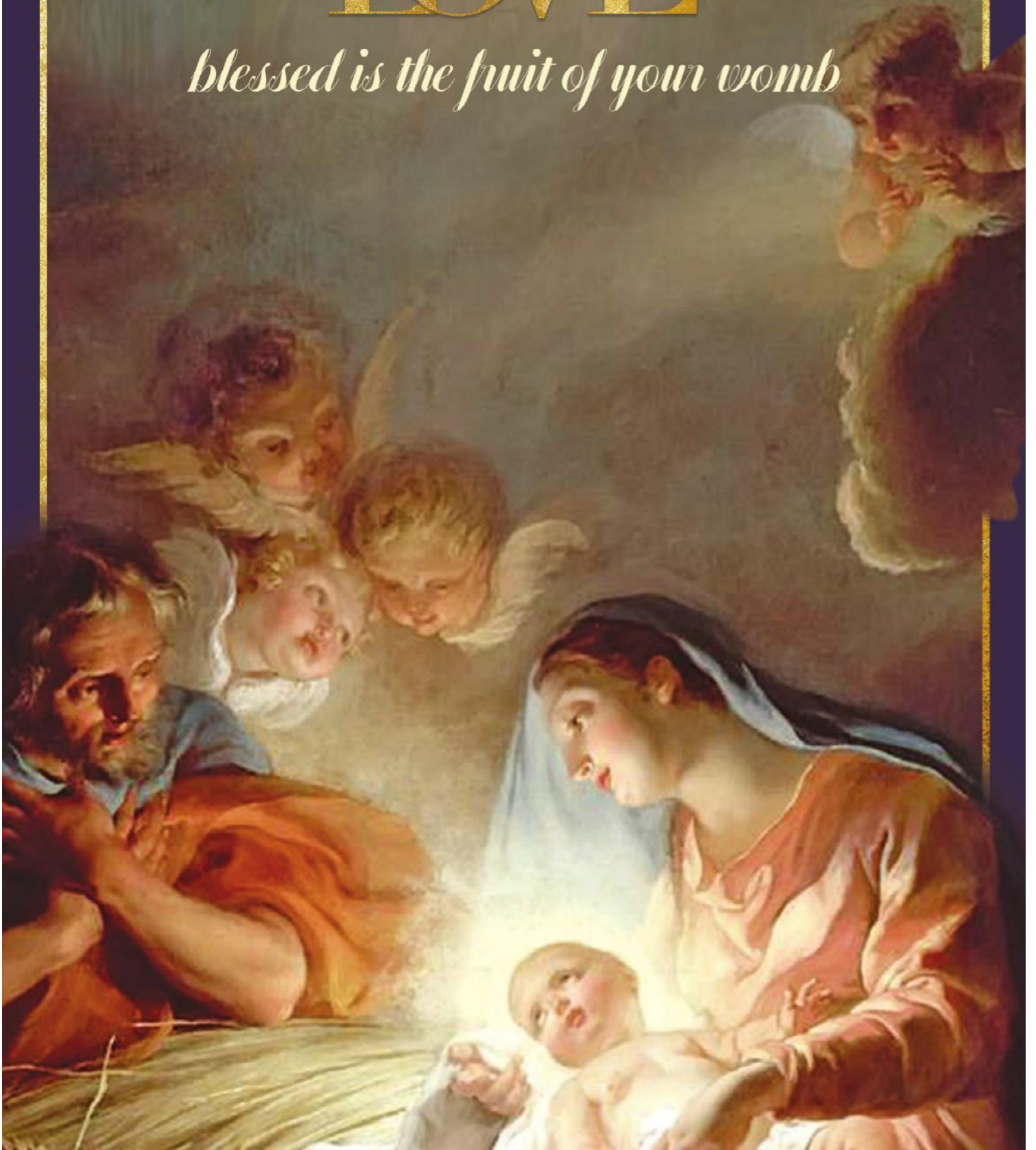
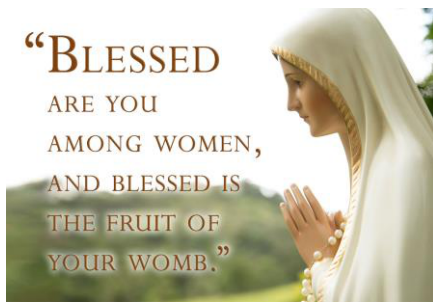


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4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Readings for the Week of December 19, 2021

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| Sunday | Fourth Sunday of Advent Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45 |
| Monday | Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38 |
| Tuesday | Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45 |
| Wednesday | 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56 |
| Thursday | Saint John of Kanty, Priest Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66 |
| Friday | 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79 Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25 |
| Saturday | The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14 |
| Sunday | Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52 |



Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is held each Monday at 8:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Church and each Tuesday at St. Joseph Church during Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction with Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be held at St. Anthony Church on First Friday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.



