

ST. JOSEPH & ST. PATRICK ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
December 29, 2019

PASTOR'S PAGE



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
Merry Christmas!

We continue the Christmas Season as we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph! Let us celebrate the joy of God with us, *Emmanuel*.

We honor the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This family is an icon or an example of the family of God. All the baptized are part of this family that is set apart and consecrated to God. We are each called to be holy and imitate Christ in all our actions, thoughts and words. Let us continue to strive for holiness. Let us recognize that we have a Heavenly Father who reveals Himself to us through His Son, Jesus. During the Mass, we all pray as Jesus taught us, "Our Father..." May the "Our Father" continue to transform us as children of God. Nothing can separate us from the love of God (cf Romans 8:37-39). God is love (cf. 1 John 4:8). And even when we do not love Him in return, He still is love and loves us back into a relationship with Him. May this time of year continue to illumine our hearts and minds, knowing of God's great love for us by sending His Son into the world.

The Holy Family Statue that is depicted on the front cover of this bulletin is displayed at the Church of the Holy Family in Mexico City. This Church was one of our stops on the pilgrimage to see the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This Church was one of the assignments of Father Miguel Agustin Pro. He was martyred during a turbulent time for the church in Mexico. The Church of the Holy Family is the resting place of Blessed Miguel Pro. There is a side altar dedicated to him, as well as a museum next door to the church. Holy Family Church was a cherished moment during the pilgrimage. I am glad to share this image of the Holy Family with you as we celebrate this feast day! Blessed Miguel Pro...pray for us!

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation Mass times are:
Tuesday, December 31 at 4 pm Saint Joseph Church
Wednesday, January 1 at 8 am Saint Joseph Church & 10 am Saint Patrick Church.

May our Blessed Mother watch over us as we enter this new calendar year.

For all families in Religious Education our next Family Night will be held on Wednesday, January 8th at 6 pm Saint Joseph Church Hall.

On behalf of myself and the staff and volunteers of Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick, we wish you and your families a blessed New Year!

Sincerely in the Birth of our Lord,

Father Scott

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE – Having found the infant Jesus, the shepherds returned to their work, “glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen.” We, too, have seen and celebrated the mystery of the Word made flesh. Will we follow their example when we return to work tomorrow?

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
TUE 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
WED Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;
Lk 2:16-21
THU 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
FRI 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
SAT 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
SUN Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

The **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, is a holy day of obligation. The Mass schedule is:

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 (Vigil)
4:00 pm St. Joseph Church

Wednesday, January 1, 2020
8:00 am St. Joseph Church
10:00 am St. Patrick Church



BOTH RECTORIES WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



Mission Statement – As a Christian Faith Community, we the People of St. Joseph’s Church of Pascoag, RI, acknowledge God’s Blessings and strive to live out the Great Commandments to “love God with all our mind, heart, body, and soul” and “to love our neighbor as ourselves”. Through the sacraments and with the Holy Spirit as our guide, we seek to witness to and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us; through service, healing and reconciling love.

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MASS INTENTIONS

- Dec 28 **Vigil Mass; The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
Sat 5:30 In Memory of Russell H. Tucker (5th Anniv. & Birthday Remem.)
by Doug, Ann & Family
- Dec 29 **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
Sun 8:00 In Memory of Michael Bucci, Louis A. Venancio & Amedee T. Bucci (Birthday Remembrances)
by Cheryl & Alexandra Venancio
- Dec 30 In Memory of Ellen Redding,
Mon 8:00 Mother of Bridget Gieseke
- Dec 31 **Vigil; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
- Tue 4:00 St. Joseph Church
In Memory of Tylor Bernard (5th Anniversary)
by his Grandparents, Ken & Carol Lewin
- Jan 01 **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
Wed 8:00 In Memory of Tommy Bucci (1st Anniversary)
by his Family
- 10:00 St. Patrick Church
- Jan 03 **First Friday**
Fri 8:00 For the Relief & Release of the Souls in Purgatory
St. Joseph Church
- Jan 04 **Vigil Mass; The Epiphany of the Lord**
Sat 5:30 In Memory of Weston Wicklund (8th Anniversary)
by his Wife Mary & Family
- Jan 05 **The Epiphany of the Lord**
Sun 8:00 In Memory of George F. Hoppe (26th Anniversary)
by his Family

SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP will burn this week in memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	12/15/19
Regular Collection	\$2,613.00
Mail Ins	\$ 221.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 338.58
Monthly	\$ 96.00
Fuel	\$ 677.00
Annual Collection	\$1,265.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 196.69
Christmas Offering	\$ 71.00
Holy Days	\$ 25.00
Total Operating	\$5,503.27
Mission Co-op	\$ 5.00
Peter’s Pence	\$ 5.00
Propagation of Faith	\$ 10.00
Retired Religious	\$ 36.00

Each week, our parish requires a minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$3,850.00 to meet our budgeted expenses. If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask you to make up your missed budget envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

The **2021 Mass Book** is in!
Call the rectory (Mon-Thu, 9 am – 5 pm, 568-2411) to book Masses and/or the Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp in memory of your loved ones.
Weekend Masses and Lamp: \$25 Weekday Masses: \$10

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

January 1	Solemnity of Mary
January 5	Monthly Parish Collection
January 12	Fuel Offering
January 19	Catholic University
January 26	Church in Latin America

SAVE THE DATES

Fri, 06/06/2020	St. Joseph’s 20-Week Club	The Village Haven Restaurant
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ST. JOSEPH’S 20-WEEK CLUB (formerly known as the 50 Club) tickets are now available! The cost for tickets to this night of food and fellowship remains \$50.00 each. Twenty (20) weekly drawings and dinner at the Village Haven in Forestdale in June, 2020, are included.
The 1st weekly drawing is scheduled for January 20, 2020. All paid-to-date ticket holders are eligible to win the weekly drawings.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – January’s workshop will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 10 am in St. Patrick’s rectory. Thereafter, the workshops will resume on the 1st Wednesday of each month at the same location. Fr. Scott will bless the prayer shawls on Saturday, January 11, 2020, at the 4 pm and 5:30 pm Masses. For more information, call Pauline Prew at 401-568-5644.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH



Mission Statement – St. Patrick Parish is a Roman Catholic Faith Community guided by the Spirit of God, the scriptures and the traditions of the Church. Our mission is to share the Good News of Christ through the celebration of the liturgy, the sacraments, prayer and unconditional service to all humankind.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Dec 28** **Vigil Mass; The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
Sat 4:00 **In Memory of George Lough, Jr. (Christmas Remembrance)**
 by George, Michelle & Isabella
- Dec 29** **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
Sun 10:00 **In Memory of Stanislaus & Antonia Kraunelis**
 by their Family
- Dec 31** **St. Sylvester I, Pope**
Tue 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**
- 4:00** **Vigil; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
St. Joseph Church
In Memory of Tylor Bernard (5th Anniversary)
 by his Grandparents, Ken & Carol Lewin
- Jan 01** **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
Wed 8:00 **St. Joseph Church**
- 10:00** **St. Patrick Church**
- Jan 02** **Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church**
Thu 8:00 **In Memory of Roland & Rose Aubin**
 by Arthur & Alice Aubin
- Jan 03** **First Friday**
Fri 8:00 **St. Joseph Church**
- Jan 04** **Vigil Mass; The Epiphany of the Lord**
Sat 4:00 **In Memory of Robert Leveillee**
 by Loretta Mayer
- Jan 05** **The Epiphany of the Lord**
Sun 10:00 **In Memory of Ann Gauvin (2nd Anniversary)**
 by her Husband & Family

SANCTUARY/TABERNACLE LAMP will burn this week in loving memory of Elizabeth Byrne.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	12/15/19
Regular Collection	\$2,107.00
Mail Ins	\$ 320.00
Electronic Giving	\$ 72.99
Christmas	\$ 14.87
Immaculate Conception	\$ 4.87
HVAC	\$ 117.00
Annual Appeal	\$ 300.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 55.00
Mass Stipends	\$ 325.00
Votive Candles	\$ 558.50
Total Operating	\$3,875.23
Food Pantry	\$ 80.00
Latin America	\$ 34.87

Each week, our parish requires a minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$2,820.00 to meet our budgeted expenses. If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask you to make up your missed budget envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

Mini-Splits Update

Total Cost	\$27,285.00
To-Date Donations**	\$25,585.00
Remaining Balance	\$ 1,700.00

****Donations to help defray the cost of the mini-splits are still being accepted. If you choose to make a donation, please specify on the envelope that your gift is for HVAC.**

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

January 1	Solemnity of Mary
January 5	Building & Maintenance Fund
January 19	Catholic University
January 26	Church in Latin America

