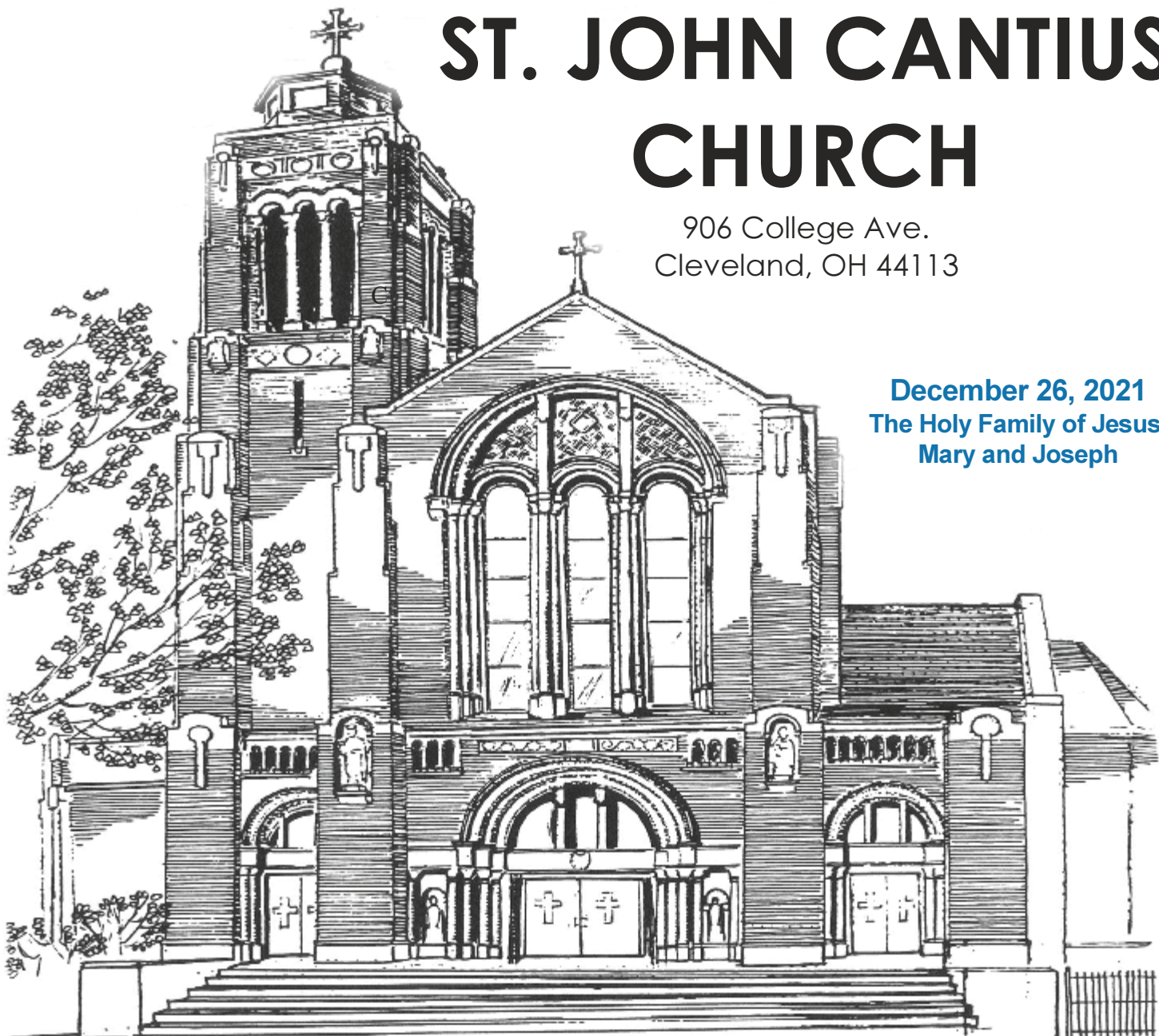


ST. JOHN CANTIUS CHURCH

906 College Ave.
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December 26, 2021
The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Mon (Miraculous Medal Novena), Tues, Weds 6:30 pm
Thursday 8:30 am
Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am (Polish) & 11:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45 pm
Sunday (Polish) 9:00-9:30 am

BAPTISM: Baptisms may be scheduled at most anytime. Please call the rectory and speak with the Pastor to make baptismal arrangements.

