

December 25th, 2022

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Office Hours

Mon.-Fri.: 9:00AM—5:00PM

Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM
1st Saturday of Month - 9:00
(with Anointing of the Sick)

Saturday (Vigil)
4:00 PM

Sunday
October—May
8 AM & 10:00 AM

June—September
9:00AM

Holy Days
Vigil 7:00 PM, 9:00 AM

Confessions

1/2 hour before weekend Masses



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord." - Lk 2:10-11

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays

After 9:00 AM Mass - 12:00 PM

Sacraments

Baptisms

Last Saturday of the Month
or by appointment

Weddings

Contact Parish Office

Anointing the Sick &
Homebound

Please contact the parish office
at least 2 days prior to admission
to hospital, if possible.

Altar Flowers

To contribute to the flower fund or to sponsor flowers for Sunday services in memory of a loved one or for any special intention, please fill out a flower fund envelope and place it in the offertory basket. Checks should be made payable to: **CCW of Lake Placid.**



Holy Water

The holy water dispenser is located in the vestibule of the church.

Votive Candles

Votive candles are located in the church and in the chapel.

Remembering your Parish in your Will or Family Trust

Gifts provided through wills and trusts enable donors to make significant contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetime.

Thank you for your consideration.

Your gift to the CFA helps subsidize the great work of Catholic Charities, who in turn serve more than 40,000 of your neighbors in need.

Collections

12/8: 1,402

12/11: \$5,692

Retirement for Religious: \$1,981



Readings for the week of December 25th

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

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Please Pray for:

Archa Stallon

Mike Nagel

Cathy Kicker

Liz (chemo)

Linda Waldt

Nereida Rios

Tammy Jackson

Tom Jackson

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, December 26th, 9:00 AM

For a greater respect for all human life

Tuesday, December 27th, 9:00 AM

†Ricardo Gonzalez, by the Men's Emmaus

Wednesday, December 28th, 9:00AM

†Vincent Mathew (10 yrs),
by Charlotte Mathew

Thursday, December 29th, 9:00 AM

†Tress Schneider, by Mary Nead

Friday, December 30th, 9:00 AM

†Nelson L. Caldwell, Jr. & son †Stewart
Caldwell, by their family

**Saturday, December 31st,
4:00 PM (Vigil)**

†Charlie & †Elaine McWilliams,
by Rose & Bob Zhawred

**Sunday, January 1st,
MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 8:00AM**

†Randy Moye, by Adele Moye

10:00AM

†Joel Trepanier,
by Sam & Cathleen Evangelista



My Dear People,

I wish for the child Jesus to bless each and every one of you, and your families this year. It is important for us to reflect on the child because God loved us so much that He did not come as an emperor or ruler, He came as a child, vulnerable, and yet lovable. Jesus came as a child so that he would be one of us. This is something so extraordinary that we will never comprehend.

This birthday of Jesus truly reflects the prophecy of Isaiah: **“A virgin will be with child, and He will be called Immanuel!” (God is with us).**

In the Advent Readings, Isaiah wanted to reassure King Ahaz and Judah that God did not forget them, and He does not forget us. We need not worry about many little things because God is always with us. He came to be with us, so that humanity would be saved.

His name, Jesus, in Hebrew, Yashua, means **God saves**. *Jesus came to throw us a lifeline so that we would not drown in the waters of doubt, worry, uncertainty, and preoccupations,*



but would have peace in our hearts. This is what the angels sang to the shepherds that holy night: “Glory to God in the Highest and peace to people of good will!” God wants to give us His peace, especially when we reflect on His love for us by sending us Jesus, and most especially when we try our best to keep the words of Jesus in our lives. Then we become the people of good will, to whom God wants to give peace.

I pray there will be peace in your families. I pray the child Jesus will guide each family to appreciate what is really valuable. I pray that each one grows in the love of God and is thankful

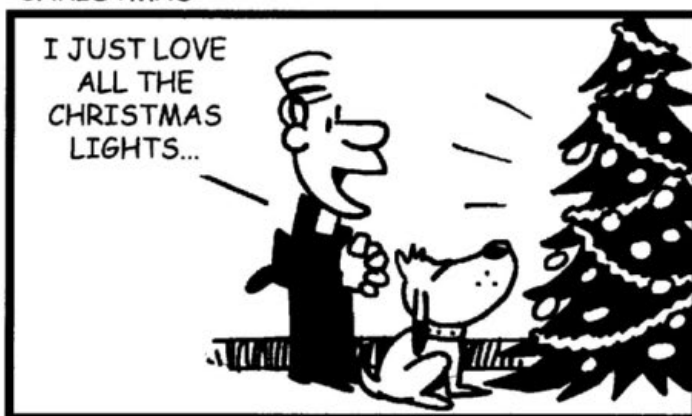
for what God has given us.

