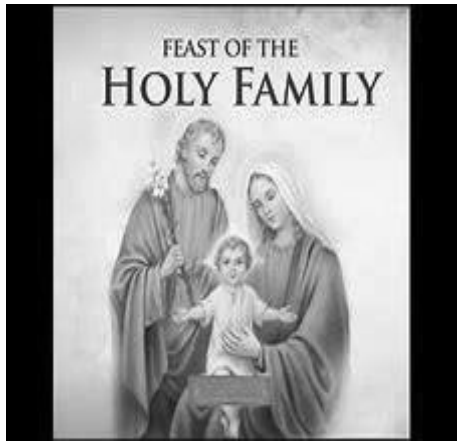




*Feast of the*

*Holy  
Family*

DECEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 2021



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**CHRISTMAS DAY- 10:00m**

**NO 4:00pm MASS ON SATURDAY**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am**  
**(live-streamed)**

**Robert Firth**, requested by Harry and Eileen Mullen

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> - 8:00am**

**No Intention**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28<sup>th</sup> - 8:00am**

**Anne Burke**, requested by Bertha Volack

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29 - 8:00am**

**Marie Chichearo**, requested by her family

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> - 8:00am**

**William O'Harra**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> - 8:00am**

**Special Intention**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup>**

**NEW YEARS EVE MASS - 4:00pm**

**Our Parishioners**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS**

**10:00m**



**Please remember your Church Weekly Offering.**  
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**The second collection this weekend will be for the**  
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**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

Sunday, December 12 <sup>th</sup> (102)	\$ 4,085.50
Christmas (10)	\$ 830.00
Christmas Flowers (18)	\$ 323.00
Religious Retirement (8)	\$ 228.00
<u>Immaculate Conception (17)</u>	<u>\$ 215.00</u>

**TOTAL** **\$ 5,681.50**



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Anna Marie Barry, Theresa Barthold, Ashley Brown, Linda Brown, Christopher Browne, Margaret Davidson, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, , Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Candida Leodora, Lisa Long, Rocky Long, Erin McFarlane, Megan McHugh, Conchetta Miller, Robert Price, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, Frances Sprenkle, Joe Szewczak, Fran Thomas, and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr..



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Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed especially during the pandemic.



**ALTAR SERVERS**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> - 4:00pm**

Joseph Arturo – Charlotte Welsh

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**10:00am**

Grace Welsh - Jocelyn Welsh

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am**

Joseph Arturo

**11:00am**

Charlotte Welsh

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> – 4:00pm**

Grace Welsh - Jocelyn Welsh

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup> – 10:00am**

Jocelyn Welsh

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**

**FOR SUNDAY 4:00pm MASS**

Grace Welsh

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> - 4:00pm**

Mary Alice Missimer – Harry Mullen – Kathy Duffy

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00am**

Debbie O'Donnell – Jamie Torna – Pam Feinschil

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am**

Catherine Moore

**11:00am**

Tom Payne

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> – 4:00pm**

Mary Alice Missimer – Harry Mullen

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup> – 10:00am**

Jeanine Censi-Lamont

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**

**FOR SUNDAY 4:00pm MASS**

Sister Mary Jo Larkin



**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm**

Kathy Duffy

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>th</sup> - 10:00am**

Audrey Williams

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am**

Mary Reed

**11:00am**

Aubrey Williams

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> – 4:00pm**

Kathy Duffy

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup> – 10:00am**

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>**

**FOR SUNDAY 4:00pm MASS**

Kathy Duffy



**SUPER NEW YEAR'S**

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Immaculate Heart of Mary School will be hosting an Open House on Monday, January 17, 2022.



