

Resolve to Spread God's Mercy and Peace

Imagine: two New Year's celebrations in little over a month! In late November, Advent began the new liturgical year, and today the secular New Year 2023 begins. In today's Gospel, everyone who heard it was amazed by the story the shepherds told of the angels' message regarding the child. Mary herself continued to reflect on all these things in her heart. With religious persecutions raging, international and domestic conflicts seething, our family and friends suffering various difficulties, and COVID not yet entirely in the rear-view mirror, not to mention our own personal problems, how much our world needs Jesus as another New Year veiled in mystery begins! As we pray for God's mercy to enfold our world and embrace each of us in 2023, let our New Year's resolution be to live for others, as Mary did, a channel of God's mercy and an instrument of Christ's peace.



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### Mass Times

## Daily Mass Monday to Saturday

7:30 am (livestreamed) & 12:00 pm

# Saturday Vigil

5:30 pm

#### Sunday

7:30 am\*, 9:00 am, 10:30 am\*, 12:00 pm (Italian) 5:30 pm (Latin) \*(livestreamed)

#### Parish Office Address & Hours

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Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. —Luke 2:19
Mission Statement of Our Lady of the Rosary

We, the Parish of Our Lady of the Rosary, are a pilgrim church. Under the mantle of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we grow as a people of God following Jesus, celebrating the Eucharist, living apostolic service, continuing faith formation and Marian devotions. We strive to bring the joy of the gospel and imitate Jesus through compassion, mercy and love, especially for the poor and marginalized. We seek to be faithful stewards providing a heart and home for all.







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# **FRIDAY** January 6

6:00 pm confession & adoration

7:00 pm mass

Social in the Piazza after!!



Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them. Lk 2:20





Monday, January 2 6:00 pm Adoration & Rosary 7:00 pm Mass







Our least action, when done for God, is precious to him.



Mother of five children who established an orphanage; the first American-born citizen to be canonized



## Rest In Peace

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Let your Perpetual Light Shine upon them

Bishop Robert Brom

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#### **Mass Intentions & Readings**

Sunday, January 1

Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day

7:30 am Sunny Zizzo † Enza Sanfilippo

9:00 am People of the Parish

10:30 Departed of Tony & Marie Cefalu † Tony & Marie Cefalu 12:00 pm Paula Orlando † Frank & Anna Zizzo

Cristal Spera † Fincato Family 5:30 pm Margarita Nguyen † Kevin Le

Readings - Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16 -

Monday, January 2

Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

7:30 am Angelina Carini † Sal & Maria Zizzo 12:00 pm Ryan Priest † Steve Faucher

Readings - 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday, January 3

The Most Holy Name of Jesus

7:30 am Vince Marchetti, Jr. (Int) Vince Marchetti 12:00 pm Oscar Daluz † Agustin & Liza Delapena

Readings -1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday, January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:30 am Yendo Hu & Kyong Chong (Int) Veronica Chong 12:00 pm Ben Picone † J.W. Picone

Readings - 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday, January 5

St. John Neumann

7:30 am Alexandria Marie Wilson (Int) Barbara Wilson 12:00 pm Alex Garcia † Nino & Rosalie Lalicata

Readings - 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January 6

St. André Bessette; First Friday

7:30 am Hemming Family (Int) Marie Hemming 12:00 pm Rosa Crisci † Lucia Ruggeri Readings - 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk

3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Saturday, January 7

St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Saturday; Julian Calendar Christmas

7:30 am Perpetual Membership

12:00 pm Joel Heinzen † Amanda Gaub 5:30 pm Pat & Modesta Tanlu † Tanlu Family Readings - 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk

3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

### **NEW YEAR**

The object of a new year is not that we should have a new year, but rather that we should have a new soul.

