

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH
DECEMBER 24, 2023 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ST. ANSELM CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE:
SUNDAY 11:00 AM*
THURSDAY 8:30 AM*

ST. COLMAN CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE:
SUNDAY 9:00 AM
TUESDAY 8:30 AM*

ST. JOHN FISHER CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE:
SATURDAY VIGIL 4:00 PM*
SUNDAY 8:00 AM
WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM*

ST. MAURICE CHURCH

MASS SCHEDULE:
SUNDAY 10:00 AM*
MONDAY 7:00 PM*
FRIDAY 8:30 AM*
CONFESSION TIME:
MONDAY 7:30-8:00 PM
SATURDAY 12:00 NOON-12:45 PM

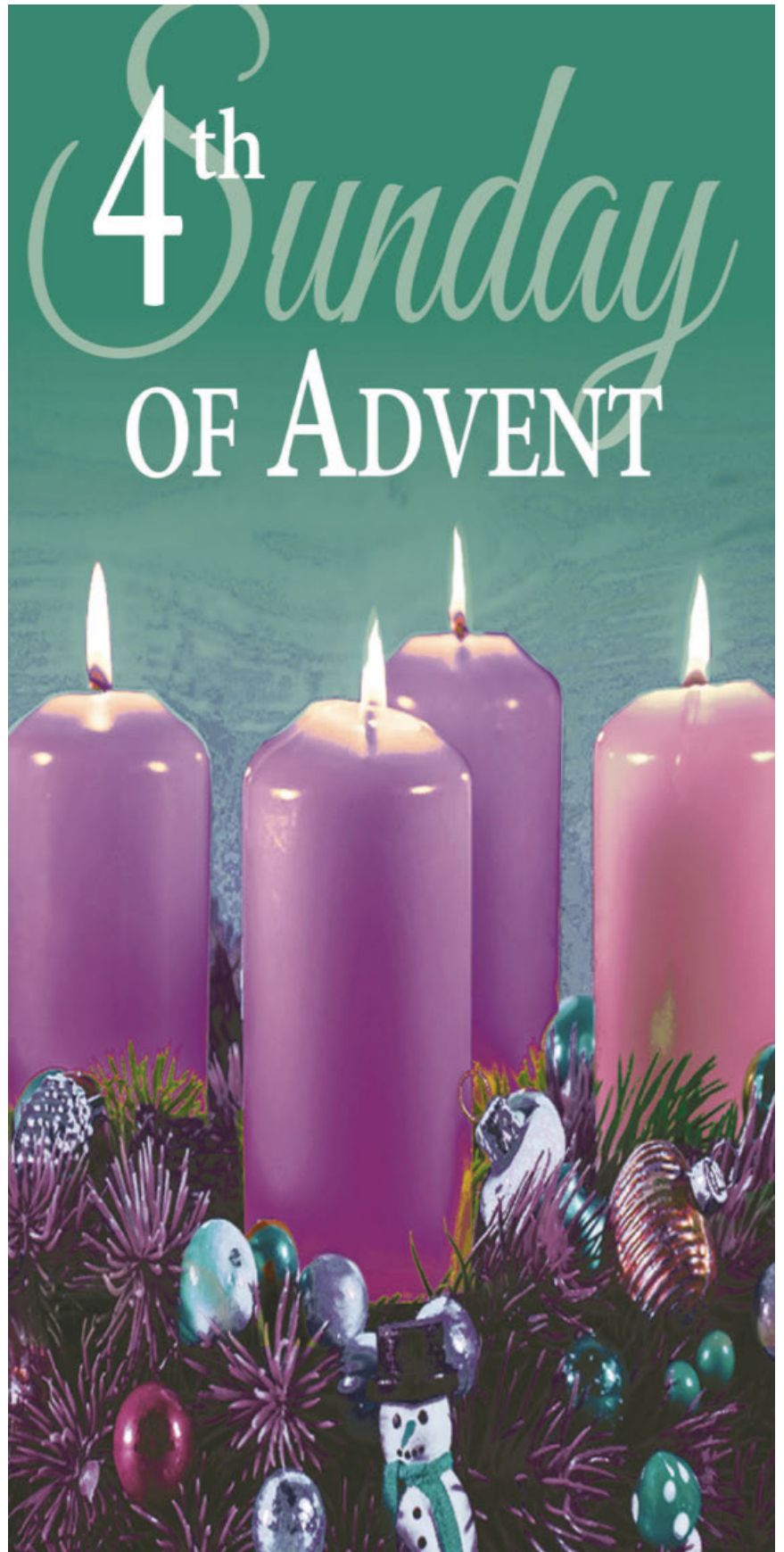
***LIVESTREAM MASS**

GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

**MADONNA DEL CASTELLO
CHURCH**

SACRED HEART CHURCH
SATURDAY 8:30 AM

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE CHURCH



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Safe Environment...It is the policy of the Diocese that all volunteers must complete the Safe Environment process before beginning a ministry or activity in any Parish. Please call 412-271-0809 for more information.

Diocese of Pittsburgh Crisis Hotline:

1-888-808-1235

Diocesan Victim Assistance

Coordinator: 412-456-3093 (Office)

PA Child Line: 1-800-932-0313



"St. Joseph the Worker Parish is a welcoming, vibrant Catholic Community uniting people to God and each other through prayerful, sacred liturgy, dynamic, strong ministries and loving, generous outreach. Inspired by our patron saint, we embrace our hard working, diverse region by honoring our traditions and forming holy and committed disciples of Jesus Christ."