We all pray for the parts of the world where there is no peace, such as in Ukraine. We pray for the parts of the world where Christians are persecuted. We pray that more Christians will be at peace, and may the love Christians show enable the non-Christians to be transformed.

Peace and Joy in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Vincent Clemente

CHRISTMAS





Today we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, hearing the words of the angel, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy."

Today and throughout the new year, may we take care of our suffering brothers and sisters, bringing hope, not fear.

Merry Christmas!

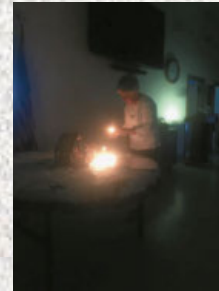
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Early Bulletin Deadlines

**Please send inserts for...
 1/8 by December 26th**

Emmaus Christmas Party



Safe Environment Training -

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and complete online training in Safe Environment prior to beginning employment or volunteering. Visit <https://dioceseofvenice.org/offices/programs/safeenvironment/>. Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. Further, if Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.



As we age, time seems to pass more quickly. Years seemingly fly by as one holiday flows into the next, January quickly becomes December and life maintains its hectic pace. What do we accomplish in all of that busyness? Perhaps technology is responsible for some of the frenzy, keeping us isolated in our social media worlds, communicating through texts rather than in person, and always connected to world events. We're over stimulated in many ways by information, noise, opinions, and ideologies. Yet, we still find the time to decorate our homes, purchase gifts, and plan Christmas gatherings. We know, however, that the true meaning of Christmas is not found in twinkling lights, beautifully adorned trees, perfectly set tables or exchanged gifts. We are being called to something deeper and more authentic.

Christmas reminds us to look for God along the way of our lives and not get distracted by the illusions around us. Our world's complexity can leave us feeling displaced, desperate, alone, neglected, and unimportant. Joseph and Mary felt that way too. In the midst of all that captures and intrigues us in our self-created virtual worlds, is this longing for the anchor of faith to keep us grounded and make sense of it all. Only faith can give us the perspective to see what truly matters in life. We discover our divinely blessed humanity. The uncertain and challenging journey to Bethlehem gives way to the tender moments of birth and its embrace. Christmas softens us and slows us down a bit. It shows us Jesus as the light who enlightens everyone. It shows us the truth.

The faith that comes from Christmas calms our fears and allows us to go into the nighttime of our lives courageously. We are never lost or alone. We need to stop and savor more of life's moments before they slip away in time. God is with us, loving us, and leading us where we need to be. Merry Christmas! ©LPi



HOLIDAY Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: 4PM, 5:30PM and 10PM.
 Christmas Day: 8AM and 10AM
 New Year's Eve: 4PM
 New Year's Day: 8AM and 10AM

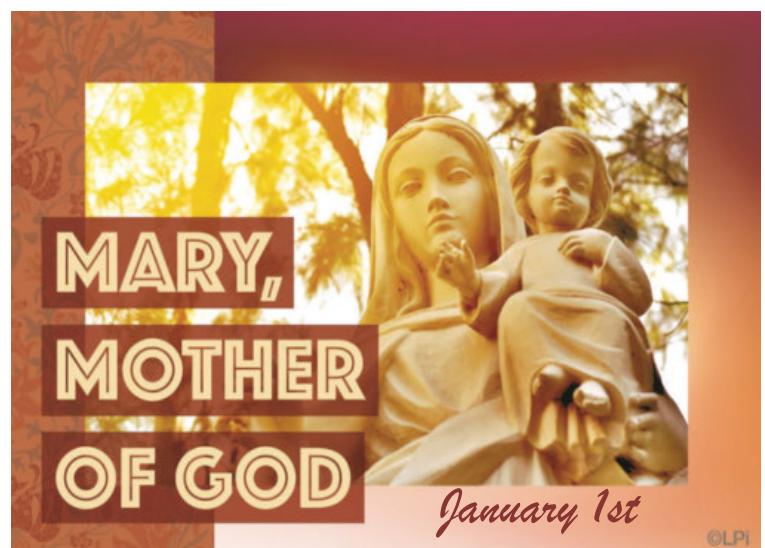
Church office will be closed:
 Friday, December 23rd
 Monday, December 26th
 Friday, December 30th
 Monday, January 2nd.



