The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Dear Parishioners,

As we continue our celebration of the Christmas Season, I want to thank everybody who worked so hard to make our celebrations on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day so special. So many people contributed their time and

talent to help us celebrate the birth of Christ. Thank you to all the volunteers for the wonderful job they did in preparing the church for Christmas. The music for our celebrations was, as always, outstanding and thanks are due to James Stanley, the members of our choir, the instrumentalists, and our cantors. Thank you to our Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers who assisted at our Christmas Masses. A special thanks to Sr. Elizabeth, Fr. John, Fr. Smith and Fr. Major for all they do for our community, especially during this Joyful Season. Finally, I want to thank all of you who joined us in worship on Christmas. Your prayerful presence is appreciated throughout the year.

It is important to remember that Christmas is not over. The Christmas Season doesn't end until January 12th, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Perhaps we find Christmas such a let down because all of our attentions are focused on the commercial aspects of the season. For too many of us, after the presents are opened on Christmas Day there is nothing else. However, in Faith we continue to celebrate. Today is the Feast of the Holy Family. The Holy Family is the model for us as a family at home and also as a parish family. Today the Church invites us to stop and think about the qualities that must have been present in the Holy Family: Love/charity, patience, and forgiveness are a few that come to mind. Let us pray that these same attributes will mark our all of our families, including our parish family.

Please remember that Wednesday, January 1st, is the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, but I hope we come together that day for more reasons than "we have to." I can't think of a better way to start the new year than celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is a vigil Mass on Tuesday at 4:00 at Our Lady of Pompei/ St. Peter and then on New Year's Day Mass will be at 9:00AM at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity and 11:00AM at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter and a Mass in Vietnamese on New Year's Day at 8:45AM.

Fr. John, Fr. Major, the staff and I wish to thank all those who sent cards, gifs, and goodies to the rectory for Christmas. They were all greatly appreciated.

My prayers remain with all of you for a Blessed Christmas Season and a Happy New Year.

In the Peace of the New Born King, Fr. Caruso



Chanticleer...

People are amazed that they will be here!!!!

Much has been written the last few months about the incredible concert coming our way on **February 25th**, but we don't think many have truly grasped the gem that we are so fortunate to be hosting.

We have gotten calls and inquiries from people from all over (even Australia purchasing for family here), who know of their superb talents. Many have seen or heard of them and many, many have their CD's and listen to them all the time. We can't tell you how happy and surprised that they and or their loved ones are that they will have the opportunity to see them at our church.

Marking their 42nd season, the celebrated a cappella men's chorus, **Chanticleer**, will be presenting **"Trade Winds"**, a sultry and seductive musical journey celebrating ocean voyaging and exotic locations, from Madrigals to sea shanties, Monteverdi to Rogers and Hammerstein.

Called the "world's reigning male chorus" by the New Yorker, the GRAMMY award- winning ensemble is based in San Francisco, where the Chronicle praises their "tonal luxuriance and crispy etched clarity." Known around the world as "An orchestra of Voices", the group seamlessly blends twelve male singers from soprano to bass, in original interpretations of vocal literature from Renaissance to jazz, gospel, and adventurous new music.

The New York Times says..." These men are phenomenal: as fresh as a blade of grass, tightly focused and keenly expressive."

and... *The Boston Globe*: The singing of Chanticleer is breathtaking in its accuracy of intonation, purity of blend, variety of color, and swagger of style."

We will be celebrating Carnavale (the evening before Ash Wednesday) with this remarkable group's concert at **7:00 pm on Tuesday, February 25, 2020!!!**

Tickets are on sale at the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peters Parish Offices, in the back of church after all Masses or by calling 315 422 7163!! There are \$50.00, \$45.00 and \$35.00 levels (\$50.00 seats are sold out).

We hope you will consider joining us for what is sure to be a memorable evening!!



December 29, 2019

This Week We Remember...

