

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	19	
4:00 PM	Josephine & August Bayer	
5:30 PM	Claire Valeri	
Sunday	20 Fourth Sunday in Advent	
7:30 AM	Sr. Mary Judith	
9:00 AM	Carmine DeGeronimo	
11:30 AM	Maria & Donato Mastropietro	
5:30 PM	Benito Polito	
Monday	21 St. Peter Canisius	
9:00 AM	Catherine Wright	
Noon	Fred Rufino	
Tuesday	22	
9:00 AM	Theresa Rose & Gerardo Caruso	
Noon	Michael Brennan	
Wednesday	23 St. John of Kandy	
9:00 AM	James & Margaret O'Malley	
Noon	Alice Fetcho	
Thursday	24 Christmas Eve Masses	
9:00 AM	For the Weaver Family (Living)	
4:00 PM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
6:00 PM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
8:00 PM	For the People of the Parish	
10:00 PM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
Friday	25 Christmas Day Masses	
7:30 AM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
9:00 AM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
10:30 AM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
12:30 PM	Christmas Spiritual Bouquet	
Saturday	26 St. Stephen	
9:00 AM	Kathryn Lama	
4:00 PM	Reno Veschi	
5:30 PM	Isabell Esposito	
Sunday	27 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	
7:30 AM	Alfred Alosco	
9:00 AM	Gene & Nina Orsenigo	
11:30 AM	Anthony Golia	
5:30 PM	Beatrice, Henry and Steven Eilers	

Faith Formation

The Faith Formation staff wishes our families a Merry Christmas and a Happy, healthy New Year!

MEMORIAL OFFERINGS

Bread & Wine Reno Veschi

Sanctuary Lamp Deceased members of the Janiak and Sclafani Families

Altar Candle Essential Workers

Altar Flowers Those suffering from COVID 19

Pray for our Deceased

David J. Lupa Philip T. DeSantis Julia S. Fay James J. Keddy, Jr.

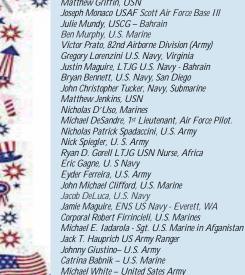
Pray for our Sick

Patricia Batt Fr. Brian C. Brennan Emily Frankfurter Joseph Porcelli Michael Salaway Thomas Logan Edna Heidt Helga Beyer Alex Luzzi Damian Frankfurter Cash Macchiarolo Lucy Dina Noah Kaplan Margret Fickeria Jack Benson Monroe Wiechman Denis Lanigan Franz Wolf Kim Nottage John Fornabia Sr. Anne

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Pray for our Military Matthew Griffin, USN Joseph Monaco USAF Scott Air Force Base III

Joshua Ymbras – United States Army Abraham J. Keogh - United States Army





Respect Life Advent Wreath for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

(Each day until December 24th all 4 candles are lit)

Mindful of our task to prepare our world for his full and final coming, let us pray:

Father, we are struck with wonder at the trust you have put in us.

The work which your Son began by His coming here on earth is now put into our hands to complete.

He longs to come again, but His time is not yet ripe; we must bring Him forth to a world that is pleasing to

Until that time, known only to you, when the heavens will open and we will see Him once more, we raise our eyes to you and ask for your blessing while we set our hands to the task, you have given us.

All glory be to you, Father, and to your Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

We wish you and your families a most Blessed Christmas.

Next week, will end our Spiritual Adoption Program for this year.

Do Something Beautiful for God (Teachings of St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta)



We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked and homeless.

The poverty of being unwanted, unloved, and uncared for is the greatest poverty.

We must start in our own homes to remedy this kind of poverty.

Prayer for our Troops

Almighty God and Father, hold our servicemen and women in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time and need.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior.
Amen.



Saint Michael, the Archangel,

Please guide and protect our Police Officers, Correction Officers, Firefighters, Emergency Personnel and First Responders



This will be a special day offered to Catholics to have an opportunity to receive God's love and forgiviness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

St. John's Church

Daily Masses: 9am and Noon

The Church is open for daily Private prayer until **4pm**

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT - December 20, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A Blessed Christmas to you and your loved ones. The celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, is a time of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

God's gift to the world of His son is a fulfillment of the promise made long ago, "Look, the virgin is with child and will give birth to a son whom she will call Immanuel."

