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Feast of the Holy Family

**Nativity of the Lord****1st Reading:** Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7**2nd Reading:** Titus 2.11-14**Gospel:** Luke 2.1-16**Commemoration of Jesus' Birth**

Today we join Christians all over the world in celebrating the birth of Jesus. We rejoice that God has come to save us and today we kneel before the manger in awe and gratitude.

O come, let us adore Him.

When we look at the nativity scene, we see hay and animals. And right in the center of it all is Jesus, the Son of God, lying in a manger. WE would never have thought that Jesus would choose to make His glorious dwelling in such a humble setting. *This truth needs to sink in.* Jesus, the Messiah, was willing to come right into the heart of our world and be born in a stable. No pomp. No fanfare. No royal attendants. His presence alone made that stable glorious.

Everyday, Jesus continues to come to us in humility. He chooses to enter our ordinary circumstances and make them glorious. When He does, our lives are graced just as the stable was 2000 years ago. Just as He came to an untidy stable, Jesus is happy to come into our messy homes. Just as He was surrounded by the sounds of noisy animals, He is there in the midst of crying children or difficult relationships. Just as He came to a displaced family huddled in a cave, He is there when we feel isolated and afraid. He comes to prison cells and hospital rooms just as readily as He comes to families gathered around the table and worshippers gathered around the altar. Jesus is always Emmanuel, God with us, in times of joy and times of sorrow. He comes and fills us with His glory.

Regular Mass Schedule**Weekday Masses:**

Daily Morning Mass will be celebrated Tuesday through Friday at 8.30 a.m.

Weekend Schedule:

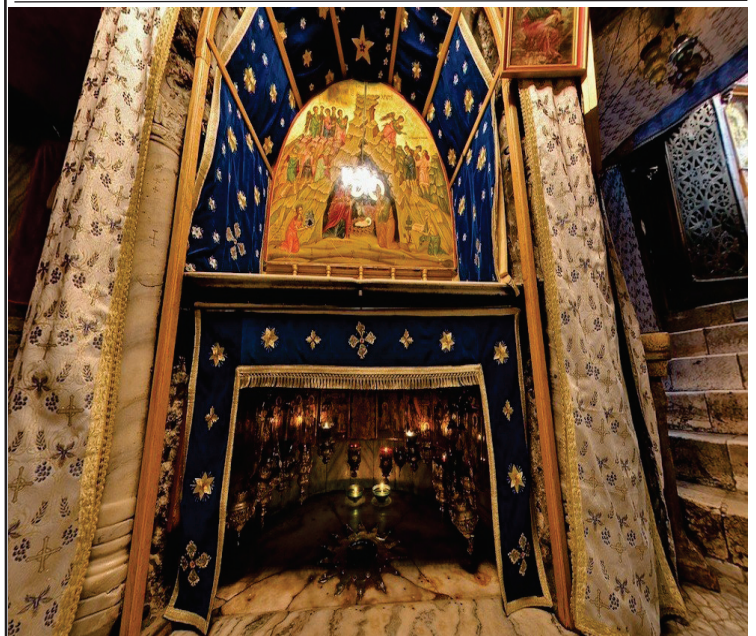
Saturday (Vigil) Mass – 5 p.m.

Sunday Masses - 9.00 am
(Livestream) and open for public

10.30 a.m.

12.00 p.m.

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HERE THE KING OF KINGS

WAS BORN IN BETHLEHEM

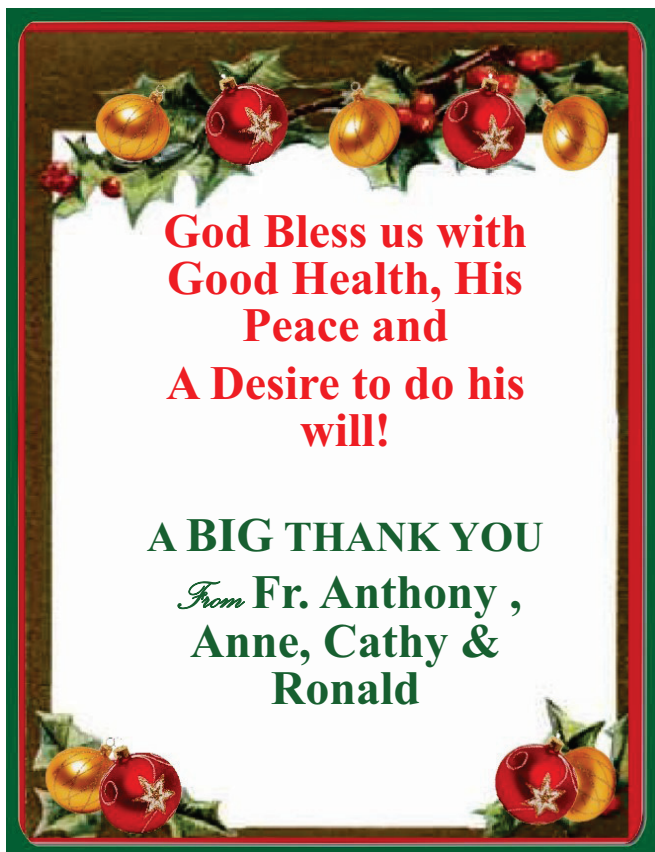
**WISHING ALL PARISHIONERS A BLESSED
PEACEFUL AND A MERRY CHRISTMAS !**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bVhCWYfpack>



Merry Christmas to all of you and your loved ones near and far. May we celebrate Christ's Birthday by giving ourselves totally to Him.

I, Fr. Anthony Gonsalves, take this opportunity to thank all our Parishioners, who have through their generous donation, helped to keep the Parish afloat. I would like to thank the Lectors, the Eucharistic Ministers, the Music Ministry, the Hospitality Ministers, our Staff, and all those who gave of their time and talent to make all our Eucharistic celebrations more meaningful and lastly those who work tirelessly in a very silent manner.



Mass Intentions for the week



Friday Dec 24th

4.00 pm - Members of our Parish

6.00 pm - All Volunteers

Saturday Dec 25th

9.00 am - † Gerald & † Linda Rodricks

10.30 am -

12.00 pm -

Sunday Dec 26th

9.00 am - Blessings for Shirley Chung & Family

Blessings for Yolande Fernandes & Family

10.30 am - Intentions of Clara & Xavier

12.00 pm - People in the Parish

Monday Dec 27th

8.30 am -

Tuesday Dec 28th

8.30 am - † Lydia Santos

Wednesday Dec 29th

8.30 am - B'Day Blessings for Tita

Thursday Dec 30th

8.30 am -

Friday Dec 31st

4.00 pm - People in the Parish

6.00 pm - B'Day Blessings for Adrian John

Saturday Jan 1st 2022

9.00 am - Thanksgiving & Blessings from Dorine Couture

† Neil Baylon

10.30 am - Intentions of Benny & Rosario

Sunday Jan 2nd 2022

9.00 am -

10.30 am -

12.00 pm - B'Day Blessings for Justin Couture

Thanksgiving Mass from Samaroo Family

Tuesday Jan 4th

8.30 am - † Baldumero Gomes



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