Offertory	
December 10, 2023	\$24,707.00
December 17, 2023	To be announced

*Thank you for your
continued generosity!*

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
PARISH OFFICE OPEN**

Monday-Thursday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am-12:30 pm

2001 Ardmore Blvd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15221

412-271-0809

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS are available at all Sunday Masses. To receive a gluten-free host, please see a sacristan or priest prior to Mass. When in line to receive communion, indicate to the priest or Eucharistic Minister the hosts being held by the altar server. At weekday Masses, please stop in the sacristy before Mass and make your request.

Prayer Lines

**412-277-0693—412-871-3245—
412-804-8858**

BULLETIN DEADLINE

**All bulletin articles must be submitted
in writing or by email to
nhzyz@sjwpitt.org
by 10:00 am on Monday.**

This Week at a glance

SA-St. Anselm SC-St. Colman SJF-St. John Fisher SM-St. Maurice
GS-Good Shepherd MC-Madonna del Castello SH-Sacred Heart SJ-St. Jude the Apostle

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

No CCD K-5

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

Merry Christmas

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Morning Reflection	SM Lawrence Room	10 am
Knights of Columbus #11391	SM Lawrence Room	7 pm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

Morning Prayer Group	SJF Church	9:30 am
Legion of Mary	MC Dattilo Hall	10 am

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

Recitation of the Rosary	SH Chapel	6 pm
CCD Middle School	SM Keane Hall	7—8:30 pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction	SH Chapel	6 pm
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

No CCD K-5



A Christmas Blessing

*May all the days
of all the years
That God has still in store
Be filled with every joy
and grace
To bless you more and more;
May hope of heart
and peace of mind
Beside you ever stay,
And that's the golden
wish I have
For you, this
Christmas Day!*

Mass Intentions

Date	Time	Location/Priest/Deacon	Intention	Offered By
Sat., December 23 <i>Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 PM	Holy Trinity (DD)	1) †Audrey Lesutis 2) †Dolores Schaff	1) Children & Families 2) Jeff & Marcy Poulos
	4:00 PM	St. John Fisher (DS)	1) †Theresa DePasquale 2) †James Conroy	1) Carmella Coyne 2) Family
	4:00 PM	St. Therese (MB)	†Gertrude Himich & Dorothy Kostovny	Tom & Barb Kostovny & Family
Sun., December 24 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	7:30 AM	St. Therese (NM)	†Anthony Merced	Ann & Wayne Kelly
	8:00 AM	St. John Fisher (MB/ Deacon Herb)	1) †Frank & LaVerne Evanovich 2) †Salvatore & Dolores Brusco	1) Frank 2) Daughter
	8:30 AM	St. Joseph (DS)	†Christopher Lucas	Melissa Huber
	9:00 AM	St. Agnes (KK)	1) †Anne Eckley 2) †John Bost	1) Smith & Meyer Families 2) M/M Jim Kopolovich
	9:00 AM	St. Colman (FA)	1) †Alice McClesky 2) †Clara Mignogna	1) Ladies of Charity 2) Patricia Romanelli
	10:00 AM	St. Maurice (MB/ Deacon Herb)	1) †Mary Belechak 2) †Dorothy H. Bruecken	1) David & Gini 2) Paula Sapienza
	10:00 AM	St. Rita (DS)	†Margaret Petrick	Family
	10:30 AM	St. Max (DD)	†Kathy Cavanaugh	Glenda Abraham
	11:00 AM	St. Anselm (KK)	1) †Andrew Skladany 2) †Regina Shockling	1) Frieda McLeigh 2) James Noonan
	11:15 AM	St. Therese (DS)	1) †Tammy Estok 2) †Paul E. & Pauline O. Martin	1) Kay Lippay 2) Children
<i>Vigil: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</i>	4:00 PM	Holy Trinity (NM)	†Dennis M. Ostrosky	Family
	4:00 PM	Sacred Heart (JB)	†Dorothy H. Bruecken	Paula Sapienza
	4:00 PM	St. Colman (DS/ Deacon Herb)	1) †Elizabeth & Joseph Evancho 2) †Bob Krygowski	1) Marci Mason 2) M/M Jakiela
	4:00 PM	St. John Fisher (KK)	1) †Jimmy & Brian Fitchwell, Brothers 2) †John B. Rosicci, Anniversary	1) Family 2) Rosicci & Aquino Families
	4:00 PM	St. Therese (DD)	†David D'Antonio	Family
	8:00 PM	St. Max (DS)	†Deceased Members of the Rodosky & DiGiannurio Families	Family
	12 Midnight	St. Anselm (DS)	1) †Joseph, Ila, and Ron Schott 2) †Dorothy Lohner	1) Sally Wellman 2) Jen & Dave Pekor
	12 Midnight	St. Therese (DD)	†Samantha Kalkbrenner	Family
Mon., December 25 <i>The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</i>	8:00 AM	St. John Fisher (MB/ Deacon Herb)	1) †Dorothy Placone 2) †James McCann	1) Placone Family 2) Family
	8:30 AM	St. Joseph (KK)	†John & Marjorie Byrnes	Daughters
	9:00 AM	St. Agnes (DS)	†Albert Wessel	Sister Cynthia
	10:00 AM	St. Maurice (DD)	1) †Regina Shockling 2) †Vera & Frank Palangio	1) Larry Trasky 2) Helene Baur & Charles Bennington
	10:00 AM	St. Rita (NM)	†Michael Kranack	Family
	10:30 AM	St. Max (MB)	†Rev. Mark Glasgow	Friends
	11:00 AM	St. Anselm (DS)	1) †Deceased of Goldbach & Milowicki Families 2) †Pat Byrnes	1) Michael & Karen Goldbach Burke 2) Mary Ann & Jim Macek
	11:15 AM	St. Therese (KK)	†Rev. Anthony Gargotta	Parishioners

