

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 20, 2020

Mass Intentions

<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Mary Gonzales
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Willie, Elrose & Dennis Macha <i>St. John of Kanty, Priest</i>
<i>Thurs.</i>	4 P.M.	Presider's Intention
	6 P.M.	Presider's Intention
<i>Fri.</i>	12:01 A.M.	Presider's Intention
	9 A.M.	Presider's Intention
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Amber Bennetsen
	9 A.M.	Tillie Mudd
	11 A.M.	Rene Galindo

Sanctuary Candle Intention

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Karl Proschko.

St. Ann Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of the Donald, Jeane & Joseph Bitterly.

Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

Your Gift to God: December 13th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$3,185
Online Giving Parish Support	\$1,660
Building Fund	\$250
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	\$614
St. Ann Parish Support	\$534
Online Giving	\$583
Building Fund	\$60
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	\$80

May God reward your generosity!

Please Note: Confessions

Wednesday confessions will be heard from **5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** On **Saturdays** confessions are available from **4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.**

Reminder

Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers should wear masks when assigned. Masks are available in the Sacristy if needed.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Thurs.</i>	4 P.M.	Gracee Respondek
	6 P.M.	Patrick Matusek
<i>Fri.</i>	12:01 A.M.	Susan Kelley
	9 A.M.	Susana Trujillo
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charles Kvinta
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Kendra Wenske
	9 A.M.	Anthony Harper
	11 A.M.	Carolina Caballero

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Thurs.</i>	4 P.M.	Daniel & Janna Driskell, Mike Guajardo
	6 P.M.	Bobby & Gladys Jiral, Bernadette Matusek
<i>Fri.</i>	9 A.M.	Heriberto Castillo
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Dawne Wendel
<i>Sun.</i>	11 A.M.	Pam Garza

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Thurs.</i>	4 P.M.	Bobby Fikac, Ernest Miller, Alan Migl, JoJo Machalec
	6 P.M.	Charlie Proschko, Robbie Hagan, Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl
<i>Fri.</i>	12:01 A.M.	Bill Lopez, Debbie Caka, David & Jo Ann Muehlstein
	9 A.M.	Gerardo Rivas, Jose Martinez, Vicky Vasquez, Raquel Gomez
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl, Bobby Fikac, Ernest Miller
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Bruce Chilek, Dennis Kocian
	9 A.M.	Henry & Carolyn Janak, Elorine Sitka, Robbie Hagan
	11 A.M.	Salvador & Marisela Rodriguez, Gabriel Espinosa, Miguel Trujillo

Servers

<i>Thurs.</i>	4 P.M.	Tyler Ferry, Reagan Respondek
	6 P.M.	Hunter Mischer, Leah Muenich
<i>Fri.</i>	12:01 A.M.	Weston, Dylan & Austin Barton
	9 A.M.	Joel Gomez, Jovanny Gutierrez
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Faith Wenske, Zachary Raz
	9 A.M.	Gage Harrison, Trevor Moreno
	11 A.M.	Erick & Gael Castillo

*"Hail, full of grace!
The Lord is with you."*

Feast of Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: December 24th
4:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M.

Christmas Day: December 25th
12:01 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.

All Christmas Masses will be at St. Joseph

Christmas Gifts for Blue Santa

As a way of incorporating charity into our Christmas Masses at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on December 24th, the children are invited to bring gifts for boys and girls which will be used in the Blue Santa Program. The gifts may be placed in the boxes located at the entrances of the church

FYI: Parish Office Schedule

The Parish Office will close at 12-noon on Wednesday, December 23rd and re-open at 8:00 a.m.. Monday, January 4th. **Deadline for the December 27th and January 3rd bulletins is noon Tuesday, December 22nd.**

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will be held **Saturday, January 9th at 9:00 a.m.** in the Family Center Meeting Room.

Christmas Flowers

Extra envelopes for the Christmas Flower donations may be found in the Church entrances. Donors and their listed memorials will be in the bulletin after Christmas. This applies to St. Joseph and St. Ann Parish.

