



LET THE PEACE OF CHRIST
CONTROL YOUR HEARTS,
THE PEACE INTO WHICH
YOU WERE ALSO CALLED IN ONE BODY.

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THE HOLY FAMILY

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 29, 2019

It seems appropriate that we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph during the Christmas season, just after families have gathered for Christmas, frequently with stress over gift-giving, travel drama, and the intricacies of meal preparation for people with their various dietary needs and preferences. Today's readings ask us to put family and life in their sacred and holy perspective. When we take care of aging

parents we care for Christ, who is with all and in all. When we approach one another with compassion, kindness, gentleness, and patience, we communicate Christ's love. Even when the Lord leads in ways we cannot quite appreciate or understand, we must follow God's will, knowing that in doing so, we cooperate with God's grace in our midst. Every family is called to be a holy family.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 28, 2019
5:45 pm Parish Family of St. Patrick

Sunday, December 29, 2019
9:00 am +Frances & +MaryAnn Quigley and +Margie Pyle req.by Frank Quigley

Monday, December 30, 2019
9:00 am +Dot McGrath req. by Ed & Judy Phelan

Tuesday, December 31, 2019—NEW YEAR'S EVE
9:00 pm NO MASS

Wednesday, January 1, 2020 —Solemnity of Mary—Holy Day of Obligation
9:00 am Parish Family of St. Patrick

Thursday, January 2, 2020 - NO MASS

Friday, January 3, 2020
9:00 am Adoration until 11am

Saturday, January 4, 2020
5:45 pm +Parish Family of St. Patrick

Sunday, January 5, 2020
9:00 am +Ed Crossin req. by the Family

	CANTOR	READER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	SERVER	USHER
NEW YEAR'S EVE	NO MASS				
NEW YEAR'S DAY 9AM	Linda Cakora	Jerry Kinsella	Steve Hoehn Carmen Kinsella Jerry Kinsella	Sarah Hoehn	Steve Hoehn
SATURDAY Jan. 4, 2020 5:45PM	Linda Cakora	Jim Kreske	Sue Nugent	Madi Phelps Ella Phelps	Mark Tillotson Brad Phelps
SUNDAY Jan. 5, 2020 9AM	Sarah Hoehn	Steve Hoehn	Paul Engler	Alexander Lawson Annabelle Lawson	Jim Ciesla Bruce Boyle

Music: Cathy Engler

Collection Counters for 1/5/2020: Bell, Mooi, Musson

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, the weekly Sunday collection goal is \$2,090.37
Sunday, December 22\$2,590.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish

***Please Participate!
Your Gift Makes a Difference!***

Parish Goal:	\$ 10,400.00
Amount Pledged:	\$ 11,845.00
Amount Paid:	\$ 11,025.00
2019 Rebate	438.00

Thank you for your generous response.

2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES – Are available in the vestibule, please pick up your boxed set. If you are new to the area and would like envelopes, please contact the office. Also, if there is a change in address or phone number please let us know. Thank you.

Thank you to our friends at the First Bank of Manhattan for the generous Christmas donation.

There will be a second collection next weekend for our Maintenance fund. Thank you for your continued support



RECONCILIATION
ST. ROSE, Every Thursday
6:00 pm– 7:00 pm

If you are unable to come to church because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. A priest or home bound minister can come to your home. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian can be reached at :
1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102.

Mass intentions can be requested through the office, or dropped in any weekend collection, please mark in a separate envelope. Think about having a Mass for a loved one. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. We are also accepting requests for our 2-week Sacred Heart Candle.

2020 calendars are available in the vestibule.

Thanks to Forsythe Funeral Home for providing these lovely calendars



**Our Two Week
Candle is burning
for a
Special Intention
req. by the
Giver**



**January 1, 2020
Solemnity of Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
Mass will be celebrated at
9:00am**

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God January 1, 2020 The encounter between God and Moses in today's first reading is awe-inspiring. God bestows three blessings upon Moses and directs him to extend those blessings to others: The Lord blesses you and keeps you. The Lord lets his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord looks upon you kindly and gives you peace. Good stewards realize these blessings are showered upon them in a unique and special way each time they receive the Eucharist, and exercising good stewardship of the Lord's blessings in this sacrament begins by receiving these gifts with profound gratitude. Perhaps it would be a good idea this week to memorize these marvelous blessings and repeat them to yourself frequently. Make them part of your morning prayer each day. ICSC e-bulletin 2020

