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This week, This excerpt from *The Truth and Meaning of Human Sexuality* recognizes the role of single parents and others who have taken on the responsibility of raising children. It then proceeds to make some very pertinent points about the inalienable rights of parents to be the first educators of children in the area of human sexuality.

In the context of formation in chastity, "fatherhood-motherhood" also includes one parent who is left alone and adoptive parents. The task of a single parent is certainly not easy because the support of the other spouse and the role and example of a parent of the other sex is lacking. But God sustains single parents with a special love and calls them to take on this task with the same generosity and sensitivity with which they love and care for their children in other areas of family life.

Some other persons are called upon in certain cases to take the place of parents: those who take on the parental role in a permanent way, for instance, for orphans or abandoned children. They, too, have the task of educating children and young people in an overall sense, as well as in chastity, and they will receive the grace of their state of life to do this according to the same principles that guide Christian parents.

Parents must never feel alone in this task. The Church supports and encourages them, confident that they can carry out this function better than anyone else. She also encourages those men or women who, often with great sacrifice, give children without parents a form of parental love and family life. In any case, all of them must approach this duty in a spirit of prayer, open and obedient to the moral truths of faith and reason that integrate the teaching of the Church, and always seeing children and young people as persons, children of God and heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven.

The Rights and Duties of Parents

Before going into the practical details of young people's formation in chastity, it is extremely important for parents to be aware of their rights and duties, particularly in the face of a State or a school that tends to take up the initiative in the area of sex education.

The Holy Father John Paul II reaffirms this in *Familiaris Consortio*: "The right and duty of parents to give education is essential, since it is connected with the transmission of human life; it is original and primary with regard to the educational role of others, on account of the uniqueness of the loving relationship between parents and children; and it is irreplaceable and inalienable, and therefore incapable of being entirely delegated to others or usurped by others", except in the case, as mentioned at the beginning, of physical or psychological impossibility.

This doctrine is based on the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, and is also proclaimed by the Charter of the Rights of the Family: "Since they have conferred life on their children, parents have the original, primary and inalienable right to educate them; hence they ...have the right to educate their children in conformity with their moral and religious convictions, taking into account the cultural traditions of the family which favour the good and the dignity of the child; they should also receive from society the necessary aid and assistance to perform their educational role properly". (*The Truth and Meaning of Human Sexuality*, #38-42)

Pastor's Column —Third Sunday of Advent*From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend, in the Gospel we hear of the son of Zechariah and Elizabeth, John the Baptist who is fulfilling the words his father had spoken when John was born:

And you, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give his people knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins, because of the tender mercy of our Gods by which the daybreak from on high will visit us to shine on those who sit in darkness and death's shadow, to guide our feet into the path of peace. (Luke 1:76-79)

Zechariah had proclaimed this canticle after he had affirmed that his child should be named John. Until that moment, Zechariah had been struck mute by Michael the Archangel when Zechariah failed to believe the message that he would have a child in his old age. It's very important to note that this encounter with the angel had taken place while Zechariah was ***chosen by lot to enter the sanctuary of the Lord to burn incense. (Luke 1:9)*** We are further told that ***the whole assembly of the people was praying outside. (Luke 1:10)*** After this, we are told:

...the people were waiting for Zechariah and were amazed that he stayed so long in the sanctuary. But when he came out, he was unable to speak to them, and they realized that he had seen a vision in the sanctuary. He was gesturing to them but remained mute. Then, when his days of ministry were completed, he went home. After this time his wife Elizabeth conceived... (Luke 1:21-24)

Because of all of this, the birth of John the Baptist was well known and it is for this reason that, as we hear in this weekend's Gospel, ***the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. When asked whether he is the Christ, John responds by saying "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals."***

We all need to be like John the Baptist. Like John we have been given immensa gifts for which we need to be both grateful and humble. The following words of the Baptist should find a place often in our prayers:

"No one can receive anything except what has been given him from heaven. You yourselves can testify that I said that I am not the Messiah, but that I was sent before him. The one who has the bride is the bridegroom; the best man, who stands and listens to him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. So this joy of mine has been made complete. He must increase; I must decrease." (John 3:27-30)

Grace and hope be with you all.

