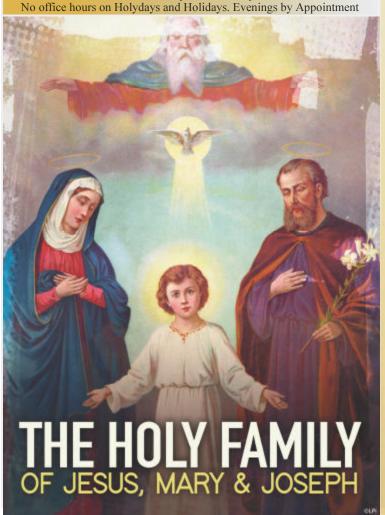


# **DECEMBER 26, 2021**

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## THE HOLY FAMILY

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### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturdays:	4 PM (OLC) & <b>5.30 PN</b>	1
Sunday:8:30 AM (OLC), 10	0:00 AM (OLC-PL) & <b>11.30 AN</b>	1

Monday, Wednesday, Friday at OLC:	8:00 AM
Tuesday & Thursday:	8.00 AM
Holy Days: See inside bulletin	for schedule

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays:.....5:00 PM or by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** Arrangements to be made with

Fr. Marcin

**MARRIAGE:** Make arrangements with the rectory at least six months before wedding.

**CARE OF THE SICK:** Call the rectory to make arrangements with the priest.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** You are welcome. Please come to the rectory office and register as soon as possible. If moving, notify the rectory. We are concerned.

**BINGO:** Thursday & Sunday at 7:30 pm at St. Bernard

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:** Practicing faith and supporting church for at least 3 months.



# **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26**

11:30AM + Thomas Kazmierczak by Wife Janie

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28**

8:00AM + Ed Marzec by Cindy and Ron

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30**

8:00AM + John Burkowski by Family

# SATURDAY, JANUARY 1 NEW YEARS DAY

11:30AM - For Our Parishioners of St. Bernards **SATURDAY, JANUARY 1** 

5:30PM -+ Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Bernards

## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 2**

11:30AM + Richard Pyszczek by Children



#### **FLOWERS AND CANDLES**

**December 26 - January 1** 

ST. JOSEPH: Birthday Blessing for Joe With Love from your Family

#### LAMP BLESSED SACRAMENT:

In Loving Memory of Tom Gerasimowicz

BLESSED MOTHER: In Loving Memory of Annette Borgosz by Friend



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God Bless You For Your Generosity

# **DECEMBER 11/12**

#### WEEKEND COLLECTIONS......\$3117.30

This Bulletin was sent out December 16th and Bulletin for January 2 will go out December 22. LPI Holiday Schedule. Thank you for understanding.



## **BINGO SUNDAY DECEMBER 12 NO BINGO**

BINGO PROFIT-\$0 KITCHEN PROFDIT-\$0 QUEEN OF HEARTS-\$0 TOTAL: \$0

**BINGO SUNDAY DECEMBER 19 Teams #3&#1** 

NO BINGO SUNDAY DECEMBER 26.



#### **MONEY COUNTERS TEAM #1 DECEMBER 28**

#### **RECTORY IS CLOSED MONDAY DEC.27**



Another year is coming to a close and we are about to enter 2022. Fr. Marcin and his staff wish our parishioners a very Blessed New Year. Remember our strength comes from our faith and our God.

### Mary, the Holy Mother of God

This solemnity is a rather recent addition to the cycle of seasons, Sundays, and feasts in our liturgical year. We have Pope Paul VI to thank for the 1974 enshrining of the devotion to Mary into our calendar on January 1. It is also a day in our calendar as a World Day for Peace.

God of heaven and earth, you came to us and took our earthly flesh through the gift of Mary's yes. She is our Mother in faith, as she is your earthly mother.

We are thankful beyond our ability to thank you for the gift of her Son as our brother and savior. Through her self-giving, we have been reconciled to you.

Bless us as we begin this New Year and endow us with the desire and ability to create a world of peace.

We ask all this, through the intercession of Mary to you, one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen





#### PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, I remember that you are a God of beginnings and endings. You created the world, with all its eternal patterns. Winter begins in frost, and ends in Spring's thaw. Spring begins in new, green life, ending in Summer's heat. Summer begins in sunshine, and ends in Autumn's breezes. And Autumn's color leads to the white of Winter again. As another year ends and begins in our lives, help us to remember that you have made a world of cycles. When fortune turns to trials, or hardship turns to joy, help me take delight in the life I've received from you. Remind me that I will one day pass from this world and enter a new life like those who've gone before me. Amen



Tragedy and disappointment are inevitable. What sees you through this? There will be challenges, changes, unexpected circumstances, interrupted plans, hurts, and injustices experienced by every human being at some point in their lives. We will be asked to adjust our plans, change course, and even encounter suffering and death. Where do we learn all of the lessons we need to live life well? Some of them we learn along the way but much of what we bring to life, positive and negative, comes from our early beginnings, our families. This is our early world and provides the blueprint for how we see the bigger, more inclusive world, which unfolds before us. Our families of origin can be sources of grace, heartache or a combination of both. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication, and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. They can also determine whether we have an accessible and healthy relationship with God. Many of life's challenges can literally bring us to our knees and require that we possess a strength of character that resides well beyond the superficialities of our world. At some point we will all need three coping gifts that can be given to us only by God: faith, hope, and love. Our families help us learn that we are not the ones responsible for their creation, but God! Our experience of early family life colors all of our relationships and what we expect to achieve from life in general. Resolving conflicts, dealing with difficulty and suffering, celebrating accomplishments, prioritizing our needs, listening to God's call, understanding relationships, understanding disappointment, learning about the virtues and living a centered focused life are all lessons our families either succeed in teaching or do not. To succeed, as God has designed and ordered our world, is to discover his presence and then trust that Presence. The Holy Family can teach even the most dysfunctional family how to best use God's gifts of faith, hope, and love to find him and do his will. Their simple humble example is always before us, showing us the way. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!



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