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## Happy New Year



SOLEMNITY OF  
MARY, MOTHER  
OF GOD

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January 1st

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**JANUARY 1, 2023**

**THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

Opening Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Hark! the herald angels sing: "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With angelic hosts proclaim: "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Refrain: Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored, Christ, the everlasting Lord: Late in time, behold him come, off-spring of a virgin's womb. Veiled in flesh the God-head see! Hail th'incarnate Deity! Pleased as man with us to dwell; Jesus, our Emmanuel!

Gloria

**Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

**READING 1** **NM 6:22-27.**

The LORD said to Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face

shine upon you, and be gracious to



you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** **PS 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8.**

**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**  
Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**  
Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**  
Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let the sea and what fills it resound; let the plains be joyful and all that is in them!

**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**  
They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes; for he comes to rule the earth. He shall rule the world with justice and the peoples with his constancy.

**R. May God bless us in his mercy.**

**READING 2** **GAL 4:4-7.**

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.

## **ALLELUIA**

**LK 2:10-11.**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets: in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

## **GOSPEL**

**LK 2:16-21**

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

### **Profession of Faith**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic

Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Offertory Hymn: God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen**

**God rest you merry, gentlemen, Let nothing you dismay; Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day to save us all from Satan's pow'r when we were gone astray.**

**Refrain: O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy; O tidings of comfort and joy.**

**From God our heav'nly Father A blessed angel came, and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same, how that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.**

### **Our Father**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done. On earth as it is in heaven. Give this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**



*Communion Hymn: Angels We Have Heard on High*

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains. And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.

*Refrain: Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Say what may the tidings be which inspire your heav'nly song.

*Communion Hymn II: Silent Night*

Silent night! Holy night! All is calm, all is bright Round yon Virgin Mother and child! Holy infant so tender and mild, Sleep in heavenly peace, Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night! Holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight; Glories stream from heaven afar; Heav'nly hosts sing "Alleluia! Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born."



*( A Magnificent*

*Heart during the Christmas Tree Lighting courtesy of Tim Donnelly.)*

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*Closing Hymn: Joy to the World*

Joy to the world! The Lord is come; Let earth receive her King; Let ev'ry heart prepare him room, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the world! The Savior reigns; Let us our songs employ; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

**On behalf of Father Rhey and the and staff of Sacred Heart we wish all of our parishioners a very blessed and Happy New Year!**



Lector Schedule

**Saturday, Jan 7th:**  
5:00 PM: Jack Gordon

**Sunday, Jan 8th:**  
7:00 AM: Vincent O'Grady  
9:00 AM  
11:00 AM Maria Montuori  
1:00 PM:

**Saturday, December 31:**

9:30	James Alongi	Fr. Soju
5:00	Remedios M. Tagle	Fr. Rhey
12AM	Salvatore Basile	Fr. Rhey

**Sunday, January 1st :**

9:00	Deceased Members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory	Msgr. Greg
11:00	Thanksgiving for Recovery	Fr. Soju
1:00	Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered	Fr. Rhey

**Monday, January 2:**

9:30	Maryanne Abate	Fr. Rhey
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**Tuesday, January 3:**

9:30	Jack Graham & Souls in Purgatory	Msgr. Nick
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**Wednesday, January 4:**

9:30	People of the Parish	Fr. Rhey
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**Thursday, January 5:**

9:30	Kathleen Moore Perry	Fr. Marius
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**Friday, January 6:**

9:30	Mary A. Brown	Fr. Rhey
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Collections

**December 18th:**  
**\$ 6,935.00**

**Priests Retirement:**  
**\$994.00**

**Christmas Flowers:**  
**\$1,407.00**

**Attendance 12/18:**  
**747**

**Children:**  
**School (50), CCD (54)**

**Pastosa Raffle: 12/18**  
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*Dear* Friends of Sacred Heart,

I used to have an altar in my room with some stones with words etched on it. Whenever I fell or was disappointed in myself for not making enough effort to do good for the day, I would go to my altar and read those stones. One of my favorites is the stone that says BEGIN. It is consolation for me to know that even when I wake up. It gives me a sense of hope to move on and start anew.

**New Year ushers in a new beginning in one's life.  
Whatever failures we have done in the past,  
The New Year tells us that we can always BEGIN  
Something new.**

The New Year is an opportunity to rekindle our desire to do ourselves. We can leave our failures behind and look forward to new opportunities for growth. We are not discouraged by our failings but encouraged to turn these failings into opportunities to grow.

The past months of my pastoral leadership have been a tremendous for me. I have come to continue to learn from you and try my best to listen to your suggestions and comments. I look forward to the future with many opportunities for growth as I see more involvement from parishioners. Especially, our young people. I have met our students in our school and our CCD program. I have watched the games of our young athletes. I have seen the good work of our volunteers who tirelessly give their time for the support of our parish. Our parishioners continue to respond so generously to my appeals for support and help to the parish. What a blessing, what a grace there is in this parish!

That being said each new year also brings a certain feeling of anxiety and fear as to what lies ahead of us. Amidst the global crisis of the Russian/Ukraine war, the high inflation rate, and the political situation of the nation let us not forget that the Church gives us Mary. Our Mother, who amid her sufferings, remained faithful to her mission. She trusted in the will of God.

