



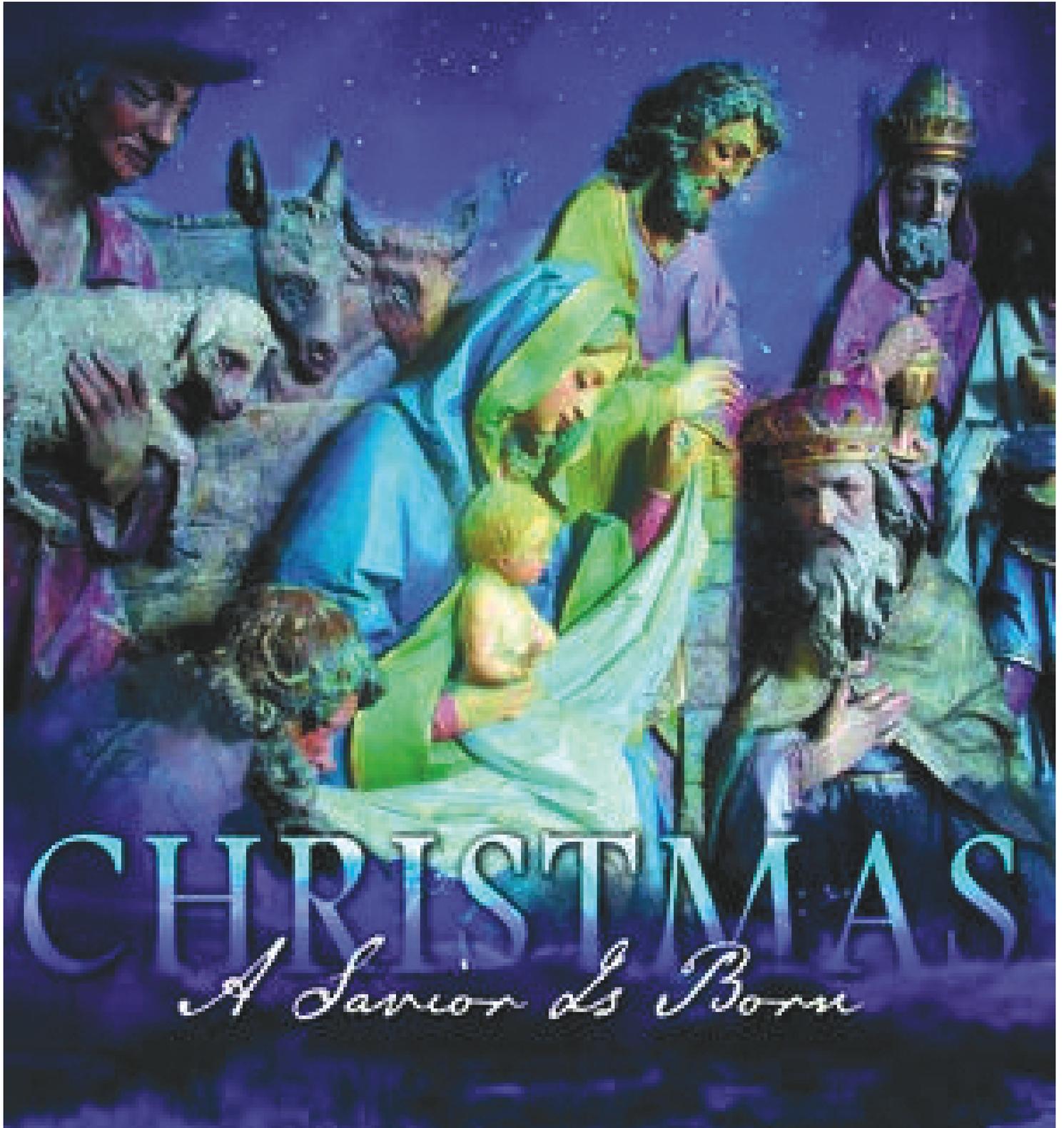
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OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

A Journey in Faith — To Love and Serve the Lord

NATIVITY OF THE LORD • *December 24 - 27, 2020*





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Commission meeting is the second Tuesday of the month.

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BAPTISMS Please call the Parish Office to arrange for your child's baptism.

