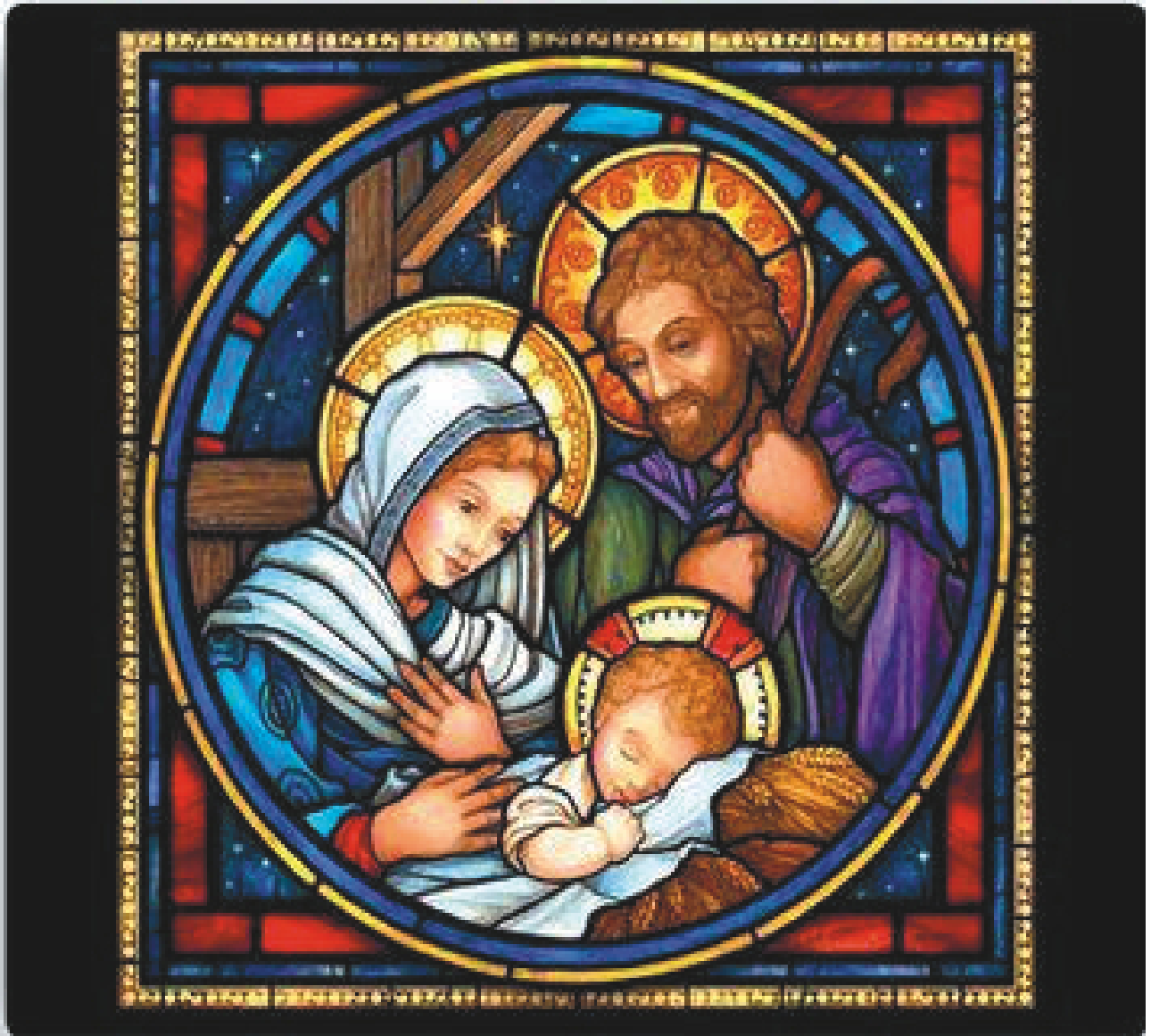


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*Mass Intentions for the Week***Monday, December 27, 2021****NO 8:00 AM MASS****Tuesday, December 28, 2021****The Holy Innocents, Martyrs****8:00 AM** Joseph Lippert ~ Carmen Lippert**Wednesday, December 29, 2021****St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr****8:00 AM** Howard Hagen ~ Family**Thursday, December 30, 2021****8:00AM** Suzanne Stumpf ~ Audrey Bessel**Friday, December 31, 2021****NO 8:00AM MASS****4:30PM** Margaret Skutnik ~ Family**Saturday, January 1, 2022****NO 8:00AM MASS****9:30 AM** Catherine O'Brien ~

Bill and Donna Tarr

**11:15 AM** Jim McKenna ~ Martin Family**NO 4:30PM MASS****Sunday, January 2, 2022****8:00 AM** Rita Holowinski ~ Ernie, Debbie, Jim**9:30 AM** Marie O'Donnell ~ Cassie Clanton**11:15 AM** Celeste Abbate ~ Melissa Ramsey**THE HOLY FAMILY PRAYER**

**JESUS**, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace and mutual love that you found in your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

**MARY**, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

**JOSEPH**, Foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

**Holy Family of Nazareth**, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials our family may experience. May God always be at the center of our home and our hearts. Amen.