Mass Intentions

Date	Time	Location/Priest/Deacon	Intention	Offered By
Tues., December 26 <i>Saint Stephen, The First Martyr</i>	8:00 AM	Holy Trinity (DD)	†Alecia Chamboredon	Carol Petty
	8:30 AM	St. Colman (MB)	1) †Living & Deceased of Bogovich & Harbula Families 2) †Sonny Santarcangelo	1) Family 2) Family
Wed., December 27 <i>Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	8:00 AM	St. Max (NM)	†Michael C. & Mary M. Ferchak	Family
	8:30 AM	St. John Fisher (MB)	1) †Virginia Rago 2) †Eleanor Rodrigues	1) Jennie Caroccia, Cousin 2) DePasquale Family
Thurs., Dec. 28 <i>The Holy Innocents, Martyrs</i>	8:00 AM	St. Max (NM)	†Margaret Conway	Debbie & Michael Conway
	8:30 AM	St. Anselm (KK)	1) †Betty Chismar 2) †Alfred & Robert Burkhardt	1) Lori Fetsick & Family 2) Family
Friday, Dec. 29 <i>Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	8:00 AM	St. Max (KK)	†Catherine Cloonan	Jack Cloonan
	8:30 AM	St. Maurice (MB)	1) †Charles E. McLeigh 2) †Steva Luksic & Carol Kercel	1) Frieda McLeigh 2) Slava
Sat., December 30 <i>Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	8:30 AM	Sacred Heart (MB)	1) †Rev. Carl J. Gentile 2) †Peg Egerter	1) M/M Thomas Steinminger & Family 2) Judi & Ted Novak
<i>Vigil: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>	4:00 PM	Holy Trinity (DD)	†Rev. Dennis Colamarino	Ray & Mary Ann Jarusinski
	4:00 PM	St. John Fisher (FA)	1) †Cecelia Dugan 2) †Urban & Kukla Families	1) John Dugan 2) Betty & Tom Kukla
	4:00 PM	St. Therese (NM)	†Matilda Miller	1) John Miller, Son
Sun., December 31 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph</i>	7:30 AM	St. Therese (DD)	For the People	
	8:00 AM	St. John Fisher (MB)	1) †Agnes Minnaji Morris 2) †Sonny Bobula	1) Susan & Greg Morris 2) Jane Mousseau
	8:30 AM	St. Joseph (DS)	†Walter Worek	Carol & Bob Kosteinik
	9:00 AM	St. Agnes (NM)	1) †Audrey Lesutis 2) †Jay Null	1) Children & Families 2) Tom & Patty Klocko
	9:00 AM	St. Colman (FA)	1) †Nancy Rossetti 2) †Amanda Stoltz	1) Susan Baca 2) Family
	10:00 AM	St. Maurice (MB)	1) †Hoovort Family 2) †Melvinia & Sylvester Rendine	1) Clara Sullivan & Family 2) Mary Rendine
	10:00 AM	St. Rita (KK)	For the People	
	10:30 AM	St. Max (NM)	†Carmen Marcelli	Jim & Kathy Sinawski
	11:00 AM	St. Anselm (DS)	1) †Ochal & Szatkowski Families 2) †Sophie Fazio	1) Sophie & Gene 2) Son, Eddie
	11:15 AM	St. Therese (DD)	1) †William Bouton 2) †Jerry Wright	1) Kay Lippay 2) Wife & Children
<i>Vigil: Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God (New Year's Eve)</i>	4:00 PM	Holy Trinity (DD)	For the People	
	4:00 PM	St. John Fisher (KK)	1) †Mary Belechek 2) †Ed & Betty McAnalley	1) Paula Calabrese 2) Frank
	4:00 PM	St. Therese (NM)	For the People	
	5:00 PM	Sacred Heart (DS)	1) †Alice Russell 2) †Susan Penvose	1) Janet & Jerry Taylor 2) Ladies of Charity
Monday, January 1 <i>Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God (New Year's Day)</i>	8:00 AM	St. John Fisher (MB)	1) †Michelle Abram Gallagher 2) †Andrew Skladany	1) Family 2) Jill & Joe Neumeir
	9:00 AM	St. Agnes (DS)	For the People	
	9:00 AM	St. Maurice (KK)	1) †Lindsey Manns 2) †James P. Sapienza	1) Nikrandt Family 2) Paula Sapienza
	11:00 AM	St. Anselm (DD)	1) †Deceased of Burkovich & Urban Families 2) †Connie Maue	1) Michael & Karen Goldbach Burke 2) Mary Ann & Jim Macek
	11:00 AM	St. Max (DS)	For the People	



Pray For...

Nancy Barbieri, Margaret Gerken and Daniel Snyder who recently passed to the Lord. May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

It's now a little easier to find our YouTube Channel! The address is: www.YouTube.com/c/SJWPitt. Accessing this address will allow you to see our daily and Sunday Mass LiveStreams, view music videos from our Music Ministry and access other educational content. Please share this address with friends and family, and be sure to subscribe to our channel for alerts about future content.

Thoughts to Reflect on and Share:



"Like Mary, who accepted the favor of God to be the mother of His Son, though troubled and afraid, we need to put aside our fears and be willing to accept whatever God asks of us."

Deacon Herb



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF
PITTSBURGH

Please take note of the following important changes.

Effective immediately

- The Saturday morning 8:30 Mass has been moved from St. John Fisher Church to Sacred Heart Church.
- Confessions have moved from St. Colman Church to St. Maurice Church each Saturday from 12 Noon until 12:45 pm.
- St. Maurice Church is open every Friday from 9:00 am until 12 Noon. St. Maurice will continue to be open Monday—Thursday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm for those interested in saying prayers in the church.
- Adoration has moved from St. Anselm Church to Sacred Heart Chapel at 6:00 pm.

