



St. Mark

Catholic Church - 4th SUNDAY of Advent

And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy." - Lk 1:43-44

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December
22-23/24-25,
2018



THE NATIVITY of the Lord

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you
who is Christ and Lord." - Lk 2:11

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Our mission is to be a God-centered Catholic community of Faith which teaches, evangelizes, and ministers to the needs of God's people.

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If a patient or the family wishes a pastoral visit, please call Fr. George on his cell phone (940)268-6760 or the parish office (940)387-6223.

Parish Office Hours: Monday -Thursday: 8:30 am-4:30 pm;
 Friday: 8:30 am-12:30 pm.

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 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm.

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- **Baptism:** *Preparation Class & Baptism registration forms are required.* Prep Class is held on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Go to www.stmarkdenton.org or contact Elsa Vasquez at (940) 387-6223 or evasquez@stmarkdenton.org. If the child is seven years or older, please contact the Religious Education office.
- **Marriage Preparation:** A nine-month preparation is required. Please contact Deacon Joe Standridge, (940) 220-7160 jstandridge@stmarkdenton.org for information.
- **Facilities:** If you wish to schedule a meeting/activity at St. Mark, please email request (date/time and type of equipment if needed) to Elsa Vasquez at evasquez@stmarkdenton.org. Reservations need to be emailed two weeks in advance.
- **Bulletin Deadline:** **Wednesday** at noon, **ten** (10) days prior to bulletin release date. Please submit articles with image or logo (if available) to pub.admin@stmarkdenton.org. Articles may be edited.

Adult Safe Environment Awareness Sessions Requirements

Safe Environment Certification for Adult Volunteers is **required prior to serving** in Ministry and **must be renewed every two years.**

Initial or Renewal Safe Environment Certification currently **requires attendance at a live and in person ("face-to-face")** Safe Environment Awareness Session ("Protecting God's Children For Adults") and **requires a Virtus profile.** See available awareness sessions: <https://fwdioc.org/training-sessions>. Please contact Kim Harbert with any questions: kharbert@stmarkdenton.org.

Youth Safe Environment (Teen Leader Training) requires in person training. Please contact the youth ministers.

Called to Protect session is a prerequisite to apply for Teen Leader Training.

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 12/22/2018

(1 Sm 1:24-28/(Ps)1 Sm 2:1,4-7,8abcd/Lk 1:46-56)
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Reconciliation
5:00 pm - Mass - (For the Parish)
7:00 pm - Spanish Mass - (Anthony Menezes †)

SUNDAY 12/23/2018 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

(Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45)
7:00 am - Mass - (Mary Lou Jones †)
9:00 am - Mass - (Ramon G. Martinez †)
11:30 am - Mass - (Dolores Reda Visol †)
4:00 pm - Life Teen Mass - (Souls in Purgatory)

MONDAY 12/24/2018 VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5,16-17,27,29/Acts 13:16-17,22-25/Mt 1:1-25)
4:00 pm - Mass - (Mark Schmitz †)
8:00 pm - Mass - (Daniel Barry †)
11:00 pm - Mass - (Thomas Bem †)

TUESDAY 12/25/2018 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18)
8:00 am - Mass - (Thomas Meaney †)
10:00 am - Mass - (Robert Douglas Schultz †)
12:00 pm - Mass (Spanish) - (Christopher and Kate Benner S.I.)

WEDNESDAY 12/26/2018 SAINT STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

(Acts 6:8-10;7:54-59/Ps 31:3-4,6-8,16-17/Mt 10:17-22)
12:00 pm - **Canceled**
8:00 am - 8:00 pm - Adoration - **Canceled**

THURSDAY 12/27/2018 SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

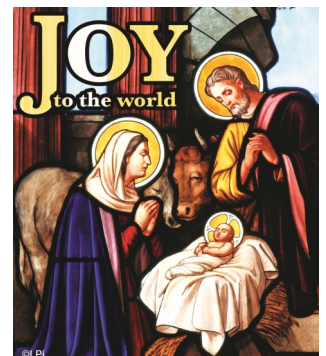
(1Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12/Jn 20:1a,2-8)
7:30 am - Mass - **Canceled**

FRIDAY 12/28/2018 THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

(1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-5,7b-8/Mt 2:13-18)
7:30 am - Mass - **Canceled**
8:00 am - 11:30 am - Adoration - **Canceled**

