob Walker, Matthew Yates, Christina Stark



New Year's Mass Schedule

December 31ST (New Year's Eve)

8:30 AM Daily Mass
7:30 PM **New Year's Vigil Mass (Bilingüe)**

January 1st (New Year's Day)

8:30 AM English
10:00 AM Español
5:00 PM **Sunday Vigil Mass (English)**

January 2nd

Regular Sunday Schedule

8:30 AM English
10:00 AM Español
12:00 PM English



Rest in Peace

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH.

DECEMBER 26TH, 2021–THE HOLY FAMILY

From the Pastor's Desk

A Blessed Christmas to you all!

Christmas Greetings to all of you my brothers and sisters in Jesus! I pray to God that you are all enjoying a wonderful Feast on this very special day that commemorates the birth of the Infant Jesus. For today is a time of great joy for all the nations throughout the world.

In the first reading (Is. 52:7-10) Prophet Isaiah proclaimed to the people of Israel that God was coming into the world through the person of Jesus. The second reading from the letter to the Hebrews reminds us that God spoke to the people in many and various ways by the prophets, but, when Baby Jesus was born, things changed. Now, God was going to speak to us through His beloved Son.

In today's Gospel saint John tells us who is Jesus and why he came into the world. Jesus is God incarnated. He is the Word of God. He was with God in the beginning and He is God. All things were created through Him. Nothing that exists had its existence without Jesus. What has come into the world through Jesus who is the giver of life is eternal life, Jesus came as the Light of all people, answering the hope of all by showing the way to eternal life, joy and peace.

The opening chapter of the book of prophet Isaiah says,

*An ox knows its owner
and an ass, its master's manger,
But Israel does not know
my people has not understood (Isa 1:3)*

Seven centuries later when God became one of us in Bethlehem many people did not know Him. What more could God have done for us? This Christmas is another chance for us to get to know Jesus, the Son of God, be filled with joy and peace.

The feast of the Holy Family

This Sunday, we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family (December 26). All of us, but especially the children, should read the third chapter of the book of Sirach that gives us a picture of a Jewish family in the Old Testament. We discover how respect, love and obedience for parents were inculcated in the hearts of Jewish children. Our parents may not be perfect, but we should be grateful that they gave us life, loved us, and took care of us. They take God's place in our lives!

The importance of the family cannot be overemphasized. It is in the family where we learn our values, spiritual and material. It is the place where as children, we first learn about God and how to pray. There seems, however, to be a lot of in broken families in today's society. Many families have experienced the pain of divorce with shared parenting: weekends in one home and weekdays in another. This long and scary list of wounds may be a heavy baggage which adult children from broken marriages and families carry to their own marriages.

The Feast of the Holy Family is a celebration of God's call to be a **Holy family**. No matter how wounded the family may be, healing and holiness are always possible. We should hold on to this hope. Thus, this Christmas, let us pray harder for our families and for those who are struggling in their marriages. I urge you to pray together as a family because **"The family that prays together stays together."**

I wish you all a happy and a healthy New Year 2022.

God bless you!

Fr. John Francis

Desde el Escritorio del Pastor

¡Bendita Navidad a todos!

¡Saludos navideños a todos ustedes, mis hermanos y hermanas en Jesús! Ruego a Dios que todos estén disfrutando de una maravillosa Fiesta en este día tan especial que conmemora el nacimiento del Niño Jesús. Porque hoy es un momento de gran alegría para todas las naciones del mundo.

En la primera lectura (Isaías 52: 7-10), el profeta Isaías proclamó al pueblo de Israel que Dios vendría al mundo a través de la persona de Jesús. La segunda lectura de la carta a los Hebreos nos recuerda que Dios habló a la gente de muchas y diversas formas por medio de los profetas, pero, cuando nació el Niño Jesús, las cosas cambiaron. Ahora, Dios nos iba a hablar a través de Su amado Hijo.

En el evangelio de hoy, san Juan nos dice quién es Jesús y por qué vino al mundo. Jesús es Dios encarnado. Él es la Palabra de Dios. Él estaba con Dios en el principio y es Dios. Todas las cosas fueron creadas por medio de él. Nada de lo que existe tuvo su existencia sin Jesús. Lo que ha venido al mundo a través de Jesús, que es el dador de vida, es vida eterna. Jesús vino como la Luz de todas las personas, respondiendo a la esperanza de todos mostrando el camino a la vida eterna, el gozo y la paz.

El capítulo inicial del libro del profeta Isaías dice:

*Un buey conoce a su dueño
y un asno, el pesebre de su amo,
pero Israel no sabe
que mi pueblo no ha entendido (Isa 1: 3)*

Siete siglos después, cuando Dios se convirtió en uno de nosotros en Belén, mucha gente no lo conocía. ¿Qué más podría haber hecho Dios por nosotros? Esta Navidad es otra oportunidad para que podamos conocer a Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, llenarnos de gozo y paz.

La fiesta de la Sagrada Familia

Este domingo celebramos la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia (26 de diciembre). Todos nosotros, pero especialmente los niños, deberíamos leer el tercer capítulo del libro de Eclesiástico que nos da una imagen de una familia judía en el Antiguo Testamento. Descubrimos cómo se inculcó el respeto, el amor y la obediencia a los padres en el corazón de los niños judíos. Puede que nuestros padres no sean perfectos, pero debemos estar agradecidos de que nos hayan dado la vida, nos hayan amado y nos hayan cuidado. ¡Ocupan el lugar de Dios en nuestras vidas!