CROATIAN CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS—DECEMBER 24

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Croatian Church Choir and Tamburitians will provide the music, singing and readings for the 4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass, Sunday, December 24 at Sacred Heart Church. A prelude of Croatian carols and hymns will begin at 3:15 pm. Italian, Slovak and Polish carols will be included in the prelude. Pastor Daniel Sweeney warmly invites everyone to the church for the Mass. Hope to see you as we celebrate the Christmas Vigil Liturgy with songs and joyful praise.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CROATIAN TAMBURITZA MASS—DECEMBER 31

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Croatian Church Choir and Tamburitians will provide the music, singing and readings for the 5:00 pm New Year's Eve Mass, Sunday, December 31 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. A prelude of Croatian carols and hymns will begin at 4:30 pm. Father Dan Sweeney warmly invites everyone to the church. Hope to see you as we celebrate the Liturgy of the Mass.

Special COLLECTION

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day is the "Special Collection for Children of the Diocese." This collection supports a variety of educational and spiritual programs, ministries and services offered by the Diocese that respond to the contemporary needs of young people in our area. The proceeds of this collection are credited to the payment of our Parish Share Goal. Thus, it is a benefit not only to the children and youth of the Diocese, but to our Parish family as well.

MEMORIAL OFFERINGS—TABERNACLE LAMPS

In memory of Deceased of Byrnes & Cioppa Families

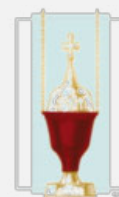
by Maureen & Family;

Dolores Davies by Kelly Hall;

Rev. Carl J. Gentile by Pat Igwe;

Mary Kay Pavlinsky by Kris Pavlinsky;

John B. Rosicci, Anniversary by Rosicci & Aquino Families



Sacraments:

Baptism

Prior to having your child baptized, both parents must attend a pre-baptismal seminar. Please contact the parish office at 412-271-0809 to register.

Penance

Monday: 7:00—8:00 PM
St. Therese Church

Monday: 7:30—8:00 PM
Saturday: 12:00—12:45 PM
St. Maurice Church Chapel

Saturday: 3:15—3:45 PM
Holy Trinity Church

Saturday: 3:15—3:45 PM
St. Therese Church

Marriage

By appointment. Anyone who wishes to marry should contact the pastor at least six months prior to the desired date.

Anointing of the Sick

Available for those who are chronically ill. Please contact the parish office at 412-271-0809.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This is the process to become Catholic or for Catholics to receive the rest of their Sacraments of Initiation. Please call 412-271-0809 for more information.

Holy Communion for Shut-Ins

Please contact the parish office at 412-271-0809.



The Parish Office will be closed Monday, December 25 through Monday, January 1. The office will re-open Tuesday, January 2.

St. Maurice Church will be closed for visitation from Monday, December 25 through Monday, January 1 due to the Parish Office being closed. The Church will be open for Masses only.



Many of us use the New Year to make resolutions. We try to improve ourselves, our health and our relationship with God. Father Dan has many exciting things happening within our Parish in 2024 and it is our hope that you can be a part of those initiatives and help them to succeed. Father Dan would like to bring back monthly Parish Dinners and more! We've had two dinners so far in 2023 and they've been successful. In order for our dinners (and future events with food) to be successful, we are going to need a few crews of folks (I'd also encourage our ministries to volunteer their members) who can set up, clean up and work in the kitchen. Many of you have helped for our last two dinners and we are very thankful for those kind souls, but we need more! For 2024, I'd like to encourage folks who have helped in our Church kitchens in the past or who have experience cooking for large groups of people to volunteer to be a part of our Kitchen Team. Please contact Cheryl Kirkland at 412-351-6710 if you would like to join the SJW Kitchen Team or learn more about them. We'd also like to form a Kitchen Clean-Up Group. Again, if you would like to help in this capacity, please let Cheryl know. Your help in all aspects—set-up, kitchen and clean-up is invaluable and very appreciated!



Many thanks to those who attended our Thanksgiving Day morning Mass! We had our Knights of Columbus in attendance as our Honor Guard, several mayors and members of our local government and many of our parishioners. The posters that our kids and families made were proudly displayed on the wall of the Church and they were lovely! It was great to see what everyone was thankful for this year. St. Joseph the Worker Parish is thankful for all of you! We would also like to thank everyone who brought non-perishable food items for our chapters of St. Vincent de Paul. Your outpouring was enormous! Your generosity also enabled us to collect \$1,073.00 in monetary donations and gift cards which will be given to our St. Vincent de Paul chapters. Your generosity will abundantly help many local families this holiday season. May God continue to bless you and your kindness.

PARISH SHARE APPEAL DONATION

In memory of *John & Miranda Carretta*
by Jeffrey F. Winter

A beautiful evening spent in prayer, in service, in community. The LGBTQ and Allies Outreach Ministry spent the evening of December 11 building Blessing Boxes, that will provide local families with a Christmas meal. Thank you to those who donated food and time to help make a difference.



KNIGHTS SUPER BOWL COMING IN JANUARY

The Knights of Columbus again will have a \$50.00 square, 100 square Super Bowl Pool to benefit Catholic high school students with 2 x \$1,000 scholarships. If we sell out early, we will have a second \$25.00 a square Pool to benefit elementary students. There will be a traveling board which will be at all weekend Masses and the schedule will be in the bulletin in late December or early January.

