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May it be done to me according to your word.*

*Yo soy la esclava del Señor;
que se cumpla en mí lo que me has dicho.*

Ministerial Assignments	Date/Fecha	Sábado 5:30 pm Misa	Sun 8:30 am
Director of Worship	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Edwin Jeronimo	Edwin Jeronimo
Altar Server/Acolyte/Acólitos	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Christian y Santiago Angely y Melvin	Grant & Marian Kayden & Tania
Audio/Visual	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Angel Eric	Geneva & Angely Dominic & Ryan
Lector	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Edwin y Rosa Roman y Janissa	Dan vanIngen Dan vanIngen
Palabra de Dios por los niños	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Mariam y Cecilia Mariam y Cecilia	Mariam y Cecilia Mariam y Cecilia
Hospitality / Accommodadores	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Tania y Lulu F Rosa y Joana	Nick G. & Dennis R. Nick G. & Dennis R.
Communion Minister	Dec 22-23 Dec 29-30	Edwin y Roman Jeronimo y Clelia	Edwin & Kathleen Jeronimo & Kathleen



Plan to attend our Christmas Eve celebration beginning with holy mass at 7:00 pm, Monday, December 24. Christmas Day will be celebrated at 9:00 am, Tuesday December 25 in the Unionville Church.

Celebre la Nochebuena en Santa María comenzando con la santa misa a las 7:00 pm, el lunes 24 de diciembre. El día de Navidad se celebrará a las 9:00 am, el martes 25 de diciembre en la iglesia de Unionville.

Happy Birthday/ Feliz Cumpleanos...December/Diciembre 9 Cody Weter; 10, Mary Bohle; 11, Jazelle Bahena; 12, Daniel Perales, Maira Gomez; 14, Lesli Bahena, Jessica Perez; 17, Maria Castaneda; 19 Daniel Hatcher; 23, Paula May, Xavier Bahena; 25, Rodrigo Martinez; 28, Jennifer Bahena.

Anniversaries/Aniversarios...December/Diciembre 1, Consuelo y Felipe Bahena, 27 años; 5, Teresa y Efen Lopez, 26 años; 7, Benjamin y Veronica Ochoa, 16 años.

Weekly Readings

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December 23, Sunday-Domingo
4th Sunday of Advent

4° Domingo de Adviento
Mi/Miq 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10
Lk/Lc 1:39-45

December 24, Monday-Lunes
2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Lk/Lc 1:67-79

December 25, Tuesday-Martes
Christmas / Navidad
Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14
Lk/Lc 2:1-14

Dec. 26, Wednesday-Miércoles
Saint Stephen / San Esteban
Acts/Hch 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Mt 10:17-22

December 27, Thursday-Jueves
Saint John / San Juan, Apostol
1 Jn 1:1-4
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

December 28, Friday-Viernes
Holy Innocents / Santo Inocentes
1 Jn 1:5-2:2
Mt 2:13-18

December 29, Saturday-Sábado
1 Jn 2:3-11
Lk/Lc 2:22-35

December 30, Sunday-Domingo
Solemnity of the Holy Family
Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia
1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28
1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24
Lk/Lc 2:41-52

Mass Intentions

Sat, December 22, 5:30 p.m.

La Familia Gomez

Sun, December 23, 8:30 a.m.

†David Watt

Sun, December 23, 10:30 a.m.

Parish

Sat, December 29, 5:30 p.m.

Parish

Sun, December 30, 8:30 a.m.

†Frances McCarty

Sun, December 30, 10:30 a.m.

†Stephanie Wheeler Johnson



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Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year C, Cuarto Domingo de Adviento, el año C del Evangelio de San Lucas December / Diciembre 22/23, 2018

From Deacon John...

Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit and sings Mary's praise because she bears the Lord. We sing these words of praise in the Hail Mary. Even John, the child in Elizabeth's womb, recognizes the Lord and leaps for joy. Elizabeth describes Mary as the first disciple, as one who believed that God's word to her would be fulfilled. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to everyone. Because of this, Mary is a model and symbol of the Church.

Isabel está llena del Espíritu Santo y canta alabanzas porque ella lleva al Señor. Cantamos estas palabras de alabanza a María en el Ave María. Incluso se dice que Juan, el niño por nacer en el vientre de Isabel, reconoce el Señor y salta de alegría. Elizabeth describe a María como la primera discípula, como la que creyó que la palabra de Dios para ella se cumpliría. La fe de María le permitió reconocer la obra de Dios en la historia de su pueblo y en su propia vida. Su apertura a Dios le permitió a Dios trabajar a través de ella para que la salvación pudiera llegar a todos.

Weekly Schedule of Services

Mass Saturday in Spanish / Sábado en Español, Milan 5:30 p.m.