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COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER 11-12, 2021

ST. JOSEPH

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| Envelopes, Loose, Checks | \$5,823.00 |
| Online (12/6-12/21) | \$ 598.00 |
| Total Collected | \$6,421.00 |
| Budgeted Weekly Expense | \$9,224.51 |
| Net Income [+ or - budgeted expense] ... | -\$2,803.51 |

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| Immaculate Conception | \$1,644.09 |
| Religious Retirement Fund. | \$1,353.00 |

ST. ANTHONY

Will be reported in a future bulletin.

The second collection at all masses December 24 & 25 will be for Clergy Welfare. This collection helps all of our Archdiocesan priests with medical and living arrangements. Please be as generous as your means will allow.



Second Collection December 25-26, 2021 St. Joseph Restoration Fund

Monies collected have been earmarked for this fund and will be used for major repairs to the exterior of the church, auditorium, cafeteria building, and other major projects to restore the beauty of St. Joseph Church. This collection will not replace the monthly Maintenance Fund collection but will be an additional collection.

The Living Nativity, sponsored by St. Joseph Church, will be presented on Sunday, December 19th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on the neutral ground of Huey P. Long Avenue between 6th and 7th Streets. If



the donkey is in the right frame of mind, expect Mary to be riding the donkey in a procession of the Nativity characters (look for Fr. Gary as one of the three wisemen) from the Gretna Visitors Center on the neutral ground to the stable site. There will be seven characters depicting the Nativity and real animals besides the donkey! We will be distributing free hot chocolate!

MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

ST. JOSEPH

Saturday, December 18, 2021

4:00 p.m. – Leta & Sidney Phillips, James K. Gaudet, Clinton & Irma Terrio, Eddie & Kay Boudreaux, Letha & Al Ehret, Benny Randazzo, Jr., Roy, Marguerite, & Kenney Ortolano, Palermo Family (Emile, Mamie, Ciro, & Josie), Poor Souls In Purgatory, Conversion Of Sinners, Patsy Grefer, Rose, Marie Miller, Marie Moreau, Shirley Sisung Poole, Emelda Jacobsen Griffin, Eddie Falterman

Sunday, December 19, 2021

7:30 a.m. – Poor Souls In Purgatory

9:30 a.m. – Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel

11:30 a.m. – For All Parishioners

6:30 p.m. – For the Haitian Community

Monday, December 20, 2021

12:10 – Selah Mullek

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

12:10 – Ellen McDermott

6:30 p.m. – Sean Baldwin

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

12:10 – Mullek – Pineda Families

Thursday, December 23, 2021

12:10 – Marlin A. Leger, Sr. & Gladys Leger

Friday, December 24, 2021 (Christmas Eve)

12:10 – Melba Boudreaux

4:00 p.m. – Anthony & Katherine Labruzzo, Jessie W. Boudreaux, Bill Swiler, Susie & Edward Comeaux, Ray & Bobby, Lemm & Isabella Bauer, Elwood & Josie LaBorde, Peter Taulli, Sr., Evelyn Taulli, Julian Taulli, William Taulli, Jr., Eola White, Doyce Hebert, Marvin J. Miller, Felix, Lucille, & Eldon Hebert, Charles V. & Philomena Miller, Richard & Mercedes Lehenbauer, Oliver “Brock” Bourgeois, Poor Souls In Purgatory, Joyce Brown Berthelot, John Maurice Brown, John William Brown, Herminnie Brown, Mary Lou & Harold Olivier, Jr., Conversion Of Sinners, Patsy Grefer, Howard & Anna Billa Kerner, Sr. Mary Vo Thi Luc, Emile & Annie Bouvier, Paul DuBois, Eddie Falterman, Lynn & Lamie Blanchard, Danny Blanchard, Michael Frizzell, Tony Ronquille, Kathryn Kate Hotard, Toby Ragas, Peter & Eliska Spera, Beverly LaPeyronnie

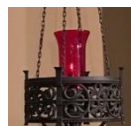
6:00 p.m. – Alton & Ruth Casler

Midnight – Escoffier and Cannon Families

Saturday, December 25, 2021 (Christmas Day)

9:30 a.m. – Wiley J. Beevers, Marie Lynn Reine, Josephine Pasateri Weigel

11:30 a.m. – Dexter, Laurie, Camile Gros, Jr. & Fly., Jane Sanchez, Rome & Barrilleaux Fly.



