

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

December 25, 2016

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Nicholas Ybarra
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Robert Benys, Jr.
	10 A.M.	Ervin & Wilma Pesek
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Josefa Buenteo
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Mary Lauer
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Robert Benys, Jr.
	10 A.M.	Vernon Matussek
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Phillip Smirak & Bradyn Jacobs
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Weyman Adamek Family
	9 A.M.	K.J.Z.T.
	11 A.M.	Deceased Members of the Carlos & Angelita Barrera Family

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Tomas Jimenez and Sotero & Silveria Martinez.

Prayer List

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

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Your Gift to God: December 18th

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$3,668
Online Giving	\$1,215
Building Fund	\$181
St. Ann Parish Support	\$843
Building Fund	\$40

May God reward your generosity!

FYI: Parish Office Schedule

The Parish Office will be closed starting Friday, December 23rd and re-open at 8:00 A.M. Monday, January 2nd.

Annual Contribution Statement

Those who would like a statement of their envelope support contributions for 2016 should call the parish office.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Diana Darilek
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Paula Adamek
	9 A.M.	Mark Jemelka
	11 A.M.	Benita Maturino

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Jake Jacobs Family
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	K. J. Z. T. Members

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Gloria Lerma, Theresa Belicek, Wanda Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Daniel & Janna Driskell, Anita Schulte
	11 A.M.	Miguel & Susana Trujillo, Susie Barrera

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Ronnie Koenning, Bobby Fikac, Charlie Proschko, Rocki Grubert
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Charlie Migl, Dennis Kocian
	9 A.M.	Bobby & Bea Welfl, E. J. Blaschke, Katherine Jendrzey
	11 A.M.	Robert Barrera, Gabriel Espinosa, Ernest Gomez, Raquel Gomez

Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Hannah & Ella Boswell, Konner Dismuke
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Zachary Raz, Clayton Zabransky
	9 A.M.	Kasey & Kayla Kimes, Hunter Kvinta
	11 A.M.	Samantha Arredondo, Luis Avalos, Alex Gutierrez

Blessings at Christmas!

On behalf of your priests please know how grateful we are for the many kindnesses shared with us as the holiday season approached. We both realize how blessed we are to be part of this parish family--and the many "extras and gifts" simply instill more reason to be grateful and humbled. May the Christ child impart choice blessings on all of you for your thoughtfulness and sharing!

Merry Christmas!

Feliz Navidad!

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

January 1, 2017

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Cooper Peagler
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Alfredo Garcia
	10 A.M.	Aileen Vinklerek
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Laddie Janak
	8:05 A.M.	M/M August Darilek, Sr.
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Frank Ruffo
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Concepcion Garza
	10 A.M.	Belen Garcia
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Christopher Jares
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Louise Drabek
	9 A.M.	Theresa Staha
	11 A.M.	Fabian Ramirez

Sanctuary Candle Intention

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

Prayer List

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This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration

We will have our monthly 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration beginning this Thursday after the 6:30 A.M. Mass in the Meeting Room (door combination 2-4-3).

Adoration...Devotional Hour

During the 24 hours of Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday there will be a "special" devotional hour from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. This will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Rosary and other prayers combined with time for private reflection.

Adoracion del Santissimo

Este Jueves vamos a tener nuestra hora de adoracion y devocion en espanol en el Salon Parroquial desde las 8:00 P.M. a las 9:00 P.M. Todos estan invitados a compartir su fe durante esta hora de alabanza y oracion.

First Friday Devotions

This Friday at 6:10 A.M. we will have traditional devotions in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, concluding with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Susan Elizondo
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Diane Havlik
	9 A.M.	Anthony Harper
	11 A.M.	Jose Martinez

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Donald & Ruby Wigginton
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Bobby & Bea Welfl

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Donna Tolbert, Sammy Elizondo, Dorothy Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	9 A.M.	Rick & Laurie Jahn, Carolyn Janak
	11 A.M.	Graciela Rivas, Virginia Amaro, Heriberto Castillo

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl, Bill Lopez, Rhonda Hansel
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Dennis & Rose Mary Havlik
	9 A.M.	Lance Muenich, Sherri Spaeth, Henry Janak, Blaise Dreitner
	11 A.M.	Alice Nunez, Robert Schneider, Elsa Resendiz, Gerardo Rivas

Altar Servers

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Emily Matusek, Brittany Moreno, Arielle Bennetsen
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Madison DeBord, Hunter Mischer
	9 A.M.	Ava & Lea Muenich, Ryan Gearson
	11 A.M.	Adriana & Gabrielle Moreno, Cecilia Rivas

Clase de Preparacion Bautismal

La clase de preparacion bautismal sera el primer Sabado, **enero 7, del mes a las 9 am** en el Salon Parroquial. Hable con Susanna Trujillo para mas informacion.

