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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

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



Nativity of The Lord ~ 25 December 2016

“...to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Christ, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.” Luke 2:11-12

First Reading + Isaiah 9:2-4,6-7
Second Reading + Titus 2:11-14
Gospel + Luke 2:1-16

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 26

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, December 27

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Rosemary O’LEARY, RIP – S/S Dickson

Wednesday, December 28

8:00am+Stefan KVASNAK, RIP – K/J Quinlan

Thursday, December 29

8:00am+Ed REIDY, RIP – S Hayes

Friday, December 30

12:10pm+Nathan BEHL, RIP – J Behl

Saturday, December 31 – New Year’s Eve

(No morning mass)

5:00pm+Brian DURKAN, RIP – E Durkan

12:00midnight at Immaculate Conception Church

Intentions of Tardif Family

Sunday, January 1 – Solemnity of Mary

9:00am+Joseph BOGUCKI, RIP – M Bogucki

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The light has come into the world

Our celebration of Christmas comes when the days are at their shortest, just after the winter solstice. We are now truly in the grip of winter. It is a time of endings, as we look back at the year that was, but also a time of new beginnings, as we look forward to the year ahead.

That first Christmas, that holy night when Jesus was born to the Blessed Virgin Mary in a stable in Bethlehem, was also a time of endings and beginnings. For centuries, the people of Israel had been awaiting the arrival of the Messiah, the redeemer of Israel, as God had promised them through the words of the prophets. As Isaiah said:

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness, on them light has shined. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

The birth of Jesus brought to an end the time of waiting and began a new era in the history of mankind. This coming of Christ did not usher in an age of universal peace and brotherhood. The world would continue to suffer the ravages of war and strife and natural catastrophes — indeed, the people of Israel were themselves soon to experience the devastation of war and the destruction of their nation. But something new had entered the world.

As St. John, the Evangelist tells us:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it... The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world

The beauty of God’s creation is still obscured in many places by the darkness of evil. But we have the light of Christ, and it is our job to share that light with the world, and to make the whole world a brighter place.

This Christmas we again celebrate the coming of the light into the world. In the midst of this bleak mid-winter, the warmth of Christ’s love radiates in the hearts of all his faithful followers. As we gather to worship on this Christmas day, we place ourselves in imagination beside Mary kneeling by the manger and looking lovingly at her newborn son, with Joseph beside her. May the joy of Christmas enlighten all of our hearts.

Saint of the Week:

Joy is a great remedy. I recommend it to you and I do so very enthusiastically...! Be joyful! I say it again: be joyful! When we are joyful, we are less aware of evil and are cured more quickly. Cast all your cares on God, He is the best of fathers and will look after you as well as possible. - *Blessed Giuseppina Nicoli (1863-1924 A.D.) Feast Day December 31*



PARISH SCHEDULE

Confessions

Every Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm
(before 5:00pm Mass)

Every Tuesday 6:15-6:45 pm
(before 7:00pm Mass)



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

At Saint Paul the Apostle Church
Saturday, December 31 at 5:00 pm
Sunday, January 1st at 10:30 am

At Immaculate Conception Church
Saturday, December 31 at 12 midnight
Sunday, January 1st at 9:00 am



On behalf of all the Pastoral team, we would like to wish you all a Blessed and Merry Christmas. May you and your family and friends experience the presence of the Emmanuel - 'God is with us' and be touched by His presence and love. Let us pray for the strength and courage to share that love with others especially the needy and vulnerable among us including our youth and children.

May God Bless you. Fr. Glass.

Please note the Office Hours during the Holidays.

CHRISTMAS HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed at 12:00noon on Friday, December 24th and will reopen on December 28th.

NEW YEAR'S HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed at 12noon on Friday, December 30th and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9 - 12

Wednesday, January 4th

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2017 Offertory Envelopes

The 2017 Sunday Offertory Envelopes are still available at the Entrances of both Churches. The boxes should be in **Alphabetical order**. If you can't find your box of envelopes, please ask for assistance from the ushers.

I have tried to keep track of who attends which church on a regular basis. If it is not here, it will probably be at the other church. If in doubt please call the office.

*For at least the first month of January, please record your name and full address (including your 911 number and Conc/Side Road numbers) on the front of the envelope.

****I am stilling looking for the name and address of Envelope #380 and #445 if you wish a tax receipt.**

*** For those using the pink envelopes or plain white envelopes all year or since arriving at the parish, please pick up a new box that is marked 'New 2017' and record your name and address on the front. Thank you all for your ongoing support!!



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9-12 and Grades 6-8

NEXT LIFE TEEN & EDGE Night

Friday, December 30th ~ 2:00pm – 8:30p.m.

Tobogganing, Dinner & Movie

An opportunity for all our parish families to celebrate and grow as a community of faith.



CWL 2017 MEMBERSHIP DUES

We are quickly approaching the dead-line of Dec. 31, 2016 for our membership campaign. Please enclose the fee of \$25 in the CWL envelope in your current church offertory box or the pre-printed envelopes on the table in foyer. It can be dropped in the collection basket at weekend masses, the CWL mail box or the church office.



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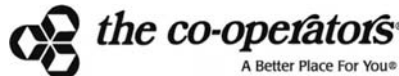
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