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 30**th.

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 whatever comes. Not by taking hardship from us, but by taking all fear from our hearts. Not by making our paths easy, but by making us strong. 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!

2019 RELIGIOUS FAMILY CALENDARS compliments of the **Nardolillo Funeral Home**, are available at the church entrances following all weekend Masses. Every family is welcome to take home a beautiful calendar. Our heartfelt thank you to the Nardolillo Family.

+ NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE +

A warm welcome is extended to our parishioners and friends of the parish—both those who worship with us each Sunday, as well as those who have been away for a time. Join us for our New Year's Masses as we adore the newborn Babe, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, during the blessed and joyous Christmas Season!

NEW YEAR'S DAY (Tuesday, January 1, 2019) Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

8:00 am – Mass in English 9:30 am – Mass in Spanish 11:30 am – Mass in English (Holyday of Obligation)

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD January 1st

As the new year dawns, the Holy Spirit gathers us together to be placed under the guidance and protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. She is the Queen of Peace, to whom we can pray for an end to violence and war. She is the Mother of Sorrows, who joins her heart and voice to ours as we lament the loss of human life. She is the Mother of God through whose intercession we raise our prayers to the Lord Jesus, who reigns in eternal glory. Let us be inspired by the life and example of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

O God,

Bless our family and all its members and friends;
bind us together by your love.

Give us kindness and patience to support each other,
and wisdom in all we do.

Let the gift of your peace come into our hearts
and remain with us.

May we rejoice in your blessings for all our days.

Amen

Special Collections in January 2019 Thank You for your generosity!

January 1 – Solemnity of Mary
January 6 – No Second Collection
January 13 – Major Repair Fund
January 20 – Catholic University of America
January 27 – Church in Latin America

FEASTS FOR THE 2019 CHURCH YEAR Octave of Christmas: Mary, Mother of God – Tues., Jan. 1

Epiphany – Sun., Jan. 6
Ash Wednesday – Wed., March 6
Palm Sunday – Sun., April 14
Easter Sunday – Sun., April 21
Ascension of the Lord – Thu., May 30
Pentecost – Sun., June 9
Holy Trinity – Sun., June 16
Body & Blood of Christ: Corpus Christi – Sun. June 23
Sacred Heart of Jesus – Fri., June 28
Assumption of Mary – Thurs., Aug. 15
All Saints – Fri., Nov. 1
Christ the King – Sun., Nov. 24
1st Sunday of Advent – Sun., Dec. 1
Immaculate Conception – Mon., Dec. 9
Christmas – Wed., Dec. 25

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 31 – JANUARY 6. 2019

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

Monday, December 31st

7:30 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

5:00 pm - Holy Day Vigil Mass - English

7:00 pm - Holy Day Vigil Mass - Spanish

Tuesday, January 1st, 2019 - Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

8:00 am - Holy Day Mass - English 9:30 am - Holy Day Mass - Spanish 11:30 am - Holy Day Mass - English

Wednesday, January 2nd

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishiomers

5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration - Spanish

7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, January 3rd - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 am - In Thanksgiving - 71st Anniversary of Marriage of Bob & Marie

Friday, January 4th – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Saturday, January 5th

8:00 am - Intentions of Christmas Flower Donors

+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice. (Increased Giving Campaign)

Weekend of December 15 & 16

First Collection: \$4,008.00 Second Collection: \$2,170.00 Year-End Annual Collection

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Monday, December 31st

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, January 1st

New Year's Day

World Day of Prayer for Peace

Friday, January 4th

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel

Saturday, January 5th

10:00 am - CCD Classes 1st & 2nd years 4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confession - Church

Sunday, January 6th

10:30 am - Confirmation Class

No Second Collection

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, January 5th

5:00 pm

Frank A. Ciccone, II

Yolanda O'Rourke by son Steven

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

Sunday, January 6th The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am

Carmino Caparco by family

Rhonda Caparco Phillips by family

Karen Cady by family

Samantha M. Richards by family & friends

Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Anthony, Josephine, Leonardo, & Gabriela Casacalenda by Sandra

Mary, Donato, Louie, Lena, Irene, & Sabina Mansolillo by Sandra Concetta & John B. Romano

Eva & Pio A. Romano, Sr.

Stephen & Pio A Romano, Jr. by Raymond & Ronnie

Sanctuary Candle:

Frank A. Ciccone, II

Altar Bread & Wine:

Frank A. Ciccone. II

+ Died In Christ +

Salvatore J. Pullano

Baptized In Christ

Madison Jean Casey

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