**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021**

**(FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY)**

**9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS**

**4:00 P.M.**

**(RAFFEL DRAWING AFTER THE MASS)**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS**

**10:00 A.M.**

**4:00 P.M. (VIGIL FOR EPIPHANY)**

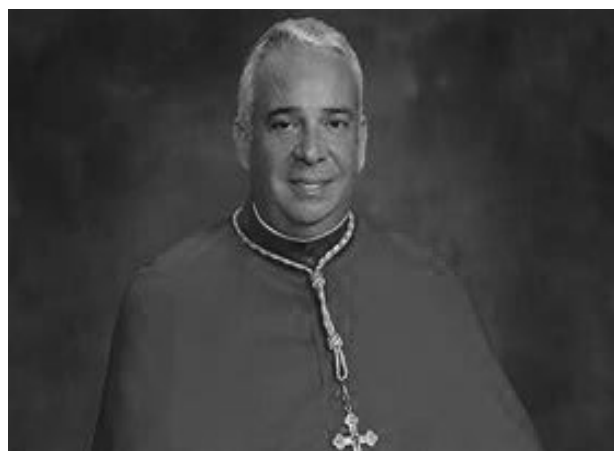
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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022**

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY**

**9:00 A.M. – 11:00**

**\*\*PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE  
DATE/DAY FOR CONFESSION FOR  
CHRISTMAS HAS BEEN CHANGED TO FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M.  
AND NOT THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>.**



**STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP NELSON J.  
PEREZ REGARDING DEVASTATING  
TORNADOES THROUGH THE SOUTH AND  
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“Following the devastation caused by the recent tornadoes that ripped through the South and Midwest, so many of our brothers and sisters are mourning the loss of loved ones and struggling with immense hardship.

In the name of the clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, I ask that we stand in prayerful solidarity with all those in pain as a result of natural disaster. During this holy Season of Advent as we await the birth of our Savior, let us ask God to shed light and hope upon all those suffering in the wake of destroyed life and property. Let us also express deep gratitude for the work of first responders and relief personnel who are working to provide for those who have been impacted.

May our witness bring solace to those in desperate need. I strongly encourage all people of good will to help our brothers and sisters in their recovery by supporting the work of Catholic Charities USA at <https://www.catholiccharities.us/campaign/ccusa-disaster-relief/c353051>.”

**Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.  
Archbishop of Philadelphia**



## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

They can be ridiculously laughable or memorably lovely, or even eerily scary but always touched with a tinge of the mysterious. I speak of our dreams, those concoctions derived from our varied experiences and mixed into a kind of stew by our brains making mini-movies often fit for recall. In his narrative highlighted today, Luke the physician has no interest in a medical analysis of dreams, because he has a story to tell that cannot wait. He does want us to know that dreams can be the instruments of God's communications with us. His agents are usually angels. One or more of them came to St. Joseph, and he, "that just man", was attuned to accept them as coming from God. So he obeyed.

Coming so quickly after Christmas Day for this Liturgical calendar year compels us to lift up our eyes momentarily from the Child in the manger to take some precious time looking also at His parents. In this case of Joseph the foster father of Jesus. We are reminded once again of his strength of character; his obvious humility; and his exemplary obedience. All told, St. Joseph is a marvelous model of masculine virtue honed into sanctity. The Holy Spirit, speaking through St. Luke, sees Joseph as the head of the Holy Family, not lording it over them but serving as their caregiver. He protects Mother and Child

Our complementary Readings today expand on the virtues needed for a healthy Christian family to flourish and grow in love for God, each other, and everyone else.

The cultural context in which this Feast arrives is certainly toxic to good family life. The family as it was known in biblical times has been shifted off its traditional base by forces we know full well. There is no need to be explicit here. All one need do is watch, look and listen. But this feast day, like all others in the Church, is not meant to focus on the negative. Nor is it meant to foster cynical criticism of our own families.

Instead, we have an annual call to put aside for a time the Toy-land reveries that emerge at Christmas and consider the beauty of God's design for families as seen in this most blest circle of three. The Book of Sirach and Paul's letter to the Colossians offer specific ways for us to follow God's blueprint that, while often difficult to live day in and day out, is the best. The need is there from time to time to observe what good or its opposite the man or woman in the mirror brings to family life.

Returning to St. Luke's "man of the hour," St. Joseph, here is a touching story offering advice to any and all Catholic parents:

A little boy, frightened by a thunderous lightning storm, called out one dark night, "Daddy, come. I'm scared." "Son," the father said, "God loves you and He'll take care of you. "I know God loves me," the boy replied, "but right now I want somebody who has skin on."

It seems to me that the role of the father (and the mother) is to be and demonstrate God, with skin on. God love you and give you and your family His peace.

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