Mass Sunday in English / Domingo en Inglés

Milan 8:30 a.m. — Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Evening Vespers with Communion: Wed, 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation, Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m. & by appointment

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Bishop McKnight's December prayer intention for our Local Church

"For the blessing of family life; that as a community we may safeguard this basic cell of society in public policy, and as a Church we may support those struggling to provide a home filled with faith, hope and love."

Statement on updated list of credibly accused or removed from ministry in the Diocese of Jefferson City Bishop W. Shawn McKnight, December 16, 2018

On November 8, I provided to the people of our Diocese and the public a list of 33 priests and religious brothers who have either been credibly accused or removed from ministry in the Diocese of Jefferson City out of concern for the safety of our youth. Today, I am providing an updated list. With this update, two names are added to those who have been credibly accused of abuse and one name, which is of a priest who was removed from ministry out of safety concerns, has now been determined to be credibly accused of abuse. This update is the result of information we received after our November 8 release and recent action by the Diocesan Review Board.

The three priests are: Don Greene, deceased; Mel Lahr, removed from ministry because of a credible allegation of violation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People; and Robert Duesdieker, whose removal from ministry now results from a credible allegation of violation of the Charter. (*Entire statement available at diojeffcity.org*)

Intensión del mes de diciembre del Obispo McKnight por nuestra Iglesia Local

"Por la bendición de la vida familiar; que como comunidad podamos salvaguardar esta célula básica de la sociedad en la política pública, y como Iglesia podamos apoyar a aquellos que luchan por brindar un hogar lleno de fe, esperanza y amor."

Calendar of Events

Sat, Dec 22 5:30 pm	Los músicos del coro con Jan Castro, Milan iglesia
Sat, Dec 22 5:30 pm	Palabra de Dios por los niños, Milan Iglesia
Sun, Dec 23 8:30 am	The Fourth Sunday of Advent Milan Church
Sun, Dec 23 8:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word Milan Church
Sun, Dec 23 4:00 pm	No Clases RCIC Milan salón parroquial
Sun, Dec 23 6-7:00 pm	Youth Group Milan Video Classroom
Mon, Dec 24 6-8:00 pm	No Student Assistance Milan Hall, East Classroom
Mon, Dec 24 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass Milan Church
Tue, Dec 25 9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass Unionville Church
Tue, Dec 25 6:00 pm	No Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan salón
Wed, Dec 26 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Wed, Dec 26 4:30 pm	No PSR Grades 3 to 6 Milan Video Classroom
Wed, Dec 26 5:30 pm	No Evening Prayer-Vesperas Milan Church
Wed, Dec 26 6:00 pm	No Práctica musical para coro con Jan, Milan Church
Wed, Dec 26 8-10:00 pm	AA-Al Anon, Milan Parish Hall
Thu, Dec 27 6:00 pm	Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan iglesia.

Giving and	Last 30	Year
Collections	\$8,382	\$46,084
Bills Paid	\$8,898	\$41,376
Balance	\$-516	\$4,708

Question of the Week

4th Sunday Advent – Luke 1:39-45

Key Passage: "And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

Question for adults: Looking at your Christmas preparations, would someone know that you believed what "was spoken to you be the Lord"?

Question for children: Does Jesus have a part in the way you celebrate Christmas?

Pregunta de la Semana

4° Domingo de Adviento -- Lucas 1:39-45

Pasaje Crucial: ¿Quién soy yo, para que la madre de mi Señor venga a verme? Apenas llegó tu saludo a mis oídos, el niño saltó de gozo en mi seno. Dichosa tú, que has creído, porque se cumplirá cuanto te fue anunciado de parte del Señor".

Pregunta para los adultos: Mirando tus preparativos de Navidad, ¿alguien sabría que creíste lo que "se te dijo que eres el Señor"?

Pregunta para los niños: ¿Participa Jesús en la forma en que celebras la Navidad?

Events Continued...

Thu, Dec 27 7:00 pm	El grupo de oracion. Todos estan invitados. Milan basement
Fri, Dec 28 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Sat, Dec 29 5:00 pm	Los músicos del coro con Jan, Milan iglesia
Sat, Dec 29 5:30 pm	La Sagrada Familia Milan Iglesia
Sun, Dec 30 8:30 am	The Holy Family Milan Church

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Happy Birthday: December 13, Richard Savage; 21, Sophia Villarreal; 24, Jenna Knowles.

Wedding Anniversaries: December no recorded anniversaries.

Giving and Spending	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
Collections	\$2,805	\$19,578
Bills Paid	\$3,055	\$15,079
Balance	\$-250	\$4,499

We lift up to the Lord all who enter the eternal peace of Christ. We pray too, for all the sick, especially Father Ed Doyle, Gary Drummond, Megan Worley and all those battling cancers. May the healing

mercy of almighty God always provide their every need. We pray for those who struggle with grief or addictions, those who feed the world, and those who labor to provide our well being, especially first responders and military.