Baptismal Preparation Class

The next Baptismal Preparation Class will be held Saturday, **January 14th** at **9:00 A.M.** in the Family Center Meeting Room.

Vesele Vanoce!

Acknowledging our Blessings!

It's easy to take for granted the numerous folks who work behind-the-scenes in assisting our parish family. Our choirs, musicians, organists, liturgical assistants, sacristans, sacred linen launderers, votive stand volunteers...and the list could go on and on...all family members who pitch in to make our worship, our liturgies, and our facilities welcoming and beautiful. Special words of thanks to those who bring our Eucharistic Lord to the homebound, hospital and nursing homes. What a blessing we have in our parish family where so many risk deeper involvement in their church and ultimately, in their relationship with our Lord!

Catholic Daughter Meeting

The Catholic Daughters, Court 206, will hold its first meeting for 2017 on Monday, **January 9th** at 6:00 P.M. at the Family Center. Also, please mark your calendars for our annual "noodle-making" on Saturday, January 21st. Donations of flour and eggs (room temperature) and your "noodle-making" talent are graciously needed and appreciated.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

January 2
St. Joseph School resumes classes

January 4
CCD Classes Resume

January 7
Clase de Preparacion Bautismal
9:00 A.M.

January 14
Baptismal Preparation Class
9:00 A.M.

January 29
CDA Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

*"The Lord bless you and keep you!
The Lord let his face shine upon you,
and be gracious to you!
The Lord look upon you kindly
and give you peace!"*

Support Catholic Education

Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring Catholic School Sweepstakes and all proceeds from the sale of tickets benefit St. Joseph School. 6th

Grand Prize Choice of:

2016 Ford F-150 Truck **or**

2016 Ford Fusion Sedan **or**

\$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card

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

Deadline for purchasing tickets is January 15th.

*Lord, I know you love me and have great
plans for me.*

*But sometimes I am overwhelmed by the
thought of my future.*

*Show me how to walk forward
one day at a time.*

*May I take heart while I search openly
for what it is you want me to do with my life.*

*Inspire in me wisdom and understanding to
see your vision for my life and
respond with openness to whatever you call
me to be.*

Show me your way Lord!



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Fröhliche Weihnachten!

Want to Grow in Holiness, But Too Busy?

Want to transform your work, your marriage, your family, and your life, but don't have time? Looking for the quickest, surest, and easiest way to holiness, but don't know where to begin? In our hectic day and time, Saint John Paul II and Saint Mother Teresa knew that the quickest way to be transformed into a saint is through a relationship with Our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Join us on January 3, 2017, at the St. Joseph School library, as we begin a 33-day preparation for Marian Consecration. For six weeks, we'll individually read about and reflect on four great Marian giants: St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Mother Teresa, and St. John Paul II. They'll teach us the secrets to drawing closer to the Heart of Jesus through the Heart of Mary. In our weekly meetings, Sundays from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M., we'll share our insights within our small group and then watch a 30-minute video. The video by popular author and speaker, Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, brings our individual reflections and group experience into a clear and live-able focus.

If you are looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed, develop a deeper relationship with Our Merciful Savior, and grow in holiness, join us for 33 Days to Morning Glory Small-group Retreat. Pick up a flyer located at the entrances of the church. **Contact Joyce Harper, 361-798-6325, prior to December 23rd.**



TMIY Update

For the past 13 weeks over seventy men have sacrificed and prayed with the help of the "That Man Is You" program to deepen their faith. As a result they better understand their roles as husbands and fathers. They learned about the effects of today's culture on our children and grandchildren and the importance of men in their lives. Each Wednesday morning the men gathered at the bright and early hour of 6:00 A.M. for breakfast, camaraderie, inspiration/reflection and discussion. All meetings concluded by 7:30 A.M. It was both a challenge and reward to be able to dedicate the best part of the day to focusing on what defines us: our faith! If you were not able to take advantage of this opportunity you are in luck! The next semester is now scheduled to begin February 1, 2017. And as all good Catholics recall...it will include the time of Lent...offering yet another way to better engage and deepen your faith. This is a new semester so it will be a great time to join us. If you are not sure just ask one of the men that attended the last semester to find out what they think.



Oh Holy Night

*"I proclaim to you good news of great joy:
today a Savior is born for us,
Christ the Lord."*

Felicem Natalem Christi!

