

Calendar of Services, Mass Intention and Activities

Sun.	Dec. 27	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass Mass	HOLY FAMILY HOLY FAMILY
Mon.	Dec. 28	9:30 am 1:00 pm	Mass	Jane Maynard Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel NO EVENING MASS
Tues.	Dec. 29	9:30 am	Mass	Teresa Marshall NO EVENING MASS
Wed.	Dec. 30	9:30 am	Mass	Levina Mary Anthony
Thurs.	Dec. 31	9:30 am 4:45 pm	Mass	Janet Nolan MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Fri.	Jan. 1	11:00 am		MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
Sat.	Jan. 2	9:30 am 4:45 pm	Mass Mass	Carolyn Churchill EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
Sun.	Date	8:30 am 11:00 am	Mass Mass	EPIPHANY OF THE LORD EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday: 6:40 - 7:20 pm
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:20 pm

TIMES OF MASSES: Monday and Tuesday: 9:30 and 7:30 pm
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9:30 am
Saturday: 9:30 am and 4:45 pm; Sunday: 8:30 am and 11 am

BAPTISMS: *Second Sunday* of the month. **TIME:** 1 pm in the Church.
Please call the *Parish Office - 754-0170* **ONE MONTH** in advance

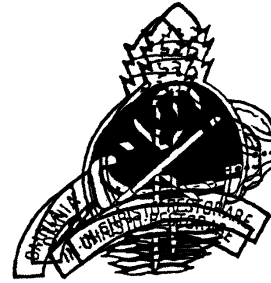
MARRIAGES: By appointment **SIX MONTHS** in advance
Marriage Preparation Course required. Call 726-3660 for more details.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Friday: 9 am - 12 noon and 12:30 - 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am - 1 pm

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Father Earl Smith, SJ (Pastor)

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Father Joe Mroz, SJ (Archdiocesan Chaplain at Memorial University)

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HOLY FAMILY December 27, 2015

Family isn't
always blood. It's the
people in your life who
want you in theirs;
the ones who **accept**
you for who you
are. The ones who would
do anything to see
you **smile & who**
LOVE YOU
no matter what.

Maya Angelou
Poems About Family

**SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR NEXT SUNDAY
January 3**

You could read/discuss/pray with your family, with friends or by yourself.

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Second Reading:

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Psalm: 72

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

WHAT FAMILY MEANS

May family mean fun.
May family mean friends.
May family mean forgiveness.
May family mean for ever.

SOURCE:

1000 Prayers for Children,

Lois Rock, page 437

**ATTENTION:
PARENTS AND
GRANDPARENTS**

Liturgy of the Word and sacramental preparation programs will *resume on Sunday, January 10, 2016.*

However, **DeMello** will still be here for our children at Sunday, 11 am Masses and New Year's Day Mass at 11 am.

MARITIME CHRIST CHILD

Crystal clear, clam-cold chilly
wintered water washes
ashore to Signal summit, a Savior
is sent.

Hovering here, heaven-high,
are brilliant, beautiful birds,
silent soaring seagull sentinels,
smoking white wings whispering
as ardent angels announce
through thick, not thin
freezing fog that floats and falls
into a deep dark December night
that neglects necessities
nor welcomes wind-whipped
wonders.

Into a dingy dark domicile
are fainted fish foods frozen
scented shed-smells,
salted smelts, salmon and squid
are sent
to a sanctified Son-Soul soon to
be surrendered

Emmanuel enters and easily
embraces a humble homestead
Where a woman's womb awaits.

As a modest maritime maiden
moans,
A vulnerable virgin is visited
as
pain in place of pleasure – *pulses*
and permeates
a savior's suffering servant.

A fisher father frets to flame a
forest fed fire as
bark bare branches brilliantly
burn

With warmed well water washes
a woman's fair *faith-filled face.*
foster father's fortitude
honest hallowed hope
life's labor of love,
the Creator's charity is certain!

Majesty manifests a mothered-
miracle mysteriously of matter,
a wounded world's want,
its dearest deepest desire
delivered.

God's grace, a generous gift,
a blessed baby-boy-birth is
breathed.

Humbled humanity is honored,
as a peaceful picture of parents is
poignantly poised.

Relieved, rejoicing is recreated as
sacred songs of salvation are sung
Earl Smith, SJ

**NEW YEAR'S
MASS SCHEDULE**

Thursday, December 31
4:45 pm

Feast of Mary, Mother of God
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New Year's Day
Friday, January 1

11:00 am
There will be **NO 8:30 am Mass**
on New Year's Day.

THANK YOU

With gratitude for Christmas time generosity; preparing the Church, liturgical ministers, choir and instrumentalists, Christmas hamper donations, Christmas gifts. Our own generosity is a reflection of our Creator's immense generosity, sending us Jesus as our Saviour and Sanctifier.

**A PRAYER FOR US TO
CREATE A CLIMATE OF
CHANGE**

Lord, in the joy of your Creation, the whole human family has received this unique gift from you: our planet Earth. We sincerely thank you Lord! Lord, look on our earth and help us recognize that it is urgent that we act for we are destroying our forests, devastating our land, and polluting our seas. By doing this, we cause environmental turmoil that increases poverty in the countries of the Global South. We sincerely ask for forgiveness, Lord. Yes, it is time to act to guide our planet in its development and in its peace.
Marie-Paule Malenfort,
Development and Peace member.