

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 30, 2018

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

A continued Blessed Christmas to everyone. I want to thank all of you for making our Christmas celebration here so joyful and for making Sacred Heart the beautiful Community of Faith that it is. Fr. Charles and I also want to thank you for all the kindness, encouragement, and generosity you have shown to us this Christmas with your many gifts, goodies, and cards of good wishes.

So much goes into making our Masses at Christmas so beautiful and reverent. Thank you to our fabulous adult choir and our children's, middle school, and high school choirs. Thank you to our Lectors, Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Ushers, Sacristans, and our Sexton, Henry Antonucci. I also want to thank in a special way Christine Schnabel for all the time and effort she puts into facilitating everything that goes on here, and for putting together the children's Christmas Pageant for the 21st year in a row. The Christmas Pageant was an absolutely adorable event, and the children sang their hearts out drawing us all into the beauty and joy of Christmas. And I thank all of you for your incredible generosity to our Christmas collection and Christmas flowers, and most of all for your faith, your love, your prayers, your support, and your presence here all year long.

Today we are within the Octave of Christmas with this beautiful Feast of the Holy Family. When we look at the beautiful scene of the first Christmas displayed in front of our Altar and in so many of our homes, we see Mary and Joseph with the baby Jesus in the center. That is the model of a Holy Family - Jesus at the very center of every marriage, of every family. As our last three Popes often said, the family is a school of love where children first learn what it means to be loved and how to love God and others. The strength of our society depends on the family, for it is in the family that good Christians and solid citizens are formed. And it is from holy families that more holy vocations to the priesthood and religious life will come.

The Octave of Christmas culminates on Tuesday, January 1st, with the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. Mary is indeed the Mother of God because the baby she delivered is truly God and truly man. At the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem Mary held her Divine infant in her arms. At Calvary she held

Him in her arms once again as He was taken down from the Cross. And it was from the Cross that Jesus gave His Mother to us to be our Mother. And through our love for her, she will draw us closer to her Son, Jesus. That is the best New Year's resolution we could make - to draw closer to Jesus through Mary. May God continue to bless us all with His Peace this Christmas Season and throughout the New Year.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Matthew J. Furey

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O' God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity.

We humbly ask that, through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and St. Joseph, you may establish our families firmly in your grace and your peace. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Happy New Year!



**Solemnity of Mary
Mother of God
Monday, December 31,
2018
Vigil Mass – 5:30pm**

**Tuesday, January 1st, 2019
8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM, and 1:00PM**

NO 7:00AM OR 5:30PM MASS ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

2018 CONTRIBUTION OFFERINGS

The year-end reports for 2018 from the envelope company and parish pay if you have signed up for online giving, will reflect totals for the year 2018 for envelopes on which parishioners' numbers and amounts have been recorded on the outside throughout the year. Statements will be mailed by the end of January. **Thank you for your generous support!**

RECTORY OFFICE CLOSED

The Rectory will close at 2pm New Year's Eve and be closed all day Tuesday, January 1ST Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God and reopen Wednesday, January 2nd. See the schedule for Jan. 1st. There will be No 7:00am Mass.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 30

Monday, December 31– Office closes at 2pm

Tuesday, January 1 – Happy New Year

Wednesday, January 2

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

CYO Basketball – 5:00 to 9:00pm gym

Children's Choir Practice – 5:00pm

Choir Practice – 7:00pm

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm

Thursday, January 3

CYO – 5:00pm to 9:00pm

Friday, January 4 First Friday

SH School Mass – 9:45am

Exposition- 1:00pm

Holy Hour- With the Sisters of Life -7:00pm

Saturday, January 5 First Saturday

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rosary during Confessions -4:00pm to 5:00pm

Sunday, January 6

FIRST FRIDAY

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Please join us this Friday, January 4, for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 1:00pm and Holy Hour with the Sisters of Life from 7:00pm to 8:00pm.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

The Five First Saturdays Devotion as requested by Our Lady of Fatima will be observed this Saturday from 4:00 to 5:00pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Rosary and Prayer of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

SACRED HEART CYO BASKETBALL CLINIC BEGINS JANUARY 7, 2019

BASKETBALL CLINIC

The Clinic runs for 8 weeks: January 6th thru February 24, 2019. Please come 15 minutes prior to 1st session to register. Cost per child is \$125.00
Grades - K and 1st - 1:30pm to 2:30pm
Grade 2 - 2:30pm to 3:30pm

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

3rd Sunday of Advent - \$12,782.

