

# The Nativity of the Lord

December 25, 2022 ~ Liturgical Year A

## Mass Intentions

†December 26, 2022 to January 1, 2023

**Monday ~ St. Stephen ~ ..... December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
NO MASS

**Tuesday ~ St. John ~ ..... December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 am +Helen Albanese (by Vince Addario)  
+Maria Santa Zappavigna (by Family)

**Wednesday ~ The Holy Innocents ~ ..... December 28<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 am +Pauline & Sam Valenti (by Char)  
+Assunta Mauro (by Anna DeDivitiis)

**Thursday ~ ..... December 29<sup>th</sup>**  
8:00 am +Albert DeRose (by Bernie)  
+Agostino Nardelli (by Family)

**Friday ~ ..... December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
~ **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph ~**  
8:00 am +Len Michaud (by Daniella & Michael Ferrelli)  
+Jamie Ciancio (by Nazarena Iannelli)

**Saturday ~ ..... December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
5:00 pm +Annie Caperchione (by Maria Marchionda)  
+John Gabriele (by Mom & Dad)  
+Domenico & Jimmy Ricciuto  
(by Angelo & Angiolina Gabriele)

**Sunday ~ Mary, Holy Mother of God ~ ..... January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
8:00 am +♥The People of Holy Rosary Parish  
9:30 am +Marija Milinkovic (by Maria Ricciuto)  
+Carmina & Giovanni D'Alessandro  
(by Carmela Colella)  
11:00 am +Josephine Innocentin (by Nicole Brochu)  
+Giovanni, Rosaria, Angelo & Maria Iorio  
(by Angelo & Olivia & Family)

**Reminder: The PARISH OFFICE** will be closed beginning Monday December 26<sup>th</sup> and will re-open on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of **Pauline and Sam Valenti**. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.



**2023 OFFERTORY BOXES:** The 2023 Offertory Box Sets of envelopes are available for pick-up in the lower Church.

They are arranged alphabetically, for anyone who would like to pick up and drop off to a family member or neighbour.



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

*Today, beloved, our Savior is born: let us rejoice! It is not good that there should be sadness on the day when we are born to life, which, having destroyed the fear of death, presents to us the joyful promise of eternity. No one is excluded from taking part in this joy, because the reason for joy is unique and common to all: our Lord, destroyer of sin and death, came to free everyone, without exception, having found no one free from sin.*

*May the LORD bless you and keep you!*

*May the LORD let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you!*

*May the LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!*

*(Book of Numbers 6:24-26)*

*We thank all those who helped us to prepare for Christmas.*

*Wishing you a Merry Christmas*

*Rev. Jose Karikompil*



**Merry Christmas to all of our Parishioners.**

**God Bless.**

**Kind regards**

**from The Catholic Women's League**

## NEW 2023 OFFERTORY BOXES:

Parishioners who would like to start using Offertory Envelopes will find new boxes in the holders at the entrances of the Church.

Please write your name, address and phone number on your first few envelopes to ensure that box set number gets registered to you.



To all our Parishioners –

A Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year to all! May the blessings of peace, good will, and happiness be with you always.

from the Priests and Pastoral Staff of  
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Parish.



**NATALE DEL SIGNORE (A)**

**25 Dicembre 2022**

**È il Natale del Signore: Gesù è Dio. Come i pastori, anche noi siamo invitati ad accogliere l'annuncio dell'angelo e a recarci alla grotta per contemplare il Figlio di Dio fatto uomo per noi.**

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**Tanti Auguri di Buon Natale**



**December 30<sup>th</sup>**

**The Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

*The Flight into Egypt of Jesus, Mary and Joseph shows the fragile nature of family life.*

*Herod's anger and jealousy threatened the Holy Family. In our world, social, economic and political forces erode the bonds between family members.*

*Yet, God created the family to be the foundation of our society and provides it with divine protection. The Lord gave us the gift of the Holy Family. The family where Jesus was taught, nurtured and protected – a model for our way of loving one another.*

**DIOCESAN SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY:**

Support group meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of the month, 7-9pm at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls.

Meetings also held virtually.

The next meeting of the Separated and Divorced Healing Ministry is Monday, January 9th.

To register for virtual attendance, or for information, please call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email [separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com](mailto:separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com).

**SUBSCRIBE TO THE VINEYARD:** The current issue of *The Vineyard* is now available on the diocesan website [www.saintcd.com](http://www.saintcd.com). If you would like to subscribe to receive *The Vineyard* by email, please send your request to [vineyard@saintcd.com](mailto:vineyard@saintcd.com).

**DONATIONS FOR 2022:** As we reach the end of the year we remind everyone that 2022 Income Tax Receipts will only be issued for donations received by December 31, 2022. Any donations received after December 31<sup>st</sup> will be recorded in the 2023 taxation year. To ensure that you receive your income tax receipt, please advise us of any address changes.

**THANK YOU:** We gratefully acknowledge the family and friends of *Susan Zorzi* and *Joe Pizzacalla*, who, even in their time of sorrow, generously thought of and made memorial donations to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church. May God's blessing and the memories of your loved ones be with you forever.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for donating the quarterly "Living in Faith" prayer booklets.



**SACRAMENT PREPARATION:** There will be a Learning and Prayer session for **Confirmation Candidates** on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in our Parish Hall.



**◆ NEW YEAR'S MASSES ◆**

Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God

**NEW YEAR'S EVE ~ Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>**

5:00 pm

**NEW YEAR DAY ~ Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>**

8:00 am

9:30 am Italian

11:00 am



**DIRECT DEPOSIT:** If you have automatic withdrawals from your bank account to pay for insurance, cable, taxes or mortgage, then you understand the pre-authorized remittance principle. Many people use direct deposit for their Church offering, finding it both convenient and ecologically friendly. "Donation cards" will be available for you to put in the Sunday collection basket in place of your Church envelope. For more information please call the Parish Office.

**MINISTRY WORKSHOPS/TRAINING SESSIONS:** We will be holding workshops for all our Ministry Volunteers in January 2023. If you are considering joining a ministry in the Parish, *Altar Server, Minister of the Word, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Hospitality, Bereavement, Collection, Music Ministry*, to name a few... please fill out the form below, or call the Parish Office at 905-227-3178 for more information.

*I would like to get involved in  
Ministry in the Parish*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Place in the Sunday Collection or drop off at the Parish Office. There is a mail slot in the door.