

HAPPY NEW YEAR

December 29, 2013 - The Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph
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St. Joseph Parish

Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Saint Joseph Parish, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus Christ, proclaim, witness and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us, through service, healing and reconciling love.



Masses for the Week

Monday, Dec 30,	12:00 Noon	Norman Hinderleider
Tuesday, Dec 31,	12:00 Noon	Timothy Abel
New Year's Eve	4:30 p.m.	Dennis Hogan
New Year's Day	10:00 a.m.	Robin Border
Thursday, Jan 2,	12:00 Noon	Lawrence Buedel
Friday, Jan 3,	12:00 Noon	Peter & Eileen Donahue
Saturday, Jan 4,	12:00 Noon	Ed Westendorf
	4:30 p.m.	Joseph Wiles Sr
Sunday, Jan 5,	10:00 a.m.	Poor Souls

Parish Registration: Call the rectory Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Baptisms: Call the rectory to schedule

Weddings: You must be a registered parish member for six months to set a date. Allow 6 months preparation time.

Confessions: Monday thru Saturday 11:30 am until 11:55 am

Holy Day Mass: Noon on the Holy day

St. Joseph Staff

Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., Pastor
Rev. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S. Assoc Pastor
Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager
Bill Baron, Maintenance

Finance Council

Jim Bolton
Harry Bossey
Lou Homan
Jonathan Spowart

Parish Council

Beth Anderson John Ludwig
Steve Byington Cindy Luzar
Rick Carlile Janet Smith
Gary Gregory Amy Spowart
Michael Landry

St. Joseph Update

Thank You!

A big Thank You to everyone who offered prayers, cards, goodies and gifts to us during this Christmas season and to all who enhanced our Christmas liturgies by decorating, offering musical talents or assisting with the liturgical ministries. We are grateful for your kindness and for the on-going support you give to us and the parish. May God bless you abundantly in His love!

Fr. Angelo & Fr. Ken

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

December 31st

4:30 PM Mass at St. Joseph

5:15 PM Mass at Emmanuel

6:00 PM Mass at Holy Trinity

January 1st

10:00 AM Mass at St. Joseph

10:30 AM Mass at Emmanuel

Volunteers Needed

St. Vincent de Paul conference and the Knights of Columbus Council 500 are planning a fish dinner on January 31, 2014. All proceeds will benefit SVDP in our area. We'd like members

of all 3 parishes to be involved. Join us for fun and help make this fundraiser a success.

If you'd like to volunteer, please contact John Stiers at 898-1183.

Silent Auction Items

A silent auction will be held at the above mentioned fish dinner fundraiser on January 31, 2014. We are looking for donations. Please consider making a donation and help make our fundraiser a success.

Contact Gail Miller at 361-9576.

Year End Donations

If you would like any year end donation to be included in your 2013 contributions for tax purposes the donations must be received by Sunday, December 29th.

Thank You!

A Family Prayer

*In good times and in bad,
in sickness and in health,
we belong to each other
as we belong to You,
God ever faithful.*

*By morning and by night
may your name be on our lips,
a blessing to all our days:
so may kindness and patience
be ever among us,
a hunger for justice,
and songs of thankfulness
in all we do.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.*

*(Prayer from: Catholic Household
Blessings and Prayers, 1988, USCCB)*

Financial Information

Collection for Dec 22nd \$9217.38

Charity \$91.00

Thank You! Fr. Angelo and Fr. Ken

Prayer List

*Please keep the following people in your prayers.
Please call the rectory if you would like someone
added to the prayer list.*

Debbie Barker

Patricia Bornhorst

Fran Dabrowski

Nancy Dolan

Mary Fiste

Joseph S. Franchina

Gail Gaeth

Clara Garza

Richard Gill

Dorothy Grant

Bennett Hart

Marie Henry

Shirley Keaton

Brittany Keirns

Randy Kramer

Jane Lewis

Chris Luehrs

Lindsey Luehrs

Helen Moore

Joe Moretto

Robert Morris

Clara Osman

Anna Pole

Thomas Pluckett

Isaiah Ramsey

Ed Sullivan

Betty Wenzel

Pastor's Corner

If you were to take a look at many of the Christmas cards depicting a picture of the Holy Family chances are you would see a calm serene setting and question how your family could ever relate to the Holy Family. Yet, the gospels give us a much more challenging picture.

