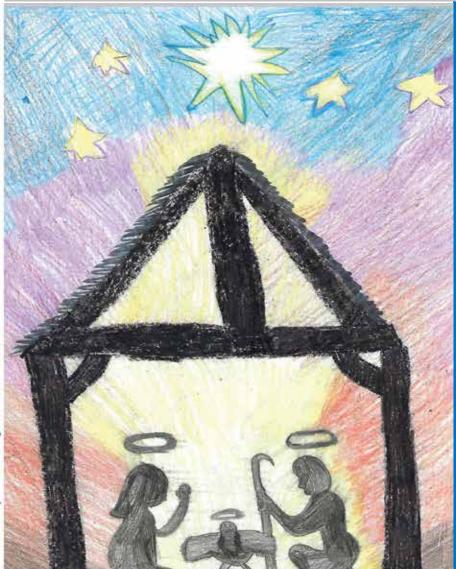
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December 27, 2020 . The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM Saturday: 8:30 AM Saturday: Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30, 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM And after the 4:30pm Mass

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The Church is the work of God initiated by Christ and held together by the Holy Spirit.

Divine Child is a Catholic Parish entrusted with the responsibility of bringing people to the Lord and answering the call to holiness.

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## Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020 - Feast of the Holy Family

8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish MONDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2020

6:30am Anne Michalak, by Lisa, Jim & Matthew Marusak

8:30am Joseph Bova, by Freda & Family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2020

6:30am Thomas Garrity, by Family

8:30am Paula Gillis, by Carl & Denise Salmonson

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2020

**6:30am Helen Lukuc**, by Ray & Loretta Lukuc & Family

8:30am Robert Brinton, by Carl & Denise Salmonson

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020 - New Year's Eve

6:30am Ida Ciccoretti, by Jim & Lil Dominiak

8:30am Eugenia Sadzikowski, by Family

1:00pm Wedding - Alexander Rybka & Natalie Salehi

4:30pm Holy Day Vigil Mass FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021 - Mary, Mother of God

8:30am Holy Day Mass - People of the DC Parish

10:00am Holy Day Mass

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 2, 2021** 

8:30am Benjamin Lewis Stenrose, by Cathy Buchanan

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021 - Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish

#### MASSES TO THE MISSIONS

Dec 27: (Spec. Int.) Mary Rench, by Sister, Madeline Potoczny

Dec 27: Celestine Condon, by A Friend

Dec 27: Maria de la Luz Moreno Zavala, by Daughter

Dec 28: Thomas Garrity, by Family

Dec 28: (Spec. Int.) Marilyn O'Brien, by Mindy

Dec 28: Vincent & Mary Fundaro, by Frank & Rose Fundaro

Dec 30: Souls in Purgatory, by Mindy

Dec 30: (Spec. Int.) Msgr. Todd Lajiness, by Parishioners for Priests

Dec 31: (Spec. Int.) Fr. John Kopson, by Parishioners for Priests

Jan 01: (Spec. Int.) Fr. Matt Hood, by Parishioners for Priests

Jan 02: (Spec. Int.) Fr. Ray Arwady, by Parishioners for Priests



# Please Pray For Our Sick

Kenny Kwilos Aunt & Cousin of Marilyn O'Brien Sean Armstrong & friend Erin Maddis

#### Rest in Peace



Elizabeth Wolkowicz Aunt of Bob Sadler Jerry Volante Aunt of Linda Collins Mother of Valerie Ciavaglia Son of Alice Skelly Alfonso Iniquez Rita Misiolek Father of Marc Wolney

# Baptísms - December 13, 2020



#### Connor Francis Dye

Son of Stephen & Megan (O'Callaghan) Dye

### DIVINE CHILD WEEKLY LIVE STREAMED EVENTS:

## Mass: Sundays at 10:00am United in Prayer: Thursdays at 7pm

The live stream events can be viewed by visiting the parish website at **DivineChild.org** (click on Live Masses and/or Prayer Service).

