

Mary, Mother of Mankind Church

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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

December 26, 2021

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Holy Days: see bulletin

Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am
(The Rosary is prayed prior to Daily Mass)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 pm

Parish Office Hours

M-T-W-Th. 9:00 am-1:00pm

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From Fr. Varghese's Desk



I THANK GOD FOR ALL OF YOU: Thank you to everyone who made this Christmas Season such a beautiful celebration for our parish community. The Church looked beautiful as always. The music was inspiring and reflective of this great feast. I am grateful to you who decorated the church inside and out, to our parish musicians, choir members, ushers, lectors, extra ordinary ministers, altar servers and collection counters. There are always extra duties during the Christmas Season. It demands more of many people, but I am very proud of our parish because so many of you are willing to help and that makes it a little easier for all of us. May God bless you and your loved ones abundantly in the New Year.

I am personally grateful to all who sent cards, cookies, candies, and gifts. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated. I am always impressed and inspired by the generosity of our parish.

As soon as we hear the words "The Holy Family," we say to ourselves, that can't be us. We are impatient or unkind, we let family members down. We fight and argue with each other. We do have one thing in common with Jesus, Mary and Joseph; we love each other. We may not be perfect in that love, but we try to love and help each other as best we can. We look out for each other as best we can.

Joseph and Mary took care of each other and Jesus as best they could. On the night Jesus was born, the best Joseph could do for his family was find them a stable. They feared for their lives when they had to flee to Egypt. The love they had for each other was the foundation of their marriage. Through all their struggles love is what united this family. It is what unites our family. It is what we celebrate today. Love takes imperfect people, unites them in a sacred bond and helps them to face all the challenges and good times of their lives. I wish you a very happy and Holy 2022!

Have a Good Week and God Bless

Father Varghese



MASS SCHEDULE

- Saturday, December 25-The Nativity of the Lord
4:00 pm Fred Scungio, Eva & Anthony Calitri, Mary & Ferdinando Scungio
Sunday, December 26-The Holy Family
8:00 am Paul Lavecchia (25th anniversary)
10:30 am Victorino Biscocho
Monday, December 27-Saint John
8:00 am Jack Reardon (1st anniversary)
Tuesday, December 28-The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
8:00 am Angelo Dicenzo (3rd anniversary)
Wednesday, December 29-Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
8:00 am Ann Marie DiCenzo
Thursday, December 30-Sixty Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
8:00 am Domenic (2nd anniversary)
Friday, December 31-Seventh Day within the Octave Of the Nativity of the Lord
4:00 pm Frederick Lumb
Saturday, January 1-The Octave Day of the Nativity Of the Lord, Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
9:00 am Francisco Ferreira
Sunday, January 2-Epipany of the Lord
8:00 am Anthony P. Neri
10:30 am Jacqueline McMullen

Sanctuary Candle, Altar Candles & Altar Bread
Candles will burn from 12/23 thru 12/30
The Sanctuary Candle will burn for: Jack Reardon
The Altar Candles will burn for: All Family Members
The Altar Bread is offered for: Jack Reardon
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Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Weekend of 12/12/21
Offertory Reports
Weekly Offering \$ 5,832.00
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HOLIDAY
Mass Schedule

NEW YEAR 2022
New Year Vigil Mass December 31st at 4:00PM
and New Year's Day at 9:00AM

Blessing of the New Year-2022
God of time and of eternity, with Christmas joy we praise you for the year gone by and for the year we have begun.

It is a year of new beginnings!
Your son comes among us to bring glad tidings to the poor and to proclaim a year acceptable in Your sight.
Knit us in harmony and love, we who are flesh of His flesh.

Fill this holy year with mercy and compassion, with prosperity and accord, as we join the angels in proclaiming Your praise:
Glory in heaven and peace on earth, now and forever. AMEN.



Many people, young and old, consistently give of themselves for the good of others. A sincere thank you to all those who serve our parish in many and varied ways to make it what it is. Whether your ministry is in the forefront or in the background, we thank you. It is due to your generous spirit that we are what we are. May the Lord bless you and those you love now and forever.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: To whom have your past acts of kindness brought joy? What act of kindness could you do this week?

Children: What kind thing have you done for someone lately? Whom could you make happy by your kindness this week?



SUNDAY SMILE

When Mary was pregnant, her five-year-old son, Billy, was utterly amazed, and a little bit disbelieving, that his sister was growing in his mom's tummy. So, one day when the baby was especially active, she asked Billy to place his tiny hands on her tummy to feel the baby kick. But when he did, the baby was suddenly still. "Oh, Billy, she must have decided to take a nap," shrugged Mary. "A nap?" Billy marveled. "You mean there's a bed in there too?"



FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
No Classes this week. Classes will resume Jan. 9, 2022. Happy New Year!

A Prayer for My Family

Heavenly Father, bless my family with your love. Guard us from all danger and harm; deliver us from anger that leads to division; empower us to forgive as we have been forgiven; and send us into the world to witness your love and grace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Welcome New Parishioners

This week we welcome our new parishioners: Marie Provenzano and Andres & Jacqueline Saldarriaga to our Mary Mother of Mankind Parish Family!

MASS INTENTIONS

The 2022 Mass Book is open! You may book your masses during office hours on: Monday - Thursday from 9:00 am-1:00 PM. Weekends/Holy Days-\$25.00 Weekdays-\$10.00

Sanctuary Lamp/Altar Candles-\$10.00-one name
Please note that there is a maximum number of masses booked per family to be fair to all of the parishioners

NOT RECEIVING YOUR ENVELOPES?

To be added to the weekly tithing envelopes and mailing list, please call or email the office for a registration form. Registration forms can be returned via email, mail or dropped in the weekly collection basket. Please contact the Parish Office at 231-3542 if you did not receive your offertory envelopes.



Let us pray for all who have died

Our relatives, friends, and fellow parishioners especially Ken O'Grady and Patricia Baribault whose funeral was recently held.



Grateful for God's Providence

As you may recall, our parish's goal is \$353,427.00. Per the latest update report, out of our more than 1100 registered families, 91 families made one-time gifts or pledge that totaled \$185,000.00.

Please fill out your family's pledge card today and place it in the offering basket or hand it to our pastor! No down payment is necessary to make your pledge.

Pledge cards are available throughout the Church

To submit a prayer request for our 'Prayer Chain' please contact Alexandra P. (300-2062) or Pauline N. (231-8012)



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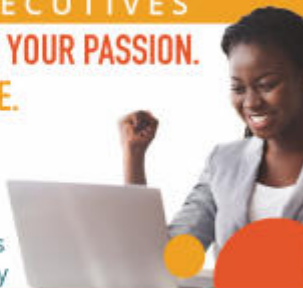
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