PARISH LIBRARY & GIFT SHOP NEWS

Closed: December 24 through January 6. Regular hours resume **January 7, 2024.**

Gift Shop: In the New Year--enjoy the inspiring singing voices of the **Mazzei Family** (*The Interior Castle*) on these 3 CDs available now—*A Child Shall Lead* (new orchestrations, enhanced vocals, 3 bonus tracks), *A Child Shall Lead* (a cappella version), and *The Lion of the Tribe of Judah*—all beautiful hymns and carols from this talented Pittsburgh Family!

St. Joseph Sunday Missal for 2024--compact paperback is \$5.00.

Parish Library: Time for a New Year's resolution for 2024! Here's a suggestion--Make a visit to the Parish Library! Please contact **Karen Goldbach** at goldbachkm@verizon.net or **412-371-2909** for questions about library materials or religious gift needs.

Location—former East Catholic school building—easily accessible from St. Maurice Church and Keane Hall.

Happy New Year!

RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH US!
Sunday, December 31, 2023
St. Maximilian Kolbe Hall
7:30 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.
Buffet Dinner, Hats & Noisemakers,
Full Bar, New Year's Pretzel,
Champagne Toast at Midnight
Music by DJ Tommy Danylo
Tickets are \$30
Reservations for groups of 8 or more
are available by calling 412-461-1054
Benefits Appalachia Work Camp

CASINO TRIP

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

9:00 am until 2:00 pm at River's Casino

\$20.00—includes \$10.00 voucher for free play

Bus leaves from Sacred Heart Church of St. Joseph the Worker Parish parking lot at 8:30 am

Contact Peggy Cox at 412-736-3507 to sign-up



Christmas Masses

Sunday, December 24

Holy Trinity—4:00 pm
St. Colman Church—4:00 pm**
St. John Fisher Church—4:00 pm*
St. Therese—4:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church—4:00 pm***
St. Max Church—8:00 pm
St. Anselm Church—12 Midnight*
St. Therese Church—12 Midnight

Monday, December 25

St. John Fisher Church—8:00 am
St. Joseph Church—8:30 am
St. Agnes Church—9:00 am
St. Maurice Church—10:00 am
St. Rita Church—10:00 am
St. Max Church—10:30 am
St. Anselm Church—11:00 am
St. Therese—11:15 am

New Year's Eve Masses

Sunday, December 31

Holy Trinity—4:00 PM
St. John Fisher—4:00 pm*
St. Therese—4:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church—5:00 pm****

Solemnity of Mary Masses

Monday, January 1, 2024

St. John Fisher Church—8:00 am
St. Agnes Church—9:00 am
St. Maurice Church—9:00 am
St. Anselm Church—11:00 am
St. Max Church—11:00 am

*Mass is in-person and live-streamed.

**Children's Mass

***Croatian Mass

****Croatian Tamburitza Mass

Live-streamed Masses can be viewed at: www.YouTube.com/c/SJWPitt

ALL ARE WELCOME

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
2024 MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Your name _____ Phone number _____

Email _____

Our Mass Intention book for 2024 will open November 1, 2023.

You may schedule ONE weekend Mass and ONE weekday Mass. If scheduling a weekend Mass, please make your best effort to attend the Mass that you schedule so that the family can participate in the Mass. Masses will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

The cost of each Mass is \$10.00. Checks are to be made payable to St. Joseph the Worker Parish.

Request forms and payment can be returned in the offertory collection basket marked "Mass," dropped off at the Parish Center or mailed to 2001 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221. If you would like confirmation of your Masses, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Name for Mass intention: _____

Requested by: _____

Date of Mass: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

Church Building: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

Name for Mass intention: _____

Requested by: _____

Date of Mass: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

Church Building: _____ 2nd Choice: _____

SANCTUARY LAMPS

Sanctuary lamps are lit in memory of a loved one for a two-week period at each of the church buildings of St. Joseph the Worker Parish including St. Anselm, St. Colman, St. John Fisher, St. Maurice, Good Shepherd, Madonna de Castello, Sacred Heart and St. Jude the Apostle Churches. Even though all of these buildings are not open for regularly scheduled Masses, the Lord is present in the Blessed Sacrament and a light must stay lit. Cost of the Sanctuary candle is \$30.00 for a two-week period. Checks are payable to St. Joseph the Worker Parish. Request forms and payment can be returned in the offertory collection basket marked "Sanctuary Lamp," dropped off at the Parish Center or mailed to: 2001 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221. If you would like confirmation of your request, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

In loving memory of _____

Requested by: _____

Date _____ Church Building _____

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Hymn

Song of Mary

1. Let us sing the praises of Ma - ry, daugh - ter of Da - vid's
 2. Let us sing the praises of Ma - ry, cho - sen as bless - ed
 3. Let us sing the praises of Ma - ry, wom - an of strong and
 4. Let us sing the praises of Ma - ry, pierced by the sword of
 5. Let us sing the praises of Ma - ry, friend of the poor in

1. ho - ly line, she who heard the voice of an an - gel
2. from the least, she who heard the song of the an - gels
3. stead-fast love. She who raised the Sav - ior of na - tions
4. sor - row's pain, she who saw the child of her lov - ing
5. ev - 'ry age, she who saw her Son and her Sav - ior

1. tell - ing the plan of God's de - sign, how in wis - dom's
 2. fill - ing the night with heav - en's peace. When the prom - ised
 3. held in her arms the Son of God. She who knew the
 4. nailed on a cross to die in shame. Though his friends would
 5. ris - en in glo - ry from the grave. Sin and death shall

1. ho - ly sight she would moth - er heav - en's Christ.
 2. time had come she gave birth to God's own Son.
 3. Fa - ther's grace taught her Son to know God's face.
 4. flee in fear she re - mained for - ev - er near.
 5. reign no more; Christ has o - pened heav - en's door.

1-5. Bless-ed be the name of Ma - ry, she who trust - ed the
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- 1-5. love of God.