MARRIAGES Arrangements may be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding date. You must also be a Parishioner six months previously.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Individual Confession on Saturdays between 9:00 & 9:30 am, Mondays 6:30-6:55 pm, Thursdays 8:30-8:55 am or anytime upon request by calling the Parish Office.

Rev. 11-9-20

FAITH FORMATION

UNIT 3 (January 17th-March 21st) is on it's way. **WATCH** for an email for the next scheduled pick up day. Questions? Please call Colleen or Wendi at 248-685-2702

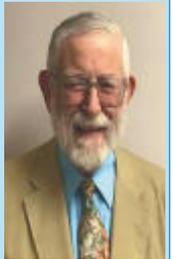


FOR ALL ADULTS, PARENTS AND CATECHISTS

These classes are offered for the entire congregation for personal enrichment as well as for Catechist Certification.

All classes will be presented on Thursdays 6:30 pm via Zoom

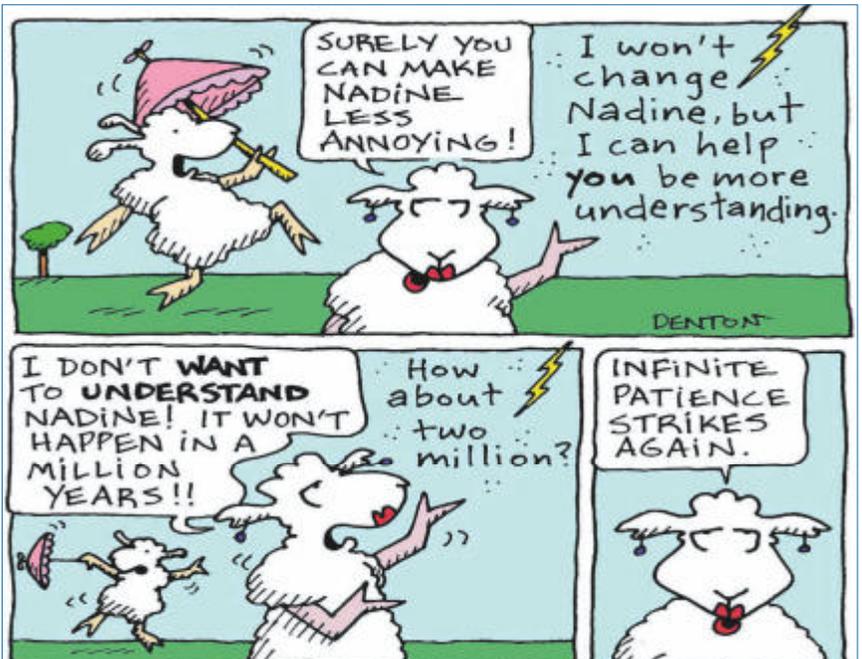
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THEOLOGY SERIES: Thur. 1/7/2021

#14 THEOLOGY AS SACRED TRADITION

Sacred Tradition with Sacred Scripture as its core is the way the Church hands on the external mysteries of its faith about the Holy Trinity, Jesus, and the human person. Theology explores this Sacred Tradition in every age and culture, seeking to understand what we accept through faith. The objective of this session is to encourage participants to see the underlying unity of Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture and to understand that Sacred Scripture helps theology remain faithful to its task of presenting the Word of God anew for contemporary believers.



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“Put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another.”

Sheepish Question:

Who especially needs my compassion today as a beloved sister or brother in God's family?

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



The Whole Family

God our Father,
you entrusted your Son to Joseph and Mary,
who readily accepted all that came into
their lives.

They responded with humility
and faithfulness
to the future you envisioned for them.
Help us imitate their fidelity
to you and to each other.

Favor us with wisdom, goodness, and peace.
Strengthen your love within us,
within our homes,
and within our faith communities
so that we may embrace all that comes
into our lives
and welcome the future you envision for us
and for the whole human family.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Inspiring Holiness

Today's Readings: Genesis 15:1–6; 21:1–3 or Sirach 3:2–6, 12–14; Psalm 105:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 8–9; Hebrews 11:8, 11–12, 17–19 or Colossians 3:12–21; Luke 2:22–40. Although we use the word *holy* to refer to someone who is good or pious, the term literally means that someone or something is “set apart” for God. God set Abraham apart by making him the father of countless descendants. However, did God choose Abraham because Abraham was good, or did God’s promises call forth goodness from Abraham?

