

Saint John Catholic Church

Iglesia Católica San Juan

December 29 2019 –The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
 29 de diciembre de 2019 La Sagrada Familia de Jesus, Maria y Jose



THE HOLY FAMILY

“Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel,
 for those who sought the child’s life are dead.” - Mt 2:20

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday5:30 p.m.
 Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.
 Daily Masses: ..Thursday 8:30 a.m.
 ..Wednesday and Friday 12 noon
 CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

HORARIO LITURGICO

Domingo.....12:15 p.m (Español)
 Misa Diaria: ...Jueves 8:30 a.m (Ingles)
 ..Miércoles y Viernes 12:00 del medio día
 CONFESIONES (Sábado)..... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
 VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
 Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish Calendar

SATURDAY DECEMBER 28, 2019

4:30 PM Reconciliation
5:30 PM Mass soul Madeline Flournoy

SUNDAY DECEMBER 29, 2019

9:00 AM Mass soul of Andrea Henna Young
10:00 AM Rosary
12:15 PM Misa

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 1, 2020 10:00 AM MASS HOLIDAY OF OBLIGATION

NO MASS THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

SATURDAY JANUARY 4, 2020

4:30 PM Reconciliation
5:30 PM Mass souls Phyllis and Anthony Alessandre

SUNDAY JANUARY 5, 2020

9:00 AM Mass soul of Roger Wulf
10:00 AM Rosary
12:15 PM Misa Irma Zevallos Solano

ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON

When Herod had died, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." He rose, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. - Mt 2:19-21

Readings for the week of December 29, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

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

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

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

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

Friday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6 [3cd]/Jn
1:29-34

Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [3cd]/Jn 1:35-42

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1

11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS

ORACIONES: Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, John Kolakowski, Ron Price, Jr., Red & Nancy Goodman, Richard Painter, Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillian Arthur, Mary Helen Sohaski, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Dan Mages, Martha Livingston, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina Gerhardt, Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, Jeff Konschak, Virginia Saunders, Gerry Biartel, Fred Brown, Ewing Family, Jones Family, Evelyn Clatterback, Dick Wassel, Bobby & Christie Osterloh, Nathaniel Young, Hallet and Frances Harrison, Maria Teresa Casas, John Smith and Rudy Calo'oy Jr.

The item being collected for **FISH** for **DECEMBER**
RICE A RONI

En el mes de **DICIEMBRE** necesitamos
Arroz instantáneo

St. Peter Clothes Closet is now accepting clean, gently used clothes, blankets, jackets and backpacks. Also they are accepting can goods for their pantry. There is a box marked St Peter in the commons area.

If someone you know is sick, hospitalized or home bound and would like our Eucharistic Minister or a priest to visit, please call the office. **Unless you call we have no way of knowing.** If you need a priest for someone who is dying or gravely ill, call our emergency number **804-402-1221.**

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Merry Christmas!!!

We are so glad you decided to join us as we celebrate the birth of the Savior of the World!

No other event in history so changed the destiny of humanity as did the birth of God as a man, Jesus Christ. He is greatest gift humanity has ever received!

Today I specifically want to offer a word of welcome to any guests who may be new to our parish or who may have been away from the parish and are joining us today. Welcome!

Please know that you are welcome here each week as we offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no other weekly practice that can stimulate the spiritual life of an individual as much as regular and worthy participation in the Mass every week. If you are a parent, there is nothing better you can do for your children than bringing them to Mass so they can receive the graces God wants to give them at Mass. If you are married, there is nothing you can do to help strengthen your marriage than participating in the Mass as a couple each week. If you are single, there is nowhere you will receive direction from God as to what He wants for your life than at Mass. And if you are older, there is nothing better you can do to prepare your heart and soul to meet God than regularly participating in Mass.

Additionally, we are happy to help you with any other spiritual need you may have as you seek to make God a more significant part of your life.

Has it been a while since you have been to confession? Catholics are supposed to receive the Sacrament of Confession (reconciliation) at least once per year. Well we can help you with that. Especially if you have been away for a while, it is a 100% guarantee you will feel great if you can muster up the courage to go to confession. Confession times are listed in this bulletin.

