



**Saturday December 29**  
5:30 pm Rose Onorati and Charles Kenworthy

**Sunday December 30** *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*  
7:30 am Elaine Scott  
9:30 am James Lowe and Joseph Mancuso  
11:30 am Kenneth Henderson and Our Parishioners

**Monday December 31**  
6:45 am Rev. Patrick Burns

**Tuesday January 1** *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God*  
11:00 am Robert Halm and Our Parishioners

**Wednesday January 2** *Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church*  
6:45 am Joseph Patrick McLaughlin and Fr. Basil Lobby

**Thursday January 3**  
6:45 am Piotr Nowak

**Friday January 4** *St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*  
6:45 am Nicholas and Margaret Lewkow

**Saturday January 5** *St John Neumann, Bishop*  
8:00 am Rev. William Jabusch  
5:30 pm Shaun McMenamy and Carlos Ribeiro

**Sunday January 6** *Epiphany of the Lord*  
7:30 am Elizabeth Henderson and Our Parishioners  
9:30 am Rose Onorati and Ann Williams  
11:30 am Kevin Cunniff

*Happy New Year 2019*  
*May the coming year be one of increased riches of grace:*  
*hearing His voice more clearly,*  
*knowing His heart more deeply,*  
*resting in His love more fully,*  
*trusting His care more completely,*  
*walking His pathway more peacefully,*  
*knowing His presence more intimately,*  
*blessed by His goodness more abundantly.*  
*by Roy Lessin*

**Scripture Readings**  
**January 6, 2019 The Epiphany of the Lord**

**First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6**  
Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6**  
Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.

**Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12**  
Astrologers from the east came looking for the newborn king of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell him where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

**Tuesday, January 1 is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.**  
**There will be one Mass only at 11:00 am.**

**JANUARY 5/6 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

5:30 pm	Fr. Jared Brogan
7:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski
9:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski
11:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Rob Leavy, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Frank Zabriskie, Yvonne Querrard, Rachel Agzigian, Lorraine Deleski, Terry Chavelez and Tracy Tovo.

**NEXT WEEKEND:**

**There will be a second collection for the Diocesan Assessment.**

**The Knights of Columbus Councils 514 and 3359 will be selling Roses for Life after Mass**

**Blessing of the homes on the Epiphany, January 6**

Some communities have the custom of blessing homes with recalling the visit of the Magi. The household gathers at the manger scene to read Matthew 2:1-12. The light of the star guided the Three Kings on their journey. We too, must be lights for each other.

**House blessing:** *Lord, God of heaven and earth, you revealed our only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

With chalk mark the lintel over the main door of the house: 20 + C + M + B + 19

(The numbers are those of the New Year (2019), the first initials of the three Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. The crosses stand for the four seasons.



## ***From the Desk of Fr. Jared***

### **Feast of the Holy Family**

It is the tradition of the Church that on the Sunday following Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. As it is a time of year that many people spend with their family, it is fitting that the Church highlights Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. In one of the documents of the Second Vatican Council, *Gaudium et spes* (The pastoral constitution on the Church in the modern world) the fathers of the council reflect beautifully upon the sanctity of marriage and the family in paragraph forty-eight:

Husband and wife, by the covenant of marriage, are no longer two, but one flesh. By their intimate union of persons and of actions they give mutual help and service to each other, experience the meaning of their unity, and gain an ever deeper understanding of it day by day. This intimate union in the mutual self-giving of two persons, as well as the good of the children, demands full fidelity from both, and an indissoluble unity between them.

Christ the Lord has abundantly blessed this richly complex love which springs from the divine source of love and is founded on the model of his union with the Church.

In earlier times God met his people in a covenant of love and fidelity. So now the Savior of mankind, the Bridegroom of the Church, meets Christian husbands and wives in the sacrament of matrimony. Further, he remains with them in order that, as he loved the Church and gave himself up for her, so husband and wife may, in mutual self-giving, love each other with perpetual fidelity. True married love is caught up into God's love; it is guided and enriched by the redeeming power of Christ and the saving action of the Church, in order that the partners may be effectively led to God and receive help and strength in the sublime responsibility of parenthood.

Christian partners are therefore strengthened, and as it were consecrated, by a special sacrament for the duties and the dignity of their state. By the power of this sacrament they fulfill their obligations to each other and to their family and are filled with the spirit of Christ. This spirit pervades their whole lives with faith, hope and love. Thus, they promote their own perfection and each other's sanctification, and so contribute together to the greater glory of God. Hence, with parents leading the way by example and family prayer, their children – indeed, all within the family circle – will find it easier to make progress in natural virtues, in salvation and in holiness. Husband and wife, raised to the dignity and the responsibility of parenthood, will be zealous in

fulfilling their task as educators, especially in the sphere of religious education, a task that is primarily their own.

Children, as active members of the family, contribute in their own way to the holiness of their parents. With the love of grateful hearts, with loving respect and trust, they will return the generosity of their parents and will stand by them as true sons and daughters when they meet with hardship and the loneliness of old age.