When it comes to Mary and Joseph, it may seem obvious that they were good and pious, but Jesus’ parents must have also grown in holiness as they faced the unique task of raising God’s Son. God also called forth holiness in Simon

and Anna when he inspired them to prophesy about the child Jesus. Jesus, too, though set apart by his divine nature, also “grew and became strong” as God called forth holiness from him.

In what ways is God calling forth holiness from us? Perhaps we must care for aging parents or work with a difficult sibling or child. Perhaps we are struggling to treat a member of Christ’s body with compassion, humility, or patience. In such moments, God calls forth holiness from us. When we allow that goodness to flow forth, we inspire holiness in others. By God’s grace and the examples of holiness that we offer each other, we become more fully the holy family of God.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021

“Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you the good news of great Joy” (LK 2:10)

Dear Friends,

May the peace of God and the joy of the season illumine your heart and lead you to the heart of God, who has chosen to become one of us as Emmanuel – God with us. God wants to know our sorrow, pain, and brokenness. More to the point, God knows our hopes, dreams, and prayers for our own selves and for the world.

Symbols of Christmas with which we decorate our homes signify God’s reality that defies the reality of the world we live in. The image of a star shows us not only the way to Christ but also His indwelling presence in our hearts and homes.

We participate in God’s reality as we grow closer to the heart of God through our prayers and actions. I pray that the Divine Child of Light be born deep in our heart and begin the work of miracle, of reversal, healing from this Pandemic and transformation, as you ponder the true meaning of the season.

Let us open our hearts to Him so He may be born in us and let us prayerfully examine our lives so we may build that relationship with Him and be a witness to all every day of our lives the same love, hope and peace He brings to us. May you all have a very holy, blessed, and joyful Christmas, filled with the love of God and the true life which He offers to us and may He grant us all His richest blessings in the New Year.

“Merry Christmas to you and your family and to all your loved ones”

With Every Blessings,

Fr. John Peter Arul MSFS.
The Administrator

ESTATE PLANNING

Please take a moment and consider remembering St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Parish in your will. It is so important to the future security of our Parish. Preserve your Catholic Values and pass them on to the next generation. God bless you for taking the time to do this for your love and care of our Parish. If you need help with any issues regarding estate planning, you should seek the advice of an attorney or financial advisor. If you need some direction in contacting an attorney or adviser who can assist with this aspect of estate planning, call the Parish office. We have a list of contact numbers of appropriate and Bar-approved professionals who might assist you with your questions.



2020 WAS A wild ride, but there are plenty of good things on the horizon – and that’s worth celebrating. When it comes to New Year’s Eve, there’s no better way to kick off another trip around the sun than by throwing an awesome party – but if you’re going to celebrate this year, just make sure you’re doing so responsibly. We know it’s hard around the holidays, which are normally a time filled with parties and family festivities, but it’s important to practice social distancing to minimize the spread of COVID-19. You can either celebrate with the people you live with, or have your party over Zoom. But most importantly make sure you celebrate safely!

Play a Party Game

Get the party going with a good, old-fashioned board game. Scrabble and Yahtzee are always fun if you’re celebrating in person with people in your household, but Pictionary is definitely ideal if you’re playing over zoom.

Recap the Year

A lot can happen in 365 days, and New Year’s Eve is a great time to reflect on it all. Choose the most special moment that you experienced this year, and everyone can join in on your feel-good story!

Dance It Out

Have everyone you’re celebrating with choose one song, and then turn them all into one big dance party playlist. Spotify has a feature where multiple users can edit a playlist – so that should make it easy. It’ll be fun trying to guess who added what – who knows? You may just learn a thing about your friends’ music tastes ...

Build a Disco Wall

A fringe backdrop is a simple way to completely (and non-permanently!) transform your space, and a silver or gold one will help create cool disco atmosphere. You can add some celestial balloons or a pastel garland for a pop of color.

Light Glitter Votives

Every New Year’s Eve party can benefit from more glitter and more mood lighting. Accomplish both by DIYing a few glitter candle votives and placing them around your party space.

Create an Instagram-Friendly Balloon Wall

Spell out an inspirational phrase in balloons on the wall and share it with everyone in Instagram. You can also purchase a full set of matching party balloons for an extra \$25, but you’ll need helium if you want ‘em to float.

Have a Countdown Wall

Another adorable photo wall idea! The countdown is a big part of NYE tradition, and this easy-to-make backdrop is the perfect way to ring in the New Year.

