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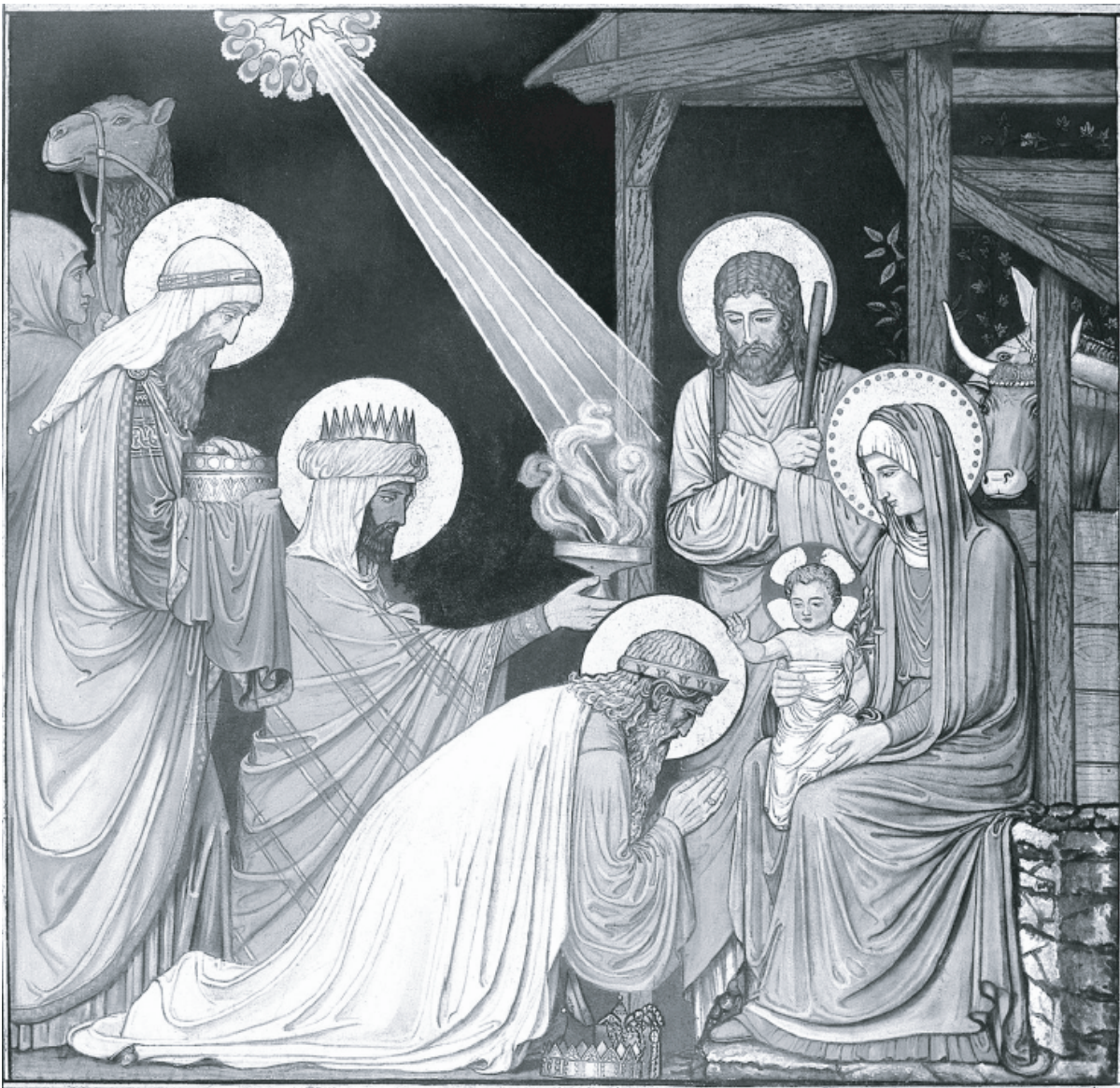
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Feast of the Holy Family

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph – December 29, 2024

“Let the peace of Christ control your hearts.”