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Sign of the Cross & Greeting

Penitential Rite

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The Kyrie

The Collect

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD - Journeysongs Hymnal # 868

First Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16

Psalm 89 For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

Second Reading Romans 16:25-27

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia

Gospel Luke 1:26-38

Homily

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Prayer of the Faithful

Lord, Hear Our Prayer

St. Joseph the Worker Prayer

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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel,
 That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to thee, O Israel!

2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, Who ord'rest all things mightily;
 To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go.

3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
 In ancient times didst give the law, In cloud and majesty and awe.

4. O come, Thou Rod of Jesse's stem, From ev'ry foe deliver them
 That trust thy mighty pow'r to save, And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.

5. O come, Thou Key of David, come, And open wide our heav'nly home;
 Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery.

6. O come, Thou Dayspring from on high And cheer us by thy drawing nigh;
 Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, And death's dark shadow put to flight.

7. O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all humankind;
 Bid thou our sad divisions cease, And be thyself our Prince of Peace.

Text: LM with refrain; 'O' Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.; verses 1, 3-6 para. in Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. The Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890.

The Eucharistic Prayer Holy, Holy, Holy

Missa Emmanuel

Cantor:
Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Cantor:
Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho-san - na in the high - est, ho-san-na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your
Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion you have set us free.

Amen

A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.
Lamb of God
Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer - cy on us, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, Lamb of God: you take a-way the sins of the
world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon Be-hold, | a Virgin shall conceive and béar a son;
and his name will be **called** Emmanuel.

Communion Hymn

Emmanuel

Refrain
Come, come, Em-man - u-el! Son of God, ap-pear. Heav-en and
earth, re-joyce! Sal - va - tion is draw-ing near.

Verses
1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, here
That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile on high,
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on show;
To us the path of knowl-edge stem;
3. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's to save,
That trust your might - y pow'r to bind
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, cease,
Make all our sad di - vi - sions u - el
5. Re - joice! Em - man - u - el

(to Refrain)
1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. Who or - dered all things might - i - ly;
And teach us in her ways to go.
3. From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
4. In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;
And be for us the King of Peace.
5. shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.
shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el. *(Fine)*

Communion Hymn

Hail Mary, Gentle Woman

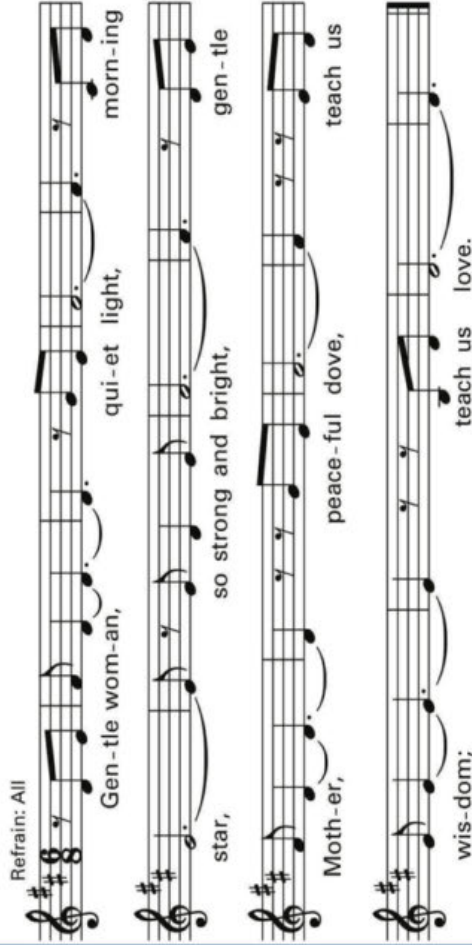
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Intro: Cantor

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and
blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

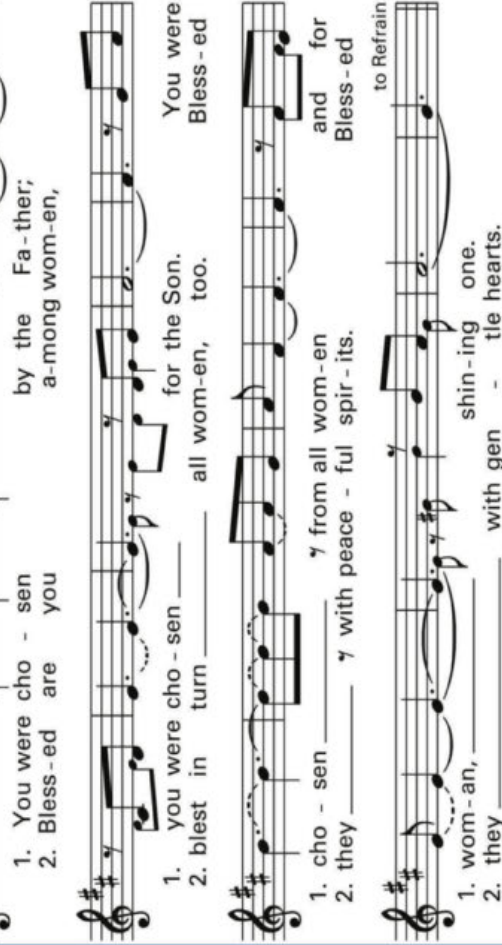
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death. Amen.

Refrain: All



Gen-tle wom-an, qui-et light, morn-ing
star, so strong and bright, gen-tle
Moth-er, peace-ful dove, teach us
wis-dom; teach us love.

Verses: All



1. You were cho - sen by the Fa-ther;
2. Bless-ed are you a-mong wom-en, You were
Bless-ed for the Son.
1. you were cho - sen all wom-en, too.
2. blest in turn
1. cho - sen 2. they from all wom-en
and for Bless-ed
1. cho - sen 2. they with gen - tle hearts.