A Photo Booth Station

You know everyone in your household is going to be taking tons of photos all night, so make sure you set up a cute spot with festive supplies and a gold fringe backdrop. Bonus points if you keep an instant camera around for pictures!

Have a New Year’s Resolution Jar

Get everyone to start thinking about their New Year’s resolutions by encouraging them to write down their goals. Put a jar out with blank cards or pieces of paper so everyone can stash theirs in their purse or pocket.

Enjoy, stay safe, stay healthy!

KNIGHT NEWS



MY BROTHER KNIGHTS, Happy New Year in advance to my Brother Knights and all of our Parishioners at St. Mary of the Snows. It seems like this time of the year that the full name of our church is appropriate. Hopefully this will be a good and prayer filled year for all of you. We always have things we look forward to in the New Year, most of them, self improvement. But this time, let us be giving to others. Being a better and healthier person is great; we must take care of our own temple. But let us not get off the holiday wave of helping others.

People in need are in need year round. So let us keep up the good work and get ready to do more.

From Fulton J. Sheen: 'I dare not ask either for crosses or consolations: I simply present myself before Thee, I open my heart to Thee. Behold my needs which I know not for myself, see and do according to Thy tender mercy.'

Enjoy Sunday with your family

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Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council 7444

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

The Gift of Family

WHAT A YEAR it has been! How will we speak of these times a decade from now? As time goes by, our impressions of this past year will certainly change. How we feel today about dealing with a killer virus and all the chaos surrounding that is still fresh for all. I would assume that most of us right now are also holding those we love a little closer and hugging them a little harder. Hopefully, even if the fears and concerns of 2020 dissipate in the future, the way we feel toward our family should never leave us.

STEWARDSHIP IS CERTAINLY about everything. God has given us so much, great and small, profound and common. One of the greatest gifts that all have received is family. Families take all shapes and sizes and some look very different than others. For some, family is a caretaker or temporary guardian. For others it is a friend when everyone else seems to have vanished. The bottom line is that, to quote a song from many years ago, "people need people." When God gave the world His only Son, the Incarnation did not come on a cloud or with a flash of light. He was born into a family. Jesus understood the gift of family all his life. Do you think that if having a family wasn't important God would have still included this in the plan of salvation?

AS THIS YEAR draws to a close, remember your stewardship many days begins and ends with the people closest to you. Don't misuse or take for granted this precious gift. God gives us gifts on purpose, even to His only begotten Son.



THE NEW YEAR 2021



ON JAN 1ST, we will again celebrate the Solemnity (yearly celebration) of Mary, the Mother of God. On December 8, 2020 to 2021, Pope Francis declared this time as "The Year of St. Joseph", the earthy father of Jesus. In these uncertain times, how appropriate, as head of the Holy Family of Nazareth, is he, who played a most important role in the history of our salvation. We begin this year, as we have ended the last with uncertainty, civil unrest, great political differences, a threat to increased abortions and religious restrictions, and other issues dealing with our Constitution. Will we remain "One Nation Under God", keeping our Christian values? We all know that nothing happens without God's allowance. He, as a Loving Father, knows what is best and how to "deal" with us, His people, in all of these current situations. He did give us guidelines in the Ten Commandments. How some choose to follow them is another issue. The practice of patience, charity, love and forgiveness could help us. TRUTH is another big PROBLEM. The more things are repeated, the more people will begin to believe what is being reported. Many of us have prayed diligently these past months for TRUTH and PEACE AND LOVE to take over. St. Joseph was a man," who trusted in the Lord and accepted even the events that he did not understand, setting aside his own ideas. He accepted life with all its contradictions and frustrations and disappointments." As Guardian of Jesus and Mary, St Joseph is also the guardian of our Church and families. He never gave up nor doubted what God had placed before him. We all know that "All things are possible with God." He can change anything and everything at any time. Like Mary and Joseph, let's keep our prayers, hopes and love aimed at the ONE WHO CREATED US. Contrition is also necessary; let us begin this new year with contrite and clean hearts and remember that He loves us unconditionally. Pray that GOD IN HIS GREAT MERCY, WILL BLESS, GUIDE, CHANGE, HEAL AND FORGIVE OUR NATION. HAVE A HOPEFUL, JOYFUL, BLESSED, HEALTHY AND SAFE NEW YEAR, TRUSTING IN THE MERCY AND LOVE OF GOD.

