

*The child
grew and
became strong,
filled with
wisdom; and
the favor
of God
was upon him.*

Luke 2:40

THE HOLY FAMILY OF
Jesus, Mary & Joseph



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 30

8:30AM Jacob Garcia-Magana, Birthday by Grandma

4:30PM Ernest Moreno, Sr. & Rosendo Carizales

Sunday, December 31

8:00AM MPB Parishioners

10:30AM †Natalio Alvarez by Adela Salazar

12:30PM †Rose Zuniga

7:30PM †Rolando Saenz by Family

Monday, January 1

8:30AM †Julia Abrigo by Evelyn Flores

†Johnathan C. Flores by Robert & Evelyn Flores

Miguel Angel Rodriguez by Family

Powell Families by John Powell

Carlos Ramirez by Rick McCabe

†Fr. John McMahon by Yen Khang Van

6:00PM †Felipe Vasquez by Family

Tuesday, January 2

8:30AM †Msgr. Thomas Hayden by Yen Khang Van

6:00PM For Reparation by Anonymous

Wednesday, January 3

8:30AM Thanksgiving to St. Anthony by Lydia Garcia

6:00PM Sylvia Barrera by Stephanie Story

Thursday, January 4

8:30AM Dr. Christine Rivera, Birthday by Cherrie Gerstner

6:00PM Isabella Rodriguez by Family

Friday, January 5

8:30AM Jill Bomba by Lynn Dornbusch

†Jesus M. Magana by Wife

†Jerry Ermis by Lynn Dornbusch

Blessed Mother by Lydia Garcia

All POWs by John McMahon

†Jesus Rivera by Lydia Garcia

Donald Trump by Evelyn Flores

6:00PM †Esteban (Steve) Trejo by M/M Eppy Gonzalez

Saturday, January 6

8:30AM †Julia Abrigo by Evelyn Flores

4:30PM †Juan & Maria Martinez by Daughter



Religious Education Classes

PKD-5th Grade - St. Maria Goretti Youth Center
Middle & High School - Great Hall

PK3 - 5th Grades 8:45 or 11:45am

6th Grade 8:45am

7 - 8th Grade 1:45pm

9 - 12th Grade 5:00pm

MPB Youth Ministry Staff:

Alexis Martinez - Director of Youth Ministry

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Altar Servers

Altar Servers assist the priest and deacon with the celebration of the Word and the Eucharist at the Mass.

Please consider becoming an altar server if you are a Catholic in good standing, male of 7+ in age and have received Baptism, 1st Communion, and in a sacramental marriage (if married).

Training will be provided. For more information and /or to volunteer, please contact Joseph Hernandez at 361-854-3800.

The Sanctuary Candles are lit in the Church, St. Jude Chapel, and Adoration Chapel. These candles are perpetually lit for two weeks for your special intention in a high place of honor which lets us know that Jesus is physically present in the Eucharist. They can be in memory of a loved one, for a special intention, in thanksgiving, or any intention. The cost is \$15.00.

Week of December 24, 2023 - January 6, 2024

The Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of Bobby Connor by Rosie Connor.

The St. Jude Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in loving memory of Jose T. Gomez by Rosei San Miguel.

The Adoration Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for Special Intentions by Anonymous.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2: 22-40

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100; 1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or Lk 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



*Merry Christmas
and a Blessed New Year
from
Fr. Joseph, Fr. Mathias
and Office Staff
of
Most Precious Blood Church*

**First Friday Adoration
January 5, 2024
St. Jude Chapel
9:00AM**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 8:30am Mass and continue until 5:45pm, ending with Benediction. Confessions at 5:30pm followed by daily Mass at 6pm.



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Prayer of the Immaculate Conception

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, did prepare a worthy dwelling place for Thy Son, we beseech Thee that, as by the foreseen death of Thy Son, Thou did preserve her from all stain, so too Thou would permit us, purified through her intercession, to come unto Thee. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Please Pray For:

Lorenza Meade, Lidia Ducote, Maria Reyna, Janie Martinez, Fernando Pinon, Rudy & Sara, Ramirez Family, Nicole Ramirez, Baby Isaac Garcia and for all those who have asked us to pray for healing and their special needs.

