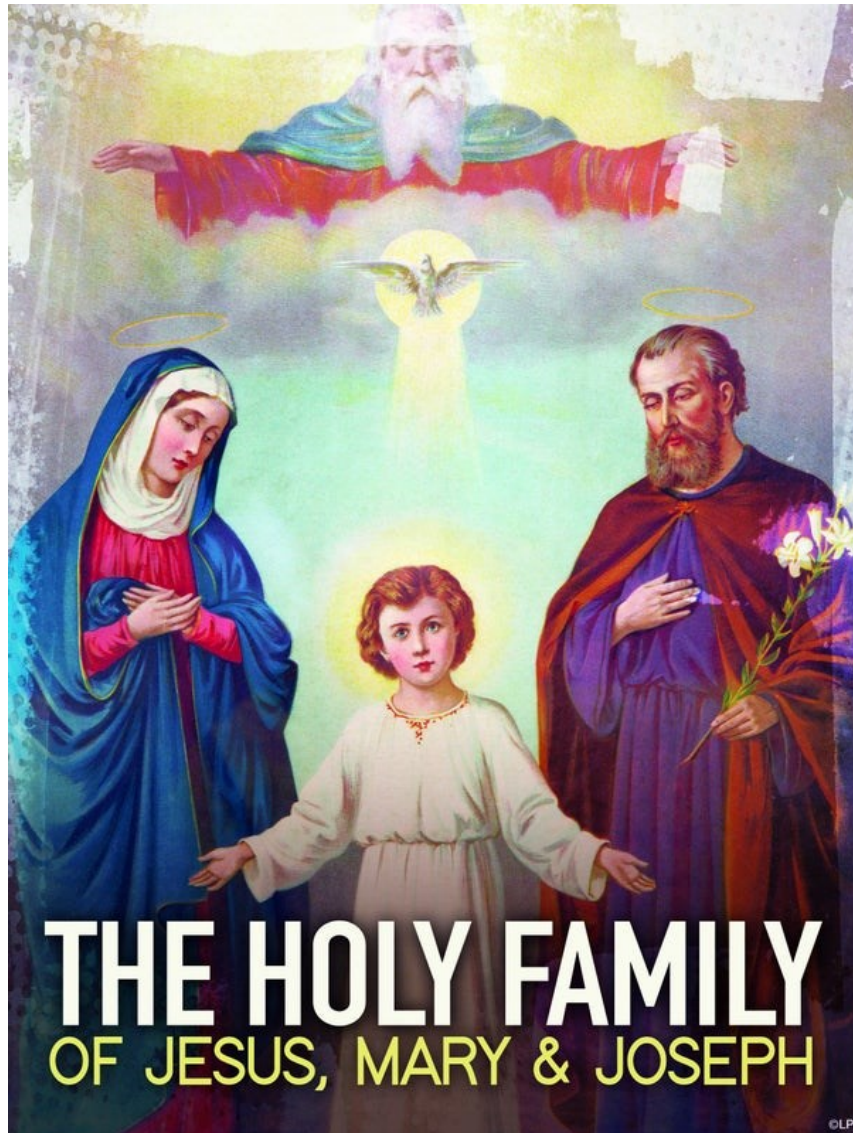


# Saint John Catholic Church

## Iglesia Católica San Juan

December 26, 2021—Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
1929 de diciembre de 2021 — La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José.



### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday .....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Daily Masses: ..Wednesday ..... 12:00 p.m.  
                    .. Thursday ..... 8:30 a.m.  
CONFESSIONS (Saturday)..... 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

### HORARIO LITURGICO

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

### HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.  
VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio día

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Thursday: 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. — 12 NOON

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## St John Parish Calendar

**SATURDAY**  
9:00 AM

**CHRISTMAS DAY**  
Mass English

**NO 5:30 PM MASS**

**SUNDAY**  
9:00 AM  
12:30 PM

**December 26, 2021**  
Mass soul of Bill Draper

**NO WEEKLY MASSES**

**SATURDAY**  
5:30 PM

**JANUARY 1, 2022 NEW YEARS DAY**  
Mass all parishioners John, St. Patrick & St Peter

**SUNDAY**  
9:00 AM  
12:30PM

**JANUARY 2, 2022**  
Mass soul Andrea Hanna Young  
Misa Irma Zevallos Solano

**ST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT NOON**

## Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

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

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

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

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

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

## DONATION REQUEST FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER FOR FISH IS

**ADULT SOCKS**

**DONACIONES PARA FISH ESTE MES DICIEMBRE**

**MEDIAS PARA ADULTOS**

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUERDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Helen Rice, John & Jolene White, Junie Kirby, Maxine Di-Marino, Wayne Ewing, Jeff Konschack, Mary Higgins, Elena Chavez. John & Peggy Smith, Stanhope Flournoy, Betty Yingst, Paul Greene, Virginia Johnson, Frank Haselton, Leonora Gray, Leslie Gray, Ann Gillikin, Melissa Harrington, Chris Jones, Carl Saunders, Hallett Harrison, Joseph Di Marino, Mike Elrod, Theresa & Johnny Mosely.