**Mary is our mother whom we can rely on to bring us to hope in the face of despair. She, too, is our inspiration when we find ourselves weak and discouraged by personal failures.**

I encourage each of us to renew our devotion to Mary as we begin this year, 2023. May she always intercede for us in our times of need.

Thank you for all your continued support of my little pastoral initiatives. Your overwhelming support in the past year inspires me to work harder to

bring you closer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please know that you are always in my prayers and thoughts. Please pray for me as well.

May God bless you and keep you always. A Happy New Year to all.



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**Sacred Heart Flocknotes:** Sacred Heart now has their own flocknotes online. To register as a member of flocknotes simply go to [www.sacredheartsi.flocknote.com](http://www.sacredheartsi.flocknote.com) and enter your information. You can also register via the instructions in the flier in this weeks bulletin. Flocknotes does not and will not eliminate our weekly bulletin. The purpose of this is to either text or email our parishioners small announcements like our Christmas schedule, or our Ash Wednesday schedule for instance. This way when important events happen in our parish, our parishioners stayed informed.

**Giving Tree:** Thanks to all our parishioners who donated gifts to the Giving Tree we are certain that they were appreciated. Due to an early deadline with our bulletin production company we do not yet have an exact number of gifts. Thanks for your generosity to those who need it most. Thanks to Laura Kimmins, Tina Althoff and our Scouts for coordinating our tree and distributing the gifts.

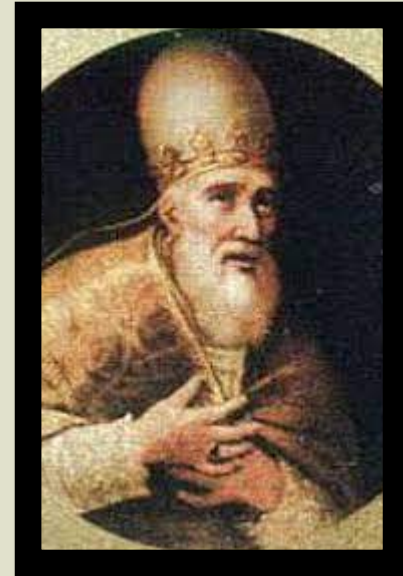
**Christmas Trees & Decorating** We would like to thank The Members of The Rosary Altar Society and all the volunteers of who generously donated their time and efforts to decorate our Church for Christmas. The Church looks amazing and we cannot thank them enough. Also a thank you to all our parishioners who purchased a Memorial Tree. We had 54 trees this year and the display is absolutely spectacular. Thanks as always to our Holy Name Society and Greg Virga and our scouts who helped make this possible.

**Christmas Raffles:** Thanks to all our parishioners who generously donated to our Christmas Raffles. Due to an early deadline with our bulletin production company the winners will be published in the January 8th bulletin. The winners can contact the Rectory Office during business hours to arrange to pickup the merchandise. Congratulations to all of our winners and thank you again.

## **SAINT SYLVESTER 1**

**FEAST DAY DECEMBER 31**

**WE ASK FOR THE INTERCESSION OF SAINT SYLVESTER I ON BEHALF OF OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS.**



## **SICK PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS**

Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Anna Parente, James Parente, John C. Marino, Cpl Justin Campbell, Sheila Jones, Frank Silvestri, Christian Pepo, Jean Forte, Frances Bocignone, Crystal Helewa, Daniel Juliano, Linda Powers, James Carney, Danny Fortunato, Frank Juliano, Joseph Brancato, Carmela D'Angelo, Michael Meyer, June Laub, Frank Musuruca, Joanne Prato, Joseph Koslowski, Diana Umana, Isaiah Roland, The Munoz Family, Brianna Scilabra, Judy Dele, Kassem Ripen, Ernestine Scott, Steven Riggio, James Ross, Michael Loughran, Salvatore Parisi, Cinderella Wonszewitz, Patrice Martin, Lucille Baron, Michael J. DiCostanzo, Catherine Broderick, Omari Roland, Carmine Rapisarda, Antoniette Gagliardi, Harrison Schursky, Caroline Dacunta, Irene McCarthy, Maria Rivera, Denise Bianacanello, Alexa Rigney, Easton Nash Clark, Jessica Neco, Richie Ochotorena, Rosamaria Ochotorena, Don Quinn, Jennifer Pakulniewez, Frank Astorino, Aubrie Robinson, Ron Salguera, Rose McBrien, Saint Jermaine Endeley, Peter Marsh, John Riccobono, Joseph DiAngelo, William Walsh, Gertrude Wilson, Frank Duff, Edel Quinn, Phillip Reinhardt, Catherine Angielczyk, Louis Lepore, Dawn McFadden, John Meehan, Anthony Cosentino, Vincent Yeyines, Bobby Shepherd, Billy McNeely, Melissa Dudley, Athena Guerrero, Monique Russo, Ana Rios, Claire Hoban, Ricciardo Curatola, Bogumila Rzepke, George Salieb, Michael Lamendola, Robert Rautenstrauch, Neil DeGennaro, Bartolomeo Wyness, Ann Arena, Joseph Jones, Ted & Carol Sienicki, Samuel DeFazio, Corinne Hayes.

On behalf of Father Rhey and the staff of Sacred Heart Church we wish all of our parishioners a very blessed and healthy 2023!



Great things are ahead for us in 2023! The future is very bright and we will undertake this journey together as one parish family!

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