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Lead Rosary	Melba Hackney
Director of Worship	Kay Bonifazi
Acolyte	Ed, Edwin, Jerónimo
Lector	Gene Brummer
Hospitality	Marty and Janet
Communion Ministers	Margaret Szucs Janoah Medecce
Church Cleaning	Bill and Joy Bovy
Plants/Decorate	Mary and Kathleen
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Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year C Sunday, December 23, 2018

Weekly Readings

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December 23, 4th Sun Advent

Mi 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10
Lk 1:39-45

December 24, Monday

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Lk 1:67-79

December 25, Tuesday, Xmas

Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14
Lk 2:1-14

Dec. 26, Wednesday, Stephen

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Mt 10:17-22

December 27, Thursday, John

1 Jn 1:1-4
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

December 28, Friday Innocents

1 Jn 1:5-2:2
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December 29, Saturday

1 Jn 2:3-11
Lk 2:22-35

December 30, Sunday Solemnity of the Holy Family

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Rosary Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
Mass Sunday in English
Milan 8:30 a.m.— Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Reconciliation, Sunday following mass,
or by individual appointment.
Infant Baptism Preparation, Marriage
Preparation or Adult Initiation
by appointment with Deacon John.

Thomas Pope at Mass: 'St. Joseph raises Jesus in silence'

By Editor Vatican News Service, December 18, 2018

(Vatican News) In his homily at Mass in the Casa Santa Marta on Tuesday, Pope Francis speaks about how Saint Joseph dreamed of the future while keeping his feet on the ground and silently helping to raise Jesus.

Pope Francis reflected on the example of Saint Joseph in his homily at Tuesday morning's Mass. He also prayed for several disabled Slovakian children who had made Christmas decorations for the chapel.



Pope Francis delivers the homily at Mass in the Casa Santa Marta

Turning to St. Joseph, the Pope called him "a man of dreams... who knows how to accompany others in silence.

Wisdom of good parents

The Holy Father said the day's Gospel reading (Mt 1:18-25) presents Joseph as "a righteous man, who observed the Law, worked hard, was humble, and loved Mary." When first faced with something he did not understand, "he preferred to step back" but "God revealed to him his mis-

sion." So St. Joseph took up his new role wholeheartedly, and helped raise the Son of God, "in silence, without judging, without speaking poorly of others, and without gossiping."

"He helped him grow and develop. So he looked for a place for the child to be born. He looked after him, helped him grow, and taught him to work: many things... in silence. He never took possession of the child for himself. He silently let him grow. He

let him grow: This idea could help us immensely, we who by nature always want to stick our noses in everything, especially in the lives of others... And we start gossiping, talking... But he let him grow, silently watching over him and helping him."

Pope Francis said many parents have the wise attitude of caring for their children without being overbearing. He said they have the capacity to wait, without immediately yelling if **(Joseph continued)** the child makes a mistake. It's important to know how

to wait, he said, before saying something to help them grow.

God, the Pope said, has the same patient attitude with His children, since He waits in silence.

Man of dreams

The Holy Father also explored St. Joseph's capacity to dream, saying he was a practical man but kept his heart open like "a man of dreams" and not like "a dreamer".

"Dreams are a privileged place to seek after truth, because there we cannot defend ourselves against the truth. They come, and God speaks through dreams. Not always, because often it is our subconscious that comes forth, but many times God chooses to speak through dreams. He often did so in the Bible. In dreams. But Joseph was a man of dreams, but not a dreamer, okay? He wasn't abstract. A dreamer is something different. It's someone who believes... goes off... has his head in the clouds, and doesn't have his feet on the ground. Joseph had his feet on the ground. But he was open-minded."

Don't lose the ability to dream

Finally, Pope Francis invited us not to lose the ability to dream and to open ourselves to tomorrow with trust, despite the difficulties that may come.

"Don't lose the ability to dream the future. Each of us needs to dream about our family, our children, and our parents: to imagine how I would like their lives to go. Priests, too, need to dream about what we want for the faithful. Dream as the young dream, who are 'unabashed' in their dreams and find their path there. Do not lose the ability to dream, because to dream is to open the door to the future. Be fruitful in the future."

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Sun, Dec 23 10:00 am	4th Sun. of Advent Unionville Church
Mon Dec 24 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass Milan Church
Tue Dec 25 9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass Unionville Church
Sun, Dec 30 10:30 am	The Holy Family Unionville Church
Mon, Dec 31 7:00 pm	Mother of God Milan Church
Sun, Jan 1 9:00 am	Mother of God Unionville Church

Mass Intentions

Sun Dec 23, 10:30	Parish
Sat Dec 29, 5:30p	Parish
Sun Dec 30, 8:30a	†Frances McCarty
Sun Dec 30, 10:30	†S Wheeler

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