The **2021 Mass Book** is in! Call the rectory (Mon-Fri, 8:00 am – 12 pm, 568-5600) to book Masses and/or the Sanctuary/Tabernacle Lamp in memory of your loved ones. Weekend Masses and Lamp: \$25
 Weekday Masses: \$10

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ST. PATRICK'S LOTTERY CALENDAR:

Lottery calendars are on sale through the end of December. Your \$10 donation will provide 31 chances to win during the month of January! These lottery calendars make great stocking stuffers and/or Secret Santa gifts. The lottery calendars will be sold after each Mass, or you can call either rectory (St. Pat's, Mon-Fri, 8 am – 12 pm, 401-568-5600; or St. Joe's, Mon-Thu, 9 am – 5 pm, 401-568-2411) to purchase one or more.

AROUND THE DIOCESE & ELSEWHERE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM – For the 15th consecutive year, the Knights of Columbus Museum, 1 State Street, New Haven, CT, is displaying artistic representations of the birth of Jesus at the center of its Christmas exhibition. The show, *Christmas in Europe*, will be on view to February 2, 2020. The exhibition features more than 80 items, some from the Museum's own collection. Highlights include Szopki from Krakow, a large Neapolitan creche to be viewed at 360 degrees, and a German Christmas Market. The Museum is open daily from 10 am to 5 pm, with free admission and parking. For more information or to schedule a group visit, go to www.kofcmuseum.org or call 203-865-0400.

ST. GABRIEL'S CALL AT ST. PATRICK'S - A special workshop consisting of an overview of the diocesan outreach ministry for women during and beyond pregnancy will be offered on Saturday, January 4, 2020 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's, 244 Smith Street, Providence. The agenda will include how you can help mom and baby and enrich their lives by mentoring, providing material needs, parenting and cooking skills. This workshop will be offered in English and Spanish. For more information and to RSVP please call 278-2518 or 421-7070.

GLORIFY - All teens, young adults and families are invited to join us for "Glorify" on Monday, January 6th, 2020 at the Rejoice in Hope Youth Center on Dyer Avenue in Cranston from 7 pm – 9 pm. "Glorify" is centered around Eucharistic Adoration with engaging faith-filled music. Each "Glorify" evening has a unique theme, music, guest speaker, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and culminates with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Our January Presenter is Carol Owens, Office of Life and Family Ministry with the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

3RD ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY – Plans have begun for the 3rd Annual Diocesan Youth Day, scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Cumberland, RI. 2020's theme is "Empowered", with National Presenter Cooper Ray, who is becoming one of today's more popular and sought after speaker, worship leader, and retreat facilitator. Through music, story, humor, and audience participation, Cooper leads groups of all ages to a greater awareness of who they are as Catholic Christians and how to recognize God's presence in their lives.

The Office of Catholic Youth Ministry welcomes all to join the planning committee. A general committee

meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 6:15 pm – 7:45 pm; Rejoice in Hope Youth Center, Cranston.

Subcommittees will include:

- Rituals: Prayer, Worship, Sacraments
- Faith Formation & Service
- Interaction & Activities
- Logistics & Site Management
- Promotions, Funding & Development
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For more information, email youthministry@dioceseofprovidence.org or call 401-278-4626.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Give your spouse a special gift this Christmas by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Mar 13-15, 2020 in Duxbury, MA and Apr 18-19, 2020 in BREWSTER, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

CATHOLIC PILRIMAGES WITH DAILY MASS TO FATIMA, LOURDES, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA AND BARCELONA;

April 21 - May 3, 2020, \$3699 per person, and to **OBERAMMERGAU** for the Passion Play performed only every 10 years with **SWITZERLAND** and **AUSTRIA**, September 8 - 19, 2020, \$5299 per person. Pilgrimages include airfare, all sightseeing, breakfast and dinner daily.

For a Flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

Come to **WORLD YOUTH DAY 2022** in Lisbon with Rhode Island Deanery VIII and JMJ Youth Pilgrimages. Since 1993, JMJ Youth has crafted a unique approach to evangelization to help young people open their hearts to the Grace of God on pilgrimage! Walk with Our Lady in Lourdes and Fatima, and encounter our Holy Father and hundreds of thousands of young people in Lisbon. An informational meeting took place on Tuesday, November 26th at Saint Philip School Peter's Place. Please contact Father Scott Carpentier at frscottcarpentier@cox.net or Melissa Roberts at youth@saintphilip.com with any questions.

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