Our RCIA program meets Mondays at 6 PM in the Social Hall. All are welcome to attend one or all of the evening teachings. The following topics will be presented:

- Jan. 2.** Intro to Sacraments / Sacrament of Baptism
- Jan. 9.** Sacrament of Confirmation
- Jan. 16.** Sacrament of Eucharist
- Jan. 23.** Sacrament of Penance
- Jan. 30.** Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
- Feb. 6.** Sacrament of Matrimony/Holy Orders
- Feb. 13.** Election: Saying Yes to Jesus
- Feb. 20.** Living Lent

Please give us a call if you have questions.
 Elsie 863-633-8142 or Lynda at 863-655-2370.



Misión Católica Santiago Apostol

Servidor de la Misión: Padre Félix González

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¡Feliz Pascua de Navidad! Es el saludo que escucharemos en la Misa de Nochebuena y en el día de Navidad. “Hoy nos ha nacido un Salvador: el Mesías, el Señor” (Salmo 95). Vengan todos, cantemos al Señor himnos de alabanza. Pues, Jesús ha nacido en Belén, Dios ha cumplido su promesa de salvación. Hoy es el día de contemplar agradecidos y extasiados al recién nacido, es un regalo de amor para todos. Las palabras, paz, alegría, gozo, regalo, felicidad, ternura, son de gran ayuda para esta celebración.

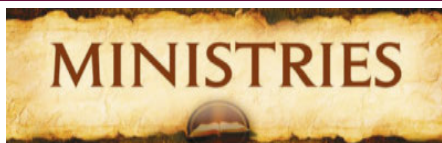
Gracias, Señor, por mostrarnos tanto amor en medio de nuestras tribulaciones. Te pedimos por los que viven solos y tristes, por los huérfanos y los que perdieron a sus seres queridos en la guerra y en todo tipo de violencia. Hazte presente en sus corazones para que puedan regalarles a otros el amor que tú les muestras a ellos. Que en el mundo se escuche el canto de los ángeles. “Gloria a Dios en lo más alto del cielo y en la tierra paz a los hombres: está es la hora de la gracia” (Lucas 2,14). Al contemplarte en el nacimiento junto a María y José, quisiera ser uno de los pastores, que presuroso fue a adorarte y se postró ante tu bondad, inocencia y dulzura. Solamente, puedo decirte desde el fondo del corazón: Jesús, gracias por haber nacido entre nosotros, y sufrir como nosotros. “Dios nos lo recuerda hoy, tomando con amor nuestra humanidad y haciéndola suya, desposándose con ella para siempre (Papa Francisco). ¡Feliz Navidad!
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Horario de Misas
Domingo: 10:00am
Jueves y Viernes: 7:00PM
Primer viernes del mes– Misa a las 7:00pm y la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento desde las 5:00pm hasta las 7:00pm
Confesiones: 9:30am domingo
Bautismos: 4o sábado del mes a las 4:00 pm
Platicas del bautismo: 3o viernes del mes a las 7:30pm después de la Misa
Quinceañeras: hablar con el sacerdote



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Wed 9:45am – 11:45am

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christy@christyswift.com

CATHOLIC INQUIRY (RCIA)

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CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Sunday 10:00 am Mass and Class

Connie Rollins/863-465-4361

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COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

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1st Thursday of the Month 10:00am

Anne Steele/765-776-6632

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2nd Friday of the month

3:00 pm, Social Hall

Mary Webb/863-273-4495

EMMAUS (MEN)

3rd Sunday of the Month

2:00 pm

Bob Muir/863-441-4754

EMMAUS (WOMEN)

2nd Sunday of the Month, 2:00pm

Elsie Howe/863-633-8142

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF

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GRIEF SUPPORT

2nd Thursday of the Month

2:00pm - 3:30pm

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7:00pm

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YOUTH /CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Wednesday 6:00 pm/Social Hall

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<u>PARISH HAPPENINGS</u>		
 <p>DECEMBER 25th— Sunday. Christmas Day Masses, 8AM & 10AM, Church.</p>	<p>DECEMBER 28th— Wednesday. Bible Study, 10AM, Social Hall. Confirmation Class, 6PM, Social Hall.</p>	<p>JANUARY 2nd— Monday. Office Closed. St. Vincent de Paul, 3PM, Social Hall. RCIA, 6PM, Social Hall.</p>
<p>DECEMBER 26th— Monday. Office Closed.</p>	<p>DECEMBER 29th— Thursday. Legion of Mary, 1PM, Social Hall. Bible Study, 7PM, Social Hall.</p>	<p>JANUARY 3rd— Tuesday. Child. of Our Lady, 10AM, Social Hall.</p>
<p>DECEMBER 27th— Tuesday. Child. of Our Lady, 10AM, Social Hall. Knights of Columbus, 7PM, Social Hall</p>	<p>DECEMBER 30th— Friday. Office Closed</p>	<p>JANUARY 4th— Wednesday. Bible Study, 10AM, Social Hall. Confirmation Class, 6PM, Social Hall.</p>

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