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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH  
DECEMBER 27, 2020



*Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;  
let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.*

(Col. 3:15A, 16A)

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH  
DECEMBER 27, 2020**

**SATURDAY**

8:30 **NO DAILY MASS**

4:00 Larry & Judy Masterson, George Rodecker,  
Michael Heffernan

5:30 Elmore V. & Dorothy T. Schueler, Kevin Feeney,  
Steven Politza, Bernadette Gauque

**SUNDAY – December 27**

7:30 Salvatore Mancuso, Nancy Perry

9:00 Michael Frisbee, For the Intentions of Mary O'Brien

10:30 Edward Johnson (*5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*), Michele Phillips,  
Sharon McCourt, Ann McBurney, Fr. Jeffrey Maurer

12:00 Joseph Nasuta, Ray Selvidio, Ken Selvidio

**MONDAY**

8:30 Bertha Spear (20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) and John Spear

**TUESDAY**

8:30 Margaret and Mary Kate Latimer, James Lynch,  
Stephen Martirano

**WEDNESDAY**

8:30 William Rauschenbach

**THURSDAY**

8:30 Mary O'Connell and Thomas McDermott,  
Veronica H. Morrow, Bernadette Clark

5:00 -

**FRIDAY – THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

8:30 Cassidy A. Flood, Robert P. Salerno

12:00 Angiolina Giordani (13)

**SATURDAY**

8:30 People of the Parish

4:00 Fr. John J. Keaveney (11), Angelina & Arthur Saladino

5:30 Antonia Sanginiti (21)

**SUNDAY – January 3**

7:30 Silvana & Lisa Spisany, Angelina & Thomas Spisany,  
Catherine & Richard Bisignano,  
Margaret Valzania & Anthony Nastro, Julian Bonelli

9:00 Michael Frisbee, Mary and Joan Kennedy

10:30 Doris Giuffra, Michael L. Strolla,  
Nancy & Michael Tatta, Gerard Strommer,  
Danny Strommer and Brian Strommer II

12:00 St. Mary's Society

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Due to the early deadline of the next few bulletins, if you could do us a favor and kindly call the office to confirm any announced Masses that were requested this month we would greatly appreciate it.

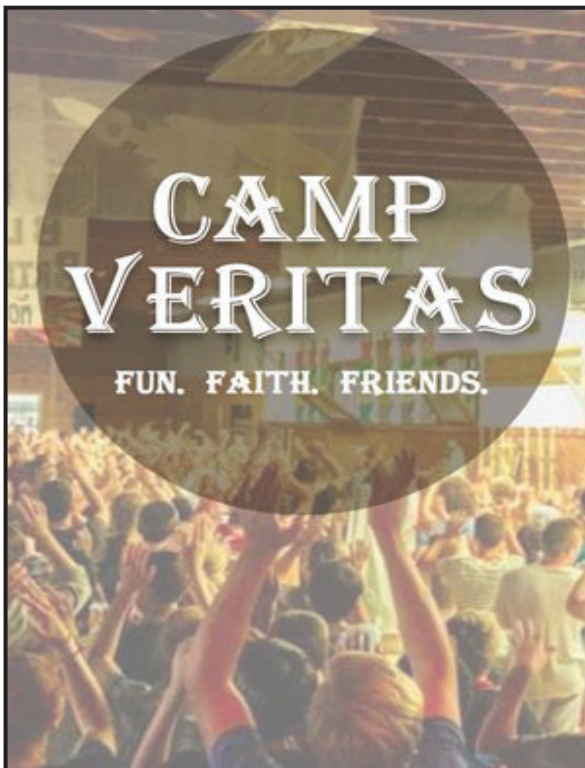
Thank you!

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9am-4pm, Fridays 9am-12pm and Sundays by appointments only.



**Early registration opens on January 1st!**

#### **2021 CAMP DATES:**

- **Ireland:** 6/28-7/3
- **MSMC, Newburgh, NY:** 7/18-7/24 (optional basketball and dance programs available)
- **Summit Lake, Emmitsburg, MD:** 7/25-7/31
- **Lake Placid, FL:** 8/1-8/6
- **Camp Lakota, Wurtsboro, NY:** 8/15-8/21

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Questions? Contact Jen at  
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With the New Year, Little Lambs is taking registration for 3s and 4s for the remainder of this year and for holding a spot for the school year 2021-22.