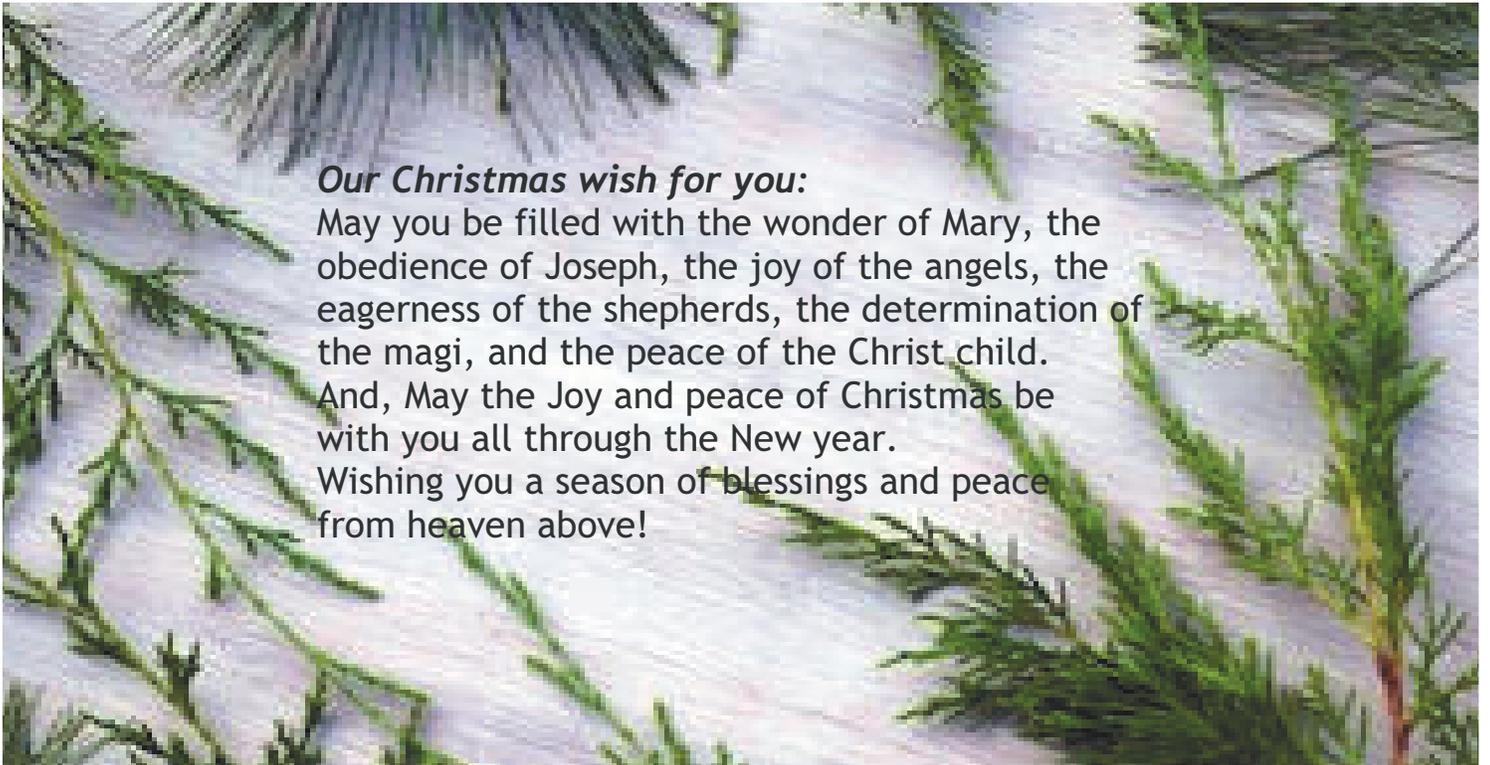
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Love and Prayers,
Arlene Loehr

P.S. Jesus, we surrender ourselves and America to You. Take care of everything. IN GOD WE TRUST.

EXPOSITION, ADORATION AND BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

On January 1st which is the Solemnity of Mary, there will be adoration at 10:00am with benediction at 10:55 am followed by mass at 11:00am. Regular adoration will resume on January 8th.