Eucharistic Adoration

"Come to Me all of you who are weary and find life burdensome and I will refresh you..." You are greatly needed! Hours for adoration are available, contact Alice Polansky at 361-737-6360.

Our Parish Activities

Sunday, December 31

8:30AM No RCIA **FC**
8:45 / 11:45AM No CGS **SMG**
8:45AM 6th Grade No CGS **SMG**
1:45PM No MS RE **GH**
5:00PM No HS RE **GH**

Monday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary-Not a Holy Day

Tuesday, January 2

Wednesday, January 3

9:45AM WINE Wednesday **GH**
3:00PM Divine Mercy **SJC**
6:45PM WINE Wednesday **GH**
7:00PM OLGS **C1**

Thursday, January 4

7:00PM Real Men's Group **SMG**
8:00PM AA **C2**

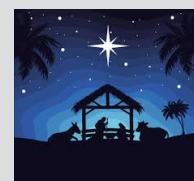
Friday, January 5

9:00AM 1st Friday Adoration **SJC**

Saturday, January 6

Sunday, January 7

8:30AM RCIA **FC**
8:45AM / 11:45AM CGS **SMG**
8:45AM 6th Grade CSG **SMG**
1:45PM MS RE Classes **GH**
5:00PM HS RE Classes **GH**



Legend:

C - Church
C1-C2 - Classrooms in Family Center
FC - Family Center
GH - The Great Hall in Family Center
BR - Brides Room
RG - Rose Garden
Sch - MPB School Building
SJC - Saint Jude Chapel
SMG - St. Maria Goretti

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Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be held on **January 7, 2024** at 3:00pm in the St. Jude Chapel.



Devotion to the Divine Mercy will continue to meet every first Sunday of the month.

2nd Collection

The second collection will be taken up on January 6 & 7, 2024 for the building fund. Thank you for your generosity.

The ARK Christmas Wish List

The ARK is a caring intervention for abused, neglected, and displaced children and youth in a secure environment operated by the Missionary Sisters of Jesus, Mary & Joseph...and they need our help. As a parish community, we have generously assisted The ARK in the past and I believe we can help them again; especially during the Christmas Season. Please see the attached listing for their needs. Feel free to bring the unopened items to the church foyer on any of the following weekends; Dec 26-30, 30/31, Jan 6/7 and/or to the parish office during the weeks of Dec 26-30 & Jan 2-6. For more information on The Ark, please visit their website at: ark4kids.com.

the
31
club

Everyone is welcome to join the **31 Club** to pray for an increase in vocations.

Pick any date of the month, then commit to go to Mass or a Holy hour on that day each month over the following year. Devote that Mass or prayer to an increase in vocations, and for priests and religious already serving the Church.

This is open to everyone, including parishioners who are homebound and wish to offer their sufferings and prayer for that day.

Sign up is available through the Parish Website.

Adult Confirmation

Adults who have NOT been confirmed but have already been baptised and received their first holy communion are invited to participate in our Day of Reflection.

February 17, 2024

9am - 5:30pm

St. Maria Gorretti Youth Center

Those who meet requirements AND attend the day of reflection will be eligible to participate in the Adult Confirmation Mass, Saturday, March 9, at 11am at the Corpus Christi Cathedral.

Registration deadline is February 15, 2024.
Registration link: vbspro.events/p/3f8fce

Each week, a Traveling Vocations Crucifix will be presented to a different Parishioner. The Family / Individual presented with the Crucifix, will pray for an increase in vocations within our diocese and particularly within our Parish. To participate, please visit the Parish Website and sign up.



CHRISTMAS 2023

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

On that first Christmas, the angels praised God, saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to men of good will." The shepherds and the Magi came and adored the newborn Savior. St. Luke tells us, "And Mary treasured all of these things and reflected on them in her heart."

