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#### Christmas ~ December 25, 2021

Gathering Hymn: O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye, to Bethlehem.

Come and behold him, born the King of angels;

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

Christ the Lord.

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation.

Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above.

Glory to God, all glory in the highest;

O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

Christ the Lord.

Gloria: Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, for they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; all the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

Responsorial Psalm: "All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God!"

#### Second Reading:

#### Hebrews 1:1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, who is the refulgence of his glory, the very imprint of his being, and who sustains all things by his mighty word. When he had accomplished purification from sins, he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, as far superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say: You are my son; this day I have begotten you? Or again: I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

#### Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled. This was the first enrollment, when Quirinius was governor of Syria. So all went to be enrolled, each to his own town. And Joseph too went up from Galilee from the town of Nazareth to Judea, to the city of David that is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there, the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

#### The Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



#### **Preparation of the Gifts:**

#### O Little Town of Bethlehem

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie! Above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by. Yet in the dark streets shineth the everlasting Light; The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary, and gathered all above, While mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wondering love. O morning stars together, proclaim the holy birth, And praises sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth! Spirit we wait for your loving Son.



#### **Communion Hymns:**

#### **God Rest You Merry Gentlemen**

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay, For Jesus Christ our Savior was born upon this Day; To save us all from Satan's power when we were gone astray. O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

In Bethlehem, in Judah, this blessed babe was born, And laid within a manger upon this blessed morn; For which His mother Mary did nothing take in scorn. O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our great Creator a blessed angel came, And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same, How that In Bethlehem was born the song of God by name. O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.

#### **Silent Night**

Silent night, holy night, All is calm, all is bright Round yon virgin mother and Child, Holy Infant, so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing Alleluia! Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light; Radiant beams from Thy holy face with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

#### **Closing Song:**

#### Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King. Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all you nations rise; Join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Christ, by highest heaven adored, Christ the everlasting Lord: Late in time behold him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the Godhead see: Hail the incarnate Deity, Please as man with us to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Hail the heav'nly Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all he brings, ris'n with healing in his wings. Mild he lays his glory by, born that we no more may die. Born to raise us from the earth, born to give us second birth. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

Thank you for joining us in worship today! Please see the Bulletin section for the Mass Schedule during our Christmas Season or go to our website: stjulia.org Merry Christmas!

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On Facebook: "Saint Julia Parish—Weston & Lincoln" and Instagram "St Julia Parish"

#### **OUR MAILING ADDRESS:**

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#### **MASS TIMES**

All Masses are currently taking place in St. Julia Church, Weston

#### **Sunday Masses:**

4:00 pm (Saturday Vigil—except on Dec. 25) 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 8:00 am, Monday—Thursday

#### **COVID-19 PROTOCOLS UPDATE!**

Effective December 18th, Cardinal Sean has mandated that everyone from age 5+ is to wear a mask while at attending a public Mass, Wedding, Funeral, etc. St. Julia Church continues to provide designated Social Distancing pews at each Mass.

**OFFICE HOURS** 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

#### **RECONCILIATION**

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM

#### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

By request after the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass; or contact Parish Office.

#### **EUCHARIST AND VISITS TO THE SICK**

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, homebound or hospitalized.

#### **ROSARY ON ZOOM**

After each daily Mass; ask for link at cmcgarry@stjulia.org.

#### **BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

**BULLETIN NOTICES** should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday morning: parish@stjulia.org

#### THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do.

We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

#### ~ Parish Life ~

# Readings for the Feast of the Holy Family:

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Psalm: 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-17
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

"Do you not know I must be in my Father's House?"

#### Readings for the Epiphany of the Lord:

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Psalm: 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star..."

#### **Supporting Our Parish's Mission**

Weekend of 12/11 and 12/12 = \$7,751.83

Weekend of 12/19 and 12/20 = Due to early bulletin transmission dates, this past weekend will be reported at a later date.

#### Mass Intentions for this week:

Sun. 12/26—8am Theresa Greaves

Sun. 12/26-9:30am DiNitto & Spada Families Mon., 12/27-8am Ruth & Walter Henneberry

**And Henneberry Family** 

Tues., 12/28—8am Tess Nowalk Wed., 12/29—8am Bob Duffy Sr.

Thurs., 12/30 –8am Tom & Bette Hinchey

Sun., 1/2 - 8am Billy Greaves

Sun., 1/2— 9:30am Kathleen Lane Memorial Sun., 1/2—11:30am Theresa & Daniel Donahue

& Donahue Family

Sun., 1/2— 5pm Ruth & Walter Henneberry

& Family



Eucharist Adoration every Friday in St. Julia Church from 12 noon—1pm.

### Please go to our website www.stjulia.org for more information!



Masses for the Nativity of the Lord will be held at St. Julia Church, Weston On December 24th at 2:30 pm, 4:00 pm, 5:30 pm and 8:00 pm. December 25th at 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am. There will be no Mass Saturday evening, December 25th.

Masses for the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on Sunday, December 26th at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am and 5:00 pm.

Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on Saturday, January 1st at 9:30 am. (Due to it falling on a Saturday, this is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.)

Masses for the Epiphany of the Lord will be held on Saturday, January 1 at 4:00 pm and Sunday, January 2, at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, and 5:00 pm.

Masses for the Baptism of the Lord will be held on Saturday, January 8 at 4:00 pm and Sunday, January 9, at 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am, and 5:00 pm.

#### ~ Parish Life~

### As an Adult, are you seeking to receive any of the Sacraments of Initiation?

Are you thinking of joining the Church? Do you need to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or 1st Communion? We warmly welcome you, and we have a process designed for you! Contact Deacon Rafe to find out more: <a href="mailto:deaconrafe@gmail.com">deaconrafe@gmail.com</a>.







# St. Julia Parish Christmas Giving Tree and White Socks Collection



So many people—adults and children, living in Weston/Lincoln area, Dorchester, and other nearby locations—will be having a very Merry Christmas, thanks to the generosity of our Parishioners.

May God bless you all with the love, peace and joy of Christmas!









Catholic Charities has requested St Julia's assistance with Afghan refugees settling in the Boston area. If interested in assisting with this resettlement, please email Colm at cmcgarry@stjulia.org



Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Evans—updated with prices!







When: October 16-23, 2022 (with an option for an added 3 day trip to Medjugorje)

Where: Rome, Florence and Assisi, Italy

Price: \$3,495 for Italy and \$4,320 including Medjugorje. Contact:cmcgarry@stjulia.org



Over the next several years, the Church around the world will be participating in a process called the **Synod on Synodality**. The Holy Father will be meeting with Bishops from across the globe in 2023 to discuss ways of improving the process by which the church on all levels is open to hearing the voices of people from all walks

of life. Here in Boston it means that we will be gathering, as parishes to pray together and to invite the Holy Spirit to help us to listen deeply to one another, and we will talk together about how best to do that. The archdiocese and the church around the world will be engaging in the same sort of conversation. We pray that the Lord will open our hearts to Him and to all of our people.



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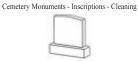


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