

## Please Pray For All The Sick

Augusta D'Souza, Joanne Milligan, Ann MacGillivray, Gregory Kelly, Kenneth Hill, Fred Weber, Miyanna Figueroa, Brian Cabral, Mariana Weglinski, Boguslawa Cop, and Aissa Aro.

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.



Recently I read a brief description of some of the favourite symbols of Christmas. The crib was described as an image of heaven. It radiates peace, love, fulfillment, the lack of tears. The baby is always "sleeping in heavenly peace" in its crib. The manger, a trough where cattle and sheep come to eat; now holding Jesus who comes as food for the life of the world. The tree is seen as with its angel and guiding star on top, joining heaven and earth, a ladder for the incarnation, a way God climbed down to earth. The Christmas lights? These represent the light and warmth of God. These lights, in our northern part of the world, symbolize God bringing heart and light during the darkest and coldest time of the year.

Isn't Christmas wonderful!

That innocent Child, with outstretched arms, is God who loves us so deeply that He becomes one of us! Christmas is God making us holy as He becomes one of us and dwells within and among us.

And He reminds us to love each other in the same warm, wonderful and reassuring way.

At this time of remembering and celebrating we wish each and every one of you the peace and joy of Christmas.

Masses For The Week

9:00 am

Tuesday, December 27

For the repose of the soul of Fernando Da Silva; Requested by Emilia Da Silva

For the repose of the soul of Michael Jacob Citrome; Requested by Pacis-Citrome Family

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

#### <u>9:00 am</u>

For the repose of the soul of Fernando Da Silva; Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of John Mc Murray; Requested by Catherine & Dan Kaloutsky

Special Intentions and Anniversary Blessings for Swithin & Pam Domingo;

Requested by the Family

8:30 am Wednesday, December 28 For the repose of the soul of Ana Maria Costa; Requested by the Costa Family

**Special Intentions and Thanksgiving;** Requested by the Lazaro Family

For the repose of the soul of Tomas Anden; Requested by the Family

Special Intentions and Birthday Blessings for Austin Sauco; Requested by the Sauco Family

#### 8:30 am

Thursday, December 29

For the repose of the soul of Par Anden; Requested by the Family

For the repose of the soul of Manuel Bayoborda; Requested by Nida

**Special Intentions and Thanksgiving for Ann & Tony;** Requested by the Thomas Family

#### <u>8:30 am</u>

#### Friday, December 30

For the repose of the soul of Giuse Thi; Requested by the Lai Family

For the repose of the soul of Rolando Bejo; Requested by the Bejo's Family

**Special Intentions and Thanksgiving for Blessings received;** Requested by Nida

5:00 pm

Saturday, December 31

**Special Intentions and Healing for Margaret Smyth;** Requested by the Hayter Family

<u>7:00 pm</u>

10:00 am

For the repose of the souls of Martin & Cvetka Pecharich; Requested by Jane & Joe Pecharich



Sunday, January 1, 2023

Special Intentions and Blessings for Carmen Mendez;

Requested by Patrick & Carmen Mendez-Kwok

#### <u>12:00 pm</u>

**Special Intentions and Healing fro Austin Rozario;** Requested by the Family



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

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

> There will be no morning mass on December 31<sup>st</sup>.

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

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

# In Appreciation

Thank you to Mary Weber, and Altar Guild and to all of our wonderful volunteers who helped decorate our Church for Christmas. You have truly made everything so beautiful.

Thank you to all Ministry Leaders and members - Music, Lector's, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers, your commitment and participation made the Church Celebrations very meaningful.

Special thanks to everyone who donated to the Christmas flowers.

Thank you to the D'Guerra Family for the beautiful and colourful bulletins throughout the year and Thank you to Luis Gomes who takes care of our website year round.

May we continue to grow in the love of God.

## New Year's Mass Schedule

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

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

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



### Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup> Prayer for the Family

Lord God, from You every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. Father, you are love and life. Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, born of woman, and through the Holy Spirit, the fountain of divine charity, grant that every family on earth may become for each successive generation a true shrine of life and love.

Grant that Your grace may guide the thoughts and actions of husbands and wives for the good of their families and of all families in the world. Grant that the young may find in the family solid support for their human dignity and for their growth in truth and love.

Grant that love, strengthened by the grace of the sacrament of marriage, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that the Church may fruitfully carry out her worldwide mission in the family and through the family.

We ask this of You, who is life, truth and love with the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

The Filipino Community invites you to *Fiesta Santo Niño Mass* on Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm Please check bulletin board for more details or contact Cecilia Hortillo @ 647-965-1570

### A Note from the Parish Office...

### 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: \$7,930.90