**Note: Dispensation from the Sunday** obligation to attend Mass is granted to all the faithful until Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

## THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Weekdays - 6:00am to 7:00pm Saturday - 7:00am to 6:00pm Sunday - 6:00am to 3:00pm

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND NOVENA

**Eucharistic Adoration is on Tuesdays from** 6pm - 7pm followed by Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena at 7pm.

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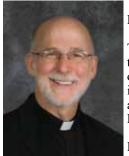
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#### **Rectory Office Remains Closed to Visitors**

The Rectory Office is closed to visitors, until further notice. If you need to contact us, please call the Rectory at 313-277-3110. The phones are being monitored and messages are retrieved and returned as promptly as possible.

In the case of an emergency, such as anointing of the sick or funeral preparations, please call the rectory and select the appropriate prompt. Your message will be given first priority and returned promptly.

# The Big Picture With Fr. Bob



Dear Friends,

Today, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family. Let us take this occasion to journey back by way of our imagination to a time when Jesus, Mary and Joseph were not known as "The Holy

During the years after the birth of Jesus, how would they have been perceived by

their neighbors? How did Jesus, Mary and Joseph interact?

This is a short list of things that probably caused those close to them to take notice. I would imagine even then people tried to imitate the virtues that were so evident in their lives.

- There was joy and laughter in their home.
- Humility and thoughtfulness were clearly present.
- They prayed together as a family.
- They helped each other and even anticipated one another's
- They respected one another in their words and deeds.
- They encouraged one another.
- They were affectionate and loving towards one another.
- They were always thinking of others beyond their immediate household. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph had great compassion for those who were poor: materially, spiritually, emotionally, or physically.
- Jesus never skipped out on doing His chores.
- 10. When there was a misunderstanding or disagreement, they always desired to be reconciled with one another. They did not hold grudges.
- 11. People found in their home a great refuge.
- 12. Many wives said to their husbands, "Why can't you be more like Joseph?"
- 13. Many husbands said to their wives, "Why can't you be more like Mary?"
- 14. Most, if not all, moms and dads said to their sons, "Why can't you be more like Jesus?"

So, there is my list. I am sure each of you could add to the list from your own reflections. What would have struck you had you lived next door to the Holy Family? Although we never had the opportunity to learn by close observation, something even better has been provided for us. We have the privilege of having the Holy Family within our hearts.

Even today when we make a home for Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in our hearts, we find a refuge for ourselves. None of our families are perfect. Each family has its own wounds and sorrows. The following is a simple prayer to help bring healing where it is needed. Let us pray often, "Jesus, please heal our family." It is a beautiful prayer that reflects God's desire for each of our families.

God's Peace and Joy,

May God bless all our families with love, peace, and joy.





Holy Day Mary, Holy Mother of God January 1, 2021

Thursday, December 31 Vigil Mass at 4:30 PM (Mass will be recorded)

Friday, January 1 Masses at 8:30 & 10:00 AM (Incense will not be used at the 10am Mass)

# RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

**DECEMBER 28 - 30** 

Monday - Wednesday We will be answering the phones from 9:00 AM - Noon

**DECEMBER 31 - JANUARY 1** We will be closed for business



# Bird's Eye View with Fr. Pellican



As we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, my heart is filled with gratitude for my own parents and siblings. Those who have visited my family would generally agree that the word 'confusion' accurately describes life in the

Pellican house. But it is a confusion that is full of life, and on good days a somewhat organized confusion. I love it. Mom always told us that family life is one of the best cures for selfishness, and I would have to agree. I'm one of eight kids. In theory that meant I should get my way about one eighth of the time, but when it came to making decisions, like what movie to watch, I was outnumbered by my sisters, seven to one. Let's just say that dad and I have suffered through a lot of chick flicks. As a family we put up with the usual daily annoyances and have gone through our share of challenging times, but at the end of the day I know my family will always be there for me. And that's what families are meant to be: stable, dependable and knit together in love.