Rev. Thomas I. Ward

**MASS SCHEDULE
WEEKEND**

Saturday at 4:00PM and also *livestreamed* at
(st.daniel.com and Facebook St. Daniel Church of
Lyncourt)

Sunday at 9:15 and 12:15

DAILY

6:50 a.m. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

8:30 a.m. SATURDAY

(When you see PRIVATE Mass in Mass Schedule, this means that a priest is offering Mass for that intention at another location than St. Daniel. This is a temporary necessity because of lack of priests.)

ROSARY

Rosary before mass on the weekends.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Saturday of each month at the 8:30 am Mass.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration Chapel is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

HOURS THE CHURCH IS OPEN

Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Saturday from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays at 3:00 pm and before each Mass on Sunday.
Starting December 1st, Wednesdays, 6p.m.-7.p.m during Holy Hour Exposition & Benediction.



"Almighty God, gracious provider and giver of life, we anxiously await the celebration of your birth. Like the people of long ago, our ancestors in faith, we, too, are in need of light, in need of direction, in need of your Word, to show us the way. Our busy lives and the consumerism that surrounds us make it difficult to recognize your kingdom and to hear your voice. Help us Lord, to focus on you. Amen."

From Saint Daniel Parish Office

CHURCH SUPPORT

I have been asked about church support during this time made difficult by the pandemic. By keeping our yearly pledges made three years ago our finances will be stable. Many thanks to the parishioners who sent in their contributions this week. We are deeply appreciative. Please do whatever you can at this difficult time. We encourage you to use online giving go to stdaniel.weshareonline.org

If you wish you can mail your offering envelopes to us at 3004 Court St. Syracuse NY 13208. rectory. Thank you for your generosity!



**MASK
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RECOMMENDED**

MASKS are strongly recommended at Mass, Parish meetings and events. Please stay safe!

2021 ADVENT EMBER DAYS FOR ATTENTIVE LISTENING

EMBER DAYS are days of prayer and fasting that mark the changing of times and seasons in order to bring about deeper spiritual renewal. On these days, the Church "entreats the Lord for the various needs of humanity" and gives thanks to God for various blessings received .

DECEMBER 15TH

PRAY by attending Mass FAST from online activity / social media is

DECEMBER 17TH

PRAY the Divine Mercy Chaplet FAST by eating only one full meal (and two smaller meals that together do not equal a full meal)

DECEMBER 18TH

PRAY the Rosary FAST from buying something that is not needed



**Food
Pantry
Needs**

Canned vegetables, soups, rice, potatoes, pasta and sauce, snack items, condiments, cereal, peanut butter.



The 2021 HOPE Appeal commitment has begun. Please respond generously as you are asked to make your pledge, so we may make our goal. Thank you!

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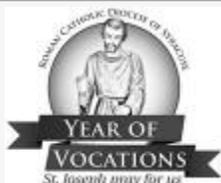
Funeral Reception Hospitality (315) 454-4946

Prayer Line~ Call the Rectory at 315-454-4946 and we will contact the members of the prayer line.



Wisdom People~ St. Daniel's Senior Citizens group (Meetings are normally the 1st Friday of the month following the 12:10 Mass. No meetings currently scheduled. Please stay safe.

Rosary for Life ~Every Saturday from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. at Planned Parenthood in Syracuse. For more information, contact Timothy Young at (315) 455-2135.



Third Sunday of Advent – December 12, 2021

“Rejoice in the Lord always.” What brings joy to your heart? Is Christ there? Christ is always calling us into a deeper relationship; a relationship where we will find the fullness of that joy. Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.



MASS SCHEDULE



Intentions for private 12:10 Masses are being satisfied by priests at other places.