The Sanctuary Light this week at **St. Joseph** will burn in memory of
Shirley Sisung Poole
Emelda Jacobsen Griffin

ST. ANTHONY

Saturday, December 18, 2021

5:00 p.m. – Jay Paul Roussel, Sr., Merique Ellinghausen

Sunday, December 19, 2021

10:30 a.m. – Carmen Koenig Kass

Monday, December 20, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Conversion Of Sinners

Tuesday, December 21, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Larry Kass, Jr., Lawrence Kass, Sr.,

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kass, Sr.

Thursday, December 23, 2021

8:30 a.m. – Dr. & Mrs. John M. Daly

Friday, December 24, 2021 (Christmas Eve)

8:30 a.m. – Wedge Family

5:00 p.m. – Carmen Koenig Kass, Jody Anne Breaux Pope, Wilfred & Leotha d'Aquin, Gary Breaux, Sr. Mary Tran Thi Mai

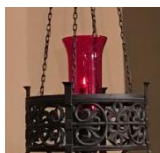
Saturday, December 25, 2021 (Christmas Day)

10:30 a.m. – Margaret D. Arnold

5:00 p.m. – Marilyn Borne, Desmond Walker, Jr., Adam & Verna Blazio, Jay Paul Roussel, Sr., Marie & C.W. Cox, Juanita Angel, Gary Breaux, Merique Ellinghausen

Sunday, December 26, 2021

10:30 a.m. – Margaret D. Arnold, Carmen Koenig Kass



The Sanctuary Light this week at **St. Anthony** will burn in memory of
Carmen Koenig Kass



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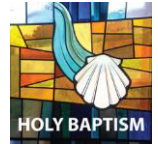
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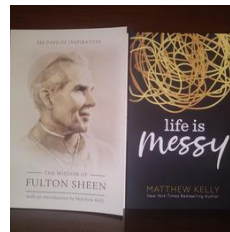
**Archdiocesan Silver Wedding
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If you will be celebrating your 25th Wedding Anniversary next year (married between 1992-1997) and wish to attend, please register with the parish office by January 24, 2022. This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's parish.



**The Gift of Books for
Advent & Christmas**

Please remember to pick up a copy of Matthew Kelly's book "Life is Messy" and/or "The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen" from St. Joseph and St. Anthony Churches. They are free of charge and supplies are limited. When they are gone, they are gone. Read it and pass it along. It is a great way of evangelization. Please take advantage of this valuable resource.

If you or someone you know in St. Joseph or St. Anthony Parishes is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please notify the St. Joseph Parish Office and someone will be in contact with you.



Email Scam

There is an email out there that says: "Rev Gary Copping" which is from frpastor585@gmail.com. This is not Fr. Gary Copping's email. His is gcmetairee@hotmail.com or gcopping@arch-no.org. The message reads, "Good afternoon hello how are you doing I need a favor from you email me as soon as you receive this message God bless Rev Gary Copping Pastor"

Notice the typos and the wording. Fr. Gary is more meticulous than this and does not speak like the email reads. **Please ignore it.**



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Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24

St. Joseph

4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. and Midnight

**(Mini-Concert with the Holy Family Singers
begins at 3:30 p.m.)**

St. Anthony

5:00 p.m. Vigil

Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25

St. Joseph

9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

St. Anthony

10:30 a.m.

Please note: The obligation to attend Mass for Christmas may be fulfilled by attending Mass in the evening of December 24 (Christmas Eve) or at any Mass celebrated on December 25.

However, Vigil Masses (4:00pm or 5:00pm) on December 25 will fulfill your obligation for Sunday, December 26 (Feast of the Holy Family), not Christmas Day. All Masses on Sunday, December 26 will be held at regular scheduled times.

Sunday Obligation Masses:

St. Joseph

Saturday, December 25 – 4:00pm

Sunday, December 26 – 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

St. Anthony

Saturday, December 25 – 5:00pm

Sunday, December 26 – 10:30am



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