-G. K. Chesterton

## **World Peace Prayer**

Heavenly Father, Lead us from death to life From falsehood to Truth

Lead us from despair to hope From fear to trust

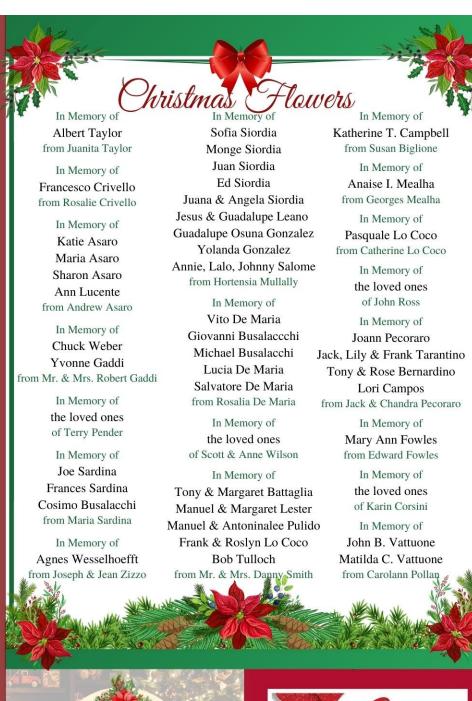
Lead us from hate to love From war to peace

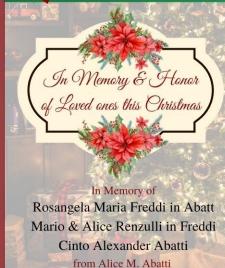
Jesus, fill all hearts, with the peace that passes all understanding.



We should employ our passions in the service of life, not spend life in the service of our passions.

—Richard Steele







### January 1, 2023

## Mary, the Holy Mother of God

#### **Gospel Summary**

The shepherds traveled to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and Jesus lying in the manger. Those who heard the account of what the shepherds had heard and seen were amazed. Mary kept the words of the shepherds in her heart, and reflected on them. Eight days later, Mary and Joseph took the infant to the Temple for his circumcision, and he was named Jesus, just as the angel had foretold.

#### **Reflection for Families**

When we first hold our children in our arms, we wonder so many things about them. What will their growing-up years be like? Who will they become? What will they do with their lives? Like Mary, we hold these things in our hearts—even when our children are grown and gone from home. What can we learn from our Mother, Mary? She trusted, though not fully understanding. Like her, we do not know our future or the future of our children. What we do know is that God loves us enough and wants us to share in the kingdom enough that he gave us his Only-Begotten Son.

#### **Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family**

Today is a wonderful day to honor our mothers and the many women in our lives who have watched over us, worried about us, cared for us, and prayed for us. Invite family members to join in a time of writing and/or drawing thanks to the special women who come to mind. Be sure that each letter or drawing tells or shows why that woman is special to someone in your family. Take time in the coming week to hand-deliver or to mail the notes and drawings.

#### **Discussion Questions**

- The woman I wrote or drew about is . . . because . . .
- Something I would like to thank and praise God for is . . .
- Something I am holding in my heart is . . .

#### Prayer

My Queen, My Mother,
I offer myself entirely to thee.
And to show my devotion to thee,
I offer thee this day, my eyes, my ears,
my mouth, my heart, my whole being
without reserve. Wherefore, good
Mother, as I am thine own,
keep me, guard me as
thy property and
possession.
Amen.



#### Blessings

Today's readings include another account of the story of Jesus' birth. The reading from the book of Numbers reminds us that we are blessed. We are looked upon with kindness and grace. The psalm and Galatians remind us of the blessings given through God's Son. Luke tells of our ultimate blessing, that Mary, a human being like us, gave birth to a child who is God's Son. Mary, a young mother, watches all that is happening around the birth of her son. She listens as the shepherds bring messages from angels, a message she also received from an angel, about her son. Yet Mary remains silent. She keeps all this news about her son to herself. She reflects on all these experiences. The only thing she shares is the name of her son, Jesus, a name given him before he was even conceived. Her silence leaves us wondering if this is how one responds to such a great blessing.

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Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

-Luke 2:19



Prayer at the Manger

With Mary and Joseph
May we follow the
faithful, loving
witness of
Mary and Joseph
as we seek to bring
Jesus, your Word,
into the world.
May we always
follow his Gospel,
now and forever. Amen.



