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MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 p.m. Philip Battaglia †
**Sunday, December 27: The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph**
7:30 a.m. Cornelius & Margaret Rahilly †
9:30 a.m. Marschke & Fitzgerald Families †
11:30 a.m. Peg Perry †
5:00 p.m. Anna May Gibbons †

**Monday, December 28: The Holy Innocents,
Martyrs**

7:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Howard L. Fox †

**Tuesday, December 29: Fifth Day within the
Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

7:00 a.m. David A. Blakely †
9:00 a.m. Jennifer Rakov †

**Wednesday, December 30: Sixth Day within the
Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

7:00 a.m. Luis & Susy Rodriguez (Living)
9:00 a.m. Keely DeKoskie †

**Thursday, December 31: Seventh Day within the
Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**

8:00 a.m. Mary & Mariano Balderama †
5:00 p.m. Smith & Donnelly Families †

**Friday, January 1: The Octave Day of the
Nativity of the Lord,
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

9:00 a.m. Jerome Dominick Neri †
11:00 a.m. Frank Roudis †

**Saturday, January 2: Saints Basil, the Great &
Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops &
Doctors of the Church**

8:00 a.m. Margareth & Stanley Dorsainville &
Nathalie Vignier (Living)
5:00 p.m. Antoinette Faluotico †

Sunday, January 3: Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 a.m. William Greenfeld †
9:30 a.m. Robert DePippo †
11:30 a.m. Leslie Banks & Mary Pugliese †
5:00 p.m. Msgr. Desmond O'Connor

SCRIPTURE READINGS JANUARY 3

First Reading—Isaiah 60:1-6.
Psalm—72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (11).
Second Reading—Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6.
Gospel—Matthew 2:1-12.
Familiarize yourself with the readings before you come to Mass next weekend and see the difference it makes as you listen to the readings at Mass.

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish, especially for Angela “Jean” Diacovo, John Regan, and for all our parishioners who are homebound, in healthcare facilities or who are seriously sick.



In Loving Memory of Elizabeth Griffith, Antonio Viviani, John “Jack” Heybruck, and all who have died recently.

PARISH COLLECTION REPORT

Immaculate Conception \$1,206.00
December 13 Donations Received \$6,000.00
Votive Shrines \$102.00
Christmas Flowers \$390.00

CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE—we have surpassed our goal of \$51,500. The amount pledged is now \$54,300. Thank you to all who helped make this campaign successful for our parish!!



Volunteers

MAKE GREAT THINGS HAPPEN!

A SPECIAL THANKS—to Roger Thomas who shared his “green” thumb with us and worked to keep the grounds in tip top shape!!

CHRISTMAS DECORATORS—many thanks to all who volunteered their time and talent to help us decorate our church!!

PRISON MINISTRY—Deacon Doherty would like to thank everyone who donated 2021 calendars for the prisoners. Thanks to all for making the calendar drive a resounding success!!



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
Adult Education RCIA class will resume on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

MILITARY SERVICE

Thank You Veterans

Army—Lt. Col. Kevin Doherty, Fort Gordon, GA
 Army—SPC Joseph Tanksley, Deployed
 Army—CW2 Justin Wanat, D.C.
 Army—Sgt. 1st Class, Kristin Chandler, Ft. Hood
 Army—Staff Sgt. Wm. Alex Anderson, Alaska
 Navy—NT 3rd Class Tyler C. Petro, Deployed
 Marines—Lance Corporal Baily Emerton
 Air Force—CPT David R. Beberwyk, Deployed
 Air Force—1st LT Jacqueline Beberwyk, Alaska
 Air Force MAJ Blaine Stewart, D.C



NEWS AT ST. JOSEPH'S—from all of us here at the Religious Education program to all of our parishioners, we wish you a blessed Merry Christmas and a joyous, healthy New Year!! We look forward to seeing you in 2021.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart your knowledge, understanding and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God’s holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God’s holy service.

Amen.

Did you know??

It costs our parish about **\$8,100.00** per year to send out the donation envelopes. Please consider using **WeShare**.

RETIREMENT FUND for RELIGIOUS

Thanks for giving! “We are conscious of the great generosity of the many benefactors who support the Retirement Fund for Religious each year,” says a Catholic sister. “Support from the fund has been a tremendous blessing to our retired sisters.” Thank you for donating to last week’s collection.

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

“Come to Me”—day and night, Christ our Good Shepherd, remains with us in the Eucharist. The Blessed Sacrament is Jesus, gentle and humble of heart calling you, “Come to Me”, telling you, “Do not be afraid,” and promising, “I will refresh you.” The Divine Mercy Perpetual Adoration Chapel, 469 Delaware Avenue, Kingston, allows the faithful to unite in worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass. Please prayerfully consider spending 1 hour a week in Eucharistic Adoration. AdorationPro (<https://adorationpro.org/iccny>) is an online scheduling program you can access from anywhere or the Immaculate Conception Church [website](https://www.immaculateconceptionkingston.com) <https://www.immaculateconceptionkingston.com>

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JESSE TREE

Thank you to all for your generous support for our Jesse Tree this year!! Your donated gifts were delivered to Catholic Charities by our volunteer. Many of you donated and “angel” ornament in memory of a loved one or your family in previous years. These will be placed on the Jesse Trees again this year. If you would like to donate an “angel” ornament, please feel free to do so. You may include a name(s). These will be kept by our church and will decorate our Jesse Trees in the future.

A PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS

O Mary, Holy Mother of God, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus’ pain, keeping your faith firm. You know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection.
Amen.

ATTEND DAILY MASS??

PLEASE NOTE

Replacement of the roof on our church continues weather permitting. Daily Masses held on Monday through Friday at 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. will be held in the Parish Center’s Chapel. The 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday mornings will, also, be held in the Parish Center until the roof work is finished. While this work is ongoing, our church will be locked during work hours. Please call us at (845)481-4560 or ring the doorbell on the Rectory door located on the porch if we can be of any assistance. Thanks for your patience!!

FROM OUR PASTOR—we continue to pray for all those who need our prayers in difficult times. While not always being able to be with family members as often as we want, hopefully, we recognize how much we care for and love them. This unusual year has been a time to recognize how much we need God in our lives. Thankfully, we can still talk about God's great love for us in sending us His only son, Jesus. At Christmas we celebrate this wonderful event. I pray that we will be able to experience the holy presence of Jesus in the Eucharist at "Christ's Mass", but even if we cannot, we can still feel His presence in our lives and the lives of those around us. We hopefully, feel each other's support, care, and love.

We celebrate the birth of Jesus as the parish of St. Joseph and feel the powerful "yes" of Mary, His Mother, but also the "yes" of St. Joseph to take on the care of God's Son and His Mother. We pray that the love manifest in the Holy Family is present in all our families. Remember to pray for families grieving the loss of a loved one or facing any other difficulty and those who feel they have no family.

As a Christian family, we rejoice in the gift of faith and are aware of God's love for each of us. This faith provides us with a great hope and a call to love. May we continue to make our new born Prince of Peace and Love known to all by our lives. Thank you for the faith and love we have experienced here at St. Joseph's. It is a privilege to be called to serve you.

Merry Christmas and a Christ filled New Year!!

Yours in Christ,

Msgr. Desmond, Msgr. Sullivan, Fr. Cyprien, Deacon Doherty & the Staff