Our Christmas wish for you:

May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. And, May the Joy and peace of Christmas be with you all through the New year. Wishing you a season of blessings and peace from heaven above!

NEXT WEEKEND’S LITURGY

Epiphany of the Lord
Introduction



IN THIS TIME of increased nationalism, Erecting barriers, and labeling others as threats or enemies, this feast calls us to a powerful counter-message. Our field of vision and inclusion must be much larger than that of the status-quo. It must have been shocking to learn that God’s love extended not only to the Gentiles, but to the whole world. It may be equally shocking to realize that our boundaries are also too narrow. This feast is an epiphany about God’s will for Christ’s impact and ours on the world.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Is 60:1-6 “Nations shall walk by your light.”
Ps 72 Lord, every nation will adore you.
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Jews and Gentiles are co-heirs.
Mt 2:1-12 The Magi visit from the east.



“The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us”

John 1:14

JESUS IS LONGING for you to visit Him.

Come, rest in Our Lord, any time, any day at the St. John Paul II Perpetual Adoration Chapel located at 3700 Harvey Lake Rd, Highland.

Call Autumn Woodcox at 248-872-6607 or Jenna Konarzewski 248-891-1623 for more information.

COME IN FOR a quick visit or consider being a much needed weekly adorer.

Please note the chapel is closed every day between 12p-1p for cleaning. **MASKS REQUIRED.**

“A voice says, “Cry out!” I answer, “What shall I cry out?” Cry out at the top of your voice, Here is your God!”

Isaiah 40:6,9

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL
TODAY IS THE feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. During our New Year may our families “grow in wisdom and have the favor of God upon them.”
This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring Christmas to the hearts of the poor, by assisting area families, providing monies for food, utility and rent bills. Thanks!
Please note that ALL MONIES donated to St. Mary St. Vincent de Paul remain in this area, and are used to assist local families in need.
IF YOU HAVE questions or are interested in joining us, please contact Julie Jacobs at (248) 396-2857.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Michelle Adams
Robert Andrzejewski
Brandy Asnaz
Arlene Banka
Laurel Bedgood
Anthony Beningo
Shirley Bible
Darryl Bolitho
Virginia Boomer
Carol Brown
Vince Brown
Tom Buckley
Dan Burke
Sarah Campione
Marguerite Carlise
John Carlton
Fran Cenzer
Terri Chiaz
Chuck Chidsey
Josie Ciaravino
John Clement
Trevor Cline
Bud Conrad
Richard Cole
Paul Corrin
Julien Couture
Simone Couture
Joe Criscuolo
Cliff & Mary Cunningham
Mary Jane DeCender
Russ DeLong
John Dickey
Jacob DiPonio
Tonya DiPonio
Dolores Donnellon
P.J. Driscoll
David Dunn
Dylan Drouillard
Morgan Elliot
Ivan Emiline
Alan Fergin
Mary Finnegan
Beverly Fleming
Thomas Fuja
Anthony Garofalo
Betty Gates
Natalina Gaviglio
Bev Golden
Jack Graver
Jamie Guckian
Eli Hansen
Helen Harcharick
Kathy Harcharick
George Hayden
Nancy Heinz
Dennis Henry
James Hanson
Ann Marie Howard
Virginia Iaconelli
Atlas Lee Jackson
Jackie Johnson
Joan Johnson
Kate Joslin
Patricia Kelly
Rob Kelly
Christopher Kirk
Jason Kirk
Ryan Kirk
Carole Kirouac
Linda Kozlowski
Bruce Krot
Barb Kuehn
Dorothy LaFave
Connie Lagodzinski
Becky Lamb
David Lashbrook
Lorraine Latour
Nancy Leanord
Ron Lemmon
David Liscinsky
Frannie Lesniak
Carol Malloy