SATURDAY December 11

Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Neal Bitetti –Family
 4:00 p.m. Pauline Fiacco-Daughter & Family

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY December 12

9:15 a.m. People of Saint Daniel

12:15 p.m. Genevieve Grillo-Matthew & Lauren Parisi

MONDAY December 13

Saint Lucy

6:50 a.m. Mary Anne Pagano-Mr & Mrs. Louis Canale

Private Mass*Mary Conte-Niece

TUESDAY December 14

Saint John of the Cross

6:50 a.m. Sarah & Charles DeGilormo-Joanne & James Licitra

Private Mass*Deceased extended family members of Terri & Gary Wilson

WEDNESDAY December 15

Advent Weekday

6:50 a.m. Mary Larkin-Family

Private Mass*Deceased members of Perrotta Family

THURSDAY December 16

Advent Weekday

6:50a.m. Louis Castrello-Family

Private Mass*Ed Sinay Sr. (II)-Wife & Family

FRIDAY December 17

Advent Weekday

6:50 a.m. Mary Anne Pagano-Henry Pagano

Private Mass*Jane Klausman-Friend

SATURDAY December 18

Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Robert Horton-Sommers Family

4:00 p.m. Souls in Purgatory

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY December 19

9:15 a.m. People of Saint Daniel

12:15 p.m. Deceased members of the MacDonald & Matrone Family



VOTIVE CANDLES

Joygerm Casey Parker (healing) Joygerm Joan Fred Talarico-loving Sister





Please come join us for our Christmas services this year at Saint Daniel. Our faithful Parish family desires that all members of our community come together to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Season 2021

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Friday: December 24th (no 6:50 or 12:10 Mass)
Carols at 3:30 pm
Christmas Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm
Carols at 11:30 pm
Midnight Mass (12:00 Midnight)

Saturday: December 25th
9:15 am & 12:15 pm (no incense at 12:15)

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Friday: December 31st - 6:50 am, 4:00 pm

Mary, Mother of God

(NOT a Holy Day of Obligation since it falls on Saturday)

Saturday: January 1st 8:30am

CONFESSIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

The Light Is On For You

Monday December 20th 4:00pm – 7:00pm

Wednesday: December 22nd 6:00pm -7:00pm



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“No worldly mind would ever have suspected that He who could make the sun warm the earth would one day have need of an ox and an ass to warm Him with their breath; that He who in the language of scriptures, could stop the turning about of Arcturus would have his birthplace dictated by an imperial census; that He, who clothed the fields with grass, would himself be naked; that He, from whose hands came planets and worlds, would one day have tiny arms that were not long enough to touch the huge heads of the cattle; that feet which trod the everlasting hills would one day be too weak to walk; that the eternal word would be dumb; that omnipotence would be wrapped in swaddling clothes; that salvation would lie in a manger; that the bird which built the nest would be hatched therein – no one would ever have suspected that God coming to this earth would ever be so helpless. And that is precisely why so many miss Him, divinity is always where one least expects to find it”.

– Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, *Life of Christ*

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER



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May God bless the members of our Parish for their warm and hearty support of our Parish activities:
For enduring our mistakes;
For their patient listening to our Sunday homilies;
For their devotion to the Mass;
For their prayers for us; and
For loving us as we love them.

Father Thomas I. Ward~ Pastor
Monsignor Eugene M. Yennock ~Emeritus
Deacon Joseph Celentano

Altar Servers on Christmas

We ask that the Altar Servers be present in procession at either 4:00 p.m., Midnight Mass or Christmas Day Masses.

We especially need servers to sign up for Christmas Day Masses!

Deacon Celentano will notify Altar Servers of date and time of practice after Christmas sign-ups.



ALTAR SERVERS

Christmas Day Message from Saint Pope John Paul II *from the L'Osservatore Romano*

"May my good wishes for peace reach all people on this day which celebrates the Prince of Peace."

"Christmas is the day of the Lord's Birth! The Father has given us his Son: for this indescribable gift we are full of joy.

The Son of God, conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Immaculate Virgin Mary and born in the stable at Bethlehem, *chose to enter the world within a family, the Holy Family of Nazareth.*

Before the crib, the eyes of the heart and of faith look intently upon this Family: upon Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

During the whole Christmas period our eyes will rejoice at the mystery of the Holy Family, just as children rejoice when they look at the crib, recognizing in it a kind of prototype of their own family, the family within which they came into the world.

How many cribs there are in the world! In churches, in public squares, as here in St Peter's Square, in homes and even in workplaces. The Birth of the Lord gladdens us, *the mystery of the Holy Family gladdens us.* Everyone wants to share in this joy: this is the joy which today we want to wish everyone.

My Christmas Message is *addressed especially to families.* At the end of this year particularly dedicated to them, our thoughts return there, to the mystery of the Holy Family, from which the celebration began.

