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Christmas



the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.

Luke 2:10



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 26

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Psalm 31

Matthew 10:117-22

No Mass

Tuesday, December 27

1 John 1:1-4 Psalm 97

John 20:2-8

No Mass

Wednesday December 28

1 John 1:5, 2:2 Psalm 124

Matthew 2:13-18

5:30 pm Daria Sousa & her husband

Thursday December 29

1 John 2:3-11 Psalm 296

Luke 2:22-35

5:30 pm Jan Pabian +

Friday, December 30

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3:12-21

Psalm 128 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

5:30 pm Alex, Stanley & Greg Rupik

Saturday, December 31

1 John 2:18-21 Psalm 96

John 1:1-8

5:30 pm Parish Community

Sunday, January 1

Numbers 6:22-27 Psalm 67

Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

10:00 am The Parish Community

12:00pm The Parish Community

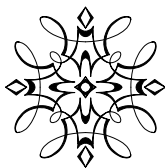
No evening mass

Monthly comparison for November

Offertory	2015	2016
Envelopes	\$19,413	\$ 17,236
Loose	\$6,231	\$ 4,413
PAG	\$ 6,438	\$ 6,250
Total	\$32,082	\$ 27,899

Monthly comparison based on 4 weeks in 2016 and 5 weeks in 2015.

Building & Maintenance \$3,101.



The Pastor's Corner

Peace and goodness to all at Christmas!

Welcome to our home in Christ for the celebration of God with us in Jesus that is Christmas. He is the image of the invisible God, born to us a vulnerable child to the Virgin Mary. He is born to us so we can know and adore him as the Love of God revealed to us as the fulfillment of the scriptures that promised human salvation for eternity. Our liturgical celebrations will remember the true wisdom of God, born to us in this quiet mystery. Our Lord and God, whose love created us to know Him to Love Him and to serve his great majesty, became a child so we might know Him well. As the shepherds are told, do not be afraid, this day a savior has been born to you. We rejoice in gladness and gratitude that God has made it plain in this Child who is Emanuel, that he who loves us is so lovable. What joy we have to see the promise of the Word of God is made flesh to dwell with us so humble, pure and beautiful. In this Child born of Mary and cared for and protected by her husband Joseph, our Savior has come among us to bring the salvation that is the hope of the world. This family brought through the struggles not unlike those of modern refugees, have a story that empowers us to know that God is with us in all of our own human situations, and difficulties. He has become one with us so we might become one people living in peace and joyful love. Throughout this holy season of Christmas we will proclaim the fulfillment of God's Word in our liturgical celebrations. We celebrate the Word become flesh who dwells among us. He is the light that shines in the darkness that leads us on our Way to salvation.

The Christmas pageant that we celebrate in the Children's liturgy at the 5:30 vigil mass uniquely demonstrates the nativity scene that was first enacted by St. Francis of Assisi in 1223 at Greccio, Italy, with the simplicity and local colour that our children enact once more for all of us to enjoy with great love and appreciation. Once this is finished the parishioners will place the statues of Jesus, Mary and the infant in the place where the enactment had occurred. Monique Le Ray, will give it an artist's touch that will make it a beautiful reminder for us to enjoy for the following Christmas liturgies that will proceed throughout the holy season. We are so grateful to all who make our liturgies bright and wonderful. The choirs, lectors, and ministers have prepared themselves to lead us in the worship of our God, so we may praise and adore his glorious majesty with all of our love. Thank you for participating in our joyous celebrations. You are such a great gift to all of us.

We hope you will feel at home in this parish, if you are new to St. Joan of Arc, we greet you and hope that you will experience the warmth of welcome you deserve as members of God's beloved family. The parishioners and staff of this parish are dedicated to welcoming you. We appreciate your being with us in this holy and joyful season, we hope you feel at home here and that you may find peace and joy with us in Christ our Savior.

In the Joy and love of Christ Jesus our Emmanuel,
Fr. Dan

Please Pray for:

The Sick: Moira Casey, Andrew Holloway, Joaquin Martins Walter Paversa

The Deceased: Michael Lewis, Alex Young Stephen Quigley, Maria Schulz

Wedding Banns

Second Publication

Michael Ritterhaus & Ciara Lee

Parish Offices

Closed this week.. Reopen January 3.

Congratulations to the Families that had children baptized this year!

Isabel Boudiwan, John Carlton, Kou Bowen,, Maria Elisa Gennaro, Carter Lawson, Aiden Lawson, Elon Estandarte, Jacob Eckert, Alexandria Moseley, Hunter Yu, Ilana Natalia, Joselyn Garcia, Rosamunde Martins, Nathan Rocha, Adalize Dilone, Julian Gatta, Grace Bedford-Silver, Hazel Shannon, Antoni Tzavelas, Alessio Tzavelas, Meghan Clifford, Madden Williams, Joseph Louttit, Ave Wilson, Supriyua Ollivierre, Darby Boucher, Bruin Bissell, sofia Ali-Pinto, Christopher Landauro, Matthew Perez-Giovinazzo, Joy Schwindt, Colm Watkiss, Eron Mitchell, Margaret Mitchell, Jane MacMillan, Adrien Falkner, Vincent Falkner, Norah Cannistra, Harper Ciccarelli, Evelyn Dineen, William Dover, Ronan Doyle, Ivy Jaskiewicz, Hudsyn Prashad, Marcella Rocha, Isabeau Slalpsys, Asha Slalpsys, Vega Slalpsys, Kelmer Pereira, Madeline Seagram, Sonia Gallagher, Augustin Genrdron, Nicholas Lukic, Aiden Andreacchi, Dezaray Butts, Zoe Schomer, Andres Vivas Marin, Ana Albu,



2016-17 New Year's Schedule

December 26 & 27th No Masses

December 31 5:30 pm Octave Day of the Nativity

January 1 10:00 am Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

12:00 pm Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

January 2 No Mass



This Week

Monday, Dec. 26 to Friday Dec 30

No Activities

No Masses

Parish office will be closed.

Future Dates to Remember

Tuesday, January 3

7:30 pm Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, January 4

Staff

7:30 RCIA



*We wish you all a
Very Happy and
Blessed Christmas!*

*Fr. Dan
Rosanne
Ana & Anne*

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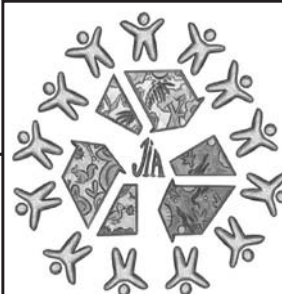
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