Monday:December 309:00 am Communion Service at the Convent<u>Tuesday:</u>December 31

St. Sylvester I 9:00 am Mass at the Convent Elsa and Edda Geremia/Gilda Pasquale Sisera/Frances Borreggine Santina Sindoni/Family 4:00 pm Vigil Mass at OLP/St. Peter Church For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

Wednesday: January 1

The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:45 am Vietnamese Mass
9:00 am Mass at St. John/Holy Trinity Church
11:00 am Mass at OLP/St. Peter Church
For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

<u>Thursday:</u> January 2

Sts. Basil, the Great & Gregory Nazianzen 9:00 am Mass at the Convent

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

<u>Friday:</u>

January 3 Holy Name of Jesus First Friday

9:00 am Mass at the Convent Michael Blair/Linda and Joe Rotondo In Honor of God/Maria Solimini

<u>Saturday:</u> January 4

4:00 pm

Adele and Enrico Fabrizi/Gino and Ruth Fabrizi Rosanna and James Iannuzzo/Ruth and Gino Fabrizi John Pascarella, Ann/Henry and Esther Pagano Delores Antonacci/Family

<u>Sunday:</u> January 5 Epiphany of the Lord

7:30 am

Emilia Palucci/Frances Borreggine Tex Simone/Wife, Joanne Vinnie Rose/Marianne Foster

8:45 am Mass in Vietnamese 11:00 am

Joseph Colavincenzo, Ann/Wife and Daughters Rosaria & Eustachio Cannizzaro/John and Margherita Enza & Nino Mule'/Margherita and John Frances Vigliotti Vick/Gloria and Joe Falcone Angelarosa Vigliotti (B)/Antimo, Maryann & Family Vito Toia/Marianne Cariota Frank Pascarella/Bill and Sandy Walker Angelantonia Colavita/Husband and Children Weekend Masses at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity: 5:30 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday as well as 9:00 am Mass on Sunday.

Let us Pray

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home bound.

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Angelo Cannata, Lucy Copani, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Bernadette DelVecchio, Josephine Indelicato, Mattia Kinslow, Madge Maffei, Pavia Children, Sandy Pisani, Leon Saya, Samuel and Sue Wilson.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS Weekend of January 4-5



Lectors:

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4:00 pm	A. Petragnani, M. Rourke
7:30 am	M. Meade
11:00 am	T. Mastrobattisto, G. Lostumbo
Eucharistic Ministers:	
4:00 pm	R. & P. Scalzo, M. Rourke
7:30 am	J. Nicoletti, A.& J. Abt
11:00 am	R. & E. Morris, G. Lostumbo
Servers:	
4:00 pm	J. Fabrizi
7:30 am	Jean Paul, Jean Claude
11:00 am	A. & K. Mathewson



Devotional Candle Burning for Joanne Merluzzi Requested By Anthony Merluzzi and Debra Wade

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

December 30, Monday through January 3, Friday, No School The Parish Offices are closed from December 24 through January 2 May the Peace and Joy **Of the Holy Family** Be with you and those you hold dear. **January 3** Friday: First Friday 9:00 am Mass in the Chapel Saturday: **January 4** 1:00 pm Vietnamese Language Program Sunday: **January 5** 9:50 Day of the Son FFI & FFII 11:00 am Vietnamese Youth Monday: **January 6** School resumes

BEREAVEMENT



Please remember in your prayers, Antoinette "Toni" DiScenna and Aida Scipione, who passed this week.

Our deepest sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

(from the Office of Family Life Education)

Today's Gospel says Joseph "made his home in Nazareth." A "home" is built on the foundation of love, commitment and a shared history and is decorated with forgiveness, acceptance, rituals, discipline and mutual support. The Holy Family challenges us today: Don't live "anyplace,: live at HOME!"

Coming in February on the 8th is the ever delicious TASTE OF POMPEI!! Mark your Calendars!!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Due to the Bulletin Deadline there will not be any Sacrificial Giving Report.