No se puede exagerar la importancia de la familia. Es en la familia donde aprendemos nuestros valores, espirituales y materiales. Es el lugar donde, de niños, aprendemos por primera vez sobre Dios y cómo orar. Sin embargo, parece haber muchas familias rotas en la sociedad actual. Muchas familias han experimentado el dolor del divorcio con la paternidad compartida: los fines de semana en una casa y los días de semana en otra. Esta larga y aterradora lista de heridas puede ser un pesado bagaje que los hijos adultos de matrimonios y familias rotas llevan a sus propios matrimonios.

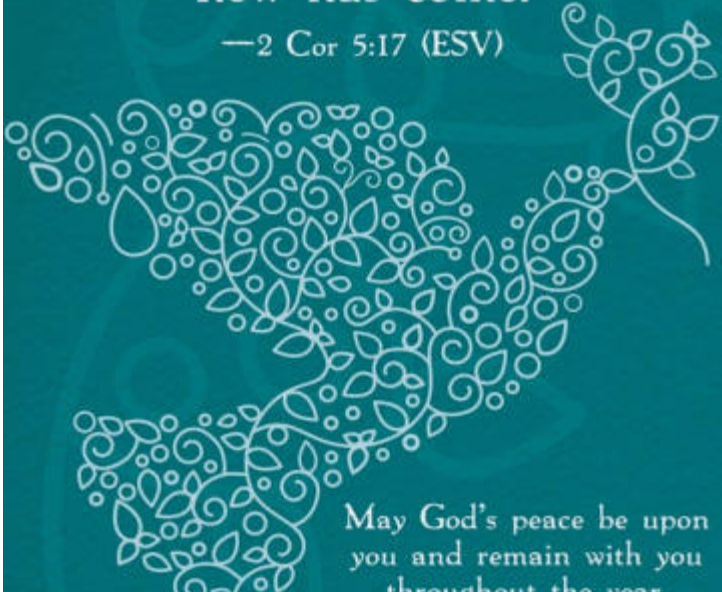
La Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia es una celebración del llamado de Dios a ser una **Sagrada Familia**. No importa cuán herida esté la familia, la curación y la santidad siempre son posibles. Debemos aferrarnos a esta esperanza. Por lo tanto, esta Navidad, oremos más por nuestras familias y por aquellos que están luchando en sus matrimonios. Les insto a orar juntos como familia porque **"La familia que ora unida permanece unida"**.

Les deseo a todos un feliz y saludable año nuevo 2022.

*Dios los bendiga,
Fr. John Francis*

DECEMBER 26TH, 2021—THE HOLY FAMILY

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.
—2 Cor 5:17 (ESV)



May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.



I am **the**
You are **CHURCH**
We are **together**

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021

Parish Goal:	\$50.925
Pledge:	\$59.231
Received:	\$52.414
Number of Pledges:	194

A special thank you to all those who helped to achieve our Diocesan goal, Please continue to fulfill your pledge, if you haven't done so. The rest of the funds will go to parish projects

Un agradecimiento especial a todos aquellos que ayudaron a alcanzar nuestra meta Diocesana. Por favor continúe cumpliendo su compromiso, si no lo ha hecho. El resto de los fondos se destinarán a proyectos parroquiales.

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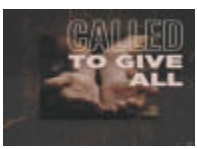
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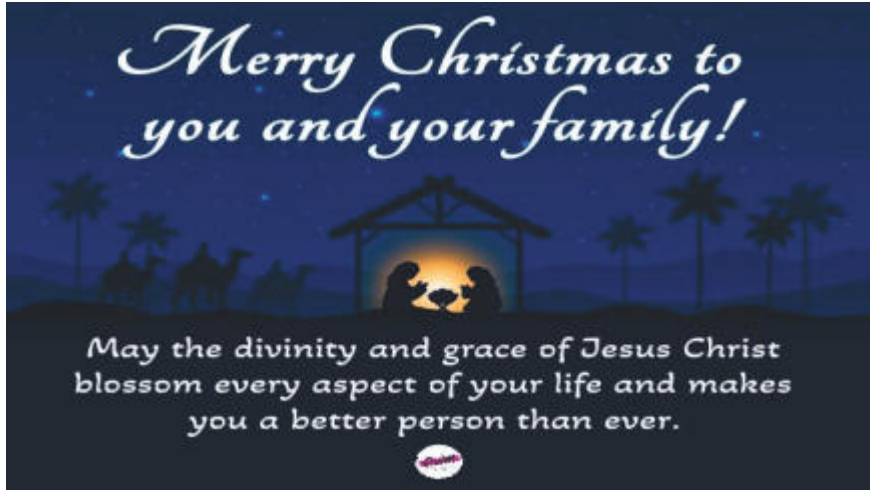
To the Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of winter jackets that were distributed to our parishioners in November.

God Bless you!



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Merry Christmas to you and your family!



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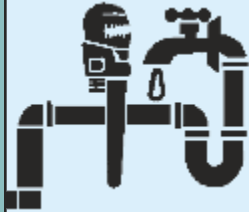
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