

Feast of the Holy Family



Family is important to all of us. Without that love and support, we can't survive. With it, we can thrive and prosper. Family life is the central and most important group in any society. Parents everywhere dream of a better life for their children. Most importantly, parents are the first teachers, teaching children their own faith, values, morals, and ideals. No one plays a more significant role in their lives than their parents. The **Holy Family** models the love and commitment that is at the heart of the family life. The respect, unity, courage, and concern that Joseph, Mary, and Jesus had with and for each other helped them overcome difficulties to fulfill God's plan for them. Those same qualities in our own families will do the same for us. **The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph will be celebrated today, Sunday, December 29th.**

SPECIAL RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCES – 2025

- World Day of Prayer for Peace: Wed., Jan. 1
- Day of Prayer and Penance (USA): Wed., Jan.22
- Word of God Sunday: Sun., Jan. 26
- National Catholic Schools Week: Sun., Jan. 26 - Feb. 2
- World Day for Consecrated Life: Sun., Feb. 2
- World Day of the Sick: Tue., Feb. 9
- World Marriage Day: Sun., Feb. 11
- World Day of Prayer for Vocations: Sun., May 11
- National Day of Prayer (USA): Thurs., May 1
- World Day for Social Communications: Sun., June 1
- World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly: Sun., July 27
- World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation: Mon., Sept. 1
- Respect Life Sunday: Sun., Oct. 5
- World Mission Sunday: Sun., Oct. 19
- National Vocations Awareness Week: Nov. 2 - 9

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

*Lord, make the New Year a happy one.....
Not by shielding us from sorrow and pain,
but by strengthening us to bear it if it comes.*

*Not by taking hardship from us,
but by taking all cowardice and fear from
our hearts as we meet hardships.*

*Not by making our paths easy,
but by making us sturdy enough to
treat any pain.*

*Not by granting unbroken sunshine,
but by keeping our faces bright
even in the shadow.*

*Not by making our lives always pleasant,
but by showing us where Your cause needs us most
and by making us zealous to be there
and to help.*

God Make Our Year a Happy One!

A sincere *thank you* to everyone who so generously donated gifts for the *Advent Giving Tree*.

More than 200 gifts were received for the children our parish community!

Thank you for your generosity & kindness!



A heart-felt Thank You to all our parishioners and friends. You have been a wonderful blessing to us and have shown the love of Christ in the most incredible ways. We have been truly touched by your kind actions, memorable gifts, gracious words, and meaningful prayers that made this Christmas so spiritually uplifting. Your continuous support of our Parish is greatly appreciated. We are so thankful to our God for all of you!

May God bless your families with a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Fr. Felimón & Fr. Joe

MASSES FOR

DECEMBER 30, 2024 – JANUARY 5, 2025

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead, however the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, December 30

Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:30 am – Intentions of Christmas Flowers Donors

Tuesday, December 31

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

7:30 am – Intentions of Christmas Flowers Donors

5:00 pm – Holy Day Vigil Mass - English

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

World Day of Prayer for Peace

8:00 am - Holy Day Vigil Mass - English

11:30 am - Holy Day Vigil Mass - English

Thursday, January 2 – Christmas Weekday

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Friday, January 3 – Christmas Weekday

Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 am – IMO Robert J. & Marie Cicione

77th Wedding Anniversary Remembrance

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, January 4 – Christmas Weekday

8:00 am – Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors



Sanctuary Candle &

Altar Bread & Wine:

In Memory of:

Frank DiMaio

2025 Mass Intentions: The scheduling of Mass Intentions for next year is now available. **Every Mass will be a Community Mass, offered for every intention requested; in this way every family will be considered.**

An offering should be given at the time of scheduling. Thank you for your cooperation.

LORD’S DAY MASSES

Saturday, January 4

5:00 pm

Evelyn Saccoccia & Irene Cipriano by family
Anthony V. Sauro, Sr. – Month Mind Remembrance
Yolanda O’Rourke by son, Steven
& the O’Rourke & Stavolone families

Sunday, January 5

The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am

Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

11:30 am

Intentions of Parishioners

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

Weekend of December 21 & 22, 2024

\$5,282.00

Thank you for your generosity!

A sincere thank you to the **Nardolillo Funeral Home** for their generous donation of beautiful 2025 Religious Calendars to our parishioners. Each family is welcome to take home a calendar. Our heartfelt thanks to the Nardolillo Family.

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