In today's gospel reading Joseph is instructed in a dream to gather his belongings and flee to Egypt with Mary and Jesus because King Herod is trying to kill the child. The Holy Family becomes refugees seeking shelter in a strange and unfamiliar land. Imagine the struggles they would have encountered over the years as they waited to return home.



The chaos and uncertainty of this image can serve as a means of reassurance for any family that experiences chaos and uncertainty regarding their future. Could it be that the challenges Jesus and Mary experienced early in life were preparing them to accept the cross? The key to understanding how the Holy Family remained holy in the midst of their struggles is found in their faithful obedience to God the Father and their commitment to one another.



In this year's message to the World for January 1st Pope Francis reflects on the importance of fraternity within the family. "In my first Message for the World Day of Peace, I wish to offer to everyone, individuals and peoples, my best wishes for a life filled with joy and hope. In the heart of every man and woman is the desire for a full life, including that irrepressible longing for fraternity which draws us to fellowship with others and enables us to see them not as enemies or rivals, but as brothers and sisters to be accepted and embraced."

"Fraternity is an essential human quality, for we are relational beings. A lively awareness of our relatedness helps us to look upon and to treat each person as a true sister or brother; without fraternity it is impossible to build a just society and a solid and lasting peace. We should remember that fraternity is generally first learned in the family, thanks above all to the responsible and complementary roles of each of its members, particularly the father and the mother. The family is the wellspring of all fraternity, and as such it is the foundation and the first pathway to peace, since, by its vocation, it is meant to spread its love to the world around it."

St. Paul, in his Letter to the Colossians, offers us some guidelines for living in fraternal charity. He says, "Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection." St. Paul reminds us to "let the peace of Christ control your hearts" and finally, always be thankful.

As we prepare to begin this New Year we look to the Holy Family as our guide. May we resolve to put into practice the bond of fraternal charity and always seek to follow God's Will.

Happy New Year!
Fr. Angelo

SAVE THE DATE -

exercise program starting in 2014!

The Health Ministries Commission will be sponsoring a 6 week Tai Chi class starting Mon., Feb. 10, 2014 from 6:30-7:30 pm. in Trinity Center. Tai Chi is an ancient form of Chinese exercise and has a variety of health benefits for its practitioners including improving balance and joint health as well as cardiovascular fitness. Watch upcoming bulletins for more details or contact Sharon Becker at 227-9452, or by email to sharonbecker6@gmail.com for more information.

Are you or anyone in YOUR family DIVORCED?

There's NO SUCH THING AS CATHOLIC DIVORCE . . . but Catholics DO civilly divorce. Please give someone a copy of this bulletin or invite them to The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide 12-week group which begins Jan. 14, 2014 at 7:00pm – 9:00pm in the former Emmanuel Elementary School in Downtown Dayton at 153 Franklin Street. Cost of (\$20) per person includes a "Personal Survival Guide", refreshments and all materials for 12 weeks. Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Sorry, no child care available. To register go to: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=670e37> Questions: Call Noreen Wendeln at Family & Respect Life Office 937-222-0227, or go to: <http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/event/catholic-divorce-survival-guide/>

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Gary Eilers	Cody Landers
Greg Marcus	Alex McGarvey
David Musgrove	Jessica Pruitt

SVdP Food Drive

Thank you so much for your overwhelming response to our request for donations to our regional SVdP food pantry during Thanksgiving and Christmas. Due in part to the generous response from St. Joe's parishioners, we were able to serve 43 families (81 people) at Thanksgiving and 41 families (90 people) at Christmas. Please know that the visitors to our food pantry are very grateful for the assistance they receive during these particularly difficult times. Because the demand for our pantry continues to grow, the food collection box will remain in the vestibule of the church for donations at any time.

International Nativities Display

The University of Dayton's annual, and all new, display of international Nativities continues through Sunday, January 26th. You are invited to UD's Roesch Library to visit the myriad of global and loving beasts - the faithful companions of the Christ Child - as depicted from many unique cultural viewpoints in the feature exhibit "And Animals Were There." Then journey on to three more exhibits on the 2nd and 7th floors. For complete information including detailed directions and parking information: www.udayton.edu/libraries/manger

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Wednesday: Nm6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8; Gal4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Friday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday: St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Wednesday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day
Thursday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Friday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus; First Friday
Saturday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Saturday