In creating humans. God had a beautiful plan for families. From the beginning He created us male and female, complementary and equal, so that men and women would come together to establish families of their own where lasting, self-giving love would flourish, and where new life could be welcomed and nurtured. Unfortunately there are deeply rooted forces in today's culture working to undermine the nuclear family as God designed it. Our culture has lost sight of how good and precious new life is, and so promotes ways for couples to close their union off from new life, or even end it once it has begun. Our culture no longer values the permanence and fidelity so essential to families, and so breaking commitments when difficulties arise has become the norm. This societal amnesia about God's beautiful plan for the family is not surprising, for when a culture takes God out of the picture, there is no longer any reason to respect or remember His plan for the family.

If the root of the crisis of families is forgetting God, then our response to brokenness and hurt within families must be to turn to Him all the more fervently. The truth is every family is dysfunctional to some extent, and so every family must turn to our Lord for strength and healing. This Sunday in particular we turn to the Holy Family, the model for all families, and entrust our families to them. We did that in a particular way at Mass today by praying the *Consecration to the Holy Family*, on page 11 of the bulletin. But this year especially, let us entrust our families and the families close to us to St. Joseph, guardian of the Holy Family. Pope Francis has declared this to be the year of St. Joseph (12/8/20 - 12/8/21). Let us ask for his intercession.

St. Joseph, Pillar of families, Pray for us.

Your brother in Christ, Fr. David





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   Silvery Lane, Dearborn, MI 48128
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- Make a donation online via FaithDirect.net

Thank you for your continued support! We are so grateful for your generosity!

### **Monthly Canned Food Collection**

Please remember that next weekend, January 2 & 3, is set aside for our monthly canned food collection for the truly poor in Detroit's inner city and St. Vincent de Paul at St. Sebastian.



Please leave your donations in the Gathering Space.

Our Current needs: Cereal for kids and adults,
Spaghetti Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Grape & Strawberry
Jelly/Jams, Mac-n-Cheese and Baked Beans. Thank you
ahead of time!

God bless you for your generosity!

# Celebrating the Sacraments



Congratulations Milani Giselle Korte who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism at Divine Child Catholic Church on December 6! Proud Parents are Michael (Class of 2013) & Michelle (Franco) Korte.

God Bless you Milani!



Congratulations Nicholas Joel Pantino who celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, December 12.

God bless you Nicholas!





Congratulations Connor Francis Dye who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism at Divine Child Catholic Church on December 12! Proud Parents are

Keith & Megan (O'Callaghan) Dye (both are from the Class of 2002). Siblings Maisie and Garrett with many loving cousins! Godmother Amanda Simpson (Class of 2002) and Godfather Kevin O'Callaghan (Class of 2003)

**God Bless you Connor!** 

# Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

A few members of our Spanish Prayer Group join Fr. David and Seminarian, Charlie Giroux on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass, on Saturday, December 12.





Some of our Spanish Prayer Group members were very happy to hear Deacon Zaid Chabaan at Mass on Sunday, December 13.





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Please join us for our next ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, January 9 12:00pm

**Divine Child Marian Shrine** 

(outside in front of the high school)

Please join us as we all come together, while keeping socially distant, and pray the Rosary in public to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother. Rain or shine!

If you have questions, please contact Virginia May at 734-748-4442 or Linda Wielkopolan at 313-563-2427.



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#### **Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue**

Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue has been in the parish since the 1970s. If you would like to request a visit from the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, please contact

Laurie Lundblad at
313-320-3127 or Llundbl@aol.com.



#### MY OATH TO YOU.....

When you are sad... I will dry your tears. when you are scared... I will comfort your fears. When you are worried... I will give you hope. When you are confused... I will help you cope. And when you are lost... And can't see the light I shall be your beacon... Shining ever so bright. This is my oath... I pledge till the end. Why you may ask?... Because you're my friend.



