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THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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WELCOME ~ December 31, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4PM ~ Holy Name

Sunday 7:30AM & 10AM ~ Holy Name

Sunday 9:00AM ~ St. Francis

Sunday 11:30AM ~ St. Lawrence

Monday - Thursday 8AM ~ Holy Name

Reconciliation ~ 3:15PM Saturday ~ Holy Name

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FINANCIAL REPORT

1st collection 12/16 & 12/17 \$3,729
 maintenance \$ 1,552

next weeks second collection: *Thank You!*
 religious education of our parish youth

You will find last week's financial figures and Mass counts next week!



MASS COUNTS

Sat. 12/16	HNSHJ	4:00PM	190
San 12/17	HNSHJ	7:30AM	120
Sun 12/17	SF	9:00AM	65
Sun. 12/17	HNSHJ	10:00AM	190
Sun. 12/17	SL	11:30AM	125
TOTAL			690

*This month at Holy Name
 The Sanctuary Candle burns
 in loving memory of
**Mary Sherman
 Clifton Hathaway***

NEW YEAR'S DAY *Mass*

Holy Day of the Solemnity of
 Mary Mother of God January 1st
 Vigil Masson Sunday Dec 31st at
 4pm & Monday Morning at 9am
 Both Masses at Holy Name



MASS INTENTIONS HOLY NAME OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Saturday, December 30	4:00PM	<i>Deolina Medeiros Athaide - 11 year anniversary Frank Michalski Connie Trahan</i>
Sunday, December 31	7:30AM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Sunday, December 31	10:00AM	<i>Nancy Ann Kondziolka - 1 year anniversary and birthday remembrance Muriel J Denault Donald Denault - 6 year anniversary</i>
Sunday, December 31	4:00PM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Monday, January 1	9:00AM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Tuesday, January 2	8:00AM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Wednesday, January 3	8:00AM	<i>Deila LaFrance - birthday remembrance</i>
Thursday, January 4	8:00AM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Saturday, January 6	4:00PM	<i>Nancy Kondziolka Joseph Sobolewski - anniversary remembrance Steven Hunt</i>
Sunday, January 7	7:30AM	<i>Elaine Gaspar</i>
Sunday, January 7	10:00AM	<i>Curtis Kumar Robert Whyte - 3 year anniversary Lucille Violette - 4 year anniversary</i>

HOLY NAME S H J	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sat. 12/30 4:00PM	Leo Choquette	Dr Ashely Walecka Murielle Rose Kathy McKenna	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 12/31 7:30AM	Stephanie Fiano	Ted Machado Carol Oliver	Madison Fiano Sydney Boswell
Sun. 12/31 10:00AM	Colleen Gordon	Eva Marie Fernandes Gloria Pamplona	Jonathan Gonsalves Zachary Pryzstarz Emelia DaCunha
Sat. 1/6 4:00PM	Sue LeBouef	Lou Robillard Murielle Rose Kathy McKenna	Aaron Elderkin Angelina Lugo
Sun. 1/7 7:30AM	Barbara Brunette	Ted Machado Carol Oliver	Madison Fiano Sydney Boswell
Sun. 1/7 10:00AM	Leo Choquette	Ann Pryzstarz Dennis Onofrey	Jonathan Gonsalves Emelia DaCunha

*Please join together to welcome a new member of our
 Whaling City Catholic Community
 Kelly Haggerty*



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Kara McEachern Music Director

Diana Henry Organist

FINANCIAL REPORT

1st collection 12/16 & 12/17 \$807
maintenance \$122

next weeks second collection:
religious education of our parish youth

Thank You!

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figures next week!*



MASS INTENTIONS SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Saturday, December 30	4:30PM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Sunday, December 31	9:00AM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Saturday, January 6	4:30PM	<i>for our parish family</i>
Sunday, January 7	9:00AM	Robertson Kane - 9 year anniversary Robert Houtman - 1 year anniversary

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 12/31	Lydia Murphy	Mary Neves	Molly McEachern
Sun. 1/7 9:00AM	Edith Ventura	Jim Ventura	Molly McEachern Myra McNeilly Liam McNeilly

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Robert Houtman - 1 year anniversary*

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To register contact your parish



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Please call either Parish Office at least 2 weeks before the date of the Mass Intention you are requesting. You may also email your requests to Jackie or Nancy and they will reply ASAP. This eliminates the need for extra notes and the intention being misplaced. Your help is very much appreciated. Thank You.

Please call HNSHJ parish office when you would like to sponsor a **sanctuary light** in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Your donation helps defray the cost of our sanctuary candles, and for that we thank you! In an effort to effectively accommodate all intentions parishioners in all three parishes of our collaborative are asked to call HNSHJ 508-992-3184 or email Nancyt@whalingcitycatholics.org.