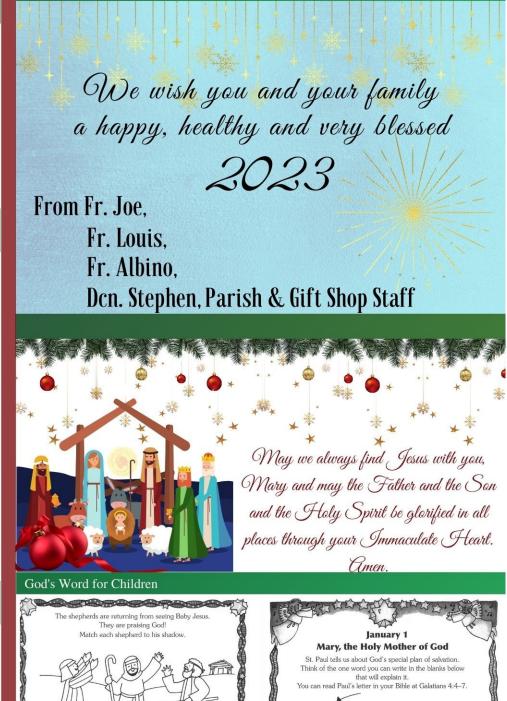


## Prayers for the Sick

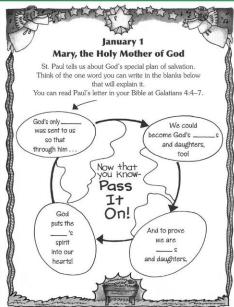
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Loving Father, touch me now with Your healing hands, for I believe that Your will is for me to be well in mind, body, soul and spirit. Cover me with the Most Precious Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, from the top of my head to the soles of my feet. Cast all that should not be in me.

—Padre Pro







#### Mary, the Holy Mother of God

A Hebrew word that many people are familiar with is shalom, commonly translated into English as "peace." However, the word is much richer, deeper, and broader than that. As a matter of fact, when the blessing in today's first reading concludes with shalom, it serves as a summary of the entire blessing: shalom is God's wholeness, well-being, longevity, harmony, as well as God's peace. Perhaps Mary prayed this blessing while she found herself in the midst of angels, shepherds, and—quite likely, thanks to the shepherds—inquisitive neighbors who had been told of the wondrous birth. Perhaps she prayed for God's shalom not only for herself, but also for her child as she reflected on his birth. As we stand at the threshold of a new year, we can likewise pray this blessing, with Mary as our example, pondering the mysteries of Christ in our hearts, praying for the richness, depth, and breadth of God's shalom.



## THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES

Today we honor Mary as the mother of Jesus, that is, the mother of God. Five "joyful" events in Mary's life as Jesus' mother are recalled in the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary. As his mother, Mary was very important in Jesus' life as a little boy. She taught him to love God, to pray, and to love the Jewish scriptures.

Using a separate sheet of paper, draw a picture for each of the stories of the Joyful Mysteries.



- The Annunciation. The angel Gabriel came to Mary to announce to her that God had chosen her to become the mother of Jesus (Luke 1:26–38). Draw Mary and the angel.
- 2. The Visitation. The angel also told Mary that her cousin, Elizabeth, was also about to have a baby. Mary went to visit Elizabeth and help her prepare (Luke 1:39–49). Draw Mary and Elizabeth greeting each other.





- 3. *The Nativity*. The story of the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:6–12). Draw the baby Jesus with his mother, Mary.
- 4. The Presentation. When Jesus was forty days old, Mary and Joseph took him to the temple to present him to God. They offered two doves as a part of their prayer. There they met a holy man, Simeon, and a prophet, Anna, who told Mary that Jesus would be a light to the world (Luke 2:22–35). Draw Mary carrying Jesus and Joseph carrying a basket holding two doves.





5. The Finding of Jesus in the Temple. When Jesus was twelve years old he went to Jerusalem with Mary and Joseph. On the way home they thought he was lost. They found Jesus in the temple, talking with the rabbis (Luke 2:41–51). Draw how Mary might have looked when she thought Jesus was lost.



The Angelus Prayer

V. The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

R. And she conceived the power of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made Flesh: (Kneel

R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

R. that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

#### Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

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