Mass Taping for Shut-Ins

The next taping for the Shut-In Masses will be January 13th & 14th. The Masses will be at 5:30, 6:15 and 7:00 pm each evening. What a great way to start the New Year by making every effort to attend. Thank you.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve Mass, Tuesday, December 31st 4:00 pm at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church

New Year's Day Mass, Wednesday, January 1st 8:40 am in Vietnamese at OLP/St. Peter 9:00 am Mass at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity 11:00 am Mass at OLP/St. Peter



Additional Christmas Flower Intentions:

Sister, Edda Marie Avella Michael Iacampo Wife, Edda **Corrado Solimini** Wife, Maria Ernest & Rachel Dizazzo M/M J. Allan Fiero Domenico & Palmira Lombardi and Paolo & Nunziata Fichera M/M Elio Lombardi Fiore Sucapani Wife, Carmella Frank & Gen Vavonese Betsy, Mike & Family Angelo & Josephine Nicoletti Betsy, Mike & Family Santina Sindoni Betsy, Mike & Family

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your kind and generous donation! Your donation helps the Samaritan Center continue to provide support to individuals and families in need in our community. Your generosity never goes unnoticed. Your thoughtfulness will ensure our guests will feel especially loved this holiday!

The Samaritan Center Family

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December 29, 2019

Dear Parishioners,

St. Therese Society is known for its great bake sales. This year, many parishioners helped St. Therese by bringing in their own baked goods. This made the baked sale even more successful. Also, did you know that St. Therese Society's Mission is to strengthen our Faith and

Community? Our meetings occur on the third Wednesday of every month and we usually have phenomenal gues speakers. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, January 15th at 1:30 pm** at the Convent, Father John Rose will share information about the "Refugees in Syracuse." All parishioners are welcome!

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Christ the King Retreat House Events: Tuesday, December 31st from 10 am - 3 pm New Year's Eve Day of Reflection with Christ Spilka, Director. Offering: \$30 includes lunch. Happy New Year 2020!! "Tomorrow is the first blank page of a 365 page book. Write a good one."

Tuesday, January 28th from 6 - 8 pm Winter Blues and Barbecue, to further recharge your spiritual life, enjoy speaker Adam Eichelberger. Offering: \$25 includes bbq dinner. For reservations to both events call 315-446-2680. Email: <u>ctkretreat@syrdio.org</u> or register at www,ctkretreat.com.

2019-29 CAP Basketball Schedule

A Team: 1/5 - vs. Blessed Sacrament 1:00 pm 1/12 - @ Holy Cross TBA 1/19 - @ Most Holy Rosary TBA 1/26 - @ St. Rose 1:00 pm 2/2 - vs. Holy Family 1:00 pm 2/9 - vs. IC 1:00 pm B Team: 1/5 - @ Most Holy Rosary TBA 1/12 - vs. Blessed Sacrament 1:00 pm 1/19 - @ St. Mary's TBA 1/26 - BYE 2/2 - @ St. Margaret's 2:30 pm 2/9 - @ IC TBA 2/25 - @ St. Rose 1:00 pm **On Sunday December 15th the Holy Name Society sponsored Breakfast with Santa** There was a large attendance of fun-loving Children who received approximately 120 gifts from Santa. They also had their pictures taken with Santa. A good time was had by all and we would like to thank the Holy Name helpers who made this event possible each and every year.

CHANTICLEER PROGRAM BOOKLET....

Interested in supporting our upcoming Chanticleer concert at a patron level? How about advertising or posting a message as *a friend of Pompei* or *in honor or memory of* someone dear? Know anyone else that might be? Let us know! We hope you will pick up a form in the back of church and check it out, or call the Parish Offices, 315-422-7163, and we will be happy to send one out to you. It is a great way to advertise your business or relay a message to or in thought and memory of loved ones. Thank you so much in advance...Your support is always greatly appreciated!!!!



<u>Memory Leaf</u>

You can purchase a leaf with your loved one's name engraved on it for the Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Family Tree located in the Gathering Space. If you would like more information or to obtain the form to be filled out, please call the Parish Office at 422-7163 during business hours, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm Monday through Friday. You may have the name of a living or in memory of a deceased loved one. The cost is \$50. What a gracious memento to a loved one.

Serve God By Serving At the Altar

Adult Altar Servers are special people who fulfill an important ministry to our parish by serving the Priest and the people at Mass. If you would like to serve at Funeral Masses, please call the Parish Office at 422-7163. Also, if you have any questions regarding this ministry we will be able to answer them.