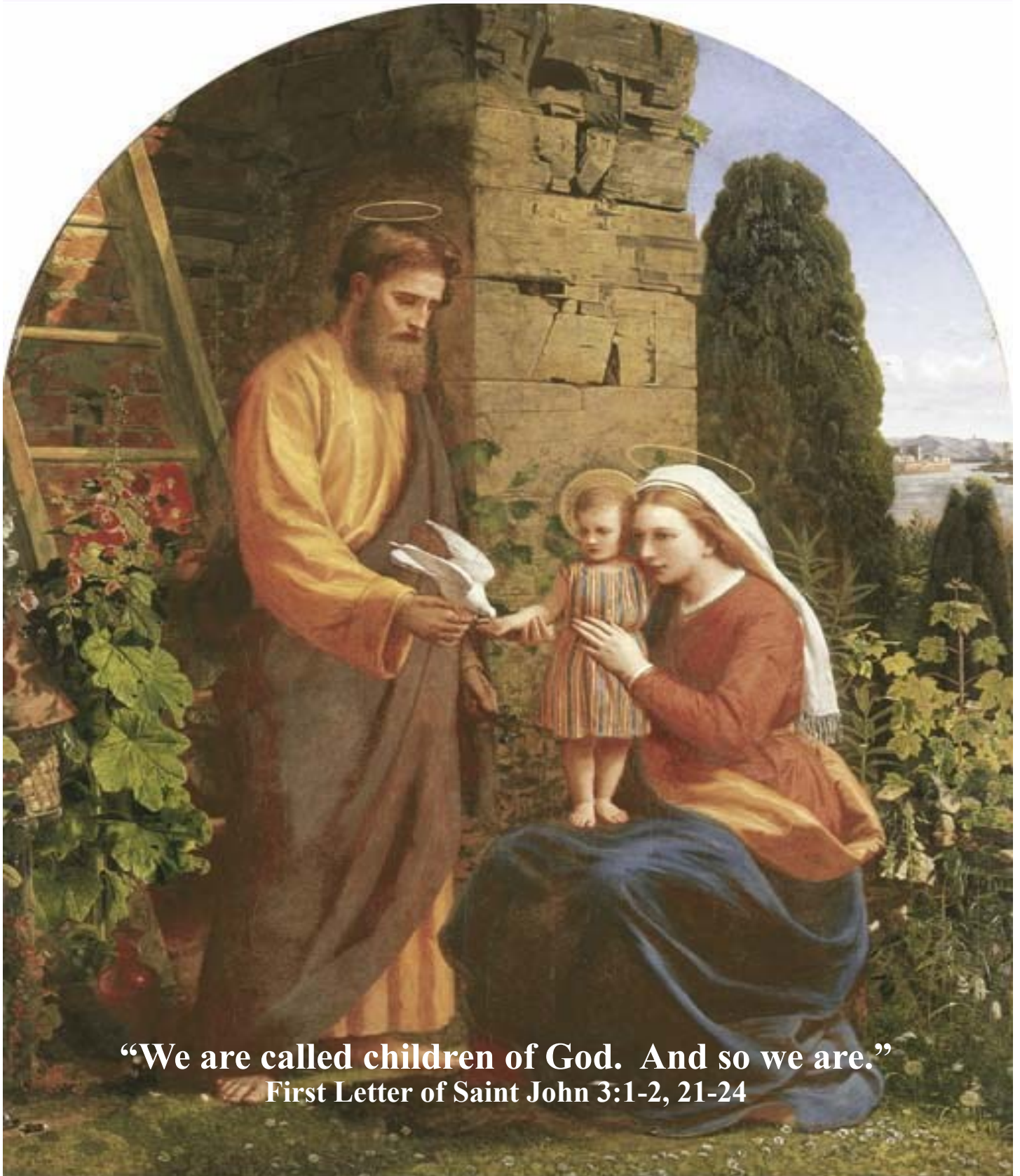


DECEMBER 27, 2020

THE HOLY FAMILY OF  
JESUS,  
MARY & JOSEPH

# *St. Columbanus Parish*

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**“We are called children of God. And so we are.”**