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 of gravely ill, call our emergency number 804-402-1221.

## ATTENTION PLEASE

Any DONATION you wish listed on your 2021 taxes **MUST** be received by December 26, 2021

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

December 11 & 12, 2021

**Weekly**

Actual  
Budget

\$7,978.00  
\$4,135.00  
\$3,843.00

**Year to date**

Actual 113,487.76  
Budget 99,240.00  
\$14,247.76

This information was not available at time of printing

## MASS ATTENDANCE

5:30

9:00

12:30

All Totals include weekly collection and e-giving

**Fully Vaccinated**  
**NO MASK**  
**Unvaccinated**  
**MUST WEAR MASK**



## Christmas Message from the Administrator.

Mary and Joseph prepared to receive the child Jesus on the eve of Christmas at Bethlehem (Lk. 2:1-6), despite the challenges they went through, and when the baby arrived, they laid him on the hay in the manger among animals (Lk. 2:7). This is seen clearly in St. Francis of Assisi's tradition of erecting a Christmas crèche, pointing to the nativity scene. That explains why manger sets are now common place at Christmas time in our family homes.

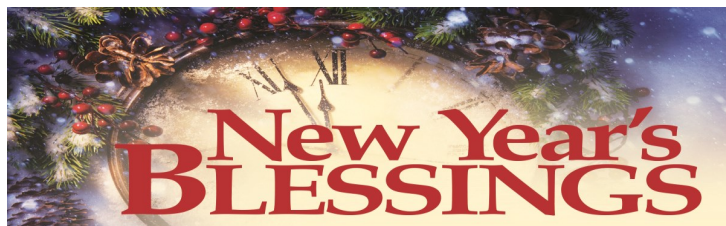
Then the angels appeared to the shepherds who were **"keeping watch over their flock by night"** (Lk. 2:8), and gave them the good news of the savior's birth at Bethlehem (David's city, Lk. 2:10 ff), and immediately they went to see rejoicing. It is therefore in order that the church celebrates **"midnight mass"** to showcase its joy, which coincides with that of the shepherds, revealing that heaven has touched down to earth in Christ, since he has come to us and continuously comes to us when we receive him in the Eucharistic liturgy always. Again, on Seeing the Holy Family with the baby in the manger (cf. Lk. 2:16), the shepherds recalled what they have been told by the angel, as they glorified and praised God.

Such is the Scenario of the celebration of the church each year for Christmas eve, Christmas day and the Feast of the Holy Family, as we celebrate them consecutively, and especially for this year, from Friday (24<sup>th</sup> Dec) to Sunday (26<sup>th</sup> Dec.).

In the midst of the celebration of these festivities, let's not forget the true meaning, understanding deeply and enjoying every bit of it with joy, as we attend the Eucharistic liturgy of every celebration with its unique readings, so as to receive abundant blessings in our homes and in our families from the infant Jesus our deliverer, who has come to ransom us from our guilt. Merry Christmas.

Afehyia pa (afi-shi-a pa in Ghanaian Language.)

Fr. Maxwell.



**From all of us, to all of you we wish you good health and peace in 2022.**

**Happy New Year.**

**THANK YOU** for the great Christmas concert by our music minister Katie Goodloe and the entire St. John choir. If you did not attend you missed a great performance. Thank you

## CONDOLENCES

St John Family offers deepest sympathy to the family and friends of our parishioner Steve Stanley on the loss of his mother, Edna, a life long parishioner who died this past week. Please keep the family in your prayers.

## THE 2022 BOXED SETS OF ENVELOPES ARE ON

THE COUNTER 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.

**SJP WINNERS** for December are Trudy West, Don Young, Mary Kay Outland, Marie Laverdure, Neil French, Sr. Cynthia Stanley, Charlotte Outland, and Mr. & Mrs. Robert Johnson. The next drawing is January 20.

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