SATURDAY 12/29/2018 FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS; Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr

(1 Sm 1:24-28/(Ps)1 Sm 2:1,4-7,8abcd/Lk 1:46-56)
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Reconciliation
5:00 pm - Mass - (Alfredo Bustamante III †)
7:00 pm - Spanish Mass - (Cajetan and Sabina Menezes †)



Welcome

*Come as a guest,
leave as a friend!*

We are delighted that you have joined us for worship, and we hope that you will return to pray with us often. If you have moved into the area, we invite you to become a member. Please call the parish office at 940-387-6223 or visit our website at www.stmarkdenton.org. May His Spirit grow in you!

Parish News

Bread of Life
Feeding the Hungry

Please consider supporting our Bread of Life Ministry by providing personal care items, infant items, cleaning products, and non-perishable food items for **Denton County's Friends of the Family**. **ADDITIONALLY**, our friends at The Shepherd's Hand Pantry, an important distribution point for Bread of Life, providing approximately 1300 meals monthly, are in need of sealable food baggies, primarily quart and gallon size. Please consider picking up an extra box or two the next time you go shopping. Place your donations in the Bread of Life drop box in the Narthex. Thank you for your help and continued support of our friends in need. Together we can help **"Feed the Hungry"**!

PROMISE to Protect  **Pledge to HEAL**

If you are in need of Safe Environment or need to renew, please go to <https://fwdioc.org/training-sessions>, to see all available Sessions. Safe Environment Sessions here at St. Mark will be: **January 5, 2019 from 8:30 am - 11:30 am** in RE 107.

55+

Come join the **St. Mark 55+ Group** on Friday, **January 4** at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

(NE of the Education Building) for a

Potluck Dinner. Plan to bring your favorite main dish, side dish, salad, fruit or dessert to share for dinner. Beverages will be provided unless you want something special. Be sure to bring your own serving utensils. 55+ is a great way to meet new people and visit with old friends. Plan to stay to play dominoes, cards, or bring your favorite board game. Contact Barry Landry at (972) 824-9567 for additional information.

ACTS

The next **St. Mark Women's ACTS Retreat** is **January 24 - 27, 2019** at Briarwood Retreat Center. Kelly Desjardins is the Director. Sign ups for the retreat

after all Masses will begin the weekend of **December 8-9**. Cost for the retreat is \$225, but scholarships are available. For more information contact Kelly at deskardk@gmail.com or 940-594-5993.



CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

December 2018 Contribution Update
OFFERTORY (Stewardship)

Week #1	\$ 30,411
Week #2	\$ 26,632
Total	\$ 57,043

Fiscal Year to Date (07/01/2018-06/30/2019)

Total Contributed - Stewardship	\$ 823,348
Budget - Projected Parish Need	\$ 805,000
Over/(Under) Budget	\$ 18,348

Registered Families - as of September 18, 2018 2,481

Building Collection (Cumulative from 1/1/18) \$ 103,428

Thank you for your generosity!

END OF YEAR STATEMENTS

The 2018 Contribution Statements will be mailed **January 31, 2019**. If you have had a change of address during 2018 or have questions regarding your contributions, please contact Joan Godfrey at jgodfrey@stmarkdenton.org or 940-220-7380; or Kathy Christoferson at 940-222-6678 or kchristoferson@stmarkdenton.org.



The Marianists

Lay Marianist - Come join with our Marianist family for our monthly meeting on Thursday, **January 3, 2019**, at St. Mark RE Building

Room 107. Meeting will start at 1:00 pm and conclude around 3:00 pm. The Marianist Affiliates' mission is to recognize that Mary serves as an example on how to live. Through her faith, Mary conceived and brought Jesus to everyone who would believe. By living out our faith, we also bring Christ to the world anew. For more information, please contact Andy Gilliard at 940-323-8693.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

Are you going through a difficult time? A **Stephen Minister** can help. Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people going through a crisis or a difficult time. St. Mark contacts: Deacon Joe Standridge 940-220-7160, Donalee Hallenbeck 916-690-2714, Jennifer Rahn 940-262-0994.

Youth Ministry

Middle School & High School



EDGE

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St. Mark Middle School Faith Formation:
EDGE Middle School Faith Formation
 Sundays: 5:15 – 7pm (Meal Provided by Parent Meal Team)

The next EDGE Night is Sunday January 13, 2019.
Breathing Fire – “Always Burning”. The goal of this Edge Night is to briefly introduce the youth to the Holy Spirit as well as to build community through fun activities and games.