(Isaiah 6:14)

Yes, brothers and sisters God is with us. Lift up your hearts and voices to the Lord. Be filled with the love of God in Christ Jesus. Stand tall and lift up your heads for salvation has come to us.

"For a son has been born for us, a son has been given to us, and dominion has been laid on his shoulders; and this is the name he has been given, wonder, counsellor, mighty God, eternal Father, Prince of Peace. His rule will be great and there will be no end of peace for the throne of David and his kingdom, secure and established in fair judgement and righteousness. From this time onwards and forever the jealous love of the Lord Sabaoth will do this."

(Isaiah 9:5-6)

Let all fear and worry be parted from us. Let all anxiety be cleared away. Be firm in faith, hope, and love. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. The hope and promise of the ages has come upon us.

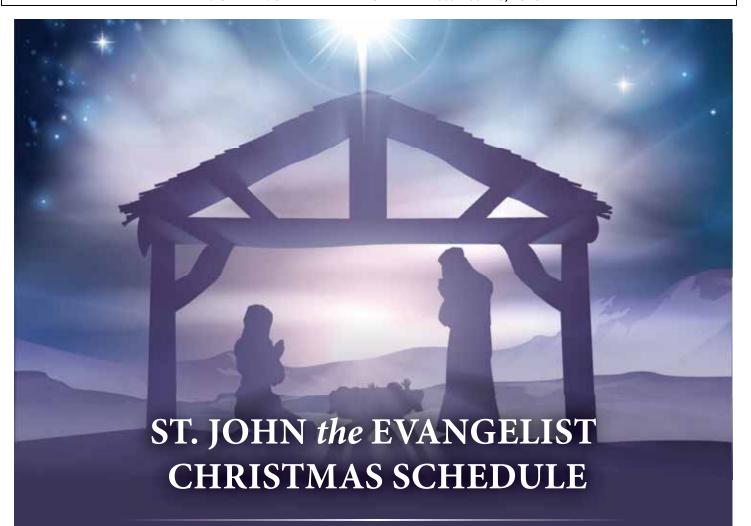
"Do not be afraid. Look, I bring you good news of great joy for the whole people, that today a savior has been born to you in the town of David, who is Christ the Lord. And this is a sign for you. You will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with an angel a throng of the heavenly host, praising God and saying."

'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among people of good will.' (St. Luke 2:10-14)



All our Love and prayers,

Fr. Caruso, Fr. Patrick, Fr. Justice
Deacon Scarfi
Parish House Staff and
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Christmas Eve Thursday, December 24

4 PM Vigil Mass	Main Church
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6:00 PM Vigil Mass	Main Church
8:00 PM Vigil Mass	Main Church
10:00 PM Vigil Mass	

Christmas Day Friday, December 25

7:30 AM Mass of Christmas Day Main Church 9:00 AM Mass of Christmas Day Main Church 10:30 AM Mass of Christmas Day Main Church 12:30 PM Mass of Christmas Day Main Church

BLESSING OF INFANT JESUS STATUES

God of every nation and people,
From the very beginning of creation
You have made manifest your love:
When our need for a Savior was great
You sent your son to be born of the Virgin Mary.
To our lives He brings joy and peace,
Justice, mercy, and love.

Lord.

Bless the homes and all who look upon
These images of the infant Jesus;
May they remind us of the humble birth
Of our Lord,

And raise up our thoughts to Him, Who is Gowith-us and Savior of all, And who lives and reigns foever and ever. Amen

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT - December 20, 2020

JESUS, THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE

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If you have any questions or concerns please contact Deacon Scarfi at 646-879-4825 or

Email: john.scarfi@sjtemahopac.org

All are welcome to attend. May God be with you this day!

The Staff: Deacon John Scarfi, Margaret Scarfi, Jean Schuff and Kevin Griffin

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT - December 20, 2020

Pope Francis proclaims Year of St. Joseph

Pope Francis has decreed a Year of St. Joseph in which Catholics will have the opportunity to obtain a special plenary indulgence.

Until December 2021, there are many new ways that Catholics can receive an indulgence, including entrusting their daily work to the protection of St. Joseph the Worker or reciting the rosary with their families.

These acts must be accompanied by sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions, the usual conditions to obtain any plenary indulgence.

Plenary indulgences remit all temporal punishment due to sin and must be accompanied by full detachment from sin.