May God bless our St. Catherine of Siena Family and all the families and individuals that make us who we are.

### **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

This Tuesday, January 1 (aside from being New Year's Day) is the Octave (Eighth Day) of the Nativity of the Lord, and it is also the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Mass will be celebrated at 11am. It has always been the ideal in the Catholic Church to have one gathering of the community on the Lord's Day to celebrate Eucharist. However, due to large communities and space issues, most Catholic communities gather multiple times on a Sunday to worship, as we do. It is a good problem to have. Every now and then we have an opportunity to worship in this ideal scenario. This Tuesday is one of those days. In honor of our Blessed Mother we will gather at one time to give praise and worship to God. What a great way to begin the new year praying with and for one another. Please join us for this special celebration.

Peace,  
Fr. Jared



### **NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

#### **UPCOMING DATES:**

**December 20 – January 1** – No class, Christmas break

**January 2** – Religious Education classes resume

**January 6** – No 1<sup>st</sup> grade Religious Ed class

**January 10** – Youth Night, 7:30-9:00 pm

**January 13** – 1<sup>st</sup> grade Rel Ed class and Mass resume

**January 13** – 7<sup>th</sup> grade family Mass & social – 11:30am

**January 27** – 5<sup>th</sup> grade family Mass & social – 9:30am

**January 28** – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Bible presentation during class.

Parents are invited.

**February 2** – Catechist Day of Reflection, 9:30-11:30am

**February 4** – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade parent meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, 7:30pm in the conference room.

**February 10** – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade family Mass & blessing 9:30am

**February 18** – No Religious Education

**February 23** – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade First Holy Communion retreat, 9:00am – 11:30am

## ST. CATHERINE'S GOES TO BROADWAY

On Sunday, January 6 the parish will be heading to Broadway to see *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Tickets are \$70 and must be pre-paid. Please give your payment (for reserved tickets only) to Fr. Jared after Mass or leave in an envelope in the rectory mailbox. Checks should be made payable to St. Catherine of Siena. The bus will depart St. Catherine's promptly at 10:00 am for the 1:00 pm show. Tickets will be distributed on the bus.

**Any questions, please contact Whitney Dubose at 973-586-2777 or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com).**

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## YOUTH NIGHT

**Open to all 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students!**

**Thursday, January 10, 7:30 – 9 pm**  
in the conference room

**What song will you sing?!?  
Bring a friend!**

**Pizza and popcorn will be served!**

Bring a donation for the Community Soup Kitchen!  
We are collecting winter hats and fleece blankets.

*9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders will receive 1 hour of service for attending and 1 additional hour for bringing a donation.*



## CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

**BOSTON, MA JULY 14-20, 2019**

All high school students are invited to join us on a week-long service trip this summer!

\$380 + transportation \*\* \$100 and deposit form  
**DUE JANUARY 7**

Registration forms are available in the religious education office and church vestibule.

Questions? Contact Gail

at [youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org)

## COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany in room 101. Program is "*Coping-Moping-Hoping, In the New Year*". For more information, call Lily Caprigione at 973-568-4164.

## LITURGICAL Q & A

Each week we will post a question and answer about the liturgy. If you would like to submit a question, please do so to [lisahward@aol.com](mailto:lisahward@aol.com)

### What is the *sign of peace* and how should we share it?

The exchange of a *sign of peace* is a demonstration of your desire to be reconciled with your neighbor, whoever they are, before going to the altar to receive the Lord in Communion. It should be extended to those closest to you and in an appropriate manner. A simple handshake is most common, yet local culture and custom may determine what is appropriate. This part of the liturgy is optional.

**SAVE THE DATE: St. Catherine's annual women's retreat will be held March 8-10 at Villa Pauline. Details to follow.**

## FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 9-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "*The Way of the Cross*" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. The group is also seeking additional adult advisors. Rehearsals begin in February at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from February through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at [973-876-3440](tel:973-876-3440) for more information and any questions regarding earning Confirmation hours.

## 46<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Knights of Columbus Councils 514 and 3359 will be selling Roses for Life after Mass next weekend. They invite you to join the bus trip to the 46th March for Life in Washington, DC on Friday, January 18th. The bus will depart at 6 AM from the Gardner Field Park and Ride in Denville. Mass will be celebrated at 5:15 AM at St. Mary's, Denville prior to departure. There is no charge for the bus, but please bring \$10.00 to cover DC Metro cost and a tip for the driver. Please contact Jim Rizos [973.627.2596](tel:973.627.2596), [jrizos10@gmail.com](mailto:jrizos10@gmail.com) to reserve your place. If you are unable to join the march, please keep the cause for life in your prayers

## Loyola Jesuit Center MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

**An Invitation to Personal Discipleship  
February 1 – 3, 2019**

Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of the Lakes Council #3359 is hosting an Ignatian Silent Retreat for all men of the parish (18+). Non-K of C members welcome. For details please contact Damiano Servidio at [dservidio@fordham.edu](mailto:dservidio@fordham.edu) or go to [www.kofc3359.org](http://www.kofc3359.org).