THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

December 29, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 28 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, December 29 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, December 29 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's

Mary White by Steve & Barbara White

Sunday, December 29 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Monday - 8 am at Holy Cross, 9 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday - New Year's Eve - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Wednesday - Solemnity of Mary - 10 am at Holy Cross

Saturday, January 4 - 4:30 pm at Holy Cross

Sunday, January 5 - 7:45 am at Holy Cross

Sunday, January 5 - 9:15 am at St. Martin's Joseph Leger by Cathy Bourn

Sunday, January 5 - 10:45 am at Holy Cross

Christmas Flowers: \$450

The Second Collection next week is for Catholic University of America

We are very grateful and thankful to all parishioners who continue to send in their weekly offertory envelopes, whether in-person, by mail or by dropping them in our mailbox on the rectory porch. We are extremely appreciative of your continued sacrifice to support the running of our parish.

PRAY FOR SICK AND SHUT INS

Please pray for Steve White, John DeMalia, Barbara White, Jim O'Malley, Jennifer Strong, Jason Hamel, Diane Lupaczyk, Thomas Lupaczyk, Marguerite Pouliot, Raymond Emond, Janet Clark, Trey Niles, Sandy Kulvete, Mary Amistadi, Anne Marie Beliveau, Emma Blais, George Yackowski, and Donald Leblanc.

 ${\it Our Lady, Health of the Sick, we pray for the comfort of your love.}$

PRAY THE ROSARY

Plan to come to church early, and join in praying the Rosary, 30 minutes before Mass.

WEEKDAY MASS IN WINTER

When conditions warrant delays or school cancellations, there will be no mass. Mass intentions that were scheduled will be transferred to the next available Mass

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Get more out of Sunday Mass, by reading ahead...

January 5 - The Epiphany of the Lord Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC) • Ephesians 3:3-3a,5-6 • Matthew 2:1-12

VACATION

Fr. Patrick will be on vacation January 6–February 19. During this time, Fr. Matthias Lugemwa will be covering weekday and Sunday Masses and staying at the Holy Cross Rectory. Please pray for Fr. Patrick to have a safe and restful vacation and welcome and pray for Fr. Matthias.

OPENING LITURGY FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

All are welcome to join with parishioners from around the diocese as we open the Jubilee Year of Hope on Sunday, December 29 at 4:00pm Mass at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Chatham and High Streets. At 3:30pm, a candlelight procession will precede the Mass beginning at St. John Church, 40 Temple Street. Shuttles will be available from the Cathedral parking lot to St. John. Our prayers will be joined with those in every Cathedral around the world as the Jubilee Year begins.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish to schedule a Mass for a special intention or remembrance, speak to Pat Gale after Mass or call the parish office at 978-939-5588.

TEMPLETON FOOD PANTRY

The need continues year-round in our community. Donations of non-perishable foods may be brought to church any Sunday, and will be delivered to the pantry. Current needs include Sugar, mayonnaise, and kids cereal. Gift cards and cash donations are especially appreciated. Thank you to all who have supported the Food Pantry, and local families in need, this year.

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER BY POPE FRANCIS

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, true God and true man, graciously hear our prayer.

Mary and Joseph, co-operators with God's plan, pray for us. Amen!



Thank you, to all who contributed to the beautiful display of poinsettias for Christmas. Our parish community will keep the following donors and intentions in our prayers.

In memory of Joyce an Mark Hanks by the Family

In memory of Bill & Lorraine O'Brien;

Pete, Dan, Sharon, Pat & Gail Farrell by Carol & Tom Farrell

In memory of Jane & John Lempart by Bob and Pat Gale

In memory of Philip Lefebvre by Janice Lefebvre

In memory of the Myntti Family, Bourn Family,

Darlene Griffin and Virginia Moriarty by Mr. & Mrs. James Bourn

In memory of Carol Carriere by Ron & Cindy Bourque

In memory of Conrad & Mildred Pouliot by Russell & Carol Clark

In memory of George & Margaret Murdock, by Stephen & Barbara White

Edward & Mary White

In memory of Ruth & Jim Alie by the Family

Ric Tanzi and Jayllin Johnson by Jackie Johnson

In memory of George & Elsie Smith and

James & Julie Columbus by Linda & Bob Columbus

Mr. & Mrs. John Demalia

Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Provonsil

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kane

Emanuel Chaves

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