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"The school of Christ is the school of love. On the last day, when the general examination takes place...love will be the whole syllabus."

—St. Robert Bellarmine

Pastor

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

Pastor Emeritus

Fr. John LaPointe

Deacon Assistant

Joseph Tumminelli



Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

5:00 PM

Sunday Morning

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

Weekdays and Holy Days

As announced in bulletin

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to Noon

12:30 PM to 4:30 PM

Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization

Dina Veiga, Director

232-9321

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Director of Music

Tom Roy

Parish Secretary

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Sacraments

Baptism: Please call Parish Office for registration

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office one year prior to setting any dates for Ceremony or Reception

Confession: Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by arranging a time with the parish priest

Ministry to the Sick: Parishioners who are confined to home due to illness or age, may call the Parish Office for home visits

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, December 30

5:00 PM Michael Pepper (1st Ann.),
By Auntie Betty and Uncle Tom
Dean Gallo (Birth.),
By Tom and Betty Sacco

SUNDAY, December 31

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Mahoney Family (Rem.),
By family

10:00 AM Herman Autotte (22nd Ann.),
By Janet Zeman

11:30 AM Gian Piscione & Roseanna Ranaldi (Rem.),
By family
John Esposito (Rem.),
By Carole Levine

MONDAY, January 1 New Years' Day

10:00 AM Fr. J. Joseph Cooney, Fr. Patrick F. Hanrahan & Fr. Joseph Horgan (Rem.),
By the SRB Parish Family

TUESDAY, January 2

8:00 AM Grace Habershaw (Rem.),
By Joseph and Maureen Habershaw
Michael Blair (Birth.),
By family

WEDNESDAY, January 3

8:00 AM Paul D. Fera, Sr. (Rem.),
By family
John Marrocco (Birth.),
By family

THURSDAY, January 4

NO SCHEDULED MASS

FRIDAY, January 5

8:00 AM Bob and Tim Ferretti (Rem.),
By family
Sr. Lorraine MacPherson (6th Ann.),
By Sr. Bea

SATURDAY, January 6

5:00 PM Helen Hanley (20th Ann.),
By family

SUNDAY, January 7

8:00 AM Ethel Krikorian (Rem.),
By Trung Doan & Larry Perez
10:00 AM Deceased Members of the Poirier and Riccio Family (Rem.),
By Bill and Cecile
11:30 AM Beatrice Marinelli (10th Ann.),
By children
Pasco (Pat) Razza (13th Ann)
By family

Please note the Rectory and CCD offices will be closed on January 1st

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Today's celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family highlights the importance of family in our religious life.

We know that Mary

and Joseph's faithfulness to God enabled them to cooperate in God's plan for our salvation by accepting the responsibility to raise God's Son, Jesus. From his parents, Jesus learned how to be a faithful believer in his Jewish tradition. Simeon's prophecy about Mary's sorrow alerts us to the importance of a family's commitment to one another, a commitment that is expressed in both good times and bad.

Gather as a family and recall times when your family showed its commitment to one another in good times and in bad. Recall times when your immediate family was supported by members of your extended family. Note that today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, and we see in the family of Jesus an example for our own family life. Read together today's Gospel, Luke 2:22-40. Joseph and Mary expressed their faithfulness to God through their observance of the Law of Moses. Simeon prophesied the grief that Mary would experience at the foot of Jesus' cross. One of the blessings of family life is our commitment to one another, sharing good times and supporting one another through difficult times. Conclude in prayer together thanking God for the grace expressed in your family's commitment to another. Write a prayer together, thanking God for your family life and asking God to strengthen your family's commitment to one another. Pray this prayer together.

Peace, Dina



Sanctuary Lamp

Week of Dec. 31 – Jan. 6

'In Memory of'

Annemarie Cioe

and

Florence Cioe

By family

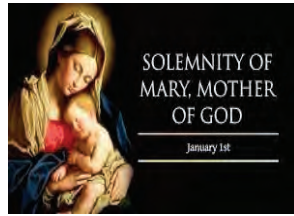
Take Note **Mass Schedule** Take Note**New Year's Day**

*The Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God*

A Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, January 1

10:00 AM



Mass will not be celebrated at 8:00 AM

A Word of Thanksgiving and Gratitude

As we continue our journey of faith through



these days of the Christmas season, I would like to take the opportunity to say thank you for the many cards, notes, baked goods, gifts

etc. that the staff and I received from parishioners and friends during this most wonderful and blessed time of the year. Know that we are grateful for your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Also, please join me in thanking those who made Christmas Flower Offerings, as well as those who volunteered their time, talent, energy and effort, so as to be sure that the church was so beautifully decorated and prepared for Christmas.

Those who made Christmas Flower Offerings in memory of deceased family members should know that the the souls of their loved ones are being remembered during the celebration of Mass throughout the Christmas season.

In addition, let us be prayerfully mindful of the intentions of the volunteers who have selflessly and sacrificially given of themselves throughout this past year to ensure the ongoing operation of the St. Robert Bellarmine Food Shelf and Outreach Program. *Peace and Prayers, Fr. Richard*

Annual Collection 2023 - 2024

Due to a variety of factors, there has been a delay in the preparation and processing of the mailing that will ask for your support of the Annual Collection for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

The mailing will be sent not long after the start of the New Year.