Jesus prayed from the very time of his coming into the world that all who believe in him might give expression to their communion, starting with the profound unity of their families; a unity which moreover is inherent "from the beginning" in God's plan for conjugal love, from which the family takes its origin (cf. Mt 19:4-6).

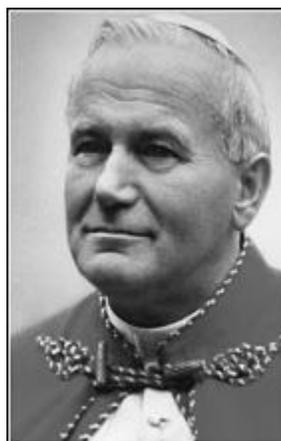
To those families I now wish to send a greeting and the good wishes which spring from the mystery of the Lord's Birth.

Son of God, who came among us in the warmth of the family, grant that all families may grow in love and work together for the good of all humanity through the commitment of faithful and fruitful unity, through respect for life and the quest for fraternal solidarity with everyone.

May my good wishes for peace reach all people on this day which celebrates the Prince of Peace.

May it particularly reach families, children, women, old people, the handicapped, who are often helpless victims of selfishness and neglect by society. I ask the Lord, tiny and defenseless as he appears before us in the crib, to inspire in every heart tenderness and compassion:

"Wipe away, Baby Jesus, the tears of children!
Embrace the sick and the elderly!
Move men to lay down their arms
and to draw close in a universal embrace of peace!
Invite the peoples, O merciful Jesus,
to tear down the walls created
by poverty and unemployment, by ignorance and
indifference,
by discrimination and intolerance.
It is you, O Divine Child of Bethlehem,
who save us, freeing us from sin.
It is you who are the true and only Saviour,
whom humanity often searches for with uncer-
tainty. God of peace, gift of peace for all of human-
ity,
come to live in the heart of every individual and of
every family. Be our peace and our joy! Amen! "



The mystery of the Holy Night, which historically happened two thousand years ago, must be lived as a spiritual event in the 'today' of the Liturgy," the Pope clarified. "The Word who found a dwelling in Mary's womb comes to knock on the heart of every person with singular intensity this Christmas.

— Pope John Paul II —

AZ QUOTES

May the joy of Christmas and the peace which the Birth of the Saviour brings into the world be in your hearts forever."

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**Family Faith Formation
Grades K-6**

Our Family Faith Formation Program is set up into a Four (4) Week program.

Dec. 12th-Safe Environment Class grades K-6 after 9:15 a.m. Mass

Week 1- Dec. 19th-Catechetical Sunday:

Parents & Children gather for Mass at the 9:15am. Following Mass, Fr. Ward will speak to the parents on the theme they will be teaching in Weeks 2 & 3 at home. Children will go to class with the teachers.
*No classes Dec. 26th * & Jan. 2nd*

Week 2- Jan. 9th Home Study with the Parents
Week 3- Jan. 16th Home Study with the Parents.

Week 4- Jan. 23rd Community Gathering: Parents & Children gather for Mass at 9:15am. After Mass they will celebrate a fun activity that is centered on a theme based on the Liturgical Calendar of the Church: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, etc.

First Sacraments

Children preparing for First Sacraments will also meet in the School of Religion on Weeks 2 & 3 to meet the Diocesan Sacramental Prep requirements.

(This is in addition to doing the Home family study lesson).

Next sacramental class is Jan. 19th

Sat. Jan. 29th First Sacrament Activity session 9-11a.m.
Father Lyons Hall

Pre-Confirmation- Meets on Sundays at 10:30am.

*Next class is Sunday, Dec. 12~Father Lyons Hall
Dec. 19~Chapel*

Confirmation 1 & 2- Meets on Sundays at 11:00am.

*Dec. 12~Father Lyons Hall
Dec. 19~Chapel*

*No classes Dec. 26th * & Jan. 2nd*

R.C.I.A.

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

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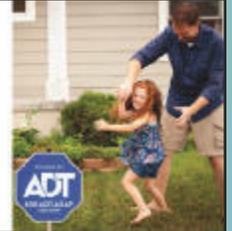
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