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Oh Come Let us Adore Him

FROM FR. ARPEE & FR. GREGORY

Dear parishioners of St. Margaret Mary:

The priests of St. Margaret Mary would like to thank you for the gift that you are to us. We greatly appreciate your prayers, support, and your very kind Christmas gifts. May God reward you abundantly.

The love you show us is a reflection of your love for Jesus Christ and His Church, whom we represent. As this Christmas season begins, we can immerse ourselves in the Father's love which embraces us with tenderness and affection. We are SO loved by God. and Christmas demonstrates that love to us. May these last days of the year also be a time of reflection on how we have followed God in 2022, and all the ways we can love and follow Him more closely in 2023. Jesus chose to be born for you, and He loves you infinitely. Mary, your Immaculate mother, always prays for you as well. May your family and friends be abundantly blessed in this Christmas Season.

Fr. Arpee Urquico and Fr. Gregory Merkley

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PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – *Feast of the Holy Family*TUESDAY- Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
WEDNESDAY – Congregation of the Sisters of
St. Anne (s.s.a.)
THURSDAY – Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
FRIDAY – Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.

SATURDAY – Very Rev. Cornelius
O'Mahony, E.V.

New Year Time of Prayer

Come begin the New Year with the Lord and let Him bless your upcoming New Year. On SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31ST, New Year's Eve, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10:00 PM until MIDNIGHT ending with Benediction. In this way you can end 2022 with the Lord, and begin 2023 with Jesus Christ's mighty and powerful Eucharistic blessing on your upcoming year.



MONDAY - DECEMBER 26TH - ST. STEPHEN

9:00 AM - Francis & Paz Naguit

TUESDAY – DECEMBER 27TH – ST. JOHN

7:30am – Cedric Gallant, Kathy & Waltter Mandula

WEDNESDAY- DECEMBER 28TH – THE HOLY INNOCENTS

7:00 pm – Charles Brady, Michael Jackowitz, Nellie Narozanski, Amadeo Santa Ana, Tony Stanfl, Jr.

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 29TH

7:30 am – Lillo & Rita Nori

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 30TH – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

7:30 am - Silvio & Mina Mancinelli

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 31ST

9:00 am – Deris Giavedoni

5:00 pm – Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

SUNDAY - JANUARY 1ST - THE SOLEMNITY

OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

9:00 am – Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

11:00 am – Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY-DECEMBER 28TH, 2022

Pope Paul VI said in his visit to the Holy Land, to return to Nazareth, to contemplate ever anew the silence and love of the Holy Family, the model of all Christian family life. Here, in the example of Mary, Joseph and Jesus, we come to appreciate even more fully the sacredness of the family, which in God's plan is based on the lifelong fidelity of a man and a woman consecrated by the marriage covenant and accepting of God's gift of new life. How much the men and women of our time need to reappreciate this fundamental truth, which stands as the foundation of society, and how important is the witness of married couples for the formation of sound consciences and the building of a civilization of love!

"TREE OF REMEMBRANCE"

Once again our Christmas tree in the sanctuary is decorated with red crosses and white angels. The crosses will have the names of those parishioners who have died during the past year. The angels will have the names of those persons who have been baptized in our parish during the last year. As part of their service project, some of

our Confirmation candidates have made and prepared these crosses and angels for our tree. We thank them for sharing their time and talent.

OFFICE NOTES

The parish office will close FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23RD at 4:00 PM and will re-open on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28TH at 9:00 AM. On FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30TH, the parish office will close at 4:00 PM. The office will re-open on TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD at 9:00 AM.

2022 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All donations to be included in the 2022 income tax receipts must be submitted to the parish office by THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, 12:00 NOON. Donations received after THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, will be credited to 2023.



RECENT BAPTISMS

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