**First Letter of Saint John 3:1-2, 21-24**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY ~ December 27**

- 8:00 a.m. James Gurrán (1st anniversary)
- 10:00 a.m. T.J. Muldoon
- 11:00 a.m. (at the Martyrs Mission Church)
- 12:00 noon For Our Parish & Parishioners

**MONDAY ~ December 28**

*The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*

- 9:00 a.m. John M. Samoylo

**TUESDAY ~ December 29**

*St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr*

- 9:00 a.m. Joe Coppa

**WEDNESDAY ~ December 30**

- 9:00 a.m. John P. Bowdren

**THURSDAY ~ December 31**

*St. Sylvester I, Pope*

- 9:00 a.m. John "Vinny" McKenna (11th anniv.)
- 4:00 p.m. John Bowdren

**FRIDAY ~ January 1**

*The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*

- 8:00 a.m. Rose Barber
- 10:00 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass
- 11:00 a.m. (at the Martyrs Mission Church)
- 12:00 p.m. Eric Godinho

**SATURDAY ~ January 2**

*Saint's Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church*

- 8:30 a.m. Ronald Powe
- 4:00 p.m. Mary Gillick
- 5:00 p.m. Christopher DiDomizio

Reminder: the 7:30 a.m. mass is private (priest only). Any previously arranged intentions are said at the mass.



**SUNDAY'S READINGS**



1st Reading: *Those who fear the Lord honor their parents.*  
(Sirach 3:2-7, 12-14)

Psalm: *Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.*  
(Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5)

2nd Reading: *Family Life in the Lord.*  
(Colossians 3:12-17)

Alleluia: *Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.*

Gospel: *Take the child and his mother, and flee into Egypt*  
(Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23)

December 22 2019 \$

December 20, 2020 \$

Thank you to those who are able to continue to support our parish during this Pandemic. God Bless you.



Pray for children hidden from sight, but not from God.

**WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE**



The wine and hosts at this weeks masses, along with the burning of the tabernacle candle are offered in memory of **Robert Heb**, as arranged by his loving wife Kitty. Please keep Robert in your thoughts and prayers.



*Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.*



Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Thelma Doebbler, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele, Matthew Hempel, Alex Hetsko, Tom Kemple, Colleen Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Vivian Pabon, Doreen Robinson, Jake Reyes, Patricia Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Pete Samoylo, Joan Schneider, Gertrude Selleck, Aurea Simbulan, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, John York, Karen York, Deborah Zolluccio  
And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

**The Hymns for Sunday's 12:00 Noon Mass**  
**The Holy Family**

***Entrance***

God rest you merry, gentlemen,  
let nothing you dismay,  
remember Christ our Savior  
was born on Christmas day,  
to save us all from Satan's pow'r  
when we were gone astray;

Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy,  
comfort and joy,  
O tidings of comfort and joy.

***Responsorial Psalm***

The Lord remembers his covenant forever.

***Offertory***

Once in royal David's city  
stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her baby  
in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ, her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven  
who is God and Lord of all,  
and his shelter was a stable,  
and his cradle was a stall:  
with the poor, the scorned, the lowly,  
lived on earth our Savior holy.

Not in that poor lowly stable,  
with the oxen standing 'round,  
we shall see him, but in heaven,  
where his saints his throne surround;  
Christ, revealed to faithful eye,  
set at Gods' right hand on high.

***Communion***

It came upon the midnight clear,  
that glorious song of old,  
from angels bending near the earth  
to touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men,  
from heaven's all-gracious King."

The world in solemn stillness lay,  
to hear the angels sing.  
And ye, beneath life's crushing load,  
whose forms are bending low,  
who toil along the climbing way  
with painful steps and slow,  
look now! for glad and golden hours  
come swiftly on the wing.  
O rest beside the weary road,  
and hear the angels sing!

For lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophets seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
comes round the age of gold.  
When peace shall over all the earth  
its ancient splendors fling,  
and all the world give back the song  
which now the angels sing.

***Recessional***

Hail Saint Joseph! son of David,  
foster-father of our Lord,  
Spouse of Mary ever Virgin,  
Keeping o'er them watch and ward!