\$10 suggested donation for a week
\$25 suggested donation for a month

With gratitude for your consideration and support as we work together in faith, understanding and love.



ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR

Jackie Shidell Bookkeeper
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Fran Gorman Music Director

FINANCIAL REPORT

1st collection 12/16 & 12/17 \$2,440
 maintenance \$ 420

next weeks second collection
 religious education of our parish youth

Thank You!

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MASS INTENTIONS SAINT LAWRENCE MARTYR

Saturday, December 30	4:00PM	<i>Mary & Henry Medeiros</i>
Sunday, December 31	11:30AM	<i>Paul Gaboriault - 36 year anniversary Christopher Sullivan & Joseph Hartnett Janice Machnowski</i>
Saturday, January 6	4:00PM	<i>George L'Khouri Moujabber and his deceased family members</i>
Sunday, January 7	11:30AM	<i>Edward & Mary Lopes Marcia M. Mahoney</i>

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	ALTAR SERVER
Sun. 12/31 11:30AM	Tricia Grime	Anne Marie Lefever Chris Lefever	Jane Byrnes Daniella Mendoza Elizabeth Frasier Mouro Martins Teixeira
Sun. 1/7 11:30AM	Rosie Byrnes	Chris Lefever Anne Marie Lefever	Jane Byrnes Raelynne Donnelly Elizabeth Frasier

This month at Saint Lawrence
 The Sanctuary Candle burns in loving
 memory of the
Luis Pereira
George & Jeannette Lavoie
 The Saint Anthony Candle burns
 in loving memory of
George Lavoie



FOOD PANTRY OPEN
FRIDAY JANUARY 12
8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
110 SUMMER ST.



THANK YOU to the many who selflessly gave of their time, talent and treasures for this years giving tree. Various agencies throughout our community were assisted and for that they are entirely grateful. Over 1,300 items were collected. Well done! May God continue to bless you abundantly!

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.

December 31, 2023 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

I remember the first time my older sister asked me if I wanted to hold her newborn son. Terrified, I told her I didn't think it was a good idea. My résumé had nothing to suggest I would be a qualified baby holder. But she warmly told me, "I'll help you hold him." It struck me that she is baby's mother. She is the one who decides who is qualified to hold him. I took him in my arms and soon I began to feel comfortable with that tiny little warm cooing creature in my arms, and soon I no longer feared holding him. Now, twenty-seven nieces and nephews later, holding a newborn child is one of the great joys of my life.

Do we sometimes think that Jesus is given only to the highly qualified, special religious people? In the Gospel of Luke today we hear about the presentation of the Lord in the temple. The newborn son of God is passed around like a baton in a relay race, not guarded like a precious jewel or a breakable china dish. We can see him going from the arms of Mary to Joseph, then to the priest performing the ceremony, then to Simeon the old man, then to Anna the old widow. Each one receiving him and then handing him to the next. A tidal wave of joy and thanksgiving follows wherever he is placed.

Believe me, you are qualified to hold Jesus in your arms. How can I say that with such confidence? Because the mother decides who is qualified. The Blessed Virgin, embodied in the Church, holds him out to you and me. She rejoices to place him in our arms to hold, and to hand him on, too.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



WISHING YOU A
HAPPY AND HEALTHY
NEW YEAR!

David Keighley, Katherine Sullivan, Corrine Lebeau, Joey Kowal, Mary-Lyn Riding, Peter McCoy, Vivian Moniz, Joann Pieknik, Gabriella Rivas, Maria Ferreira, Augusta Fernandes, Maureen Stewart, Nativa Hoyle, Peter Debarros, Kathy Amaral, Cliff Soucy, Joel Rivera, Tom Soucy, Joyce Baptista, The Sena Family, Maria Raposo, Terry Ouellette, The McCain Family, Carla DeMello & Paula Perreira, Henry T. Murphy Jr., Micele Michaud, Gene Rymaszewicz



WOULD YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?

December 31 Rev. Msgr. James Root
January 1 Pope Francis
January 2 Rev. Horace Travassos
January 3 Bishop Edgar da Cunha, SDV
January 4 Rev. Richard Roy
January 5 All Bishops
January 6 Rev. Stephen Salvador



Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them, into likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marie Cathcart who passed away December 4 and whose funeral was celebrated at St. Francis on December 18

We extend our sympathy and prayers to her family. May she share the promise of Eternal Life.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen





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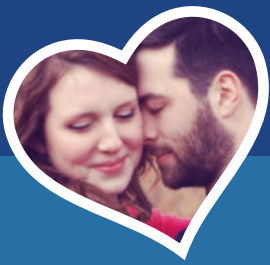
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