Do Something Beautiful for God

Through the generosity of parishioners, a devotional book about Saint Mother Theresa, Do Something Beautiful for God, will be available after the Christmas Masses. It's a simple and easy way to add some "spiritual reading" to your New Year routine!

Emmanuel:

The Promise and Its Fulfillment

Celebrating the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ reminds us of how our Heavenly Father renews the promise of salvation through the gift of His Son. How blessed we are to be children of such a loving Father that He gives us the gift of His Son who reconciles and redeems humanity. Through the sanctifying gift of the Holy Spirit we are continually offered the grace to conform our lives to the will of God. May this holy time of Christmas-in the midst of this pandemic - be one that each of us, in our homes and within our community, acknowledges and celebrates the hope found that holy night in the rough-hewn wood of a lowly manger!



Social Distancing Required

As we embark of the Holy Season of Christmas it is important to remind everyone that we must practice social distancing when attending Mass. Immediate family members are allowed to sit together but be sure to respect those who are not family members and keep the required 6' distance from one another. Masks are suggested but not required. In order to be compliant with COVID regulations we are restricted to 150 people at each Mass (dependent somewhat on family grouping/sitting together). Therefore, it is important to get to church early. Once we reach capacity we will, unfortunately, have to turn people away. This is not something we want to do, especially at Christmas, but we are required to do so for all of our safety. With that being said, please check the Christmas Mass schedule and make plans accordingly. Seating will be on a first come first served basis.

Merry Christmas!

Feliz Navidad!

Veselé Vánoce!

Fröhliche Weihnachten!

Felix Dies Nativitatis!

QUE NO HABRÁ NAVIDAD?

¡Claro que sí!

Más silenciosa y con más profundidad

Más parecida a la primera en la que **Jesús** nació en soledad.

Sin muchas luces en la tierra

pero con la de la estrella de Belén

destellando rutas de vida en su inmensidad

Sin cortejos reales colosales

pero con la humildad de sentirnos

pastores y zagales buscando la Verdad.

Sin grandes mesas y con amargas ausencias

pero con la presencia de un Dios que todo lo llenará

¿QUE NO HABRÁ NAVIDAD?

¡Claro que sí!

Sin las calles a rebosar

pero con el corazón enardecido

por el que está por llegar

Sin ruidos ni verbenas,

reclamos ni estampidas...

pero viviendo el Misterio sin miedo

al "covid-herodes" que pretende

quitarnos hasta el sueño de esperar.

Habrá Navidad porque DIOS está de nuestro lado

y comparte, como Cristo lo hizo en un pesebre,

nuestra pobreza, prueba, llanto, angustia y orfandad.

Habrá Navidad porque necesitamos

una luz divina en medio de tanta oscuridad.

Covid19 nunca podrá llegar al corazón ni al alma

de los que en el cielo ponen su esperanza y su alto ideal

¡HABRÁ NAVIDAD!

¡CANTAREMOS VILLANCICOS!

¡DIOS NACERÁ Y NOS TRAERÁ LIBERTAD!

(J.Leoz)

A Note from Principal Mooney

December 21st – January 1st
Christmas Holidays

January 4th & 5th
Teachers In-Service

Classes Resume Wednesday, January 6th

Please call or stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney if you are interested in enrolling your child(ren) in St. Joseph's. Take a tour of the school and learn more about what St. Joseph School has to offer.

Support Catholic Education

Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring *We Love Catholic Schools* Sweepstakes and all proceeds from the sale of tickets benefit St. Joseph School.

Grand Prize Choice of:

2021 Ford F-150 Truck* or

2021 Ford Focus Sedan* or

\$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card

*Or equivalent vehicle.

Participating School Prize:

Each participating school will have a \$1,000 prepaid Visa credit card individual winner drawn from tickets sold by their school.

Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the school or parish office. For more information contact the school office at 293-9000.



Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."