

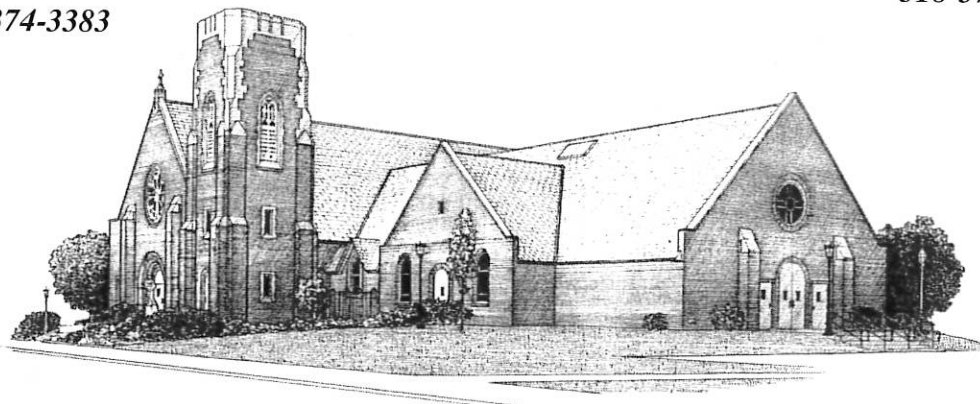
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*Alanna Wilson, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy*

*Scott Sutherland, Pastoral Associate for Property Management*

*Trustee: Carol Reynolds*

*Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 AM — 3:00 PM (Closed on Friday)*

### **HOLY EUCHARIST**

*Saturday Evening — 4:00 PM*

*Sunday Morning — 9:00 AM*

*Holy Days: as scheduled*

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation  
is available prior to any  
Saturday evening liturgy.*

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

*A registered parishioner who wishes  
to celebrate his or her marriage at St. Joseph's  
is asked to contact the Parish Office  
at least six months prior to the anticipated date  
(and before any other arrangements  
are made) in order to begin  
sacramental preparation.*

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

*If you or someone in your family  
is going to the hospital for surgery,  
please request the Sacrament of Anointing  
by calling the Parish Office.  
Due to federal regulations, the parish is  
unable to access inpatient information  
from hospitals and nursing homes  
without your consent.*

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

*For registered members of the parish,  
baptism may be arranged during  
a weekend liturgy.  
Parents should contact the office to attend class  
in preparation for the sacrament of Baptism.*

### **NEW PARISHIONERS**


*Catholics moving into the area  
are invited to register in the  
parish by calling the parish office.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF  
DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2020**

12-5	4:00 PM	Marjorie Kremzier – Juliana & Christopher Kremzier
12-6	9:00 AM	Jim McCullough (46 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) – The Family George Gatta, Jr. – Nancy Lomini Vivian Peck – David & Eileen Schoch
12-7	9:00 AM 6:00 PM	Mass at Immaculate Conception Holy Day-Vigil Mass at St. Joseph's
12-8	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception Holy Day-Immaculate Conception
12-9	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
12-10		No Mass
12-11		No Mass
12-12	4:00 PM	Edna Yager (32 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) – The Family Esdras Mendez – Juliana & Christopher Kremzier Richard Whalen – Mike Rinehart
12-13	9:00 AM	Michael Brazell – The Family Salvatore Grasso – The Family Debra Duff – Concetta Grasso


LITURGICAL MINISTERS – DEC. 12/13, 2020		
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM
LECTOR	M. Arcesi	K. Burke
BREAD 1	C. Kukan	B. Corlew
BREAD 4	Celebrant	Celebrant
USHER	P. Shave	A. Mitchell
USHER	TBD	D. Stec
USHER	TBD	C. Reynolds
USHER	TBD	R. Schiavone
GREETER	TBD	T. Caldwell
GREETER	TBD	P. Johnson
CLEANER	M. Militano	T. Caldwell
CLEANER	TBD	S. Caldwell
CLEANER	TBD	TBD

We have **12 volunteer positions** (including lector and one Eucharistic minister) that need to be filled for each mass. Sign-up sheets are available in Holy Family Hall for each week. We have many empty slots for the weeks ahead. Thank you to those who continue to volunteer each week so that we may remain open ~ we could not continue to hold mass without you.

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 Our income for the period **Nov. 23-29, 2020** amounted to **\$4,030.50** and expenses for the same period were **\$9,055.20**. Your support of St. Joseph's is greatly appreciated and needed at this time even if you are unable to attend in person.

