

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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## *Feast of the Holy Family*

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

	Lectors
<b>Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Epiphany of The Lord</b>	
5:00 pm	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
	#1 Mary Ellen Agnel
	#2 John Dunphy
8:00am	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
	#1 Mary Jean Thompson
	#2 Monica Mullane
10:30am	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
	#1 Jessie Doyle
	#2 Janet Snider Belot

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



### MONTHLY SENIORS MASS

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE **NO SENIORS MASS IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY**

Our next gathering will be on **January 7, 2026**. We will start at **1pm**. Please bring a friend, bring a mug, bring goodies and bring games. Do not forget to bring your smiling faces and enthusiasm.  
**The Senior Committee wishes everyone a Happy New Year.**



### **LASAGNA DINNER SATURDAY JANUARY 24TH**

The Knights of Columbus are holding their annual Lasagna Dinner on **Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**.

Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are limited to 90 dine-in guests but no limit to take-out (if purchased in advance) and will be available after all masses on the weekends of January 4, 11, and 18. Tickets will also be made available from the Parish office the week of January 7<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 5-12 years of age.

For parishioners preferring to dine at home, we are offering a take-out option as well!

### *Dates to Remember*

**January 7<sup>th</sup> – Senior's Gathering**

**January 11<sup>th</sup> – Children's Liturgy Resumes**

**January 11<sup>th</sup> - Consecration to Our Lady Of Fatima**

**January 24<sup>th</sup> – KofC Lasagna Dinner**



### **Consecration to Our Lady of Fatima**

St. John the Apostle Parish is pleased to host the **ceremony of the Consecration to Our Lady of Fatima** on **Sunday, January 11th, at 3pm, here in the church.**

During our pilgrimage to the Shrine of Fatima, in this Jubilee Year, we received the grace of taking part in the consecration that is made at every Mass. We felt in our hearts a deep desire to bring that same grace to our parish community.

With the permission of Father Emeka, we warmly invite you to the Consecration to Our Lady of Fatima, lived within the Universal Jubilee 2025 of the Catholic Church, on Sunday, January 11th, at 3:00 p.m., here in our church.

It will be a beautiful blessing to begin the new year consecrated to Our Lady of Fatima.

**Before the consecration, we will show the film "The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima",** to help us better understand the history of the apparitions. After the film, we will make the consecration together and sing the song "On May 13," just as it is sung in Fatima, with lit candles raised toward the sky.

We warmly invite you to join us, along with your families and friends.

It will be an afternoon of prayer, light, and hope.

*Deacon Victor*

**The Parish Office is closed and will re-open Wednesday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.**



## SUNDAY SMILE

A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.



Thank you ❤️

**Sharing our Christmas** is the name of our Christmas Assistance program. Funds raised are used to help families in need at Christmas. Through your generosity, **over \$17,000** was raised this year! The funds have been split between the Morrison Gardens Food Bank, Pinecrest Terrace Food Bank and The Caring and Sharing Christmas Hamper program. Thank you again for your incredible generosity. God bless all of you!

thank you

My heartfelt thanks for the gifts, flowers, cards and warm wishes on the occasion of my retirement. I am humbled by your kindness. It has been a privilege to serve as your Parish Administrator for over 8 years. I am most truly grateful for the people I met and the relationships built.

May God continue to bless our parish with strength, peace and purpose in all that lies ahead.

With appreciation and gratitude,

**Franca**

From June to December, we welcomed into our parish family through the saving waters of baptism:



Isabella Carina Milian-Reid  
Hartlee River Jeannie Bond  
Oaklee Aspyr Diane Bond  
Theo von Calunsag Ipac  
Noah Anthony Mpele Mpana  
Tomas Jerzy Garry Ziolkowski  
Therisse Kara Dayrit Taguba  
Paislee Lorraine Ella Briggs  
Miles Victor Ferguson  
Wesley Emerson Day  
Scottie Cameron Moynour  
Kamsiyonna Zion Nwachukwu  
Perfection Eseohe Iriogbe  
Eleanor Oseahumen Obozokhae

May God's graces and blessings be with them as they grow in wisdom. We congratulate their parents.

## Mass Intentions

**Sat. Dec. 27th – 5:00pm**

✠Adele White by Peter White

✠Dr. Seppa Wetscher by the family

For good health of Franz Wetscher by the family

**Sun. Dec. 28th – 8:00am**

✠Carl Dervin by Lynn Harriet-Dervin

For Hugues Nkonlack Nzangue for a quick recovery from surgery by Lilian Nzangue

**Sun. Dec. 28th – 10:30am**

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

**Tues. Dec. 30th – 9:00am**

**Wed. Dec. 31st – 5:00pm**

**Thurs. Jan. 1st - 10:00am**

✠Eleanor Dineen by the family

**Fri. Jan. 2nd – No Mass**

**Sat. Jan. 3rd – 5:00pm**

✠Aelian and Winifred Weerasooriya by Marie and Jodi Epps

**Sun. Jan. 4th – 8:00am**

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

**Sun. Jan. 4th – 10:30am**

✠Noreen Quilan by Elaine McVeigh

✠Marcelle Coulas by Marie and Jodi Epps

✠ indicates deceased



Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Bill Roblin, Lenora Arns, Jim Murawsky and Victor D'Amico. Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away.

## Father Emeka Away

Fr. Emeka will be on vacation from **January 7<sup>th</sup> to February 13<sup>th</sup>**. During this time there will be NO weekday or First Saturday 9:00am masses. Weekday masses will resume on Wednesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. **Weekend masses will proceed as regularly scheduled**, with Saturday confessions at 4:00pm.

Fr. Patrick Chonqo will be presiding at all weekend masses.



*Best wishes for a Happy  
New Year!*



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