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*The Holy Family*

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers.  
- Lk 2:46-47

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Holy Trinity Cemetery  
3799 Franklin Avenue Dunkirk

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekends:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM (Confessions 3:15-3:45)

Sunday:

8:30 AM (Mass also broadcast on WDOE 1410)

11:00 AM (Contemporary Choir)

### Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:15 AM

Tuesday: Noon (Rosary at 11:30)

### Parish Council

Carol Bleck  
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Christina Donovan  
George Dorman  
Daryl Spacc

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### GIVING IN MEMORY

We recently received the following  
**MEMORIAL DONATIONS** to Holy Trinity

*in memory of*

**Wilda "Boo" Rowland**

**Elizabeth Latimer & Patricia Gloekler \$25**

**Patricia "Trish" Timko \$50.00**

**Richard & Susan Ketcham \$60.00**

*in memory of*

**Frank Zaccari**

**Frank Crea \$135**

Additionally, we recently received  
a donation to our

**Church Maintenance Fund**

by a donor who wishes to remain **anonymous**

in the amount of

**Ten Thousand Dollars**



**Thank You** *for your* **Generosity**

### Live the Liturgy

#### The Nativity of the Lord

"He so loved us that for our sake He was made man in time, through Whom all times were made; was in the world less in years than His servants, though older than the world itself in His eternity; was made man, Who made man; was created of a mother, whom He created; was carried by hands which He formed; nursed at the breasts which He had filled; cried in the manger in wordless infancy, He the Word without Whom all human eloquence is mute (St. Augustine, Sermon 188)." The miracle of what happens at Christmas is truly an awesome mystery. Revealed in the silent ordinariness of life is God's intimate love for humanity and all that he made. The Word, existing for all time, comes and dwells among us. God kisses us. We can seek and soar with playful delight as a joy never known before fills our heart.

Joy is best expressed through dance. There is just something truly wonderful about the self-abandon a beautiful melodic dance reveals. If we are able to let go and really be free, it celebrates life in a way few other experiences really can. With the birth of Jesus Christ, God takes the Divine Dance to a deeper and more tangible level. We can now not only see what we believe but believe what we see! This most perfect dance is a call to beauty, innocence, truth, purpose, hope, faith, and love. Today we know, beyond doubt, that we are a necessary part of God's beautifully choreographed masterpiece of life and not just a random happening without real intent or purpose. We are loved, treasured, and blessed.

Accepting the truth of God's birth in time we also accept an invitation to dance with God. We can let go of what tethers us to anxious concerns and superficial securities. Throw caution to the wind and go with God. We have been blessed with talents, gifts, and life eternal. Follow the rhythm of the dance with joy and listen to what the Word who became flesh tells us about what the next steps can be. Today, heaven remains the same, but earth has been profoundly changed.

### An email from our diocese:

As a follow-up to last week's change in COVID policy, with the reimplementation of a diocesan-wide mask mandate, pastors and parish leaders are reminded that **masks should be worn not only when entering and exiting churches and worship spaces, but throughout the duration of the liturgy, even when seated.**

While we want to build places of worship that foster the welcome of all, particularly at this beautiful time of year, **part of our pastoral outreach in this extraordinary time should be to ensure the safety of all of our congregants.**

To that end, please take the following three-point approach in all worship settings:

- post signage that states that masks are required at all times
- ask ushers and ministers of hospitality to provide reminders as people enter to wear their mask
- make an announcement before each liturgy thanking

individuals for complying with the mask mandate

New York State has said that non-compliance can carry with it a \$1000 fine for individuals and/or businesses/organizations.

Peace & Prayers, Fr. Seán Paul

## Mass Schedule & Intentions



<b>SAT. Dec. 25</b> 10:00am	<b>Christmas (Nativity of the Lord)</b> People of Holy Trinity <i>NOTE: NO 4:00pm Mass on Saturday, Christmas Day)</i>
<b>SUN. Dec. 26</b> 8:30am 11:00am	<b>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, &amp; Joseph</b> Merry Ivory by Family Martha & Joseph Capitano by Daughter Carol
<b>MON. Dec. 27</b> 8:15am	<b>St. John, Apostle &amp; Evangelist</b> Frank Zaccari by Children
<b>TUES. Dec. 28</b> Noon	<b>Holy Innocents, Martyrs</b> Banach/Catalano/Guido Families by Family
<b>WED. Dec. 29</b> 8:15am	<b>Fifth Day w/in Octave of Nativity of the Lord</b> MaryAnn Hagman by Michael & Michele Messina
<b>THUR. Dec. 30</b> 8:15am	<b>Sixth Day w/in Octave of Nativity of the Lord</b> Doris LaSpada by Dennis & Marie Cecala
<b>FRI. Dec. 31</b> 8:15am	<b>Seventh Day w/in Octave of Nativity of the Lord</b> Linda Bradley by Rock Vallone
<b>SAT. Jan 1</b> 4:00pm	<b>Epiphany of the Lord (Vigil)</b> People of Holy Trinity
<b>SUN. Jan 2</b> 8:30am 11:00am	<b>Epiphany of the Lord</b> M/M Wm. Kuczenski, Sr. by Family Sam & Mary Polechetti by Warren Family

## The Sanctuary Remembrance

for the week of December 26, 2021  
is in remembrance of  
**Walter Sliwinski**

by Family



The schedule of Mass intentions is subject to change.

Strength and peace come when we pray for one another. If you would like **prayers for a special intention** this week, please call Arlene Buckley at 716-679-0947 from 5-6pm. She will notify the prayer group.

Week **FOURTEEN** of the NFL football sweepstakes yielded

**SEVEN \$25 WINNERS:**

Ticket numbers

2063, 2188, 2370, 2879, 3930, 4022, 4153



## New Year's Mass Schedule

### New Year's Eve

- \* (Friday) No Vigil Mass this year as it is not a Holy Day of Obligation.
- \* The regular 8:15am daily Mass will still take place as usual.

### New Year's Day

- \* (Saturday) See above. Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.
- The regular 4pm Saturday Mass will still take place as usual.



## Grief Share/Support Group

from 6:30-8:30pm in our Parish Center:  
JANUARY: 3

Offertory envelopes and other donations can be mailed to the church or slipped in the mail slot in the door of the Parish Office, or collected during weekend Masses.

**December 14, 2021**

**Envelopes from 12-9-21 through 12-14-21**

Envelopes:.....	\$3153.00
Loose .....	\$13.00
Monthly Upkeep.....	\$90.00
Fuel.....	\$55.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$135.00
Christmas.....	\$75.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$30.00
Initial Offering.....	\$15.00
Religious Retirement.....	\$78.00

Please note:

Our Masses on Sunday, December 12th, were canceled due to the wind storm that knocked out power in the church. Our weekly collections keep the church up and running. If you haven't already, please don't forget to include your December 12th offering in the collection.

Thank you!



**Total: \$3,644.00**



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**CHECK ONE:**

New registration information.  
 Change of address.  
 Moving out of the parish.  
 Other (Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

*Please drop Request Form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.*

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.