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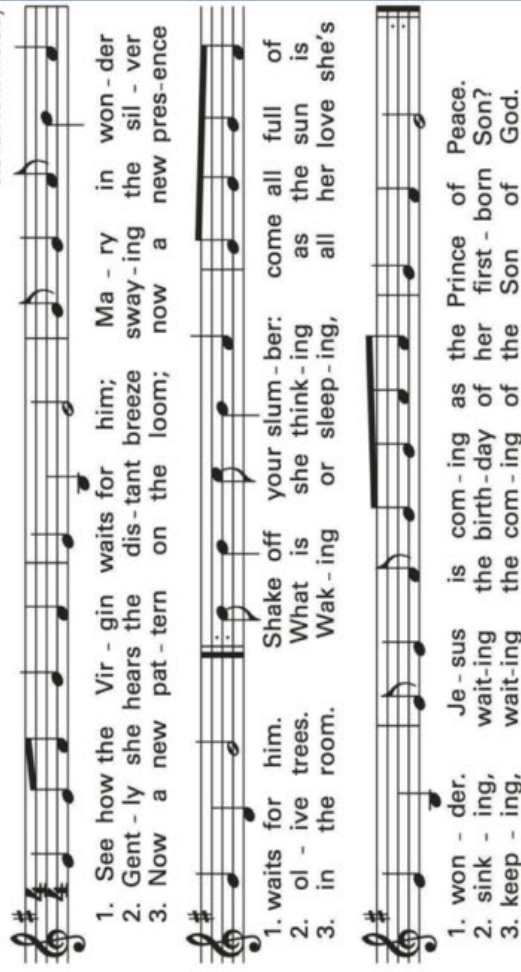
Prayer after Communion

Dismissal

Closing Hymn

See How the Virgin Waits

Slovak folk melody



1. See how the Vir - gin waits for him; Ma - ry in won - der
2. Gent - ly she hears the dis - tant breeze sway - ing the sil - ver
3. Now a new pat - tern on the loom; now a new pres - ence
1. waits for him. Shake off your slum - ber: come all full of
2. ol - ive trees. What is she think - ing as the sun is
3. in the room. Wak - ing or sleep - ing, all her love she's
1. won - der. Je - sus is com - ing as the Prince of Peace.
2. sink - ing, wait - ing the birth - day of her first - born Son?
3. keep - ing, wait - ing the com - ing of the Son of God.

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THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Gathering Hymn

O Come All Ye Faithful/Adeste Fideles

1. O come, all ye faithful, joy - ful and tri -
1. Ad - e - ste fi - de - les, lae - ti, tri - um -

2. O God of God, Light of
 Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul -
 Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py

um - phant, O come ye, O come ye to
phan - tes, ve - ni - te, ve - ni - te in

Light, O Lo! He comes forth from the
ta - tion, O sing, all ye cit - i - zens of

morn - ing, Je - sus, to thee be all

Beth - le - hem; come and be -
Beth - le - hem. Na - tum vi -

Vir - gin's womb. Our ver - y
 heav'n a - bove! Glo - ry to
 glo - ry giv'n; Word of the

hold him, born the King of an - gels;
de - te, Re - gem an - ge - lo - rum.

God, be - got - ten not at - ed,
 God, all glo - ry in the high - est;
 Fa - ther, now in flesh ap - pear - ing;

O come, let us a - do - re him, O
Ve - ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve -

come, let us a - do - re him, O come, let us a -
ni - te a - do - re - mus, ve - ni - te a - do -

dore him, Christ, the Lord!
re - mus Do - mi - num.

Sign of the Cross

Greeting

Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God and to you,
 my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned,
 in my thoughts and in my words,
 in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
And, striking their breast, they say:

through my fault, through my fault,
 through my most grievous fault;
 therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
 all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,
 to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Kyrie

Gloria

Mass of St Frances Cabrini

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple of good
 will. We praise you, we bless you, we a - do - re you, we
 glo - ri - fy you, we give you thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God,
 heav - en - ly King, O God, al - might - y Fa - ther. Lord
 Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Fa - ther, you take a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on
 us; you take a - way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are

(Continued on the next page)

Gloria (continued)

seated at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For

you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-

lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the

glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men. A - men.

Homily

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful Lord, Hear Our Prayer

St. Joseph prayer recited at the end of the Prayer of the Faithful:

O God, Creator of all things,

who laid down for the human race the law of work,

graciously grant that by the example of Saint Joseph

and under his patronage,

we may complete the works you set us to do,

and attain the rewards you promise.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Journeysongs #870

Vigil Mass

First Reading

Psalm 89

Second Reading

Gospel

Isaiah 62:1-5

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord

Acts of the Apostles 13:16-17,22-25

Matthew 1:1-25

Midnight Mass

First Reading

Psalm 96

Second Reading

Gospel

Isaiah 9:1-6

Today is born a savior, Christ the Lord

Titus 2:11-14

Luke 2:1-14

Mass at Dawn

First Reading

Psalm 97

Second Reading

Gospel

Isaiah 62:11-12

A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us

Titus 3:4-7

Luke 2:15-20

Mass during the Day

First Reading

Psalm 98

Second Reading

Gospel

Isaiah 52:7-10

All the ends of the earth have seen

the saving power of god

Hebrews 1:1-6

John 1:1-18

Nicene Creed

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preparation of the Altar

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Verses

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,
3. Righteous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
2. Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

1. na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; With an -
2. God - head see! Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! Pleased as
3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to

1. gel - ic hosts pro - claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - ell
3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

Preparation of the Altar

Angels We Have Heard On High

Verses

1. An - gels we have heard on high Sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
2. Shep - herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
3. Come to Beth - le - hem and see Him whose birth the an - gels sing;
4. See him in a man - ger laid Whom the an - gels praise a - bove;

1. And the moun - tains in re - ply Ech - o back their joy - ous strains.
2. Say what may the tid - ings be Which in - spire your heav'n - ly song.
3. Come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ, the new - born King.
4. Ma - ry, Jo - seph, lend your aid, While we raise our hearts in love.