Mary, behold Christ is destined  
For fall and rise of many  
You yourself a sword will pierce  
So thoughts of hearts may be revealed

**HEALING MASS**



A Healing Mass, with a free flow of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, will be held **Tuesday January 5, 2021**, at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1925 Rte 82, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. Guest Celebrant will be Fr. Guiseppe Siniscalchi, Friars of the Renewal. Praise and Worship at 7:00 pm; Mass 7:30. The Mass will be Livestreamed at <https://www.facebook.com/SKTLagrangeville>. Masks are required as soon as you exit your car. The church is arranged for social distancing. No reservation required. Adoration and prayers for Healing follow Mass. The evening will end with Benediction. There will be no prayer teams or other close contact. The event is sponsored by Spirit Wind Prayer Group of St. Kateri. Contact Pat or Joe at 845-440-3519 or [mackey\\_patricia@yahoo.com](mailto:mackey_patricia@yahoo.com).

## ~PASTOR'S NOTES~

December 27, 2020

Friday we rejoiced in the Birth of Jesus, God made Man. Today we honor the members of the family He was born into. The Holy Family, Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, offer all our families an example we should all strive for. This feast had its roots in a devotion of Bishop Francois Laval who established many confraternities in honor of the Holy Family in Canada in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. In 1893, Pope Leo XIII instituted this feast throughout the universal Church. Certainly in our own day and age, when marriage and the family are under constant assault by the media, government, and anti-Catholic groups, it is important to reflect and meditate on the virtues of the members of the Holy Family. As Jesus was the center of the Holy Family so he should be the center of every family. If we ignore Jesus or relegate Him to the periphery of our family lives, we will struggle vainly to form a home of love, obedience, and respect for one another. **May the Holy**

**Family guard and protect us as we are about to enter a new year, and draw us closer to each other by drawing us closer to Jesus.**



In some exciting news, Pope Francis has also declared this year the Year of St. Joseph, as we read from this article by Rodney Pelletier: VATICAN CITY (ChurchMilitant.com) - Pope Francis is declaring December 2020–2021 the Year of St. Joseph, asking people to "implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and zeal."

The apostolic letter, released Tuesday, features seven reflections on the person of St. Joseph. Pope Francis declares "After Mary, the Mother of God, no saint is mentioned more frequently in the papal Magisterium than Joseph, her spouse." He further notes that Pope Pius IX declared him patron of the Catholic Church, Pope Pius XII declared him patron of workers and Saint John Paul II called him guardian of the Redeemer.

In the letter, Pope Francis speaks to the fatherly qualities of St. Joseph, declaring:

Each of us can discover in Joseph — the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence — an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation.

The following prayer can be found on the second floor of St. Joseph's Seminary in Dunwoodie by a statue of St. Joseph. I recited this prayer every day when I was studying for the priesthood and still say today.

*O Glorious St. Joseph! Model of those who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work in a spirit penance for the expiation of my many sins: to work conscientiously, putting the call to duty above my inclinations; to work with thankfulness and joy, considering it an honor to employ and develop by means of labor the gifts received from God; to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience, never shrinking from weariness and trials; to work, above all, with purity of intention and detachment from self, keeping unceasingly before my eyes death, and the account I must give of time lost, talents unused, good omitted, and vain complacency in success, so fatal to the work of God.*

*All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thy example, O patriarch Joseph, such shall be my watchword in life and in death. Amen.*

**St. Joseph pray for us!**

In Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Frank Samoylo

Mass for New Years Day  
~ Mary, the Holy Mother of God ~  
(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

St. Columbanus

Thursday, December 31st: 4:00 p.m.

Friday, January 1st: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. (Latin Mass), 12 Noon

North American Martyrs

Friday, January 1st: 11:00 a.m.

We will have a collection on the above dates for the Solemnity of Mary.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Monday ~ Adoration 7:00 p.m.

Friday ~ Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God  
Holy Day of Obligation (see mass times this page)

Saturday ~ Confession 4:00—4:45 p.m.

BAPTISM



Please welcome **Giuliana Billie Cozetti** who was baptized into the Catholic faith on November 22nd and **Hayden John Kicher** who was baptized into the Catholic faith on December 13th. May the Lord watch over Giuliana and Hayden and bless them with a strong faith.

Angel of God  
My guardian dear  
To Whom His love  
Commits me here  
Ever this day  
Be at my side  
To light and guard  
To rule and guide. Amen