**Winter Breakfast – Bags for Homeless
a look at EFT Tapping Therapy!!**

Friends and parishioners are invited to the Winter Breakfast Wednesday, Jan 8th 8-9:30 AM in the Gathering Room of St. Paul's Parish, Peotone. Registration is helpful for planning, but not necessary: 708 258-6364 or 708 258-6917 If convenient, we are asking attendees to check their closets for gently used handbags and or to bring hygiene necessities or non-perishable snacks to place therein. These "Purposeful Purses" are then delivered to homeless or abused women. Following breakfast Clem Carder will demonstrate the Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT) – Tapping therapy. Clem is a certified Occupational and Pain Therapist who has assisted with Catholic Charities

SALVATION IN DAILY LIFE

This Sunday is the feast of the Holy Family, which comes on the first Sunday after Christmas Day. Today’s feast celebrates how the humanity of Jesus (including his entire family life) has brought saving significance into the daily rhythms of our human family life.

The scriptures offer instruction and encouragement on how to share – within our families, parish families, and the wider human family – the love that God shares with us in Jesus. Selections from Sirach, Psalm 128, and Colossians encourage us to reflect divine love and thus find holiness in all our human relationships. The reading from Matthew’s Gospel offers a living example of love in the actions Joseph took to protect his young family from danger and to nurture them within the larger family of faith of their time.

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A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER for the New Year

Lord of new life, Thank you for the gift of a new year. You have entrusted us with the coming days, weeks and months as stewards of your divine plan; to live in gratitude, joy, and an ever growing confidence in your Kingdom to come. We ask for the humility to reform our lives; the courage to commit ourselves to you no matter the cost; and the wisdom to shine the light of faith on others. Open our hearts, give us your Spirit and show us how to share your love so that we may bring hope to a world in need of your justice and peace. We pray to be a sign of your grace in this new year through your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen



Food & drinks (including drinks for those 21+) will be served after!

ALL YOUNG ADULTS INVITED TO

COMMUNIO

ADORATION. CONFESSION. PRAISE & WORSHIP. COMMUNITY & SOCIAL TIME.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4TH
ST. MARY OF GOSTYN PARISH

7-8:30PM - ADORATION & CONFESSION |
8:30PM - FOOD & SOCIAL TIME



With a talk from Fr. Jim Olofson:
"How to be In the World, but not Of
the World,".

QUESTIONS? CONTACT CLAIRE SIMEO:
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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernhard, Cecelia Mundt; Fr. Jim Lennon; Gary Ulman; Jessica Lagan; EJ Lagan; Nicole Flint

WITH THE NEW YEAR WE ARE UPDATING OUR PRAYER LIST. PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON THE PRAYER LIST.

Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF JANUARY

- We pray that Christians, followers of others religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world

Our parish offers Online Giving, a web based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage our contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. It is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at: www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org and selecting one Online Giving link.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK DECEMBER 28, 2019



Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Monday: Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Tuesday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I;

Wednesday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace; New Year's Day

Thursday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Friday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday

Saturday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday



YOUR HOLY FAMILY

Families come in all shapes and sizes. When asked to describe your family, you might begin by telling people about a parent, sibling, or extended family members. You might even describe what you have learned from a genealogical study. You are unlikely, however, no matter how wonderful your family may be, to describe your family as “holy.” And yet, this is our primary call. Each of us as people of God, and each of our families, is called to be holy. We are called to live as God’s people in the world, to communicate God’s love and presence through the way that we live together and in relationship with others. Every family, no matter what their circumstances, is called to be a holy family. Even Mary, Joseph, and Jesus faced challenges and trials. And yet they rose to the occasion, listened to and followed God’s will, and were assured of the love of the Lord through it all.

LISTEN TO YOUR ANGEL

Have you ever found yourself at a crossroads? One direction may be momentarily advantageous or easy, another more challenging but right or good. It is not always easy to know which direction to choose. Discerning our path of life necessarily involves prayer, the guidance of others whom we trust, and the promptings of the Holy Spirit within us. The example of the Holy Family is that they followed the will of God, trusting in God’s abiding presence even when they knew that doing so involved risk and uncertainty. Mary trusted the voice of the angel, although the message was beyond comprehension; Joseph listened to the voice of the Lord in dreams and proceeded, assured of God’s guiding spirit in the midst of troubling circumstances. This is what our families must do as well. Being Christian people in today’s world is not always easy, even when we know it is right. This is the meaning of holiness. This is what it means to be a holy family.

Today’s Readings: Sir 3:2–6, 12–14; Ps 128:1–2, 3, 4–5; Col 3:12–21 [12–17]; Mt 2:13–15, 19–23

12/29/2019