



When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, where he stayed

until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son." After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead." So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Mass Intentions

This Weekend

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---|
| Saturday December 28 | 3:30 PM 4:00 PM | RIP RIP | Recitation of the Rosary Joseph Nowotny By: Sharon & Jim Williams |
| Sunday December 29 | 9:30 AM 10:00 AM | RIP RIP | Recitation of the Rosary Vincenzo Ruggiero By Juanita & Wayne Sweet |

Daily Masses

| | | | |
|------------------------|---------|-----|---|
| Monday December 30 | 7:00 AM | RIP | Folsom Family Members By: Mary Folsom |
| Tuesday December 31 | 7:00 AM | RIP | Marylou Vivieros-Palmariello By: Karen Brodeur |
| Wednesday January 1 | 9:00 AM | RIP | Vincent Cherico By: K of C |
| Thursday January 2 | 7:00 AM | RIP | Robert Tucker By: Karen Brodeur |
| Friday January 3 | No Mass | | |

Next Weekend

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|------------|---|
| Saturday January 4 | 3:30 PM 4:00 PM | RIP RIP | Recitation of the Rosary Walter Scanlon By: Charlotte Scanlon |
| Sunday January 5 | 9:30 AM 10:00 AM | RIP RIP | Recitation of the Rosary Frances James By Julie & Steve |

Readings for the Week of December 30, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-5/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-13/Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 1:19-28
Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 – 3:6/Ps 98:1, 3-6/Jn 1:29-34
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-9/Jn 1:35-42
Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/
Mt 2:1-12

Parish Support

WEEKLY GOAL \$2000.00

Weekend of December 21, 2019 & December 22, 2019

| | |
|-------------------|------------|
| Weekly Offertory: | \$ 1768.00 |
| Envelopes | \$ 1013.00 |
| Loose Donations | \$ 755.00 |
| Fuel & Heat | \$ 1002.00 |
| Christmas Flowers | \$ 30.00 |
| Votive Candles | \$ 35.25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$ 2835.25 |

Last Year's Offertory Collection
December 9, 2018 \$ 2536.00

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, January 4, 2020

Lector: Ed August
EMHC: Bernie Hindes
Greeters: Marlene O'Connor, Mary Griswold & Karen Brodeur

Sunday January 5, 2020

Lector: Jackie Ronning
EMHC: Tom Ronning
Greeters: David & Julie Sines & Ann Hadley

Wednesday, January 1st 9:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation. Solemnity of Mary,
Holy Mother of God

Offering Envelopes

Due to a production issue at the Company, your weekly envelopes will not be here until the middle of January. The company has sent us generic envelopes with no names, these are now available for you to pick up in the vestibule and sacristy, to be used until yours get here. **Please write your name or place an address sticker on them.** Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

Offering Envelopes



And Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ.
Matthew 1:16

Pray for Healing and Comfort

Especially for: Carole Zinter, Deacon John Blicharz, Georgette Savoy, Doreen Aldrich, Mary Frances Branch, Warren Peschl, Daniel Bryant, Monica Luedtke, Lois Woodard, Joseph Marion, Jr. Fr. Al Dagnoli, Paul Desruisseaux, Betsy Bashaw, Betsy Anderson, Frances Gallagher, Mary Damon, Grace Shelc, Tom Shelc, Ed Hindes, Maria Coyne, Mary Grippo, Madison Bills, Robert Brown, Mary Folsom, Peggy Lafave, Lorraine Reynolds, Bob Hanold, Marilyn Lemoine, Patrick Barry, Robert Fogg, Bernie Hindes, Nick Deistler, Ted Waryas, Peter Bodner, Ellah Williams, Fred Waryas, Maybelle Long, Joseph Mitchell, Heather Rodger, Patricia Jones, Frances Hackett, Colleen Paquet, David Robarge, Frank Anderson, Kathy Mearthy, Tom Burns, Mary Lou Fogg, Jim Nyberg, Cheryl Elyse Garrett, Ed Atkins, Conner Glover. **Please contact the rectory (463-3128) if you wish Father Maria Lazar to make a sick call or bring Holy Communion to someone who is unable to attend Mass.**

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Today we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. As we do so, our Gospel invites us to consider Joseph's protection of Jesus in the face of danger. Just as in the announcement of Jesus' birth, an angel appears to Joseph in a dream. The angel warns him of Herod's plans to harm Jesus. Joseph follows the command of the angel and takes Joseph and Mary to Egypt, returning only after receiving word in another dream that it was safe to do so. Today's reading is found in the Gospel of Matthew, following the story of the visit of the Magi. Recall that Matthew's story about the birth of Jesus makes Joseph the primary character. Among Matthew's themes in this infancy narrative is Jesus as the fulfillment of the Old Testament prophecies about the messiah. Indeed, the story of the Holy Family's flight to Egypt recalls the story of Moses in the Book of Exodus. It should also be noted that today's reading omits the verses that recount Herod's order of the massacre of the infant boys in and around Bethlehem. We mark this event on the Feast of the Holy Innocents on December 28. These events remind us of the difficult reality of Jesus' birth. While the story of the Magi's visit will be recalled in our liturgy on the Feast of the Epiphany, our Christmas celebration is made more sober by the recollection that not everyone received Christ's birth with joy or obedience. Herod's jealousy and malice contrast with Joseph's obedience to the words of the angel. The Holy Family's escape to Egypt and the massacre that Jesus is saved from remind us of the struggles and sacrifices that are required as preparation for God's salvation. (Copyright © 2019 Loyola Press. All Rights Reserved. Used with permission. www.loyolapress.com)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another." Work to live in your marriage as God desires by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan 31-Feb 2, 2020 in Huntington, NY and Mar 13-15, 2020 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call John & Diane Forcier at 802-657-3083 or visit them at <https://wwmewtw.org/>.



Knight of Columbus #753

This weekend we say the Rosary to unify and strengthen families, help build the domestic church, bring parishioners together, and devotion to Mary. May the upcoming New Year enable everyone to better cultivate a relationship with God through prayer. This is essential for families to cultivate joy, faith, hope, and love. We wish everyone a blessed New Year. For more information on how to join the Knights of Columbus please call Grand Knight, Tom Ronning (603) 313 - 8839.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®



Welcome to the Church!!!

Kaylee Ciara Rebecca Taylor was baptized into the Church on December 15th. Her parents are Brandon & Katrina Taylor.

Diocesan Mass and VT Rally for Life, January 18, 2020 9:30 am to 12:00 pm Join us for Mass at St. Augustine Church, 16 Barre Street in Montpelier. Following Mass Vermont Right to Life will sponsor a prayerful walk to the Statehouse with a program to follow inside.



Life is Precious Washington D.C. Trip 2020!

Dates: January 23-26. Trip will include Rally for Life with thousands of other teens, March for Life with hundreds of thousands, National Mall Museums, National Basilica and more! Cost: \$175 — submit \$50 non-refundable deposit by November 1. Submit full deposit by January 1, 2020 (non-refundable after January 1). Checks made payable to the Diocese of Burlington Departure from Rice Memorial: 7:30 p.m., January 23 Return: Late afternoon/early evening on January 26. To register please go to <https://www.vermontcatholic.org/event/life-is-precious-2020/>



2020

HAPPY NEW YEAR

From all of us here at St. Charles!

Fr. Maria Betsy Dan