Thanks in advance for your understanding and anticipated generosity. In Christ, Fr. Richard

Daily Readings**Sunday**

Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Monday

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Wednesday

1 Jn 2:29-3:61; Jn 1:29-34

Thursday

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

First Friday

1 Jn 4:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

First Saturday

1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:33-38

**Mission Outreach**

Matthewson Street Church is in desperate need of warm clothing for their

homeless population. They have requested gloves, hats, scarves and winter jackets.

We accept new and gently used items that are clean, washed and don't smell of smoke. Drop off at church. Thanks in advance for your generosity and support. Carolyn & Marge

For Whom Are You Praying?

Add their names to the Prayer Chain.

Call: Charon Souza (401) 231-3962



January 1 is the World Day of Peace

Every year on January 1, the Holy Father marks the



World Day of Peace with a special message inviting all people to reflect on the important work of building peace. This

year's message is the latest in a long tradition of messages for this day that began with St. Paul VI in 1967 and continued with St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI, and Pope Francis.

To read Pope Francis' Message for the World Day of Peace 2024, which is titled *Artificial Intelligence and Peace*, please visit:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/index.html>

To read more about how to pray, learn, and act, visit: <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/war-and-peace/world-day-of-peace>

First Friday Holy Hour

January 5, 2024
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Prayerful Recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy,
Quiet Prayer Time
and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
All are welcome.

**BLOOD DRIVE**

St. Robert Bellarmine Church
Thursday, January 11, 2024

2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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**Parish Support**

December 16/17

Traditional Giving / ParishSoft

Weekly Offering: \$4,709.00 / \$662.00

Loose Cash: \$422.00

Monthly Maintenance: \$130.00 / \$135.00

Christmas Flowers: \$10.00

Immaculate Conception: \$4.00 / \$33.00

Retired Religious: \$0 / \$70.00

Christmas: \$0 / \$50.00

Parish Support for December 23/24 and Christmas will be reported next weekend.

A word of gratitude to those who continue to contribute to the ongoing financial support of the parish. Offerings may be made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your bank's electronic bill pay service. Online giving continues to be an option here at the parish. To begin taking advantage of this option, click on the link for "ParishSoft Online Giving" found on the homepage of the parish's website - www.strobertsparish.org

Collections for December

December 31 – Weekly

January 1 – New Years' Day



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF OUR FOOD SHELF and OUTREACH MINISTRY

*As always, donations of **STOP & SHOP**, **PRICE RITE** or **MARKET BASKET** Gift Cards are appreciated.*



The Food Shelf is in need of jarred pasta sauce, pasta, ramen noodles, large canned soup and canned tuna.

Any non-perishable food items are always welcome.

Reminder: We are not able to distribute food items that are marked with dates that have expired.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER AND THE MOVEABLE FEASTS FOR THE YEAR 2024

FEBRUARY 14, 2024 – ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 31, 2024 – EASTER SUNDAY

MAY 9, 2024 – ASCENSION THURSDAY

MAY 19, 2024 – PENTECOST

JUNE 2, 2024 – THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

DECEMBER 1, 2024 – THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Daily Mass and Extreme Weather Events



When there is an extreme weather event during the week, please refer to the response of the Johnston School Department.

- 1...Should there be a delay in the start of the school day here in Johnston due to extreme weather conditions, Mass will not be celebrated in public here at the parish.
- 2...Also, should there be a distance learning day or no school here in Johnston due to an extreme weather

event, Mass will not be celebrated in public here at the parish.

- 3...If you happen to have a Mass intention scheduled for a day on which Mass will not be celebrated in public, be assured that the Mass will be offered for your intention in private.

On any given weekday, whether or not the Johnston School Department is scheduled to be in session, the status regarding the celebration of Mass here at the parish will be available by visiting:

https://www.ribroadcasters.com/News_and_Events/Closings_Delays/

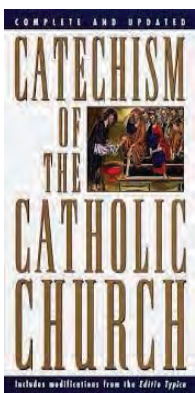
The Precepts of the Church

The start of a new calendar year is an opportune time for us to take a moment to be reminded of the precepts of the Church.

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

(#s 2041-2043), they are as follows:

- 1...You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor
- 2...You shall confess your sins at least once a year.
- 3...You shall receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter Season.
- 4...You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence as established by the Church.
- 5...You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church, each according to his or her abilities.



When was the last time you encountered the Lord's love and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?

Let us be mindful that the Christmas season is a particularly blessed time for us to avail ourselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoons from 4:00 PM until 4:30 PM. To schedule a time that is more convenient for your schedule, know that you are welcome to contact Fr. Richard at the rectory.



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Memory



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We Love & Miss You Very Much
Your Five Kids!! XO

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