Signed: GOD

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# Kids Corner

READ THE GOSPEL & COLOR



Love God and trust him with your life. Then you will want to do what God asks. Simeon listened to God. Anna served God for many years in the temple. Mary and Joseph did everything God asked them to do for Jesus. Everyone in the temple knew that Jesus was sent by God to be their Savior. They trusted God with Jesus' precious life.

#### PRAYER

God, help me to love you enough to do all that you ask me to.

#### MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus belonged to God. Look up the word "belong" in the dictionary. Thank God that you are his child, too.

**DECEMBER 27, 2020** 

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# DC Junior High Advent Service Project

46 Divine Child Junior High Youth from the school and parish Religious Education programs, worked on an Advent Service Blitz Kitz, a service opportunity sponsored by Catholic Youth Trek. They produced 75 tied fleece blankets, 225 homemade Christmas cards with candy canes, and 150 colored door decorations. The blankets will go to Children's Hospital for children receiving medical services. The cards will go to St. Aloysius in Detroit for the outreach program to the homeless. Door decorations will go to a variety of nursing homes to help the residents there; knowing that someone is praying for them. The youth each prayed a decade of the Rosary for the Intentions of the poor. Other organizations that will receive blankets from the participating parishes include St. Christine's for their program with children of incarcerated parents, Covenant House for their work with teens and young adults, and Kids Talk for children who have to undergo medical exams and forensic interviews for suspected abuse. During a time when service opportunities are made more challenging due to the pandemic, we are overjoyed at the generous response from our youth!

What a great way to spend some time during Advent!

















# DC Junior High Advent Service Project

















#### **READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27**

#### **FIRST READING**

Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

A reading from the book of Genesis

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying: "Fear not, Abram! I am your shield; I will make your reward very great."

But Abram said, "O Lord God, what good will your gifts be, if I keep on being childless and have as my heir the steward of my house, Eleizer?" Abram continued, "See you have given me no offspring, and so one of my servants will be my heir." Then the word of the Lord came to him: "No, that one shall not be your heir; your own issue shall be your heir." The Lord took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall be your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the Lord, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness. The Lord took note of Sarah as he had said he would; he did for her as he had promised. Sarah became pregnant and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time that God had stated. Abraham gave the name Isaac to this son of his whom Sarah bore him.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 105:1-6, 8-9

#### R. The Lord remembers his covenant forever.

Give thanks to the Lord, invoke his name; make known among the nations his deeds. Sing to him, sing his praise, proclaim all his wondrous deeds. **K**. Glory in his holy name; rejoice, O hearts that seek the Lord! Look to the Lord in his strength;

constantly seek his face. **IX.**You descendants of Abraham, his servants, sons of Jacob, his chosen ones!
He, the Lord, is our God;

Throughout the earth his judgments prevail. R.

He remembers forever his covenant which he made binding for a thousand generations which he entered into with Abraham and by his oath to Isaac. **R**.

#### SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Brothers and sisters: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age - and Sarah herself sterile - for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the starts in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore. By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke **Glory to you, O Lord.** 

(Include the bracketed text for the long form)

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, [just as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for your people Israel."

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will contradicted - and you yourself a sword will pierce - so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at the very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.]

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

## St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan

and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.



# **FORMED**°

#### PICK OF THE WEEK

December 27, 2020

**ATCH** 

#### FORGIVEN-SESSION 1: WHERE ARE YOU?

As we make resolutions for 2021, don't forget about your spiritual well-beingt Through our Forgiven series, you can help guide friends and family to new spiritual beginnings!





#### FORMED NOW! WHO IS SAINT STEPHEN?

This past week, we celebrated the life of St. Stephen, heroic leader of the early Church. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the first Christian martyr.

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#### MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: LOVE UNVEILED BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

The feast of the Holy Family reminds us to help our own families grow in holiness. With this in mind, join Scott Hahn as he shares his advice on how to bring sanctity into the home.