IGNITE

Middle School Faith Formation
 Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30pm (Parish Hall)

IGNITE Middle School Faith Formation

The next IGNITE Night is Wednesday January 16, 2019.
“Where am I going?” A look at the Four Last Things. (Death, Judgement, Heaven, and Hell)

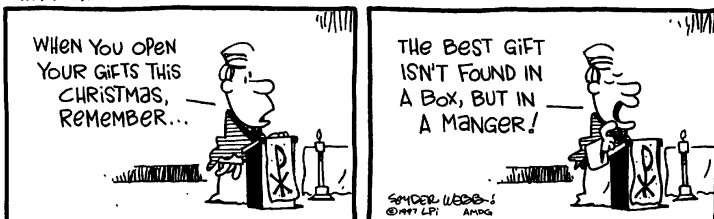
Congratulations to the parents and family of:



Dominic Michael Porter

who was recently baptized at St. Mark. May God's Blessing be with them always!

CHRISTMAS



Knights of Columbus

Upcoming Events of interest to the Chapter:

Annual Dues time! Pay on the website or at the Council meetings.

- **12/22-23** Smoke Hams on Sat - Distribute at All Masses
- **01/03** Officers & Directors Planning Meeting 7PM Parish Hall (All Welcomed)
- **01/10** General Council Meeting 6:30 social in Parish Hall
- **01/10** First Degree Ceremony - Initiation into the Council
- **01/19-20** Tamales Sales at every Mass

TAMALE SALE Our new venture to help raise funds for seminarians of Tamale Sales on January 19-20 is our first attempt at after mass sale so if you are planning to attend either of the 6 masses and may help see Deputy Grand Knight Ignacio Salazar. Pork or Beef are available at \$10 Dozen.

Bring your aluminum cans to the designated spot next to the dumpster at the back of the church grounds. **Please bag other aluminum recyclables in a separate bag from aluminum cans.** This a way you can say THANK YOU to the future priests. Any Questions contact Bob Beltz or Phil Carosone at 940-464-7617.

Those interested in joining the Knights of Columbus may inquire via email at manueltrevisojr73@gmail.com or 214-684-8177.

COME 'LIKE' US! The Knights have a new Facebook account - come check us out! <https://www.facebook.com/kofc12553/>

SK Manuel (Manny) Trevino, Jr.
 Grand Knight, Ralph Cerny Council #12553



Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court of Salve Regina #2611, invite ALL Catholic women 18 years and older to join us for the following activities this month:

- January 3:** Officer Planning Meeting 6:30 PM RE Room #201
- January 13:** Rosary at 11AM MWS Meeting after 11:30 AM Mass Parish Hall
- January 15-February 28:** Prayerful Pillowcase Sales
- January 26-27:** Prayerful Pillowcase Sales after ALL Masses.
- January 31:** Officer Planning Meeting 6:30 PM RE Room #201

Please check the website (www.cda-courtosalveregina.org) or details to all events.

All volunteers must be current with Safe Environment Training. For more information about CDA please contact Shirley Royster at 940-206-7682 or shirleyroyster@gmail.com.

Christmas Mass Schedule



December 24, 2018 Christmas Eve Schedule

4pm Mass

8pm Mass

11pm Mass

December 25, 2018 Christmas Day Schedule

8am Mass

10am Mass

12pm Mass (Spanish)

For more information contact parish office: 940-387-6223

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Discovering **hope and joy** in the Catholic faith.

December 2018

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One Minute Meditations**St. Dominic of Silos**

