

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY
AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 27, 2015**



Mass Intentions for the Week
December 27– January 3

SAT:	5:30pm	Msgr. George Valastro
Sun:	7:00am	Patricia Marie Monteforte
	9:00am	John & Rosa Biasi Felice Sorice.
	11:30am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
	1:00pm	Catalino Ramirez
MON:	7:30am	Thomas & Cecilia Henry & Deceased Family Members
	12:10am	Thomas Murray Kennedy
TUE	7:30am	Thanksgiving for Blessings & Answered Prayers
	12:10pm	Bill Poplawski
WED:	7:30am	Vivian Mc Donald
	12:10pm	Antoinette Boffa
THUR:	7:30am	Anna Hnatiu
	5:30pm	Luigi Catizone
FRI:	7:00am	Angiolina Pistoia & Nicola Corea
	9:00am	Amelio Rebelo William Evans
	11:30am	Luigi Catizone
	1:00pm	Boland & Tomasicchio Families
SAT:	8:00am	Dagmar Cerqueira
	5:30pm	Demetrio & Michelina Petrizzo
SUN:	7:00am	All Parishioners Living & Deceased
	9:00am	Giuseppe & Teresa De Maria Katica Jagnic
	11:30am	Giuseppe Zarrella
	1:00pm	Felipe Roman Lima



PRAY FOR
Luis Reyes
Jorge Cabrera

Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10 mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested

**MASSES FOR JANUARY 1,
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER
OF GOD
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER
31 AT 5:30PM**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY, FRIDAY, JANUARY 1
AT 7:00AM; 9:00AM; 11:30AM and 1:00PM
SPANISH**

**THANKS TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND
FRIENDS FROM ALL AT ST. JOSEPH'S**

Our parish is blessed with many people of great thoughtfulness and generosity. The clergy and staff thank the many people who responded with food for the poor, toys for poor children, and who sent Christmas cards, personal gifts and homemade treats. May God bless you and your loved ones, and may the New Year be blessed and prosperous!

**VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE CURRENTLY UNDER
CONSTRUCTION:
www.sjchurch.com**

YEAR OF MERCY PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ,

Send your spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord and your church.

With renewed enthusiasm bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

ST. JOSEPH'S CALENDAR FUNDRAISER

There is still time to purchase your 50/50 calendars. Calendars cost \$10.00 each. To purchase calendars or if you have any questions please call the rectory at 343-6013. Please help support this worthwhile project and make it a great success.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Today is Hospitality Sunday. After the 9:00am Mass please join us for a little reception in the Parish Center Gymnasium. This is a great opportunity to socialize and get to meet new friends. Please come and join us.

THE GIFT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

This Christmas, give the gift of a Catholic education at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of NY are Christ-centered, academically excellent, and welcoming communities that teach students to be life-long learners and leaders energized by fidelity to Christ, the Church, and one another. We invite you to call us at 845-343-8836 to schedule a tour and learn more about our faith-based, Pre-K, Kindergarten and Elementary School Program.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Holy Family, we ponder the Blessed Virgin in her loving service to St. Joseph and her Son, Jesus. We see the loving protection of St. Joseph for his wife, Mary, and for Jesus. And we see the example of Jesus as the loving, obedient son.

We stop to consider how well our family life reflects their holy life. In all cases we see that we fall short of the ideal. But we can obtain real help for our families. Jesus awaits our visits to Him in the Blessed Sacrament. There He pours all of His grace to help heal and strengthen our families.

Become a Guardian of the Blessed Sacrament. Choose one hour of one day of the week. Promise Jesus you will be there each week. Call Marty/Clarice 692-4510. Every hour, day or night is available for your commitment. However there are hours of special need:

Monday 3-4AM
Tuesday 1-2AM
Tuesday 3-4AM
Tuesday 4-5AM
Wednesday 3-4AM
Wednesday 4-5AM

(For Winter Closings, Call 341-0587)

THE MONTHLY ROSARY CRUSADE



The monthly Rosary Crusade to End Abortion will be held on Sunday, January 3RD from 4:00-5:00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. You are invited to come to the holy hour that includes special Prayers for the Unborn, the Rosary of Our Lady and the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

FIRST FRIDAY/FIRST SATURDAY

On January 1st, First Friday, masses will be at 7:30am and 12:10pm. There will be a Holy Hour at 8:00pm.

Confessions will be heard on Thursday, December 31st from 4:15-5:00pm. First Saturday devotions follow the 8:00am mass on January 2nd.

SHORTER NOTICES

†CAMP FATIMA FOR BOYS AND CAMP BERNADETTE FOR GIRLS are now accepting registrations for the 2016 summer session. The camps are located in the Lakes Region of NH; offer 2 week overnight sessions for children, ages 6-15. To request a brochure and DVD, contact Michael Drumm at 603-364-5851 or visit us on the web at www.campsfatimabernadette.org.

THANKS FROM ALTAR ROSARY

Much time and work is involved in preparing our altars for Christmas. We extend special thanks to the members who gave their precious time and talents to beautify the sanctuary and altars. The results were truly effective and appreciated by the whole congregation.

To all the parishioners who contributed to the collection for Christmas flowers, thank you for your generosity.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended the children's mass on Christmas Eve. A special Thank You to all the children who participated and to Ms. Williams for preparing the children.

Reminder: No Classes On:
Wednesday, December 30, 2015
Thursday, December 31, 2015
Saturday, January 2, 2016

The staff and students wish everyone a Joyful New Year!

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

Parishes of the Orange County Vicariate are uniting in prayer each day throughout the year for the members of our beloved clergy. Please remember:

December 27	Cardinal Dolan Auxiliary Bishops
December 28	Rev. Andrew Kurzyna Rev. Bernard Heter
December 29	Rev. George Hafemann Deacon Richard Marino
December 30	Rev. Herb Degaris Rev. Christopher Agano
December 31	Rev. Stephan Huy Tran, O.Carm Deacon Bob Buckner
January 1	New Years Day All Priests
January 2	Priests and deacons who have served in the vicarate

JOINT COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION/CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Next weekend, January 2nd & 3th there will be a combined collection taken up. Envelopes will be distributed this weekend.

FLU SEASON IS HERE

The flu season has started with medical personnel reminding us to wash our hands with warm, soapy water and to cover our coughs and sneezes.

At church, we will not offer the exchange of peace, as we have done in the past. Please respect your neighbors at Mass. We will resume inviting all to exchange a sign of peace when the flu season has past.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Sirach emphasizes the importance of honoring one's parents. He explains that spiritual riches will come to those who are kind to their mother and father.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Paul advises us to treat each other with kindness and mercy and to forgive as God forgives us. His words remind families to always love and respect one another and let Christ's peace reign in their hearts and in their homes.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

When Jesus was twelve years old, the Holy Family traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate the feast. Jesus did not return with the company. Instead, he stayed in Jerusalem, sitting among the teachers while amazing them with his understanding and questions. When found by his concerned parents, Jesus reminded them that he must be in the house of his Father. Returning together, Mary kept these things in her heart.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

Monday

1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday

1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

Thursday

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

First Friday

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

First Saturday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

***A HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW
YEAR TO ALL***