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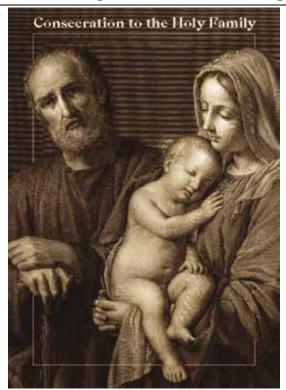
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#### **Praying with the Mass Readings**

Spiritual reading of Sacred Scripture is a form of prayer called **lectio divina.** 

- 1. Begin... Come, Holy Spirit
- Read (lectio): Read the Mass Bible passage. Read it carefully, two or three times. Let it really soak in. Underline a word or sentence that stands out to you.
- 3. Meditation (meditatio). Ponder the words of the passage that stood out to you. Allow yourself to be moved by the Word of God to discover its meaning for your life.
- 4. Prayer (oratio). Speak to God about the passage. Be yourself. Allow time for silence to let God speak back to you. In this prayerful engagement with the Bible passage, you open yourself up to the possibility of contemplation.
- 5. Contemplation (contemplatio): Resting in silence ask, "God, show me the way."

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O Lord Jesus, you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary,
you are the Mother of our Savior.
At Nazareth you cared for Jesus
and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.
We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph,
you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary,
and gave us a model of fatherhood
while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family,
we consecrate ourselves and our family to you.
May we be completely united
in a love that is lasting, faithful
and open to the gift of new life.
Help us to grow in virtue,
to forgive one another from our hearts,
and to live in peace all our days.
Keep us strong in faith, persevering in prayer,
diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need.
May our home, O Holy Family,
truly become a domestic church
where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

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Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain.



# Foley's Forum

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#### **CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY**

Please join the Foley Knights and recite the Consecration to the Holy Family prayer during each Mass this weekend. The Knights traditionally celebrate the Holy Family on the first Sunday after Christmas in conjunction with the feast of the Holy Family. The Consecration to the Holy Family will help strengthen our families and revitalize our parish. Families today face many struggles, through cultural pressure and through personal struggles that accompany family life. Despite these struggles, families have great capacity for love and joy, a joy that is strengthened through the peace and truth found in Christ. The prayer listed on page 11, was composed by Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori to assist families to live this joy of Christ and come together to consecrate themselves under the protection of the Holy Family. At the 2015 World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, Pope Francis shared this message about the importance of families, "Love is shown by little things, by attention to small daily signs which make us feel at home. Faith grows when it is lived and shaped by love. That is why our families, our homes, are true domestic churches. They are the right place for faith to become life, and life to grow in faith."

#### **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS**

The Foley Knights sponsored a Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest. Thank you to all the students that took time to participate in this Faith Program. Drawings on page 13.

# DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS AND SERVE WITH US FOR FREE

Now is a **GREAT TIME to JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**. It has never been easier to become a Knight. Between now and December 31<sup>st</sup>, **Join the Knights of Columbus for FREE** (1st year only), in honor of our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney. In just a few steps you would become a member of the Knights of Columbus through the **e-membership (online membership) process**. Remember to do the following:

- 1. Visit kofc.org/joinus
- 2. Enter 2660 as your preferred Council and Divine Child as your parish
- 3. Enter code MCGIVNEY2020
- 4. Once you join the Knights of Columbus through the online process, we encourage you to become a 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knight and join the Foley Council #2660 that serves Divine Child Parish.

If you are interested in joining this group of fine Catholic gentlemen, please email (gk2660@mikofc.org) or call or text me, Steve Lentz at 313-949-5162 (leave a message) or talk to any Foley Knight!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday and Sunday, December 26 and 27, 2020 – Recite Consecration to the Holy Family during Mass

Saturday and Sunday, January 9 and 10, 2021 – Recite Life Prayer during Mass and Distribute Novena for Life Pamphlets

> Wednesday, January 13, 2021 Membership Meeting – Gathering Space

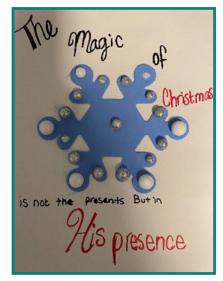


#### Tremendous Value of The Holy Mass

At the hour of death the Holy Masses you have heard devoutly will be your greatest consolation. God forgives you all the venial sins which you are determined to avoid. He forgives you all your unknown sins which you never confessed. The power of Satan over you is diminished. Every Mass will go with you to Judgment and will plead for pardon for you. By every Mass you can diminish the temporal punishment due to your sins, more or less according to your fervor.