FUNERALS: We request that you first contact your funeral director before contacting the parish. This will insure that your requested date is available for both the funeral home and the church. After the date has been chosen, the funeral director will contact the parish with all the details to set up the funeral. Finally, a representative from the parish will contact you about planning the Mass or parlor service for your loved one..

WEDDINGS: Wedding arrangements are made by contacting the pastor. There is a 6 month minimum wait from the day you contact the pastor and your actual wedding date. This allows for proper wedding preparation and instruction. Please call the pastor if you wish to inquire further about details on having your wedding at St. John Cantius.

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,
MARY AND JOSEPH
LITURGY SCHEDULE
ROZKŁAD MSZY SW.**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

9:30 a.m. † Joseph, Anna, Vincent Lakota
11:30 a.m. † The Norris & Matuszek Families

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

6:30 p.m. Marge & Gordon Laganke
Novena following Mass

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

6:30 p.m. Rev. Greg Hite

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

6:30 p.m. † Joseph Dzik

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

8:30 a.m. † Ray Obojski

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

NO MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1

4:00 p.m. † Parishioners of S.J.C.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 Epiphany

9:30 a.m. † Mieczyslaw Wojcik
11:30 a.m. † Jim Hulsebus

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEK
Immaculate Conception \$813.00
December 12, 2021

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| Saturday 4:00 p.m. | \$ 1,196.00 |
| Sunday 9:30 a.m. | \$ 430.00 |
| Sunday 11:30 a.m. | \$ 686.00 |
| Mail | \$ 715.00 |
| Eoffering | \$ 1,373.00 |
| Total | \$ 4,400.00 |

**MY CHRISTMAS MESSAGE**

Dear parishioners and guests; 2021 will certainly forever be remembered as a frightening, challenging, and difficult year for so many. The number of COVID-19 deaths recorded so far in 2021 has surpassed the total for 2020, according to the latest data from Johns Hopkins University. Overall, more than 810,000 COVID-19 deaths have been reported in the U.S. during the pandemic of 2021. 385,000 deaths were reported in 2020, according to CDC data - DOUBLE now in 2021. When will it end?

Some of us unfortunately, have been too familiar with the ravage of this disease than others. I personally lost my cousin this year to the virus. I just never thought it could happen to someone so close. I am not alone in my pain as so many of you have lost loved ones or know of loved ones who have died from this disease. Let us not forget too, the prejudice, anger, hatred, injustice, and violence that continues to arise in our nation.

The question that often pops into our minds is “Why can’t God just step in and fix it all? After all, He made the world and surely has the power to fix it. Indeed He has fixed it - the Incarnation! Christmas each year serves to remind us that through the birth of the third person of the Blessed Trinity, God has come to earth and blest each of us with power to create, power to mend, and power to repair what has been done. St. Paul in his letter to the Ephesians reminds us, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light. . .” (Ephesians 5:14). May the radiant light of the Christ child fill you with power, inspiration, and hope this Christmas season.

Finally, I want to personally thank everyone who helped decorate our Church this year. It takes much work and a spirit of community to create this beautiful expression of our faith. Thank you! Have a blessed Christmas and a healthy New Year.