Last Year's Collection - \$15,527.

**Due to Early printing of bulletins further collection
Totals will be in future bulletins**

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION AND CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY

NEXT WEEKEND JANUARY 5th & 6th

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. More than 4,000 students directly receive scholarship aid from this Collection, including many from our diocese. Next week is the National Collection for The Catholic University of America (and Catholic Communications).



WASHINGTON D.C.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2019

On the 46th Anniversary of the Supreme Court Decision legalizing abortion, come and walk for the sake of the unborn on Friday, January 18, 2019. Buses leave from St. Francis of Assist in W. Nyack @6am. Adults \$30 / Students \$15

For reservations call 735-5238, 735-4379, or 420-1226 (para español). For more info, visit

www.RocklandRTL.org

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18TH

**Day Of Prayer And Penance Here at Sacred Heart for
An End To Abortion and a Greater Respect for
Human Life**

In Solidarity with the March for Life in D.C.

Marking the 46th Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, starting at 9:30am with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and ending with the Rosary for Life, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and Benediction beginning at 3:00pm.

MAHWAH ELKS

1 FOXWOOD AVENUE, MAHWAH

NATIONAL SERVICE BUFFET BREAKFAST!

JANUARY 6TH, 2019 - 8am to 11am

Pancakes * French Toast* Scrambled Eggs

Made to Orde4r Omelets * Sausage *Bacon, Hone

Fries * Juices*Coffee *Tea

Adults \$8 Seniors (62+) \$7 Kids (5-12) \$5

100% of proceeds go to our Veterans Charities

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería. Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 19 de enero 2019 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Faith and our Parish Community, the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

MARIANA SAMTEI

Daughter of Sara and Ricardo

IZABELLA BELTRAN

Daughter of Ulises and Jeraldynne

DANIEL ANDRES ALVARADO

Son of Wilman and Sylvia

SOPHIA LIZETH ALVARADO

Daughter of Wilman and Sylvia



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Keith Alanis, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Pat Brady, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Kelly Collins, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene and Fred Gentile, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Senan Halpin, Roy Harris, Clement Hayes, Carrin Holborn, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, Marie Witt, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

DECEMBER 30, 2018

Altar Wines, Altar Breads, Altar Candles
And the
Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

JOHN S. LEWANDOWSKI



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones:

Especially: **Gregory Ferraro, Agnes Newell,
and Alfred Furlan**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

9:00am – Special Intentions Eric Hendrickson

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Special Intention Joanne Morency

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 HOLY FAMILY

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Special Intention Bobby & Nina Frank

10:00am – Charles J. Lynch

11:30am – The Foster Family

1:00pm – Frances Marconi

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

7:00am – Joseph & Paula Gangone

9:00am – John S. Lewandowski

5:30pm – David Clifford

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

8:30am – Joan Doyle

10:00am – Mark Sevasta

11:30am – The Foster Family

1:00pm – The Zimmerman Family

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00am – Special Intentions The Mackensie's

9:00am – Marjorie DeLitta

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

7:00am – Special Intentions Rahul Jacob

9:00am – Virginia Deverin

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

7:00am –

9:00am – Ramona Zuño

9:45am – SH School Mass

1:00pm – Exposition

7:00pm – Holy Hour /With Sisters of Life

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

9:00am – Ruth Young

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm -Robert O. Colbath

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6 THE EPIPHANY

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – Richard B. Brennan

11:30am – James Grasso

1:00pm – James Connery

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society