By devoutly assisting at Holy Mass you render the greatest homage possible to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord. Through the Holy Sacrifice, Our Lord Jesus Christ supplies for many of your negligence and omissions. By piously hearing Holy Mass you afford the Souls in Purgatory the greatest possible relief. One Holy Mass heard during your life will be of more benefit to you than many heard for you after death.

Through Holy Mass you are preserved from many dangers and misfortunes which would otherwise have befallen you. You shorten your purgatory by every Mass. During the Holy Mass you kneel amid a multitude of holy angels, who are present at the Adorable Sacrifice with reverential awe. Through Holy Mass you are blessed in your temporal goods and affairs. When you hear Holy Mass devoutly, offering it to Almighty God in honor of any particular Saint or Angel, thanking God for the favors bestowed on him, etc., you afford that Saint or Angel a new degree of honor, joy and happiness, and draw his special love and protection on yourself. Every time you assist at Holy Mass, besides other intentions, you should offer it in honor of the Saint of the day.



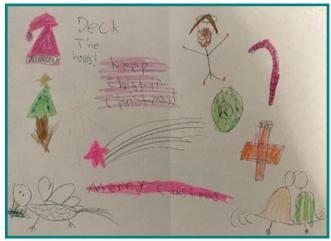


















# EXPLORE THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

The Return to Nazareth LK 2:22-40 or LK 2:22, 39-40

See page 10 for the Gospel reading.

#### Liturgy Link

How many images or statues of the Holy Family are there in your church?

#### Prayer for our Family St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Heavenly Father,

You have given us the model of life in the Holy Family of Nazareth. Help us, O Loving Father, to make our family another Nazareth where love, peace, and joy reign. May it be deeply contemplative, intensely Eucharistic, revived with joy.

Help us to stay together in joy and sorrow in family prayer. Teach us to see Jesus in the members of our families, especially in their distressing disguise. May the Eucharistic heart of Jesus make our hearts humble like his and help us to carry out our family duties in a holy way. May we love one another as God loves each one of us, more and more each day, and forgive each other's faults as you forgive our sins. Help us, O Loving Father, to take whatever you give and give whatever you take with a big smile.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Cause of Our Joy, pray for us.

St. Joseph, pray for us.

Holy Guardian Angels, be always with us, guide and protect us.

Amen.

#### TAKE TIME TO CHAT:

- What do you think Jesus was like as a baby?
- What one thing your family can do to be more like the Holy Family?
- What do you love most about your family?

#### RECIPE OF THE WEEK:

#### Easy Chicken and Dumplings

One 2 ½-pound chicken, cut into 8 pieces

1 large onion, chopped

2 bay leaves

2 chicken bouillon cubes

Salt and pepper to taste

1 can condensed cream of chicken soup

#### Dumplings:

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon salt

½ teaspoon pepper

1 can of flaky layer biscuits



Place the chicken, onion, bay leaves, and bouillon, in a large pot. Add 4 quarts of water, simmer over medium heat. Simmer the chicken until it is tender and no longer pink, about 40 minutes. Remove the chicken from the pot and, when it is cool enough to handle, remove the skin and separate the meat from the bones. Return the chicken meat to the pot. Keep warm over low heat. Add the cream of chicken soup to the pot with the chicken and simmer gently over medium-low heat.