I firmly believe that we, too, should pause and treasure the gift of Christmas in our hearts. And that gift is simply Jesus Christ, true God who became true man, who came to perfectly reveal God's truth love to us, who died and rose for our salvation, and who founded a Church – a family – where His presence continues in both Word and Sacrament. Treasure and reflect on the gift of Jesus and the gift you share in Him as a member of the Catholic Church.

Moreover, we must not let Christmas just be a passing day. We are still celebrating Christmas. The season of Christmas ends with the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord (Jan. 8). Therefore, it is very much appropriate to wish each other a 'Merry Christmas' for the next few days.

Live in the spirit of Christmas each day. Reflect upon how to better treasure this gift each day by making prayer a critical part of your day, by continuing to read Sacred Scripture and the teachings of our Church, by having a stronger devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the Mass, by regularly making a self-examination of conscience, going to Confession, and doing good works for those entrusted to our care and for those in need. May such reflection of the gift of Christmas, move us by God's grace to an even more intimate relationship with our Lord this year. May our souls be like the stable in Bethlehem where Christ first made His dwelling among us.

Lastly, as your pastor, I treasure the gift of you and the dedication, sacrifices, and hard work you have shown to make this parish a beacon of Christ's love. In particular, I thank those who serve in the ministries and organizations.

On behalf of Father Mathias, our faithful deacons, and the entire staff at Most Precious Parish, I wish each of you a merry & joyous Christmas and blessed New Year! Please be assured my prayers for you and your intentions and a remembrance at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. May the peace, joy, and love of the Holy Family be present in your lives each day of the New Year.


With every best wish, I remain at your service,
Rev. Fr. Joseph López, JCL
Pastor

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SPOONS -DISPOSABLE	WINDEX
LINEN / BATH	
COMFORTERS	TODDLER AND TWIN SIZE
SHEETS	CRIB FITTED SHEETS
	BASSINET FITTED SHEETS
	TODDLER FITTED SHEETS
	TWIN SIZE WHITE ONLY FITTED AND FLAT SHEETS
WHITE ONLY	TOWELS - ALL SIZES
Kitchen needs	
1 - commercial food chopper	1 - commercial can opener
4 - commercial microwave	24 - dinner forks
1 - commercial air fryer with doors	24 - dinner spoons
20 - Dinner chairs Weight Capacity: 300 lbs	VARIOUS cooking utensils not metal



CHILDREN'S NEEDS	
DIAPER BAGS	CHILDREN APPAREL
DUFFLE BAGS - MEDIUM	TODDLER SIZE - WALKING SHOES- HIGH TOP WITH LACES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS SIZE 2-6 ALSO IN WIDE
KIDS' SUITCASES	KIDS SIZE - TENNIS SHOES 6 - 10 AND ALSO IN HALF-SIZES AND WIDE
SMALL TOILETRIES BAGS	KIDS SIZE - CASUAL/DRESS SHOES 6 - 10 AND ALSO IN HALF-SIZES AND IN WIDE
3 - 1 -NO TEARS SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER, DETANGLER	CLOTHING
HAIR PRODUCTS, GEL, DETANGLER, LEAVE IN CONDITIONER	BLUE JEANS PANTS/ SHORTS, SHORTS, TOP, PAJAMAS SETS
TEXTURED / CURLY HAIR CARE PRODUCTS	SIZE NEWBORN
ALL TYPES BRUSHES AND COMBS	SIZE 0 - 3 MONTHS
HEAD LICE COMBS	SIZE 3 - 6 MONTHS
WIDE COMB MOUTH PICKS	SIZE 6 - 9 MONTHS
NUK LEARNING 5 OZ SIPPY CUPS	SIZE 9 - 12 MONTHS
MUNCKINS SPOUTLESS 10 OZ SIPPY CUP	SIZE 12 MONTHS
DISPOSABLE BIBS	SIZE 18 MONTHS
TODDLER SPOONS	SIZE 24 MONTHS
MITTS - NO SCRATCH FOR INFANTS	SIZE 2T
BEANIE WITH SNAPS	SIZE 3T
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