Fr. Roach

**A Blessed
New Year** 

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IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember the sick and infirm of the parish in your prayers: Craig & Sam Bak, Barbara Bak, Barbara Byers, Walter & Carol Buczek, Delores Cass, Eileen Chase, Susan Daly, Roseanne Ewazen, Edward Falkowski, Ann Kilbane Friedl, Stella Fryger, Lloyd Gordon, Mieczyslaw Janczura, Anne Kalas, Diane Kearsey, Stella Kobak, Josephine Kohut, Fran Kopack, Henry & Rita Kozlowski, Ted Kusek, Theresa Lipka, Barbara Lishko, Larry & Pam Makowski, Greg Masevice, Edward Pieciak, Lou Potokar, Joyce Resek, Betty Ryba, Stanly & Victoria Ryncarz, Barbara Skalski, Jessie & Chris Stachurski, Albert & Irene Stepnowski, Joshua Szymczak, Janice Tkacz, Roberta Virzi, Virzi Family, Emilia Wojcik, Hettie Wojtonek, Edward Zubel, and anyone we may have omitted.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Jesus caused Mary and Joseph great anxiety when he went missing at the age twelve. Upon finding him, his mother said, "Son why have you done this to us?" What mother of a teen has not found herself in a similar situation asking this same question! And, upon hearing the son's answer found like Mary and Joseph, "they did not understand what he said to them." Anxiety is normal in families-especially between parents and teens. Teens need protective parents but also perceptive ones who will help them discover and follow God's path in their life in order to grow "in wisdom and age and favor

CHRISTMAS HUMOR:

Ms. Terri asked her Sunday school class to draw pictures of their favorite Bible stories. She was puzzled by one student's drawing. His name was Kyle. Kyle's picture showed four people on an airplane. So Ms. Terri asks him which Bible story he was representing. Kyle said, "that's the Flight Into Egypt!"

"I see" remarked Ms. Terri. Ms. Terri continues, "so that one must be Mary, this one Joseph, and the small one, Baby Jesus." "Yes" replies Kyle. Ms Terri continues, "but who is the fourth one?" Kyle remarks,



ZIARNO SŁOWA BOZEGO

UROCZYSTOSC SW. RODZINY. Czego możemy nauczyć się od św. Rodziny z Nazaretu! Przede wszystkim życia w miłości i jedności. Miłość jest podstawowym prawem i przykazaniem w świecie, a zwłaszcza w rodzinach. Mówi o tym w dzisiejszym drugim czytaniu św. Paweł „Jako wybrańcy Boży, święci i umiłowani, oblecicie się w serdeczne miłosierdzie, dobroć, pokorę, cichość, cierpliwość, znosząc jedni drugich i wybacząc sobie nawzajem, jeśliby miał ktoś zarzut przeciw drugiemu. Na to zaś wszystko przyobleczcie miłość, która jest więzią doskonałości”. Kiedy zapytano Matkę Teresę z Kalkuty: Co myśli o życiu współczesnym rodzin ! odpowiedziała: „Tak mało jest w naszych domach i w życiu rodzinnym miłości. Nie mamy czasu dla naszych dzieci, nie mamy czasu jedni dla drugich, nie mamy czasu cieszyć się sobą wzajemnie, myślę, że gdybyśmy tylko mogli żyć tak, jak Jezus, Maryja i Józef żyli w Nazarecie, gdybyśmy mogli uczynić z naszych domów drugi Nazaret, wtedy pokój i radość zapanowałyby na świecie. Miłość zaczyna się w domu, żyje w domach. Gdybyśmy słuchali Jezusa, powtórzyłby nam to, co już kiedyś powiedział:”Miłujcie się wzajemnie, tak jak Ja was umiłowalem”.

SZCZESLIWEGO NOWEGO ROKU 2022

Gromadzimy się przy ołtarzu Pańskim, aby z Chrystusem Panem złożyć naszemu najlepszemu Ojcu w niebie jedyną ofiarę dziękczynną za wszystkie dobrodziejstwa minionego roku. Tyle przeżyliśmy w nim pięknych i wzruszających chwil. Może również wiele zaznaliśmy bólu i cierpienia. Przeżywaliśmy wiele wydarzeń, które w jakiś sposób odcisnęły piętno w naszym życiu. Podsumowując wydarzenia w naszej parafii należy stwierdzić, że w roku 2021 było w naszej parafii 11 pogrzebów, 21 ślubów i 8 chrztów. Patrząc w tył na miniony rok pragniemy również uświadomić sobie, co miniony rok wniósł w nasze życie osobiste, rodzinne i religijne. Rozpoczynając ten Nowy Rok 2022 idźmy z ufnością i nadzieją, że Bóg będzie miał nas w swojej opatrności i dobroci.

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