To prepare the dumplings: Mix the flour with the salt and pepper in a shallow bowl or plate. Take each biscuit and tear into three layers. Dip each layer into the flour mixture (both sides). Cut each layer into three pieces using a pizza cutter or knife, or just tear them for a more rustic looking dumpling. Do NOT stir the pot once the dumplings have been added or they will dissolve. Gently push the pieces of dough down into the broth. Gently move the pot in a circular motion so the dumplings become submerged and cook evenly. Cook until the dumplings are no longer doughy, about 10 minutes.

To serve, ladle chicken, gravy, and dumplings into warm bowls.

#### **Meet Our Extended Family:**

St. John the Apostle (Feast Day December 27) D. 6 – 100

The apostle John, along with Peter and James, was one of Jesus' closest friends. These three alone were privileged to be present at the Transfiguration, the raising of the daughter of Jairus, and the agony in Gethsemane. Many scholars believe that the apostle John is the author of the Gospel of John, three New Testament Letters, and the Book of Revelation. The Gospel of John refers to him as "the disciple whom Jesus loved" (see John 13:23; 19:26; 20:2), the one who reclined next to Jesus at the Last Supper, and the one to whom Jesus gave the honor of caring for His mother. John was the only apostle who was with Jesus when he died on the cross.

#### Family Fun! Indoor Activities

Make chocolate chip cookies. Everyone gets a cookie and says one thing they're thankful for, for every chocolate chip they find! Watch "The Nativity Story" as a family.



#### Fun Facts!

The Feast of the Holy Family is held each year on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's Day; If both are Sundays, the feast is celebrated on December 30.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY

"Heavenly Father, protect these members of our Armed Forces. Be their constant companion and their strength in battle, their refuge in every adversity. Guide them, Lord, so that they may return home safely." Amen.

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Please let us know if you have a loved one who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly column. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!



#### **PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED:**

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~ Blessing of St. Francis

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#### Please pray for these young men who is discerning God's call to the religious life.

**James Bird**, a 2016 DCHS graduate, is in formation for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit.

**Joseph Lennon,** a DC Parishioner & 2017 St. Frances Cabrini HS graduate, is in formation for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit.



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

SUN 12/27 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or

Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb

11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

MON 12/28 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

TUE 12/29 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

WED 12/30 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

THR 12/31 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

FRI 1/1 Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

SAT 1/2 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28

SUN 1/3 Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/

Mt 2:1-12

#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020**

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Monday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve

Friday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God; New Year's Day; World Day of Peace

Saturday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,

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Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; National Migration Week





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**Reconciliation Schedule** 

Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM, and after the 4:30 PM Mass

**Parish Registration** 

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Please contact the Rectory Office with updates to your street address, phone or email.

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#### **Devotions**

On Tuesday, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is in the Church from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena - Tuesday at 7:00 PM. The Perpetual Adoration Chapel is temporarily closed.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory Office to request this Sacrament. In emergency situations when the office is closed, the emergency line attendant will take the call.

#### <u>Marriages</u>

Arrangements must be made <u>at least</u> six months in advance and couple must be active, registered members at a Catholic Church. <u>Potential wedding date is not confirmed until couple meets with a Divine Child priest</u>. Officiant at the ceremony will be a priest from Divine Child unless the couple has someone close to them who is a Catholic priest. Music for the liturgy must be coordinated with our Director of Music Ministry, Mr. Matthew Simpson.

#### **Funerals**

Arrangements are made in conjunction with the funeral home. Eulogies must be given at the funeral home or at the funeral luncheon; no eulogies at the funeral Mass, please. *Memorial Masses* are scheduled Monday-Friday only.

#### **Baptisms**

Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a **Baptism class** prior to the Baptism.

The Church requires that at least one of the parents and one of the godparents/sponsors be practicing Catholics; that is, they attend Mass each weekend.

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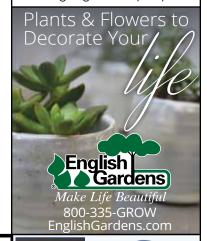
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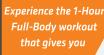
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