

*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

Dear Parish Family,

Happy New Year to you and yours. I hope that you are enjoying the days of Christmas and all the celebrations of the season. Last Sunday, in the spirit of gift giving, each parish family was presented with a book entitled "Beautiful Eucharist." I hope that you will read the book and allow it to touch your heart. On the very first page you will find a quote by Matthew Kelly. He states, "encountering Jesus in the Eucharist should be like touching heaven, and that should change the way we live here on earth."

Continuing last year's emphasis on our understanding of the Eucharist, and the importance of Sunday Mass, both Father Joe and I wish that this simple gift directs you to appreciate the awesome gift of the Eucharist. Although we will celebrate Mass at a particular time in the new year of 2024, at Mass we are taken out of time into the eternal "yes" of the Lord.

Time itself is God's gift to us. It is only right and just that we make and take time to encounter Him each Sunday at Mass. The honest prayer of St. John the XXIII states the truth that we are not our own idea but God's and worshipping God in and through Christ brings true order to all our days.

Blessed and Happy New Year, Fr. Philip

"O God, who am I? Where do I come from? Where am I going? I am nothing. Everything I possess, my being, life, understanding, will and memory all were given me by you—so all belong to you. I am nothing without you and through you I am all that I am. I can do nothing without you. Indeed, if at every moment you did not support me I should slip back whence I came, into nothingness. *Amen.*" — Pope St. John XXIII



Prayers of the congregation are requested for the repose of the soul of: **Alice McCarthy.**

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them.

**First Friday Adoration
January 5, 2024**

**Mass 9:00 AM; Adoration 10AM-5PM;
Benediction 5:00 PM**

**Two guardians are needed each hour
between 10:00AM-5:00PM. Please call the Parish
Office to sign-up.**

+ Intentions for the Week +

Monday, January 1, The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

11:00 Hugh McLaughlin

Tuesday, January 2, Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors

8:00 Stella Gajda, John Gajda & Jerry Cycndzas

Wednesday, January 3, Christmas Weekday

9:00 Robert Maruster

Thursday, January 4, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

8:00 Protection of Human Life

Friday, January 5, Saint John Neumann, Bishop

9:00 Steve Marinik

Saturday, January 6, Christmas Weekday

8:00 John, Charlotte, Teddy & Timmy Heintz

4:00 Maroon, Jalylatie and Joseph Family

Sunday, January 7, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 For the Parish

9:45 Lois A. Enckler

11:30 John Soxie



The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, will be celebrated on Monday, January 1, 2024; however, the obligation is lifted this year. Mass will be at 11:00AM.

Please pray for: Rose Ann Gelatka; Pam Foster; Eileen Jamieson; Mandi Petonic; Mercedes Aemilia Scullion & her Da; Bernadette Andrews; Martin Morisky; Mary Temesvari; Roberta Werner; James Faddoul; Joe Benedetto; Herbert Hastings; Lynda Arth; The Bartko Family; Joel Tomkalski; Vicki Gannon; Lydia Caroline Milligan; Jose Quienones; Ellen Burch; Barbara Waitkus; Michael Knurek; Rob Geszler; Betty Logue; Evan; Janice Thomas; Susan Lewis; Charlotte Castleberry; Mary Burich; Michael Coyne; McKayla Coyne; Tom Seltel; John Keys; Mary Mertus; Bob Becker; Joan Riccardi; Peter Weiss; Dan Perillo; Leslie Ann Kosenta; Mark Barringer; Martha Hoover; Jillian Weiss; Greg Harrison; Carol Brown; Edward Presley.

Christ Present in Action Committee (CPA) Sandwich Making We start our activity at 1:15PM in Dempsey Hall. Feel. ***Our next sandwich making day is January 10th.***

Due to an early holiday bulletin deadline, the collection amounts for Sunday, December 17th, 24th & 31st will be in an upcoming bulletin.

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Feast of the Epiphany Sunday, January 7, 2024



On behalf of Fr. Phil, we would like to extend a special invitation to all families to join us on Sunday, **January 7th** at the **9:45am** Mass as we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. At this Mass, Fr. Phil will welcome the children around the altar as he shares a special book and homily. There will be refreshments in the community room following Mass, continuing the celebration of Christmas.

Christmas Flowers

In Memory Of:

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Names as of 12/20/23

New Years Day Parish Office Hours

Monday, January 1st: Closed

Tuesday, January 2nd: Closed

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One Wednesday a month, from Noon until 1:30 PM, all those who are “**YOUNG AT HEART**” and **over 50 (!)** are invited to attend a gathering in the Community Room. The purpose is to join with other parishioners, meet some new friends, enjoy lunch together, a short presentation of various kinds, and a time to chat together!

Given limited spacing, reservations are necessary. Our maximum capacity is 30 – this number includes couples and individuals.

Join us for Young At Heart (YAH) on Wednesday, January 17th starting with lunch at Noon.

Topic: Kairos and Chronos Time

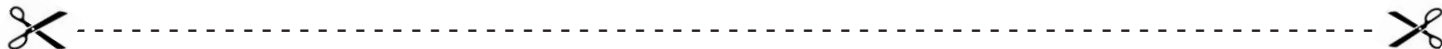
Kairos is the “right time to do God’s Work.”

My past and present moments.

Chronos measures “seasons, years.”

What do I have left to offer to God?

Presenter: Rev. Daniel Schlegel, Pastor of St. Raphael Parish



Please submit your registration with the lunch fee to the PARISH OFFICE.

Do not use the Collection Baskets at Church.

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	Saturday, February 3	7:15 AM to 7:30 PM
	Sunday, February 4	8:15 AM to 7:30 PM
	Monday, February 5	6:15 PM to 9:00 PM

Please know that what you will gain from attending the Light of the World Parish Retreat will far outweigh your investment in time and commitment.

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