Randy Manar
Cary Marakovitz
Tom Marciniak
Kelly Martin
Suzanne Marzek
Virginia Markey
Dr. Dunsten Mascarenhas
John Matusiak
Michael McCarthy
Sean McCusker
Marge McDiarmid
Michael Gregory
Debra McKinney
Kathy & Fred McMahon
Mary McNamara
Pete Mercer
Michael Misteravich
Adam Moore
Earl & Pat Moore
Audine Morris
Charlotte Moss
Fr. Ed Mitchell
Joan Murphy
Joan Opiela
Mike Polcyn
Tim Pollard
Don Ponto
Karl Prescher
Susan Quade
Fran Rabideau
Michael Rahig
Cindy Rashid
Betty Redford
Kevin Reirdan
John Rogers
Marilyn Rogers
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Lillian Schuller
Gloria Schulte
Jackie Schutz
Janet Sikora
Ken Sikorski
Edna Skop
Anne Sordyl
Graham Squires
Phil Stapleton
Kimi Stephens
Connie Stewart
Duane Stibal
Kristin Stoneback
Helen Swiacki
Lynn Tankersley
Shirley Teasdale
Bob Tomczyk
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Michael Trupiano
Chris Tucker
Diane Turcotte
Bill Tumidanski
Erin Van Gordon
Mark Vecellio
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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday : 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12:00 noon

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Cancelled until further notice

Nursery

Closed until further notice

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:00 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thurs., Friday: 9:00 a.m.
Sat., 8:30 am

Holy Day Masses

9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 28th, 7:00pm

† Paul Shubitowski, req. by: His Wife-Carol
† Ed & Jean Doherty, req. by: Celeste & Family

Tuesday, December 29th, 9:00 am

† James Reynolds, (7th anniversary) req. by: Family
† Dennis Schneider, req. by: The Siterlet Family

Wednesday, December 30th, 9:00am

† Carol Heinz, req. by: Barbara & Tom Nowicki
† Bob Pigula, req. by: His Parish Family

Thursday, December 31st, 9:00 am **NEW YEARS EVE**

† Theresa Smith (5th anniversary), req. by: Her Family
† A needy soul in Purgatory, req. by: Elizabeth A. Randolph

Friday, January 1st, 11:00 am **SOLEMNITY OF MARY- HOLY DAY**

† Glen Storch, req. by: His Mom
† George Evanoff, (1st anniversary) req. by: Family

Saturday, January 2nd

8:30 am (presider) Fr. John Peter
† Estelle Nealer, (6th anniversary) req. by: Her Family
5:00 PM (presider) Fr. John Peter
† Wilson & Eva Green, req. by: Family

Sunday, January 3rd

8:00 am (presider) Fr. Augustine
St Stanislaus Graduates of 1957, req. by: A Fellow Student
† Helen & Anthony Sobczak, req. by: Their Son-Robert
10:00 am (presider) Fr. John Peter
† Richard & Betty Casey, req. by: The Casey Children
12:00 Noon (presider)
† Jack Slotka, req. by: Anna Mae Holland
People of St. Mary

**IN LOVING
REMEMBRANCE**

On behalf of the Parish Family of St. Mary, we would like to extend our deepest sympathies and prayerful reassurances to the family and friends of:

PATRICIA DILBERT
(Mother of Susan Schram)
CHUCK OUELLETTE
(Brother of Tim Ouellette)
CAROL HEINZ
(Daughter of Jim & Nancy Heinz)
IRENE KRUSZELNICKI
(Mother of Donna Field)

OFFERTORY REPORT

Thank you so much for your great generosity and open-hearted support of St. Mary.

Our annual budget is based on contributions each week of \$22,482.00 Due to early bulletin printing contributions are unavailable. They will be reported in next weekend's bulletin.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!
GOD BLESS YOU!**



Christmas Giving Tree Thank you!

LAST WEEKEND, Giving Tree gifts were either picked up or delivered. Because of the generosity of the Parishioners of St. Mary, 102 senior citizens residing in area Nursing Homes, adults residing in area Group Homes, children residing at Children's Village, and 135 families residing in the Milford, Highland, White Lake and Commerce areas were able to receive gifts as well as food baskets or food certificates for Christmas.

PLEASE KNOW THAT your kindness has touched the hearts of many who would not otherwise have been able to have any type of Christmas. I have once again been amazed and overwhelmed by the kindness and generosity of all our Parishioners.

I WOULD LIKE TO thank those that assisted with this program by adopting families, or taking tags. A very special thank you goes out to those businesses, groups, individuals and families who adopted families. Your willingness to help with this program has been greatly appreciated, and allowed us to assist all of our families this year. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for providing not only the Christmas meal but many additional perishable and non-perishable food items as well, and packing the baskets for 25 of our families.