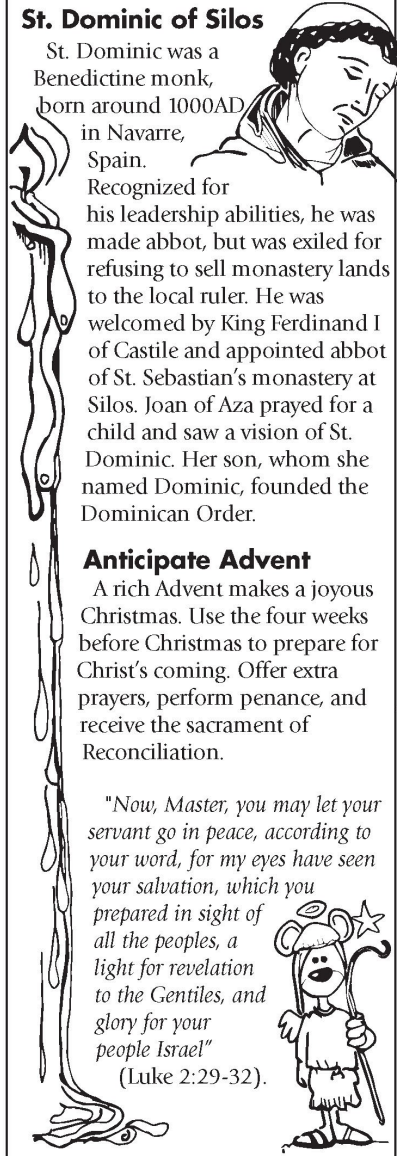
St. Dominic was a Benedictine monk, born around 1000AD in Navarre, Spain.

Recognized for his leadership abilities, he was made abbot, but was exiled for refusing to sell monastery lands to the local ruler. He was welcomed by King Ferdinand I of Castile and appointed abbot of St. Sebastian's monastery at Silos. Joan of Aza prayed for a child and saw a vision of St. Dominic. Her son, whom she named Dominic, founded the Dominican Order.

Anticipate Advent

A rich Advent makes a joyous Christmas. Use the four weeks before Christmas to prepare for Christ's coming. Offer extra prayers, perform penance, and receive the sacrament of Reconciliation.

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel"
(Luke 2:29-32).

**Celebrate Christmas with child-like wonder**

There is no greater miracle than the gift of love Christmas represents. We didn't earn it and we can't deserve it. Yet, we get so harried with the holiday rush that we miss the wonder of it. Ever notice how children never do? This year, slow down and celebrate Christmas like a child.

Tie gifts with heartstrings. Instead of boosting credit card balances or draining your checking account, keep what you give simple, meaningful, and from the heart. For example, give a coupon for babysitting to friends with children. Prepare a meal for someone who needs a break from cooking.

Offer your hearth. The holidays can be lonely for people separated from

their loved ones by distance, death, or circumstance. Watch for anyone who needs a "home" and invite them to yours.

Choose peace. Instead of enduring the Christmas commercials and bad holiday specials, record the good shows and watch while you relax. Or rent your favorite spiritual movies. Better still, turn off the television, computer, and cell phone, and enjoy the silence.

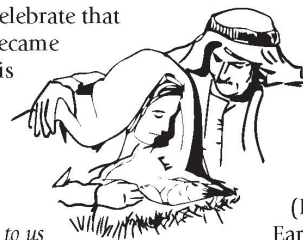
Greet the Babe with joy. Seek reconciliation in Confession so you can receive the Eucharist at Christmas.

Sing like an angel. Check your local listings for Christmas concerts, Messiah sing-a-longs, or other spiritual songfests. Host a caroling party in your home and sing loud with Christmas joy.

**Why Do Catholics Do That?****Why do Catholics celebrate Christ's birth?**

Every Christmas, we celebrate that Jesus, the Son of God, became man—while retaining his divinity—and died for our sins and rose again. We believe this because God, who is Truth, revealed it.

"For to us a child is born, to us

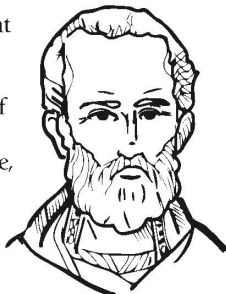


a son is given; and the government will be upon his shoulder, and his name will be called 'Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace'"
(Isaiah 9:6). God came to Earth and lived among us.

Honor the spirit of St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas is one icon of the holiday season that has meaning in both the secular and spiritual celebrations of Christmas.

We know that St. Nicholas was born at the end of the third century in Asia Minor. His parents died when he was young and left him well off. His uncle, the archbishop of Myra (southeast of Turkey), ordained him and upon his uncle's death, Nicholas served as bishop until his own death. Throughout he suffered imprisonment and persecution.



One legend involving St. Nicholas concerns a desperate man on the verge of selling his daughters into slavery to pay his debts. Nicholas secretly threw a bag of gold into an open window (some say down the chimney) in the man's house to stop him.

