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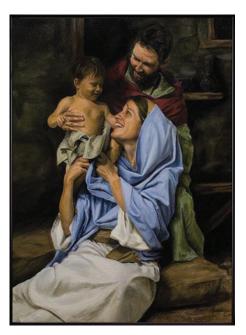


Feast of the Holy Family

# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH December 26, 2021

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## Christmas Message From Our Pastor



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

At the Christmas Eve Mass, we sing the Preface of the Nativity of The Lord:

"For on the feast of his awe-filled mystery, though invisible in his own divine nature, he has appeared visibly in ours; and begotten before all ages, he has begun to exist in time; so that, raising up in himself all that was cast down, he might restore unity to all creation and call straying humanity back to the heavenly Kingdom"

Therefore, Christmas is a time of Joy, Hope, and Love. We are joyful because through the Mystery of Incarnation, God is with us in a very special human way. We are hopeful because through the Mystery of Incarnation, we are raised up in Christ. And in the Mystery of Incarnation we can experience God's Love and Mercy in our daily life.

This year we again celebrate Christmas in a very unusual atmosphere, amidst uncertainty and fear caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. We are going through a period of darkness in our life. However, as Pope Francis said in his Christmas message of last year's Holy Season, "the Christmas season provides reason for hope amid the difficulties of the Coronavirus pandemic". I would like to thank all of you for your great support throughout the year of 2021 even in the time of difficulty, especially with the Restoration Project. I pray that all of us will be out of the darkness of the pandemic soon and that we continue to build up our community as a community of Faith, Hope, and Charity throughout the year of 2022.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year filled with God's Blessings

Fr. Joseph Tap Tran Pastor

#### **FEASTS OF THE WEEK**

Mon. Dec. 27: St. John: apostle, evangelist

Tues. Dec. 28: The Holy Innocents Fri. Dec. 31: St. Sylvester, *pope* 

Sat. Jan 1: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sun. Jan 2: Epiphany of the Lord



#### MASS INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK

Mon. Dec. 27 - Sun. January 2, 2021

#### Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Joseph Farley (RIP)

Req. by Frances McKee

#### Sunday 11 a.m.

Intentions of the Parish Community



#### 2021 CONTRIBUTIONS for tax receipts

This is the last *weekend* you will be making a 2021 contribution to our parish. Any contributions received **after December 31, 2021** will count towards your 2022 tax receipt. As of January 1, 2022, contributions received will count towards your 2022 tax receipt.

# 2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are ready for pick-up at the back of the church

Please **print** your full name, address, and phone number on the envelope, when making your first few 2022 donations.

New envelope users/parishioners are asked to fill out a **Parish Registration Form** (available from an usher) and return it to an usher to obtain offertory envelopes for 2022.



To be reported next bulletin Thank you for your on-going support!

# NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE



#### **New Year's Eve Mass**

Friday, December 31st 7:00 p.m.

#### **New Year's Day Masses**

Saturday, January 1st, 2022 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

#### .MASS REGISTRATION

Eventbrite Registration for above Masses closed on December 23rd at 4 p.m. A percentage of seats were set aside for walk-ins. Walk-ins will be admitted where space allows.



#### RECTORY OFFICE CLOSURE

The office closes DECEMBER 24th at Noon and re-opens JANUARY 12th, 2022

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR JANUARY 2, 2021

Isaíah 60.1-6 Psalm 72 Ephesíans 3.3-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Hang Sam Lee, Richard Mijares, Drew Fiala, Connie Tari-Kornhauser, Lisa Reardon, Stuart Robson, Rosa Maria Santos, Dory Kashin, Bianca Auriemma, Rosie Po, Frank Ferreira, Antonina Koziara, Julia Collins, Mary Ann Cuschieri, Sebastian Caravalho, Anne Tran Fazzalari, Gabriel Sebastian Romano, Robert Freimuts, Giuseppe R., Mikayla Haswell, Victoria Cooper, Anna Solims, Lorenza Varga, Steven McKinney, Krysten Telfer, Natalie Chabane, Edward Spiteri, Maria Ruccolo, John Conforzi, Ignacio Juarez Ednet, Dominic Coccimiglio, Winifred Ismail, Mimi Ashton, Ann Baby, Susan Murphy, Marta DiGregorio, and

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