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Solemnity of Mary

January 1, 2023

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*To learn anew the Gospel:
The Good News that God loves us—Then to live it and share it.*



From the Deacon's Bench

Brothers and Sisters,

Christmas songs have vanished from the radio. Stores are taking down the decorations. The world around us says Christmas is over, but we are still in the Christmas Season. It won't end until January 9th with the Baptism of the Lord. Now with Christmas day having been on a Sunday, our celebration of some feasts is a bit different. The Feast of the Holy Family, usually the first Sunday after Christmas, was celebrated on Friday.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. So, what is it we are celebrating? In the 4th and 5th centuries there were debates about the relationship of Christ's divine and human natures. At the center of this debate was a title of Mary. Since at least the 3rd century, Christians had referred to Mary as "theotokos," meaning "God-bearer." And so, Mary was called the Mother of God. At the Council of Ephesus in AD 431, and again at the Council of Chalcedon in AD 451, the Church declared that Christ was fully God and fully human, and these natures were united in one person, Jesus Christ. This meant that Mary could be called "mother of God" since she gave birth to Jesus, who was fully divine as well as fully human.

Next Sunday we will celebrate the coming of the Magi and the Feast of the Epiphany. Until then, Merry Christmas!

Peace,
Dcn. Kerry

Please remember the following in your prayers...



Lynn Allen (*Vivian Allen's daughter*)
 Vivian Allen
 Fred Arnold
 Thea Barrett
 Phil Bradshaw (*Peggy O'Connor-Campbell's brother-in-law*)
 Eric Burdine (*Stacey Burdine's son*)
 Brenda Chaney
 Morgan Craig (*Diane & Charlie's granddaughter*)
 Mynelle Gardner
 Morris Gardner
 Carla Gerton
 Flossie Hill
 Betty Jones
 Beverley Jones
 Gwendolyn King
 Mary Martin (*Myrle Dulaney & Myrna Martin's sister*)
 Martha Mayes (*Thelma Mayes' mother*)
 Marie Owens
 Ray Owens (*Marie Owens' husband*)
 James Patton (*Karen Martin's father*)
 Adolph Peterson (*Evelyn Peterson's husband*)
 Rita Prince (*Lorenza Prince's sister*)
 Jim (Rookie) Reynolds (*Terri Cuellar's brother*)
 Cheryl Smith (*daughter of Jerria Jones*)
 Stanley Young (*Wanda Barrett's brother*)

Please contact Deacon Kerry if you would like to add or remove someone from the Prayer List.



What's been going on with the gym roof?

You may have noticed work being done on the roof of the gym. Several months ago, we had wind damage to that roof. At that time, a patch was put in place until the necessary materials to replace the entire roof were available. Well, the materials became available the week before Christmas, and the crew began a race to finish before the winter storm arrived. They completed part of the roof and then sealed things until this past week when the weather would allow them to finish. All of the cost of this was covered by insurance except for a \$5,000 deductible, which the archdiocese paid for the parish.

St. Pius X in Indianapolis is seeking a full time Business Manager to manage the financial, physical and personnel resources of the parish in consultation with the Pastor and Parish Finance committee. If interested, please submit a cover letter, resume, and at least 3 professional references in confidence to:

Emily Brown, St. Pius X Catholic Church,
7200 Sarto Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46240

Scripture Study:

The Way, the Truth, and the Life

St. Matthew Church, 4100 E. 56th St., invites you to its next Scripture Study on Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life.

The study will run 10 weeks. Study start date—Choose either a Tuesday evening or a Thursday morning meeting time:

- Tuesday, Jan. 3, starting at 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Jan. 5, starting at 9 a.m.

The cost for a workbook is to be determined. Please contact Jim Barbar, jimbarbar@ymail.com, (317) 796-9016, or Amy Barbar, amybarbar958@gmail.com, (317) 529-0141, with questions and to register.

St. Paul Parish School of Evangelization

The Church exists to evangelize. That's where we come in.

Our weekly School of Evangelization is designed to help ordinary Catholics become extraordinary evangelists in their own communities and everyday lives. The school meets once a week in the evening and includes time for teaching, discussion, small groups, activities, and prayer.

Registration is now open for the 2023 class beginning on Thursday, January 19, 2023. Classes will meet each Thursday from 7:00 – 9:00 pm at Our Lady of Greenwood Church (335 S. Meridian St., Greenwood, IN 46143). Instructors are Peter Doane and the SPSE team. For additional information or to register, please visit:

www.streetevangelization.com/parish-schools.

2023 E6 Catholic Men's Conference

Mark your calendar for the 2023 E6 Catholic Men's Conference, which will be taking place on Saturday, February 18th 2023, at the East Central High School Performing Arts Center in St. Leon, IN (located 80 miles southeast of Indianapolis and 35 minutes northwest of Cincinnati).

We cordially invite every man to attend this 8th annual event. Please join us for inspiring talks, confession (available all day), celebration of the Holy Mass and fraternity with fellow men of Christ. We pride ourselves on presenting a quality, substance-driven, inspirational and faith-filled event that will change men's lives and help equip them to be the man Christ calls them to be. **Do not miss this!**

More details and tickets are on sale now at www.e6cmc.com.



Schedule of Events**Sunday, January 1**

10:30 am - Mass

Tuesday, January 3

12:00 am - Bible Study

Wednesday, January 4

8:30 am - Communion Service

Sunday, January 8

10:30 am - Mass

Tuesday, January 10

12:00 am - Bible Study

Wednesday, January 11

8:30 am - Communion Service

Ministers in Service - January 8**Ushers:**

Anthony Bell (c), Karen Martin

Lectors:

Deidre Kelly, Diane Murdock

Mass Intentions for the Week**Sunday, January 1**

10:30 pm: Deceased Members of St. Andrew

Sunday, January 810:30 pm: Eddie R. Stallworth (d)
by Pamela Stallworth**January 1st is the World Day of Peace**

Every year on January 1, the Holy Father marks the World Day of Peace by inviting all people to reflect on the important work of building peace. Entering 2023, our world really needs it. This is his prayer:

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried...? But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost." Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division," "hatred," and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen.

We should not be concerned with how much of the Holy Spirit we have, but with how much of us the Holy Spirit has. Submit yourself daily to his leading and draw constantly on his power.

