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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 31

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Tuesday, January 1

Numbers 6:22-27 Psalm 67 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21 10:00 am The Parish Community 12:00 noon The Parish Community

Wednesday, January 2

John 1:19-28

5:30 pm The Parish Community

Thursday, January 3

1 John 2:29-, 3:1-6 Psalm 98

John:29-34

5:30 pm Greg Ryan

Friday, January 4

1 John 3:7-10 Psalm 98 John 1:35-42

5:30 pm Eleanor Parody +

Saturday, January 5

John 1:43-51

5:30 pm For the people of Newtown

Sunday, January 6

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72

Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12

8:30 am A Special Intention 10:00 am Deceased Friars 12:00 noon Henryk Zalewski

7:00 pm The Parish Community

Monthly Comparison for: November

Offertory	2011	2012
Envelopes	\$17,725	\$18,193
Loose	\$4,835	\$5,190
PAG*	\$7,840	\$7,797
Total	\$30,410	\$31,179

* Pre-Authorized Giving Contributions for the Building Maintenance Fund were \$2,343.00



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Peace and Goodness to all!

Welcome to our St. Joan of Arc Christmas liturgies. These celebrations of the Word of God, remember the Nativity of God with us in the miraculous birth of Jesus. We hope you feel the warm embrace of God's love in this Church and community as we gather to experience the Gospel proclaimed in word, and celebrated in sacramental worship and praise of God, who has become one with all humanity and all of creation by his birth through Mary the humble virgin mother of God.

The liturgy at the vigil Mass on Christmas eve re-enacts the gospel in a simple pageant to retell the story with the spontaneity of a new generation of children. How simply they spark wonder in this old story made ever new with each generation. We thank all of the families and adults who create this spectacle of faith brought forward to this year. In the liturgies that follow we celebrate the traditional patterns that lead us to remember the foundational truth, "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us."

The first recorded enactment of the Nativity was in Greccio Italy in the 13th century as St. Francis of Assisi brought the scene together to realize the poverty God entered so we would know the powerful presence of Love in human life.

Throughout the Christmas season the story unfolds to speak of the beginnings of the Life, teachings and passion of the Lord Jesus Christ who has become one with us so we might become one with God. The gospel mission of the Church is to live and broadcast this good news to all people of every nation, religion, and human lifestyle. St Joan of Arc Parish is dedicated to living this mission with a broad diversity of people united in faith to serve this loving purpose. We hope you feel at home here, and are filled with Christmas love and joy.

We are deeply grateful to the Stewards of our parish whose dedicated services are the foundation of our parish life and worship. We give special thanks to our music ministers, Chris McConnell our music director, Susan McElcheran the director of our 10:00 Choir and all of our musicians, and choir members as they lead us in praise and worship in this holy season. We are grateful to all of our liturgical ministers for their hospitality and service. Thanks also to the many who decorated the Church so beautifully and all whose generosity make it possible. Thank you to all who work behind the scenes in so many ministries, committees and services that manifest the gospel in Christian life and worship through the parish.

We as Franciscan Friars of the Atonement are privileged to serve this parish as it continues to bring this good news to life. We welcome all who enter here, members, new residents, and visitors with gladness and great joy in this season and always.

May God fill you all with choicest blessings this Christmas and may you have a New Year filled with new life that is the gift of this blessed Season.

In the Love and Joy of Christ Jesus, Fr. Dan

Please pray for:

The Sick: Susan, Orest Cariati, Ken Burns

The Deceased: Carl Wallace

New Year's Schedule

Feast of Mary, Mother of God December 31 5:30 pm January 1 10:00 am

10:00 am 12:00 noon

No Evening mass

Ministry Leaders

Save the Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 7:15 pm to 9:15 pm The parish will be hosting your mini AGM combined with your annual Leadership Retreat. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

Youth Planning Saturday January 12, 2012 10 am

The parish invites to add your Voice to the formation of our Youth Ministry. Come and help us decide the mandate & structure of Youth engagement within the parish.

From 10 am to 12:00noon we will getting together to discuss this important formation. Young people, parents, educators, older adults, we need your voices and ideas. Please plan to join us. Pizza will be provided.

Congratulations to all the Families that had Children baptised in 2012

Alyssa Gatner; Julien Koshimizv; Ainsley Keating; Callum Keating; Michael DeSousa; Liam Sumandl; Nathan Carey-Hill; Jack Currie, Joshua Bonilla; Nathalie Stejajnac; James Urjasz; Drew Lawson; James Barrett; Miya McLeod; Brielle Piteira,; Vera Grimand; Sabarina Bakhramova,;Laura Beglin; Japen Hickey; Alden Wheeler; Andrew Cordina; Adam Carolan; Graydon Florian; Alice Tuira; Tatjana Berlier; Olivia Krause; Tyler Lee; Lily Modeste; Jonah Wagner; Sarah Assestome; Esme Donofrio; Joshua Espiritu; Connor Lee; Kieran O'Reilly-Sibbald; Mario Piscitelli; Max Powers; Elianna Calle; Beckett Dube,; Savannah Martins; Harley6 Medeiros; Andrews Osorio; Robert Kearney; Nicole Tandazo; Noah Wilson; Maximillian Bugaj; Sofia Amantea; Isla Danner; Nolan Danner ;Jack Schomer; Sabrina Bakhramova; Tracey Ikpekhia; Andrew Ikpekhia; Emmanuela Ikpekhia; Precious Ikepkhia; Stacy Ikepkhia,; Natalia Hidalgo; Owen Laberski; Olivia Gaunt; Juliette Moniz-Brown; Cecilia Martin; Martina Smee,; Warner Bulas ;Dorohty Powadiuk; Claire Van Praet; Owen McQuillan; Daniel Witkowski; Patrick O'Meara; Fezile Ncube; Elliott Pole; Henry Chimienti; Aaron Rodger; Abby Howell; Charles Brockley.

Congratulations to the couples that were married at St. Joan of Arc in 2012

David Brown & Victoria Racicot; Lorraine Hogan, & Adam Basaraba; Charles Wardlaw & Holly Clark; Johanna Skoreyko & Tye Sprules, Andrew Beckwith & Lucia Arruda; Tony Ttovao & Diana Sakalausky, Richard Coughlin & Carly Gragtmans; Brian Vaz & Erin Caldeer; Shawn Ebeyer & Katherine Kabay, Robert Gerson & Gloria Mifsud and Daniel Montanera & Jasjeet Grewal.

THIS WEEK

Thursday, January 3

7:00 pm Marriage Prep Course

Future Dates to Remember Tuesday, January 8

Religious Ed classes resume 7:15 pm Ministry Committee

Wednesday, January 9

Staff Meeting. 7:00 pm SVDP 7:30 pm RCIA/ Bible Study

Thursday, January 10

6:00 pm Baptism Prep Class 7:00 pm Marriage Prep Class

Saturday, January 12

1:00 pm Youth Planning Meeting



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