There will be **NO 8:00AM MASS** on  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 27<sup>th</sup>**

The **RECTORY OFFICE** will be closed on  
**Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Office hours will resume on**  
**Tuesday, December 28th at 8:30AM.**

**Holy Family Sunday**

During the season of Advent we celebrated Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. I pray that your lives would continue to be filled with hope, peace joy and love, not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year.

On this **Holy Family Sunday** we are reminded that in numerous ways, the home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph would have been just like any other home. They would have related together, talked, had fun, disagreed, worked, shared meals, dealt with problems and encountered everything else that makes up daily family life.

Their family would not have been exempt from daily toil, hurt and the challenges that face most families. They would have encountered the death of loved ones and misunderstanding and gossip from others. They would have had to fulfill all daily chores, earn a living and put food on the table. They would have lived a normal family life in every way.

What the lives of the Holy Family reveal to us is that **EVERY Family** is invited to share in God's divine life and encounter ordinary daily life with grace and virtue.

Reflect today upon your own family life. Some families are strong in virtue, some struggle with communication. Some are faithful day in and day out, some are broken and deeply wounded.

**Just simply know that God wants to enter  
more deeply into YOUR FAMILY  
just as it is RIGHT NOW!**

**Retirement Fund for Religious**

A sister writes, "Our prayers belong most of all to the generous benefactors whose donations have made this financial assistance possible." Thank you for supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which was taken during the December 12th weekend. **As a result of your generosity we collected \$7,555.88.** Thank you.

**JANUARY MEETINGS****SOCIAL COMMITTEE ~**

**Cafeteria**  
**Wednesday, January 5, 2022**  
**7:00PM**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ~**

**Choir Room**  
**Wednesday, January 12, 2022**  
**7:00PM**

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY ~**

**Choir Room**  
**Thursday, January 13, 2022**  
**7:00PM**

**Grief and Loss**

**Do you know anyone who is grieving?** The holiday season can be most difficult for those who have suffered a loss of a loved one. **To assist those who are grieving we have pamphlets, "care notes" available which may help.**

**These free pamphlets, "care notes,"** may be found in the vestibule near the sacristy. Please feel free to take one and share them with family and friends.

**YOUTH MINISTRY  
CALENDAR**

- Thursday, January 6, 2022** ICY Senior High  
**Via ZOOM**  
**7:30-8:30PM\*\***
- Saturday, January 15, 2022** ICY Junior High\*  
**6:00-7:30PM**
- Sunday, January, 23, 2022** ICY Senior High\*  
**6:00-800PM**

\*Our ICY Nights are open to new people at any time throughout the year.

We know that families are busy, so we do not require young people to come to every meeting.

\*\*ZOOM meeting links may be obtained by emailing Denise York at **youth@icchurchea.org**



We will be offering Adult Confirmation Classes during LENT. These classes are for anyone who has graduated from High School but has as yet been Confirmed.

If you have been Baptized and attend Mass regularly, why not consider being Confirmed also? This will complete your Christian initiation.

**Please call the Faith Formation Office at 716-655-0067** and leave your name and phone number. You will be contacted.

Confirmation will be celebrated in the spring.

**FISH OF EAST AURORA**

**FISH** is collecting **CANNED RAVIOLI** during the month of December. There is a collection bin in the church vestibule.

We are grateful to the St. Vincent de Paul Society for coordinating this collection.

Fish is also accepting winter clothing as well as household items and linens.

**MASSES:**

Saturday: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am  
Weekdays: 8:00 am  
Holy Days: As Announced

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday at 3:30 pm  
or at anytime by calling the Rectory.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Contact the Rectory to register as members of our parish family.

**MARRIAGES:**

Arrangements must be made with the Pastor at least four months in advance. Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

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**PRAYER WHEEL:**

If you need prayers for yourself or others, call 740-8679, 652-4111, or 652-7572 **anytime**.

**BAPTISMS:**

Baptisms are celebrated on the last Sunday of each month. All parents must attend a class before Baptism. Call the Rectory to register.

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:**

Letters of Recommendation are given only to registered parishioners in good standing. Please call the Rectory to obtain a letter.

**ANointING OF THE SICK:**

Administered at the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday. Please contact the Rectory prior to the Wednesday you would like to be anointed.

**HOLY EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND:**

If you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory 652-6400.



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