FINALLY, I WOULD like to extend a special thanks to those who worked so hard to make sure things ran smoothly. Thank you so much to Lynn St. Charles who came in many days and cut, strung, and labeled tags for us. You can not believe how much that helped us. Thanks to all who gave their nights and days to do intake interviews. Thank you Jackie for all the hours of inputting data, we could not keep things organized otherwise. Thank you Jim Heinz for always being available to help out with the database. Without your dedication and organization things would never run so smoothly. Thank you to all those that came and helped with all the different aspects of this program, there are too many of you to name. Please know we appreciate all the time, effort and energy that everyone has put into this project. And also please know that we appreciate your generosity more than you can know.

HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED NEW YEAR.

St. Mary Christian Service



Let us be . . .

Understanding and
Nourishing to those who may be
Lonely during this Christmas season.
Encourage us to have
Ample room in our heart to
Share the love of God and to
Help all those around us.

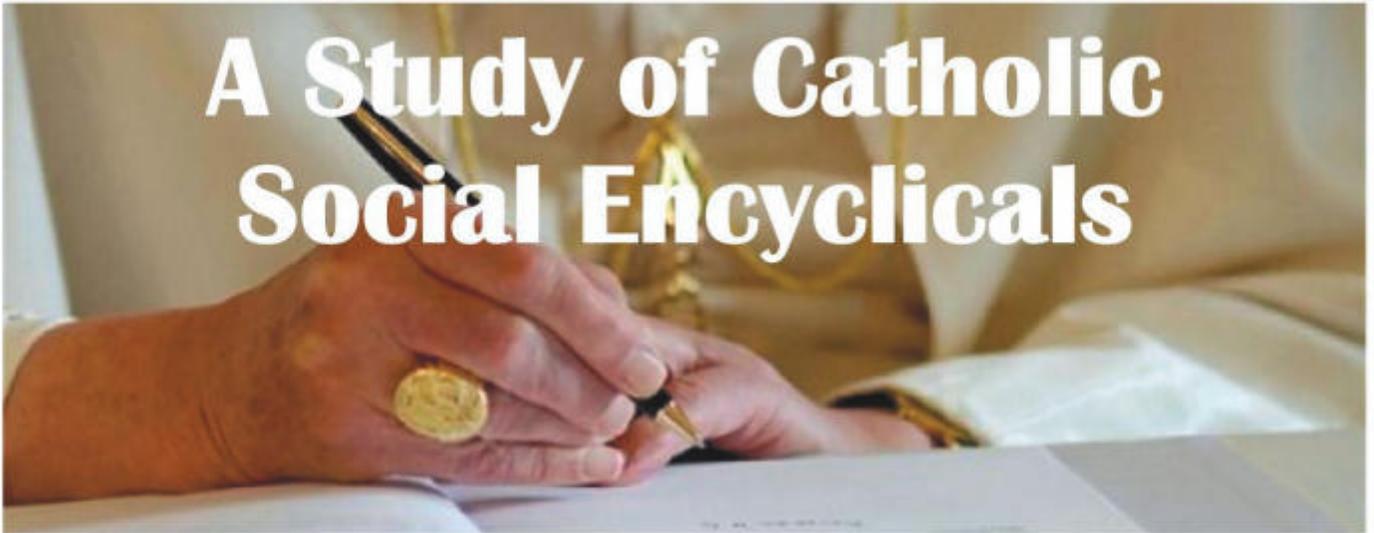
Let us be . . .

Thankful for all God has provided and
Let there be . . .
Hope, that
Everyone can experience the
Glory of God. Help us to be
Open to your
Spirit and presence in our lives so that all may
Prosper and
Encounter the
Love of Christ.

Unleash
the **Gospel**



A Study of Catholic Social Encyclicals



WHAT ARE THEY?

WHAT DO THEY MEAN FOR CATHOLICS?

WHAT SHOULD MY RESPONSE BE?

Social Encyclicals address the issues of the day. When the pope publishes an encyclical, it is a newsworthy event anticipated by both Catholics and many non-Catholics. Encyclicals can be controversial – both within the Church and in the outside world – but they are always relevant, thought-provoking and challenging.

For each of the letters discuss:

- * The main theme or issue
- * Historical context
- * How each encyclical applies to our own times
- * Call to Action—our response to each

STARTING JANUARY 14TH AND RUNNING THROUGH SPRING 2021 JOIN DEACON TIM PILON

along with other members of the parish as we explore the Social Teachings of the Catholic Church.



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