

****THIS BULLETIN IS FOR THREE (3) WEEKS****

4th Sunday of Advent

“Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”

Announced Masses for the Week of December 23, 2018



Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018

9:00 am † Arnold & Blandine by Donna
† Wilfrid Gravelle & † Elizabeth Anne
Young by Michelle
11:00 am For all parishioners

Monday, Dec. 24, 2018- Christmas Eve

No morning Mass

4:30 pm Children’s Christmas Pageant Mass
7:30 pm Christmas Eve Mass
9:30 pm Carol Singing
10:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 2018

10:00 am For all parishioners

Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2018

NO MASS

Thursday, Dec. 27, 2018 - St John

7:30 am In Thanksgiving by Anna Maria Marinelli

Friday, Dec. 28, 2018 - The Holy Innocents

7:30 am

Saturday, Dec. 29, 2018

9:00 am † Nancy Marie Serrao by her estate
† Fr. Kevin L. Milaney by Deacon Lee & Claudette
4:30 pm † Betty Carroll by the Brennan Sisters

Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018

9:00 am † Warren Joynt by the Jackson family
11:00 am For all parishioners

First Reading: Mic. 5:2-5a Micah speaks of the glory of Bethlehem, a little town of Judah. From Bethlehem will come forth the promised one who will stand firm and strong in the Lord.

Second Reading: Heb. 10:5-10 Jesus said that sacrifices, sin offerings, and burnt offerings did not delight the Lord. But he has come to do the will of God—to establish a second covenant.

Gospel: Lk. 1:39-45 Mary went to visit Elizabeth who was also blessed by the Holy Spirit. Elizabeth greeted Mary: “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”

**** THE OFFICE IS CLOSED FROM FRIDAY DECEMBER 21
UNTIL JANUARY 03.****

The Holy Family

“Jesus went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them.”

Announced Masses for the Week of December 30, 2018

Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018 - Holy Family

9:00 am † Warren Joynt by the Jackson family

11:00 am For all parishioners

Monday, Dec. 31, 2018 - New Year's Eve

4:30 pm Ligia Villegas by Beatrice & Peter & the great & grand grandchildren

Tuesday, Jan. 01, 2019 - New Year's Day - Holy Mother of God

10:00 am For all Parishioners

Wednesday, Jan. 02, 2019 - St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen

7:00 pm

Thursday, Jan. 03, 2019

7:30 am

Friday, Jan. 04, 2019

7:30 am

Saturday, Jan. 05, 2019

9:00 am

4:30 pm † Shouket Abed by the Weatherhead family

Sunday, Jan. 06, 2019

9:00 am † Michael Crilly by Cathy & Joe Healy

11:00 am For all parishioners



First Reading: 1 Sam. 1:20-22, 24-28 This reading teaches us that motherhood and life are a gift of God. The presence of children in a family signals the continuation of life and manifests the newness of God's love, which gives origin to ever new creatures.

Second Reading: 1 Jn. 3:1-2, 21-24 Every family must be a mirror of the divine love because the root of every love is God. Therefore, members of a family should deal lovingly with one another.

Gospel: Lk. 2:41-52 Jesus and his parents go to Jerusalem for the Passover. Upon returning, Jesus is separated from them. Mary and Joseph find him in the temple teaching. When Mary asks why, Jesus replies that he must be doing his Father's work. Jesus returns with Mary and Joseph to Nazareth.

Epiphany of the Lord

“They knelt down and paid him homage.”

Announced Masses for the Week of January 06, 2019

Sunday, Jan. 06, 2019

9:00 am † Michael Crilly by Cathy & Joe Healy

11:00 am For all parishioners

Monday, Jan. 07, 2019 - St. André Bessette

7:30 am

Tuesday, Jan. 08, 2019

NO MASS

Wednesday, Jan. 09, 2019

7:00 pm

Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019

7:30 am

Friday, Jan. 11, 2019

7:30 am

Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019 - St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

9:00 am For all living & deceased members of IHM CWL

4:30 pm † Don Muldoon by his wife & children



Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019 - Baptism of the Lord

9:00 am † James Gillespie by Claire Gillespie & Brenda Mulvihill

11:00 am For all parishioners

First Reading: Isa. 60: 1-6 Jerusalem is favoured by the Lord. Kings and peoples will come there, and the riches of the earth will be placed at its gates.

Second Reading: Eph. 3:2-3a, 5-6 Paul admits that God has revealed the divine plan of salvation to him. Not only the Jews, but also the whole world will share in the good news.

Gospel: Mt. 2:1-12 The wise men from the East followed the star to Bethlehem, from which a ruler was to come.

Pastor's Advent and Christmas Message

In this liturgical season of Advent, we prepare for the reappearance of Christ in the fulfillment of time; to embrace the hope and potential of this life; of rediscovering the love of God in all our joys and sorrows, in all our brokenness and healings, in all our discoveries and disappointments, in all our dreams and fears. This Advent, may we reveal the “real Santa” that exists within each of us in our simple, “deliberate” acts of kindness and generosity.

While we may not be able to give our children everything we would like, the most important thing we can give them is love: love that is complete and unconditional, love that endures in good times and bad times, love that is uniquely family. Such love is the “rock” on which Jesus calls us to build our homes and lives. The real mystery of Christmas is that Christ is here among us right now, in the love of family and friends, in the hope that compels us to imitate Christ’s love and compassion, in the forgiveness we extend and accept, the justice we seek for all God’s people. As you busy yourself with the final preparations for Christmas, remember that Jesus is in your home, Jesus is at your table, Jesus is present in all you welcome and share the holiday with. May the Savior Jesus be born every day in our hearts; may we behold the God of love and mercy every day in our midst. And so God calls each one of us to give birth to his Christ in our Bethlehems. We journey to Bethlehem in faith that in every act of kindness and generosity we offer, that in taking on his prophetic work of mercy and justice, that in embracing his attitude of selflessness and humility, God is born again and again in our midst.

May the blessings of this holy birth fill every season of our lives with hope in the love and joy of this child. Let the “Jesus factor” of generous mercy and compassionate empathy be the spirit that enables us to perform our own miracles this Christmas. The challenge of Christmas is to continue to make that love incarnate in our own lives and in the lives of those we love. May we give thanks this Christmas Season for the gift of family and, in the New Year, take on, out of love and care for those we love, the hard, Christ-like work of being family to one another.

Fr. Stephen Liang M.D.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!!