Refrain

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

The Eucharistic Prayer

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of St Frances Cabrini

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Memorial Acclamation

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur -

rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.



Amen

A - men. A - men. A - men.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,

All

1, 2 Final

1, 2. *mi-se-ré-re no - bis.* *Mi-se-ré-re no - bis.*
 3. *do-na no-bis pa - cem.* *Do-na no-bis pa - cem.*

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Communion Hymn

1. O lit - tle town of Beth-le-hem, How still we see thee lie!
 2. For Christ is born of Ma - ry, And gath-ered all a - bove,
 3. How si-lent-ly, how si-lent-ly, The won-drous gift is giv'n!
 4. O ho - ly Child of Beth-le-hem! De-scend to us, we pray;

O Little Town of Bethlehem

1. A - bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si-lent stars go by;
 2. While mor-tals sleep, the an-gels keep Their watch of won-d'ring love.
 3. So God im-parts to hu-man hearts The bless-ings of his heav'n.
 4. Cast out our sin and en-ter in; Be born in us to - day.

1. Yet in thy dark streets shin-eth The ev-er - last-ing Light:
 2. O morn-ing stars, to - geth - er Pro-claim the ho - ly birth!
 3. No ear may hear his com-ing, But in this world of sin,
 4. We hear the Christ-mas an-gels The great glad tid-ings tell;

1. The hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to-night.
 2. And prais-es sing to God the King, And peace to all on earth.
 3. Where meek souls will re-ceive him, still The dear Christ en-ters in.
 4. O come to us, a-bide with us, Our Lord Em-man-u - el!

Communion Hymn

1. A - way in a man-ger, no crib for a bed, The
 2. The cat - tle are low-ing, the ba-by a - wakes, But
 3. Be near me, Lord Je - sus, I ask thee to stay Close

1. lit - tle Lord Je - sus laid down his sweet head; The
 2. lit - tle Lord Je - sus, no cry-ing he makes; I
 3. by me for - ev - er, and love me, I pray; Bless

1. stars in the sky — looked down where he lay, The
 2. love thee, Lord Je - sus! Look down from the sky, And
 3. all the dear chil-dren in thy ten - der care, And

1. lit - tle Lord Je - sus, a - sleep on the hay.
 2. stay by my cra - dle till morn - ing is nigh.
 3. fit us for heav - en to live with thee there.

Text: 11 11 11 11; verses 1-2, *Little Children's Book for Schools and Families*, ca. 1885;
 verse 3, Gabriel's *Vineyard Songs*, 1892, alt. Music: attr. to James R. Murray, 1841-1905.

Communion Hymn

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, For his bed a
 2. Flocks were sleep-ing, shep-herds keep-ing Vi-gil till the

1. cat - tle stall; Ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing
 2. morn-ing new. Saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry,

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

1. Christ the babe is Lord of all. Swift are wing-ing, an-gels sing-ing,
 2. Tid-ings of a gos-pel true. Thus re-joic-ing, free from sor-row,

1. No - els ring-ing, tid-ings bring-ing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.
 2. Prais-es voic-ing greet the mor-row: Christ the babe was born for you.

Communion Hymn

Verses

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, On Ma-ry's lap is
 2. Why lies he in such mean es - tate Where ox and ass are
 3. So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh, Come peas-ant, king, to

1. sleep - ing? Whom an - gels greet with an - them's sweet, While
 2. feed - ing? Good Chris - tian, fear: for sin - ners here The
 3. own him; The King of kings sal - va - tion brings, Let

Refrain

1. shep - herds watch are keep - ing? This, this is Christ the
 2. si - lent Word is plead - ing.
 3. lov - ing hearts en - throne him.

What Child is This

King, Whom shep-herds guard and an - gels sing; Haste,
 haste to bring him laud, The babe, the son of Ma - ry.

Communion Meditation Prayer after Communion

1. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright Round yon
 2. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight; Glo - ries
 3. Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light Ra - diant

1. Vir - gin Moth - er and child! Ho - ly in - fant so ten - der and mild,
 2. stream from heav - en a - far; Heav'n - ly hosts sing "Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. beams from thy ho - ly face, With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,

1. Sleep in heav - en - ly peace, Sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
 2. Christ the Sav - ior is born, Christ the Sav - ior is born."
 3. Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth, Je - sus, Lord, at thy birth.

Dismissal

Closing Hymn

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
 2. Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let us our
 3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, Nor thorns in -
 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

1. ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 2. songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
 3. fest the ground; He comes to make his bless - ings
 4. na - tions prove The glo - ries of his righ - teous -

1. room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
 2. plains Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
 3. flow Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is
 4. ness, And won - ders of his love, And won - ders of his

1. sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 2. joy, Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 3. found, Far as, far as the curse is found.
 4. love, And won - ders, won - ders of his love.

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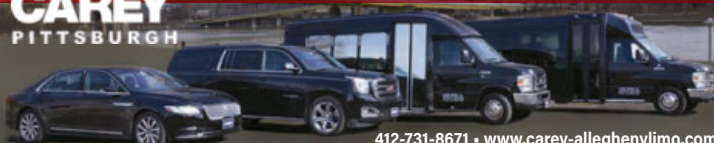
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