Our present-day Santa Claus stems from the legends of St. Nicholas, but in the Church he is a saint, a confessor of the faith, and a holy bishop. We can learn from his generosity to the poor, and imitate his acts of kindness to others.

from Scripture

Luke 2:41-52, Living in the world

In this reading, the Holy Family went to Jerusalem when Jesus was twelve years old. This was an important time in Jesus' life. Back then, a Hebrew boy became a man around that age, and was recognized in a ceremony called a Bar Mitzvah. On this occasion, Jesus decided to stay behind, causing anxiety to his parents.



This was the first time Jesus spoke in the Gospels and the first time he referred to his identity as God's Son. He spoke of his unique mission of saving the world. He knew his duties to his

heavenly Father but he understood the time to fulfill them would come later. Meanwhile, he returned obediently with his earthly parents to Nazareth and fulfilled his duties to them.

Jesus respected his family, yet he continued to pursue his place in God's plan. The lesson is that we can grow in holiness in wherever

God has placed us. Christians can be found in neighborhoods, schools, and workplaces. In all these places, we have to find ways to live a holy life in the world.

Q & A What, exactly, is meant by "fear of the Lord"?

"Fear of the Lord" is more about awe—recognizing God's power and might – than about fear of the merciful creator who loves us most. Fear of the



Lord is also known as "reverence," and is one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit listed in Isaiah: *"The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of*

understanding...counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord" (Isaiah 11:2). These gifts, when used, make us open to God's love.

Fear of the Lord helps us have a healthy respect for God's majesty. We fear offending God for the same reason we fear offending someone we love. If we really love someone, we wouldn't do anything (on purpose) to hurt them or damage the friendship. This is what happens when we sin. "The [Christian] no longer stands before God as a slave, in servile fear, or as a mercenary looking for wages, but as a son" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1828).

Feasts & Celebrations

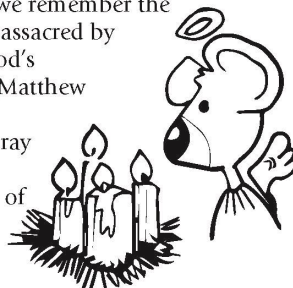
Dec. 4 – St. John Damascene (749). A Doctor of the Church and the last of the Greek Fathers, St. John was born in Syria when it was under Muslim rule and was counselor to the caliph. He is known for his writings in favor of the use of sacred images for devotion. These writings brought him into serious conflict with the heretical Christian emperor. He later became a monk under the direction of St. Sabas.

Dec. 12 – Our Lady of Guadalupe (1531). The Blessed Mother appeared as a Native American maiden to St.

Juan Diego, also Native American. She asked that the bishop of Mexico build a chapel for her, and had him carry roses to the bishop as a sign. When the roses were emptied from his tilma (cape), it retained the image of the Blessed Mother.

Dec. 28-The Holy Innocents. On this day, we remember the infants massacred by King Herod's soldiers (Matthew 2:16-18).

We also pray for the safety of unborn children.



Our Mission

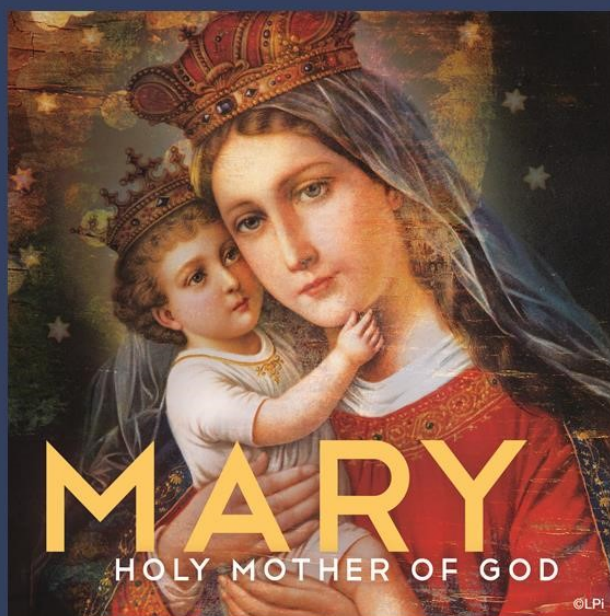
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Mary the Holy Mother of God