Do you have a marriage that is not recognized by the Church? Catholics must be married in the Catholic Church in order to be able to receive Holy Communion. If you have a marriage that is not recognized by the Church and would like to see how your situation might be rectified, all you need to do is email one of the priests (our email is in this bulletin) and we will walk with you through the process.

Do you have kids or grandkids who are not yet baptized? We can help with that. Depriving a child of baptism is depriving them of all the graces that comes with being an adopted child of God. There is possibly no other gift you can give your child that will help them in life as much as baptism. Just email the office for more information.

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? The Catholic Church is the Church founded by Christ when He said "You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church." St Peter was our first Pope and the lineage of the Catholic Church goes directly to the Apostles and to Christ. All the treasures of God's gifts and graces are to be found in the Catholic Church. We have free classes where you can learn about the Catholic faith. Just email us to get dates and times. Whatever your spiritual need, we can help. Christ found the Catholic Church as His body on earth. You can touch Christ through participation in the Catholic faith. Please let us know how we can help you. We are here for you.

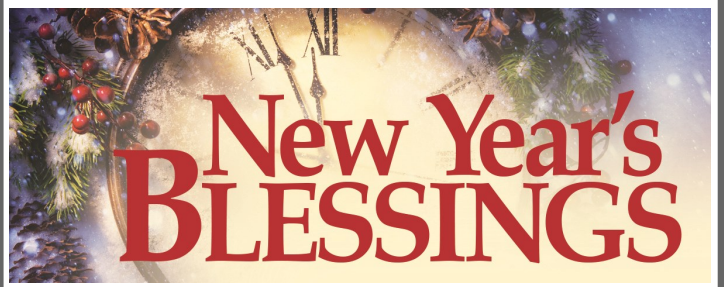
Blessed Christmas!!!

Fr Rossi

Condolences

St Johns family extends deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Pat Hinton on the loss of her sister Mary Jane Messich who died this past week. Please keep Pat in your prayers.

SJP winners for December are Mary Miskimon, Shirley Griffey, Barbara Bailey, David Atkinson Jr. Kristen Brizendine, John Crews, Edward Gillikin, Sr. and Lowell Chapman. The next drawing is January 16.



Wishing all of you and yours a happy, blessed and peaceful 2020 from all of us.
HAPPY NEWYEAR

THANK YOU NOTE

To all who make our parish great, THANK YOU!!!! I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and very happy and blessed New Year!

Especially I want to say a word of thanks to the so many people who make our parish great by their hard work and the sacrifices they make. There are so many people to thank: lectors, extraordinary ministers, servers, cantors, sacristans, musicians, fundraisers, financial contributors, social ministers, volunteers who help serve the poor and homeless, those who fight to defend life, catechists, ushers, and so many others. I know I am forgetting many. Also, a very very big thank you to the wonderful staff who work so tirelessly for our parishes. For the work of our priests, our deacon and all our staff who come to work and serve - these parishes run because of your great efforts and the gift of your talent. Your work often goes unnoticed, but God does see and is very pleased with your gifts! Thank you! 2020 is going to be a great year for the Kingdom of God!!! See you then!

Fr Rossi

THE 2020 BOXED SETS OF ENVELOPES ARE ON THE COUNTER AT ST. JOHN'S IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. IF YOU DO NOT FIND A BOX WITH YOUR NAME OR YOUR ADDRESS HAS CHANGED PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE, WE WILL BE HAPPY TO SEND YOU A SET AND UPDATE OUR RECORDS.

PLEASE NOTE: Any giving to the church that you wish to be on your 2019 tax report must be received in the office no later than Sunday December 29th. Thank you.

Adult Faith Formation

So much of what we do in life is of passing importance. The only thing that is of eternal consequence is our relationship with God. This relationship is expressed in our lives and relationships with our families, our church and our community. How do we relate? How do we live our lives? How we relate is directly influenced by our relationship with God. To develop that relationship we need to first know God and how he has chosen to relate to us in his church and his sacraments. We have a wonderful opportunity to grow in that relationship by participating in the adult education series being offered at St. John in the conference rooms on Sundays at 10:15 right after the 9:00 mass. Following is the next four scheduled sessions. Please gift yourself an advent, and a new year's gift by attending. If you would like to attend just on specific topics you are more than welcome to attend only those. The next are:

January 12	The Sacraments and the Paschal Mystery
January 26	The Sacraments of Initiation
February 2	The Eucharist