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The Nativity of the Lord

4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MARY IS EXPECTING someone else's child? As Joseph wrestles with this difficult fact and its many challenges, God reaches out to reassure him. Joseph doesn't know what will happen next, why this is happening, or how he can possibly be the right man for this job, but Joseph knows the who – he knows God – and that's enough. If Joseph had a motto, it would likely be Psalm 37.3: "Trust in the Lord, and do good." It's how he lives his life. Time after time, Joseph trusts God and takes action. That faith gives him the courage to do the next right thing. It helps him take that next step. And the one after it.

Like Joseph, we can trust God even if we don't fully understand our circumstances. Especially then. Like Joseph, we can be en-*couraged* to do that next right thing just because God asked.

What is God asking of you? What plans might He be asking you to rethink? What challenge might He he asking you to face? Who is He entrusting to your care? If you are feeling anxious, confused or unprepared, remember: God is with you. Trust God and do good, knowing He will give you all you need to do the next right thing – for He is with you every step of the way.

(Reflection of Caroline Pignat of Living with Christ)



Monday, December 19, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Jacoob Castiel Salas

Tuesday, December 20, 2022 Multi-intention

8:30 a.m. Blessings for Jeannine Pereira

+ Anne Pinto

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Mary Lalonde

Thursday, December 22, 2022

8:30 a.m. For the deceased members of the Kruk family

+ Andrew Tan

+ Kisung Augustin Kim

Friday, December 23, 2022

8:30 a.m. + Ajanthi Andrew

Saturday, December 24, 2022 Multi-intention

9:00 a.m. + Victor D'Souza

+ Jamie Hugo

+ Julian Potian

+ Amelia Potian

4:30 p.m. Birthday wishes for Mary Lurthu Fernando

7:00 p.m. + Benny & Kathleen McNamee

Midnight Birthday wishes for Mary Lurthu Fernando

Sunday, December 25, 2022

8:00 a.m. Thanksgiving for Peredo & Medina families

9:30 a.m. Intentions of the Wong family

11:00 a.m. Deceased members of the McDermott family



Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas

Christmas Eve – Saturday, Dec. 24th
4:30 p.m. (with children's Christmas Pageant),
7:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day – Sunday, Dec. 25th 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

New Year

New Year's Eve Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Saturday, Dec. 31st – 4:30 p.m.

New Year's Day - Sunday, Jan. 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, Jan. 7th – 4:30 p.m. Sunday Jan. 8th – 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

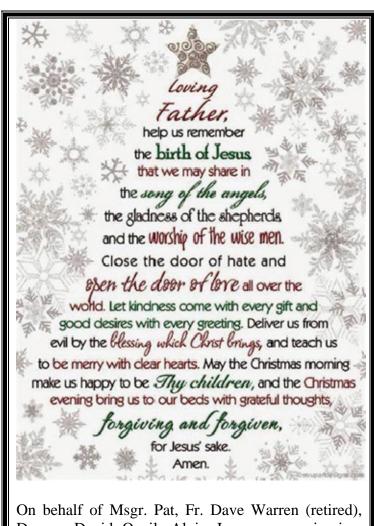
Day of Confessions

On *December 20th*, we will celebrate the Archdiocesan Day of Confession in preparation for Christmas. Msgr. Pat has set the following schedule for confession times at St. Edward's Parish:

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Senior Residence Mass - December 2022

Wednesday, December 21st - Del Manor - 10:30 a.m.



On behalf of Msgr. Pat, Fr. Dave Warren (retired), Deacon David Quail, Alvin Joys, our seminarian, Josie Paladino and Jeswyn Devas, our secretaries, and Aldrin Fernandes, our custodian, we wish all our parishioners and their families a holy and peaceful Christmas.

SL ShareLife

Giving Tuesday and the 2022 ShareLife \$1 Million Matching Gift Program

Until December 31, all contributions to the Parish Campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$1 million. We hope this initiative will encourage those who have not given yet, as well as those who have given reduced amounts this year, to make a year-end gift to support the vulnerable members of our community. To participate, parishioners can give at sharelife.org/donate or at the parish by using the ShareLife envelopes.



ANGEL TREE

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Angel Tree Program, which assists the families served by the St. Vincent de Paul Society of our parish, Children's Aid Society, and the Good Shepherd Ministries. Gifts and gift cards will be distributed before Christmas. A report of what was raised will be provided following Christmas, as donations to the St. Vincent de Paul collection are still coming in. May God bless all our works and outreach to the needy this Christmas.

Support Your Parish With A Gift Of Securities This Christmas

As Christmas approaches, it is a good time to call to mind some of the blessings we've experienced thus far. Thank you for your support throughout the year!

While you are planning your seasonal giving benefiting the parish and the community, consider making a gift of securities. It is one of the most financially sound ways to make a difference. When you donate stocks, bonds or mutual funds, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full value of your securities. It means a great tax break for you and greater support to the parish.

To learn more about gifting securities and how you can make an impact for the 2022 tax year, contact the Development Office at 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519. To donate listed securities, you can obtain the information sheet and Letter of Direction by visiting this link:

https://bit.ly/ArchTOGiftsofSecurities.

Thank you once again for your continued support!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Please remember the poor and needy with contributions to the St. Vincent de Paul <u>Poor Box</u> located in the church lobby each and every weekend. This parish has always been very generous in their efforts to support the poor and needy and we are all indeed grateful!

Offertory envelopes for 2023 are available in the hall. The boxes are in alphabetical order. If there is a change of address, please contact the Parish office.



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