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WE WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Please introduce yourself to Fr. John or Linda and register
at St. Mary of the Assumption or Our Lady of Grace!

We want to get to know you and hope you become part of our community.

Confessions

Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm at St. Mary's
or by appointment.

Faith Formation

Call Donna DiGregorio at 781-284-5252

Sacrament of Baptism

Our Lady's: 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:30 pm.
St. Mary's: 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30 pm.
Prep for Parents and Godparents is the previous
Saturday at noon. Register three weeks in advance.

Care of the Sick

Please let us know of parishioners who are sick or
in the hospital, that we may pray for, and when
possible, visit them. Anyone who is unable to cele-
brate Mass with us in church is urged to let us
know, that we might bring them Communion at
home. Please call us!

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples considering marriage must contact Fr.
John at least **six months** in advance. Participation
in a marriage prep program is mandatory.

Christmas & Holy Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, Dec. 24

9 AM SMA A Special Intention

Christmas Eve

4 pm OLG Family Mass

5:30 pm SMA Parish Mass

7 pm OLG Kreyol Mass

Christmas Day

8 am OLG

9:30 am SMA

11 am OLG

Please note that there will be no 4 pm Mass

Sunday, Dec. 26

Holy Family

8 AM OLG Ginny Noonan

9:30 AM SMA Paul Ferraro by Judy Zolla

11 AM OLG A Special Intention

12:30 PM OLG

Monday, Dec. 27

St. Stephen

9 AM SMA Michael Cintolo by Lillian Conti

Thursday, Dec. 30

9 AM SMA A Special Intention

Friday, Dec. 31

9 AM SMA A Special Intention

4 PM SMA

Saturday, Jan 1 *Solemnity of Mary*

10 AM OLG

4 PM SMA A Special Intention

Sunday, Jan. 2 *Epiphany*

8 AM OLG Ginny Noonan

9:30 AM SMA A Special Intention

11 AM OLG Barbara Graf

12:30 PM OLG

*Please note that Parish Offices
will be closed Friday, Dec. 31st*

**Please remember to write checks out
to *Blessed Mother* or *Morning Star*!**

Looking Ahead!

January 1st: Solemnity of Mary
It is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses: Dec. 31st @ 4 pm @ SMA
and Jan. 1 @ 10 am @ OLG.

January 2nd: Epiphany

Masses are Saturday, Jan. 1 at 4 pm
and Sunday at 8, 9:30 and 11 am.

Save the Date – February 6, 2022

BMMS Multicultural Festival

*Calling all cooks, bakers, artists, dancers,
and musicians! We'll celebrate the unique identi-
ties of our parish families with a Multicultural
Festival. We need **YOUR** help to make this event
a success. Be on the lookout for registration
forms! For info, please email:*

BMMSMulticulturalFestival@gmail.com

SMA Memorial Society

John McGrath, Josephine Curcio,
David Lania, Fannie & John Cammarata,
Alice Fucci, Judy Cammarata,
Nicholas Di Mauro, Adolfo & Adelina Cillo,
Jack Caprio, Michael & Inez DeFronzo,
Ronald Piasecki, Carmella Bocelli,
Giulio Cecere,
Frank J. & Frances R. Cristello.

Please pick up a copy at the churches,
while supplies last, of Matthew Kelly's
new book *Life is Messy*.

Thanks to **Hub Glass**, for their work
of protecting the OLG windows.

Thanks to the **Aulson Company**, for their
work in making sure the OLG stairs are safe.

We are now offering opportunities
for memorials at both **Trees of Life** in our
churches to remember our departed—
call the offices for more info.

**Blessed Mother of the Morning Star Parish
Office Hours**

Revere: Mon, Wed & Thurs: 9 am– 1 pm
Chelsea: Mon, Tue, Th, Fri: 8:30 am– 1:30 pm
Fr. John Sheridan, Pastor
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Paula Demetrio-Peipman, Music
Takumi Kakimoto, Accompanist
Kam Sylvestre, Haitian Community Coord.
Barbara Ostler, Administrative Support
Lee Meoli, Administrative Support
Rose Vo, Support, OLG
Larry Lacroix, Support, SMA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Have you or has someone you know...

**Expressed a desire to become a Catholic?
Were you baptized Catholic as a child,
but haven't received the Sacraments
of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?**

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experiences of the Church and prepare folks to celebrate the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, insights, and your own faith story in a warm and accepting setting.

For info, please contact Linda DeCristoforo, our Pastoral Associate at 781-284-5252, ext. 23
Or ldecristoforo@morningstarcatholic.org.
All inquiries are welcomed!

