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Pastor's Christmas Message

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Is 9.6)

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I extend warm felicitations to you all as we celebrate the greatest of solemnities, the Nativity of the Lord. We celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, whose birth was foretold long before He came. It is a celebration of God's immeasurable love for humanity. We are called to celebrate at a time the turbulence in our world seems relentless. At a time we hear all around us uninspiring tales that do not lift us up. However, it is a time to once more reflect more deeply on who we are celebrating and why. The prophet Isaiah called Him 'Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting father, Prince of Peace' To whom then do we need to go to at a time like this? It is to Christ Jesus.

My dear friends, that is precisely who and what we are celebrating. It is him who will give us the answers and solutions to all our challenges. It is the wonderful plan of God and the manifestation of His love that we are celebrating. Let us be relentless in celebrating his Love for us. As we celebrate him who is the reason for this season, let us extend that to all our friends and neighbours. There are many who do not see reasons to be joyful, there are some who have given up hope. Let us lighten their burdens and give them hope as we all celebrate this great event together.

May God bless each one of you and your families now and always.
Merry Christmas to you all.

Fr. Emeka

Mass times for New Year's

Feast of the Holy Family
Saturday, Dec. 30th – 5:00pm
Sunday, Dec. 31st – 8:00am, 10:30am



Solemnity of Mary
Monday, Jan. 1st – 10:00am

Dates to Remember

Dec. 31st – New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner and Dance



**SJA NEW YEAR'S EVE
POTLUCK DINNER AND
DANCE!!**

You read that right! We are inviting you to a New Year's Eve Potluck Dinner and Dance on

**Sunday, December 31st
6pm-11pm in the church Hall**

This is a FREE event; however, signing up for tickets and dishes is necessary as space is limited. Posters for attending will be at the entrances of the church. Feel free to contact Lisa-Marie should you have any questions.

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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Dec. 30th/31st Feast of the Holy Family		
5:00 pm	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
	#1 Peter Stoop #2 Dee Simons	Ian Moffat Mary Jean Thompson
8:00am	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
	#1 Jessica Doyle #2 Francine Conlin	Angela Beimers Jennifer Golanowski Mary Jean Thompson
10:30am	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
	#1 Judith Gray #2 Alejandra Guidi	Deacon Victor Janet Snider-Belot Eileen Gallant
January 1st – Solemnity of Mary		
10:00am	Presider: Fr. Jonathan Madueke	
	#1 Dee Simons #2 Judith Gray	Deacon Victor Yoli Mesta Janet Snider-Belot

*If you are unable to serve as scheduled,
Please ensure that you have found a replacement.*



Name that Christmas Carol

Clues:

1. Bleached Yule
2. Righteous Darkness
3. Arrival Time 2400hrs – Weather Cloudless
4. Loyal followers advance
5. Array the Corridors
6. Far off in a feeder
7. Bantam male percussionist
8. The quadruped with the vermillion proboscis
9. Nocturnal noiselessness
10. Delight for this planet
11. Give Attention to the melodious celestial beings
12. Query regarding identity of descendant
13. Monarchial Triad
14. Jolly man on route to borough
15. The dozen festive 24 hour intervals

See Answers below

Thank You!



The CWL would like to thank everyone who supported the Christmas Bake Sale and the Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser. In total, \$1,800 was raised for our Church and local initiatives.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

SHARING OUR CHRISTMAS: Our parishioners have donated over \$11,000 to date to our Sharing our Christmas program. The money has been distributed to the Caring and Sharing Christmas Hampers, Pinecrest Food Bank and the Morrison Gardens Food Bank. Thanks to your generosity many of our neighbours will have a wonderful Christmas. God Bless you all.



Thank you to the children and their families who decorated wreaths at the Christmas party to help decorate the Church for the Christmas season. You can see them all around the Church! Many thanks to the great organizing team! and to all those who came out to the Christmas party. Everyone had a wonderful time, especially our special guest "Santa"!

Mass Intentions

Sat. Dec. 23rd - 5:00pm

- ✠Adele White by her husband and granddaughter
- ✠Michael James by Marie and Jodi Epps and family

Sun. Dec. 24th - 8:00am

- ✠Maureen Conlin by Francine Conlin
- In thanksgiving to God for peace in our lives by Felicite and family

Sun. Dec. 24th - 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Dec. 24th - 5:00pm

- ✠Gregory Kiez by the family
- Health of Elizabeth Wetscher by Willi and Mary Wetscher and family

Sun. Dec. 24th - 8:00pm

- ✠Howard and Yolande Harriet by Lynn Harriet-Dervin
- ✠Alfred and Mary Aaron by Doreen Aaron
- Intentions of Winifred Weerasooriya by Marie and Jodi Epps and family

Mon. Dec. 25th - 10:00am

- ✠Carl Dervin by Lynn Harriet-Dervin

Fri. Dec. 29th - 9:00am

- ✠Rita Labrecque-Rousseau by Lynne Rousseau

Sun. Dec. 30th - 5:00pm

- ✠Richard MacPhail by Marie and Jodi Epps and family

Sun. Dec. 31st - 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners

Sun. Dec. 31st - 10:30am

✠ indicates deceased

The Parish Office is closed December 22nd to January 2nd.

Merry Christmas to all!

Name that Christmas Carol, Answers:

1. White Christmas
2. O Holy Night
3. It came upon a midnight clear
4. O Come all ye faithful
5. Deck the halls
6. Away in a manger
7. Little Drummer Boy
8. Rudolph, the red-nosed reindeer
9. Silent Night
10. Joy to the World
11. Hark! the herald angels sing
12. What Child is this
13. We Three Kings
14. Santa Claus is coming to town
15. The twelve days of Christmas



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