Monday, December 31, 2018

Vigil Mass 7 pm



Tuesday, January 1, 2019

7 am

9 am

11:30 am

For more information contact parish office:

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Those who are ill: Frank Finn, Marie Menezes, Karen Crosswy, Margie Hill, Paul Geist, Karen Tierno, Bob Tierno, Ann Brown, Irma O'Neal, John and Donna Marsh, Christopher Hobin, Judy Hutchinson, Gary Christopherson, Rose Marie Sagui, Lee Googging & family, Ronan Journagan, Anthony J. Balanquit, Maria Rivas, Susan Turner, Kim Avila, Bailey Massen, Emily Monsod, Michael Lundstrom, Margaret Giles, Chris Guerrero, Viola Stillman, Owassa Rebeck, Bob Schultz, Amiracle Scaturro, Mike Humphries, Casey Clark, Charles Kacines, Chuck & Norma Quinn, Ray Wells, Tyler Sagui, David Stull, Leo St. Martin, Mike Ripley, Dr. Daniel Redmond, Jonathan Allen, Louise & Cal Face, Alex Manning, Frank J. Santoro, Kathleen Easler, Dottie Meadows, Pam Garrett, Ginny Kirik, Travis Kettle, Dan Alford, Bernice Kirik, Jim Riddle, Irene Tribble, & Ben and Susan Story



Our military, especially: **US Navy SN Easton Kirkbride**, & **US Army Cadet Blake Rhymes** (grandsons of Richard and Anne Hill); **US Navy PO Connor McClure** (son of J. and Jennifer McClure); **Army Chemical Core 1st Lt. Benjamin Warren Dye** (son of Donald and Amelia Dye); **US Navy Ens. Matthew I. Goodpaster** (grandson of John and Mary Goodpaster, and son of John Jennifer Goodpaster III); **US Navy Lt. Patrisha Wilson** (granddaughter of John and Mary Goodpaster, and niece of John Jennifer Goodpaster III); **US Army Staff Sgt. Fred Stauffer** (nephew of Carol Cooney); **US Army Sergeant Brandon Cruz**, (grandson of Donalee Hallenbeck); **US Navy MMN3 Sebastian Weber** (son of Tom & Fawn Weber, & grandson of Judi & Rich Riley); **USAF 2nd Lt. Keith Richards** (son of Steve and Regina Richards); **USAF Colonel Laurie Ann Dickson** (daughter of George & Elaine Wittman); **USAF 1st LT Preston Green** (grandson of George & Elaine Wittman); **USAF Colonel Kevin Franke** (son of Mike & Suzanne Franke); **US Army LTC Kelly Pajak** (niece of Dan & Eileen Pajak); **US Army Pvt. Douglas H. Fuller** (son of Douglas A. Fuller, & grandson of June & Henry Fuller); **USMC Sergeant Austin Turner** (son in law of Bobby & Diane Turner); **US Army Pvt. John Thomas Sciara** (son of Eric & Jackie Sciara); **USAF Major Thomas W. Wagner, Jr** (grandson of Margaret Wagner, & nephew of Jane Wagner); **US Army SPC Patrick Stanton** (son of Bill & Ruth Stanton); **USAF Major Raymond Sagui** (son of Xavier and Rosie Sagui); **US Army PFC Garrett Teubner** (son of Doug & Peggy Teubner); **Master Sgt. Andrew Ahel** (son of Walter & Fran Ahel); **USAF Lt. Colonel Joel Elterman** (son of Janet Elterman-Lee and Curtis Lee); **US Army LTC Phillip Lamb** (nephew of Jack & Tish Becker); **USMC Lance Corporal Brock Geddes** (son of Gil Geddes); **USAF Staff Sgt. Eric Bergman** (son of Jan T. Bergman).

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HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL!!!

Our Christmas wish for all is one of true and lasting peace as well as a generous heart for all of those in need spiritually, physically, and materially. We know that the Babe of Bethlehem brings this to all of us. Your Parish School will be closed through Jan. 2 to honor the Christ Child. Classes will resume at 8 am. Thursday, January 3, 2019. May God bless you all!!!

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This Christmas, give a gift to yourself -- the gift of Healing. Register for a Rachel Retreat and be healed of the wounds of abortion.

This gift will last a lifetime!

Rachel Ministries
817-923-4757
Next retreat March 8