**If you give \$5 a week, can you give \$10?
If you give \$10, can you give \$15?
If you give \$20, can you give \$25?
Every donation makes a difference!**

Collection Report: Dec. 11-12

OLG: \$1,400 SMA: \$3,591
Total: \$4,991

*The Christmas Collection is for
the Clergy Health Trust– Thank you!*

Mass Attendance

4 pm @ SMA: 85 8 am @ OLG: 43
9:30 am @ SMA: 140 11 am @ OLG: 54
12:30 pm @ OLG: 65 Total: 387

Inspiring Hope

OLG: \$23,517 SMA: \$19,751
Regina Cleri: \$14,816

Comings and Goings...

Fr. Michael Magree is on
research leave 'til May.

We welcome Col. Fr. Robert Monagle, USAF
as he concelebrates the 4 pm Christmas Mass.

If you wish to send Fr. Denis Sweeney a note:
3112 Seventh St. NE, Washington, DC. 20017

2 twenties, 1 ten, 1 five & 2 ones.
What can 57 dollars do?
*It can feed a child
in our sister parish for 10 months.*

As our sister parish, St. Joseph in L'Asile, Haiti gets back up on its feet after devastation from earthquakes, hurricanes and social and political unrest, we turn our attention to the children, making sure they get fed. *For \$57, we can assure a child is fed every school day.*

Please consider giving \$57, or \$114, or... you get the idea, and help us ensure that our nieces and nephews, if you will, get the food they need. Please write out your check to *Blessed Mother* or *Morning Star* Parish, and note *Haiti relief*, and we'll get it where it needs to. Thank you in advance and God bless you for your generosity!

St. Joseph, L'Asile

Blessed Mother of the Morning Star

One in faith, hope and love.

Youn nan lafwa, espwa ak lanmou.

As of Dec. 6, we have received **\$70,306**

for our sister parish in L'Asile, Haiti!

\$46,000 has already been sent to L'Asile.

Please write out your check to

Blessed Mother Parish or **Morning Star Parish**

and note **Haiti Relief Fund** on the memo line.

Thank you. Merci.

An Important and Holy Ministry

Many of our faithful parishioners, due to the pandemic, have not received Holy Communion in over a year and now, because of age or health, they're unable to return to Mass. Some of them have asked to receive the Eucharist at home.

We need people to take Holy Communion to them. The commitment is once a month and you'll be fully trained. You don't have to be a Eucharistic Minister to be a part of this invaluable work.

If you feel that God is calling you to this wonderful ministry of serving the homebound, please contact me at

ldecristoforo@morningstarcatholic.org

or call 781-284-5252, ext. 23.

Thank You, Linda DeCristoforo

**Oh beautiful, for heroes proved,
in liberating strife...**

*We pray for those who serve our nation
and protect us every day.*

**Nicholas Beauchamp, Adam DeLlascio,
Dennis Geary, Michael McGrath, Nikk Pierce,
Nathaniel Pazos, Fr. Robert Monagle**

PRAYER REQUESTS

**Gerry Foster, Elizabeth Raneli, Philip Russo,
Barbara Heinle, Fr. Denis Sweeney, CSSR,
Pat Bocelli, Albert Palladino**

So much to be thankful for

It's been an incredible 2021– the year that we became a new family– amid joyful moments and painful times. Through it all, our incredible staff have not adjusted, but innovated and shown incredible resiliency, like no other parish, anywhere.

Frs. Vallon and our Jesuits step up in so many ways to serve us all so well. Our PPC & PFC and Deacon Glenn give helpful and encouraging counsel through challenging days.

I am grateful to Larry and Rose, who keep SMA & OLG not just clean, but running well. Lee & Barbara welcome, keep the sacramental books tight and the paperwork flowing. Kam gives direction, encouragement and represents the Haitian community with grace.

Linda M takes on the task of herding kittens– corralling two parishes into one– and does it with her customary good humor and patience. Paula guides us through the liturgical year- with all its stops and starts- with joy and love.

Donna brought us through Zoom classes and truncated sacramental celebrations to the sweet day when we reopened the classrooms and saw the joy in the kids' eyes and brought us into Family Masses. Thanks also to our Faith Formation teachers for your will and skill to see it through.

Linda D shows great leadership, compassion, flexibility and faith as she guides us through new technology and insight of thought and prayer in unprecedented days.

Thanks to our lectors, EMs, musicians, ushers, volunteers in a million ways, Worship Committee, L'Asile Team, St. V de P Society, Holy Name & Women's Club, AA & NA, Stewardship, Young Adults, and so many more.

May God bless and lead us all into a new year of hope and joy. Look up. Look ahead. Let's bring the Good News to the world!

-Fr. John

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