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## Weekly Offering:

### Week of December 7-13, 2021:

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Weekly Online:          | 4,844.00         |
| Weekly Mail & Mass:     | 13,469.25        |
| <b>Weekly Total:</b>    | <b>18,313.25</b> |
| Weekly Offering Budget: | 12,757.00        |
| Variance:               | 5,556.25         |

The Weekly Offering amount includes only: regular collections at Mass, online, and mail donations to be retained by the parish and Building & Maintenance donations. Christmas and Easter collections will be reported separately. Other parish income is not included above. **Please note:** The lower budget number above does not mean that it costs less to run the parish well. It is simply a result of decreases in Mass attendance and parish donations and is a number we very much hope to exceed so we can continue our work and ministries.



## The Pastor's Corner:

Dear Parishioners & Friends:

As I was reading this weekend's Gospel to prepare to write this, the words that spoke loudest and most meaningfully to me were Elizabeth's to Mary when she said, "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." I tried to capture that belief and reliance in the photos above - the Annunciation, the Visitation, and the Nativity of the Lord. Mary heard God's words, believed, and stepped out in faith accordingly. In so doing, she became one of the instruments through which God fulfilled the law and promises he made to his people.

I began to think about how often we hear God's word and voice in our lives. We hear it every time we attend Mass. We hear it when we read the Bible on our own. We heard it as children during our sacramental preparations. We hear it repeated by others in books, daily devotionals, and spiritual reflections. We see it embodied in others and in the world around us. We may even hear it whispered in our own hearts. While we encounter God's word in many ways, it's often difficult for us to truly hear God's message and to internalize and truly understand that it is meant for us individually - that God has a plan for me and truly loves me beyond measure, in all of my sinfulness and brokenness. We hear God wants to make us saints, but believe on some level that we could never achieve that, that such a statement couldn't possibly apply to us. We hear that God's power is made perfect in our weakness, but are we often unable to truly believe it, in the way Mary did, when she risked absolutely

## Mass Schedule:

|              |                                     |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Saturday:    | 4:00 pm Confessions<br>5:00 pm      |
| Sunday:      | 8:30 am<br>11:00 am                 |
| Daily (M-F): | 8:45 am                             |
| Holy Days:   | 7:00 pm Vigil<br>8:45 am<br>7:00 pm |

All Masses are open to the public. Daily Masses and the Sunday 8:30 am Mass are also live-streamed on the parish Facebook page.

## Parish Programs:

**Spiritual Book Club** - Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 9:30 am via Zoom.

**Parents of Special Needs Children** - Meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 5:00 pm via Zoom.

**Adult Faith Opportunities - RCIA** - For those thinking about becoming a Catholic.

**Discovery Discipleship Faith Study** - Rediscover your faith and a personal relationship with God.

These programs are available for parishioners who are 18 years old or older. Please contact Jim King, DRE at jimkingdre@gmail.com and 610-935-1261 for information and to register.

## Please pray for:

A complete list of everyone on our parish prayer list is on our website.

**Rest in Peace:** John Vandever, Jean Reifsnyder, Margaret Layton (mother of Ed Layton), and all of our faithful departed.

### To Add People to Parish Prayer List:

If you have a loved one in need of special prayers for any reason, please contact the Parish Office to add them to our Prayer List and to remove them once they are no longer in need of such prayers. Thank you for your help with this and for praying for those in our parish who need special prayers.

everything to fully answer God's call.

As with all prophetic statements in the Bible, Elizabeth's words weren't meant just for the people of that time and place, they are meant for all of us. During this time of preparation and beyond, let us take her words to heart. Let us be open to the grace to truly believe God's promises and plan for us, to follow Mary's example by responding with complete reliance and obedience on God's love, mercy, and trustworthiness, and in so doing, to be blessed. I wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

*Fr. Gary*

## Mass Intentions:

### Sunday, December 19, 2021

Vigil – Lucretia Bosset, 5th Anniv. (Terry Tomon & Family)  
8:30 am – Frederick Cates (The Cates Family)  
11:00 am – People of St. Basil the Great

### Monday, December 20, 2021

8:45 am – Paul James Gazzillo (Carol & Jerry Trecroce)

### Tuesday, December 21, 2021

8:45 am – William E. Clarkson, Jr. (M/M James King)

### Wednesday, December 22, 2021

8:45 am – Elvera Gerace (The Murphy Family)

### Thursday, December 23, 2021

9:00 am – Michelle Nickolaus (M/M Robert Shemonsky)

### Friday, December 24, 2021

8:45 am – People of St. Basil the Great  
4:00 pm – People of St. Basil the Great  
6:00 pm – People of St. Basil the Great

### Saturday, December 25, 2021

8:30 am – People of St. Basil the Great  
11:00 am – People of St. Basil the Great  
\*\*No Confessions or 5 pm Mass

### Next Sunday, December 26, 2021

8:30 am – William (Bill) Tomon (Mrs. Patricia Dobson)  
11:00 am – People of St. Basil the Great

## Thank you and Merry Christmas!

We want to take a moment to thank you for your generosity and support of the parish throughout another very challenging year. We are very grateful for you. We will keep you and your loved ones in our prayers and ask that you keep the parish in yours!

## A reminder regarding 2021 donations:

We want to remind anyone who wants to make a donation to the parish for 2021 that it needs to be received by the parish before December 31, 2021. Thank you for making your donation early enough to ensure that we receive it **before** the end of this year. We are so grateful for your generosity and support!

## New Discovery Discipleship Faith Study Groups will be forming in January!

Stay tuned for more information!

# 2021 Holiday Mass Schedule



## Christmas Masses:

**Friday, December 24, 2021**

4:00 pm\*

6:00 pm

No Midnight Mass

**Saturday, December 25, 2021**

8:30 am\*

11:00 am

No 4:00 pm Confessions or 5:00 pm Mass

## New Year's/Mary, Mother of God:

**Friday, December 31, 2021**

5:00 pm

**Saturday, January 1, 2021**

10:00 am\*

\*Masses live-streamed via parish Facebook page. Regularly scheduled Masses will be held unless noted above. All Masses are open to the public. Seating may be limited. Check website for details. Plans are subject to change.

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