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**Wanna be “in the know” & the first one to find out what’s going on??**

Sign up for our Flocknotes and receive a text or email when we have an announcement to share. Call the office to get in the loop or visit:

**[stmarywash.flocknote.com](http://stmarywash.flocknote.com)**



*Interesting Nativity Scene Fact!*

St. Francis of Assisi popularized the Nativity Scene on Christmas Eve in 1223 at the monastery in Greccio when he had a special celebration featuring a living Nativity.

The Nativity Scene originally adorned churches only during Christmas until the 17<sup>th</sup> century when prominent citizens had personal ones created for their homes.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ◆ For the foreseeable future, St. Mary's Church will be eliminating the 6:00pm Sunday Mass. Mass intentions purchased previously for these Masses will be moved to other Masses on that same day. If you wish to discuss the scheduling of your paid intentions, please call the office.
- ◆ Little Lambs is selling the Ultimate Discount Cards this year, \$12 per card. They can be purchased at Little Lambs' Preschool (2 Father Tierney Circle). Please call before coming over, so we can arrange when and how you can purchase the cards. 496-7221

### **The Kids' Bulletin**

*Holy Family Sunday: December 27, 2020*

*Mary the Mother of God: January 1, 2021*



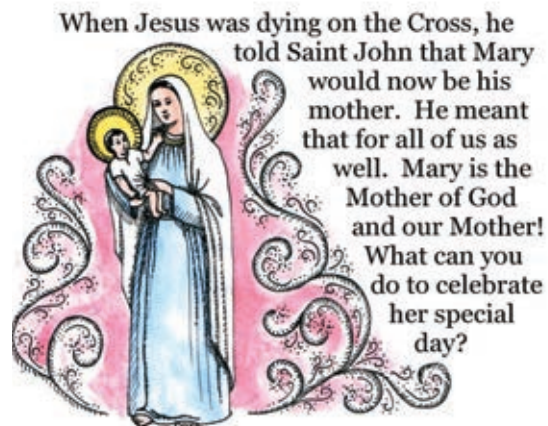
*The first day of the year is dedicated to the greatest saint in Heaven. Do you know who it is? Use the code to colour the picture and find out!*

^ BLUE      ' BROWN      ° YELLOW  
° PINK      \* WHITE      • SKIN COLOUR

### *Mary the Mother of God* January 1

On the first day of the year we celebrate the feast day of Mary, the Mother of God.

If you didn't have a mother and God let you design your own mother, what would she be like? Well, God did get to make His own Mother! Can you even imagine how perfect she was?



When Jesus was dying on the Cross, he told Saint John that Mary would now be his mother. He meant that for all of us as well. Mary is the Mother of God and our Mother! What can you do to celebrate her special day?

2021

### **MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD** (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION—LIKE A SUNDAY)

- ◆ THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020 (NEW YEARS EVE)  
5:00PM VIGIL MASS
- ◆ FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021 (NEW YEARS DAY)  
8:30AM  
12:00PM

MASS WILL BE LIVESTREAMED. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE, FACEBOOK PAGE, OR YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

Dear Friends,


It is hard to believe that Christmas Season is already here. These past weeks of Advent brought us closer to the Lord through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, Adoration, and the sacrament of Penance. May you and I continue to receive the Graces necessary to nurture the soul. While always essential to the spiritual life, God's loving and healing Grace is truly needed during these challenging times.

The corona virus and its consequences have put us all to the test. Early lockdowns, shortages at the market, economic uncertainty, social distance, face masks, virtual education and limited church capacity are just a few of the many obstacles confronting us today. Despite these contemporary hurdles, people everywhere are trying their best to live, learn, work and worship in a positive and safe manner. Saint Mary's Parish is a wonderful example of how it all works.

Over the past few months, it has been a privilege to serve you as the temporary administrator. Thank you for attending mass outside, inside and online. Your willingness to follow safety guidelines and protocols permits us to celebrate the Lord in a solemn and safe way. Allow me to express gratitude to the priests, deacons, sister, staff and lay ministers who do everything possible to make Saint Mary's parish a spiritual home for our community of faith. I am equally grateful to each and every one of you for your persevering faith, continued generosity, love for neighbor and readiness to share the good news. The enthusiastic response to the Giving Tree, assistance at Masses by our Knights and the work of the food pantry are just three examples of how you witness the power of God's love during this Holy time of year. Gratitude to all.

As we all pray for Father Jeff and his continued recovery, please be assured of my prayers for you and your families. On behalf of everyone here at Saint Mary's, a Happy and Healthy Christmas to all!

In Christ, Fr. John

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