Please be sure to drop your donations in the donation box on the way into mass. Any donation for a special Second Collection must be in a **separate envelope**, clearly marked for the designated collection.

Thank you for your generosity with our second collections over the past several weeks. A total of **\$437** was collected for **The Campaign for Human Development** and **\$325** for the special collection for **Catholic Charities**.

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 **Remember in your prayers** those members of our parish who are sick or suffering in any way, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our shut-ins. We also pray for family, friends and those who have died recently, especially **Sharon Coderre**, wife of Paul. We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.

Scripture Readings for the Week	
Mon. 12/7	Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26
Tues. 12/8	Gn 3:9-15 Eph 1:3-6,11-12 Lk 1:26-38
Wed. 12/9	Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30
Thurs. 12/10	Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15
Fri. 12/11	Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19
Sat. 12/12	Zec 2:14-17 Lk 1:26-38
Sun. 12/13	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



A mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be held here at St. Joseph's on **Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**. The same procedures for weekend mass will be followed for this mass (attestation forms, mask, social distancing, etc.). We will also need liturgical ministers as we do for the weekend schedule.

~~ **Sponsor of the Week** ~~

  
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The Week Ahead	
Mon., 12/7	Vigil Mass for Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary @ C - 6 PM (Holy Day of Obligation)
Tues., 12/8	Mass for Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary @ ICG - 9 AM (Holy Day of Obligation) Sandwich Making @ PC - 9 AM

**Virtual Evening of Advent Scripture and Song**

Are you preparing for Christmas? Take time and prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus. Join Patty Neumann and Grace Fay for a Virtual Evening of Advent Scripture and Song on 12/20 at 7pm. It is open to all and appropriate for all. Email Grace to join the list to get the link, [olgsjym@gmail.com](mailto:olgsjym@gmail.com)



The **Sanctuary Candle** intention may be reserved for one week (Saturday thru Friday) for a \$10.00 donation. This intention may be used to honor a deceased loved one or as a living memorial for an anniversary, birthday or other special intention. Please contact the office for more information.



We currently live stream our **9 am mass** on Sunday mornings. The link to connect with our live stream is:

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDgBXL8RT\\_55biUcsAofgB4w9XGcHR8DA](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDgBXL8RT_55biUcsAofgB4w9XGcHR8DA)

We remind all parishioners that the dispensation from obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days **remains in force** until further notice. Those who are at risk or do not feel comfortable attending at this time, are encouraged to remain at home and participate via our live stream mass on YouTube. Please, if you are experiencing **ANY** cold or flu-like symptoms, **DO NOT COME TO MASS**. This is for everyone's safety.

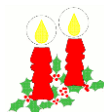


Please help yourself to the Advent/Christmas daily reflection books that are available in Holy Family Hall (we have copies at the Parish Office for pickup as well).

**Faith Formation**

Please be advised our Faith Formation in-person classes for grades 1 through 5 have been cancelled for the remainder of the year. We will reassess the situation the first of the year.

Looking ahead - There will be a **First Reconciliation meeting via Zoom** on **December 16<sup>th</sup>** at **6:30 PM**. Both Our Lady of Grace and St. Joseph's parents are to attend. The Zoom Link will be emailed to you by Monday, **December 14<sup>th</sup>**.



**Christmas Memorials** - If you would like to remember your deceased loved ones this Christmas season, place their **PRINTED** name(s) in an envelope with your donation (\$5 per name) and place in collection basket or mail to the Parish Center by **December 16** for inclusion in the Christmas Memorial publication. For envelope users, there is a Christmas Memorial envelope included in the box.



Our **Christmas Mass** schedule will be as follows: Christmas Eve **4 PM** and Christmas Day **10 AM**. We will be setting up a reservation system for these two masses in anticipation of an increased attendance. Information will be available in next week's bulletin as well as our website. Please watch for this important information.



**2020 Diocesan Appeal Update:** To date, we have been credited with **82 gifts/pledges** totaling **\$29,307** toward our assessment goal of **\$60,910**. Thank you to all who have given to this vital campaign. It is important to note that any amount received in excess of the Parish Assessment Goal will be directed back to the Parish at the end of the Appeal in June 2021. If you have not already given, please consider going online or call the office and we would be happy to send you a donation envelope. Please remember that the Albany Stewardship Office has taken over the handling of this campaign for all parishes, therefore, all donations must be sent direct to the Diocese. Important information regarding this year's Appeal:

**Appeal website:** [diocesanappeal.org](http://diocesanappeal.org)  
**Donate online:** [donate.thediocesanappeal.org](http://donate.thediocesanappeal.org)  
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