- 1) Participate in a spiritual retreat for at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph.
- 2) Pray for St. Joseph's intercession for the unemployed that they might find dignifying work.
- 3) Recite the Litany of St. Joseph for persecuted Christians. Byzantine Catholics have the option of an Akathist to St. Joseph.
- 4) Entrust one's daily work and activity to the protection of St. Joseph the Worker.
- 5) Follow St. Joseph's example in performing a corporal work of mercy. These include feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, visiting the imprisoned, visiting the sick, and burying the dead.
- 6) Perform one of the spiritual works of mercy, such as comforting the sorrowful, counseling the doubtful, instructing the ignorant, admonishing the sinner, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving injuries, and praying for the living and the dead.
- 7) Pray the rosary together with one's family in order that "all Christian families may be stimulated to recreate the same atmosphere of intimate communion, love and prayer that was in the Holy Family."
- 8) Engaged couples can also receive an indulgence from praying the rosary together.
- 9) Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, because St. Joseph "invites us to rediscover our filial relationship with the Father, to renew fidelity to prayer, to listen and correspond with profound discernment to God's will."
- 10) Pray an approved prayer to St. Joseph on St. Joseph Sunday, the Sunday after Christmas in the Byzantine Catholic tradition.
- 11) Celebrate the feast of St. Joseph on March 19 with an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph.
- 12) Pray an approved prayer to St. Joseph on the 19th of any month.
- 13) Honor Joseph with an act of piety or approved prayer on a Wednesday, the day traditionally dedicated to St. Joseph.
- 14) Pray to St. Joseph on the Feast of the Holy Family on December 27th.
- 15) Celebrate the feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1 with an act of piety or prayer.

NOTICIAS DE NUESTRA PARROQUIA

Cantaré eternamente las misericordias del Señor, anunciaré tu fidelidad por todas las edades. Porque dije: «Tu misericordia es un edificio eterno, más que el cielo has afianzado tu fidelidad. Salmo 88, 2-3

Feliz Navidad



Para Bautizos:

Domingos a la 1:00 p.m. Para programar un bautismo, comuníquese con el diácono John Scarfi por correo electrónico a John.Scarfi@sjtemahopac.org o por teléfono al 845-628-2006, x115. También puede completar el formulario en línea.

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"Power Full" Prayer Night January

Martes, Enero 5, 2021, 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM JÓVENES / Bilingüe English-Español / Jóvenes y jóvenes adultos



Gospel Today

Fourth Sunday of Advent | Luke 1:26-38

BE AWARE, PREPARE, REJOICE, SEE THE LIGHT!

The Angel Gabriel came to Mary with good news. She would give birth to Jesus, and her cousin Elizabeth would give birth to John the Baptist, for nothing is impossible with God.

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1ST Day of Winter even in the short daylight hours We See the Light!

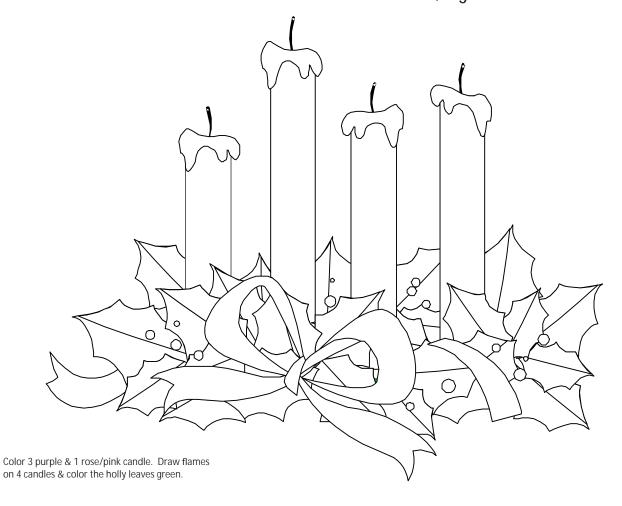
4 bright candles – Jesus is coming soon...

WEEK 4, evening lighting prayer Prayer said by Father or head of household

"O Lord, stir up Thy power, we pray Thee, and come; and with great might help us, that with the help of Thy Grace, Thy merciful forgiveness may hasten what our sins impede. Through Christ our Lord, Amen".

Father or head of household lights all the candles.

We are Aware, We are Prepared, We Rejoice, We see the Light! Christ, Light of the World.



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