

Please Pray For All The Sick

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And we pray for those whose death anniversaries occur about this time that they may live in glory forever with God and all the Saints.



Making Room for Jesus

As Christmas fast approaches and Advent is drawing to a close, let us remind ourselves of the importance of this liturgical season. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas as well as His final coming at the end of time. However, the great saints of the church also speak of an intermediary coming, the coming of Christ to our present lives. Let us take a moment to ask ourselves, if the Lord showed up in our life today, would there be room for Him?

As stewards, we often face the temptation to let our works of charity become a life of volunteering instead of a spirituality of service. Our many works may begin to take precedence over our relationship with Christ which should always remain as the source of our stewardship. This Advent, as we are waiting for Christ, Christ is also waiting for us. Jesus says in the Book of Revelation, "Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you" (Revelation 3:20). He is waiting for us to open the door and let him in.

We can let him into our lives as stewards by realizing it is not ourselves ministering to our neighbour, but the love and presence of Christ within us. St. Teresa of Calcutta says it best when she proclaims that, 'it is Christmas every time you let God love others through you. Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at someone and offer them your hand." St. Teresa of Calcutta fully embodies the spirit of stewardship that makes room for Christ to love others through her. Let us strive to let Jesus into our lives as we approach Christmas.





May the Christmas GIFTS remind us of God's greatest gift, His only Son.

May the Christmas CANDLES remind us of Him who is the "Light of the World."

May the Christmas TREES remind us of another tree upon which he died.

May the Christmas CHEER remind us of Him who said, "Be of good cheer."

May the Christmas FEAST remind us of Him who is "the Bread of Life."

May the Christmas BELLS remind us of the glorious proclamation of His birth.

May the Christmas CAROLS remind us of the son the angels sang, "Glory to God in the Highest!"

May the Christmas SEASON remind us in every way of Jesus Christ our King!

Extending you all a very Merry and Blessed Christmas....

Father Gijo, Father Shyju, Deacon Miguel



<u>Christmas Eve-Saturday, December 24th, 2022</u> 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm and 12:00 midnight No Morning Mass – Chapel Closed

<u>Christmas Day-Sunday, December 25th, 2022</u> 10:00am and 12:00 noon

<u>Monday, December 26th, 2022</u> Morning Mass at 9:00 am – Chapel & Office Closed

<u>Tuesday, December 27th, 2022</u> Morning Mass at 9:00 am – Chapel & Office Closed

<u>New Year's Eve-Saturday, December 31st, 2022</u> 5:00pm 7:00pm No Morning Mass – Chapel Closed

<u>New Year's Day-Sunday, January 1st, 2023</u> 10:00am 12:00 noon

<u>Monday, January 2nd, 2023</u> Morning Mass at 9:00 am – Chapel & Office Closed



Monday, December 19

For the repose of the soul of Carolyn Ferreira; Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of Rosie Valenzuela; Requested by Jezzee Valenzuela

For the repose of the soul of Maud D'Souza;

Requested by Promila Saldanha

<u>8:30 am</u>

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Tuesday, December 20

For the repose of the soul of Jose Fernando Serrao; Requested by Maria Serrao

For the repose of the soul of Romulo Magsino; Requested by the Resurrection Choir

For the repose of the soul of Wilfredo Gonzalvo; Requested by Victoria Bonafe

8:30 am Wednesday, December 21 For the repose of the soul of Benita & Emelia Ayson; Requested by Nida

For the repose of the soul of Imelda Porcellato; Requested by the Maggiotto Family

For the repose of the soul of Angel Lee; Requested by the Lee Family

8:30 am

Thursday, December 22

For the repose of the souls of Ed & Anne Soye; Requested by the Soye Family

For the repose of the soul of Isagani Hortillo; Requested by Cecilia and Family

For the repose of the soul of Lawson Sylianco; Requested by Family

8:30 am

Friday, December 23

For the repose of the soul of S.A. Moses; Requested by the Fernandez Family

For the repose of the soul of Ramon Bollozos; Requested by the Bollozos Family

For the repose of the soul of Angelo Enverga; Requested by the Resurrection Choir

5:00 pm

Saturday, December 24

For the repose of the souls of Joseph Patrick & Sebastian Pillai; Requested by the Family

<u>7:00 pm</u>

For the repose of the soul of Alda Maria DeMenezes; Requested by the Family

<u>9:00 pm</u>

For the repose of the soul of Bento Pereira; Requested by the Cordeiro Family

<u>12:00am</u>

For the repose of the soul of Carlos Melo; Requested by Maria Melo and Family

Saturday, December 25

For the repose of the souls of Joe & Helen Boyd; Requested by the Grant & Boyd Families

<u>12:00 pm</u>

10:00 am

For the repose of the soul of Manuel Rebelo; Requested by the Rebelo Family



<u>BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL & PARISH</u> OFFICE CHRISTMAS HOURS

Please note the Parish Office will be opened on December 24 and 31st until 12 noon. Closed on December 25th, 26th, 27th and January 1st & 2nd.

> There will be no morning mass on December 24th & 31st.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel will be closed from December 24th to December 27th and December 31st to January 2nd inclusive.

From December 28th through to January 6th the church , office will be closed at 4pm. There are no evening hours for Church, Chapel and Office. Regular hours will resume on January 7th, 2023.



A Note from the Parish Office...

The **2022-2023** missals are still available in the Parish Office for a donation of \$5.00 each.

2023 Donation Envelope Boxes

As the year quickly comes to an end, we would like to everyone who have picked up their 2023 box. There is still quite a number of boxes which haven't been picked up yet. Please do so or if you are not interested in having your donation box we would like to hear from you as soon as possible, so that we can remove them from your family profile. As usual practice we recommend the recording of your name, address and phone number on the first three-four envelopes of your new box to make certain we have the correct information in our data base. <u>2022 Tax Receipts</u>: To be eligible for tax receipts for donations made in the 2022 year the deadline

is Friday, December 30, 2022



Thank you to everyone who generously donated to Last week's offering. Weekly Total: \$7,713.70