MASS INTENTIONS:

Mon, Dec 30	9am	Jean O’Boyle+ (O’Driscoll) by Eithne de Pencier
Tues, Dec 31	9am	In Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes & for Favours Received by Marcel Desbiens
Wed, Jan 1	9am	Carmelo & Antonina Muratore+ by the family Helen Bourdon+ by Jim & Cathy Klein
Sat, Jan 4	4pm	Ron Fournier+ by the family Denise Gauthier+ by Marcelle Beaulieu
Sun, Jan 5	9am	Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis
	11am	Jean Guy Pharand+ & Deceased family members+ by Helen Pharand Alfredo Celebre+ by Domenic Muratore

PRAYER LINE: *In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed.* If you or any member of your family, or anyone you know, is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish Office to place that person on our prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Marcel Desbiens

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: William “Bill” Demarco+

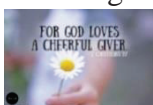
SCRIPTURE READINGS Dec 30 – Jan 5, 2025	
Monday	1John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 <i>Sixth Day Within the Octave</i>
Tuesday	1John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18 <i>Seventh Day Within the Octave</i>
Wednesday	Numbers 6 :22-27 Galatians 4 :4-7 Luke 2 :16-21 <i>The Solemnity of Mary The Holy Mother of God The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord World Day of Peace</i>
Thursday	1John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28 <i>St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen</i>
Friday	1John 2:29 – 3:1-6; John 1:29-34
Saturday	1John 3:7-10; John 1:35-42
Sunday	Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12 <i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>

Sunday December 15, 2024 \$3 539.60

Building Fund balance to date \$184 099.03

Building Fund Goal: \$200 000

Thank you for your generous contributions!



2025 Envelopes are ready to be picked

up. Please call the Church office for more

information: 705-472-1817 Please do not use your

2025 envelopes until January!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

The Holy Family

“Why were you searching for Me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father’s house?”

Luke 2:49

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth - a humble and simple family.

“Mary, Joseph and Jesus are united by an immense love and inspired by great trust in God.

The anxiety that they experienced in the three days that Jesus was missing should also be our anxiety when we are distant from Him - when we are distant from Jesus. We should feel anxious when we forget Jesus for more than three days, without praying, without reading the Gospel, without feeling the need of His presence and of His comforting friendship.

Mary and Joseph searched for Him and found Him in the temple while He was teaching. For us too, it is especially in the house of God that we are able to encounter the divine Teacher and receive His message of salvation. In the Eucharistic celebration we have a living experience of Christ; He speaks to us; He offers us His Word; He illuminates us, lights our path, gives us His Body in the Eucharist from which we draw vigour to face everyday difficulties.

Let us ask ourselves: Do I feel anxious when I am distant from Jesus?” Dec.30, 2018

“Let us pray for all the families in the world, especially those in which, for various reasons, peace and harmony are lacking. And let us entrust them to the protection of the Holy Family of Nazareth. “





Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Wednesday, January 1st

9:00 am Mass (St Peter's)
11:30 am Mass (St. Elizabeth's)

Epiphany

Saturday, January 4th

4:00 pm Mass (St Peter's)

Sunday, January 5th

9:00 am Mass (St Peter's)
11:00 am Mass (St Peter's)

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Jan. 1 **9:00AM – New Year's Day Mass**
Happy New Year!

Thursday Jan 2 – Friday Jan 3 **OFFICE CLOSED**

World Day of Peace: January 1, 2024



Celebrated on January 1st every year, this Catholic feast day began in 1968 by Pope Paul VI. He asked that, "every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise ... that Peace

with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate the development of events to come." The benefits of a peaceful society have been the emphasis of every year's World Day of Peace. Each year a specific theme is chosen by the Holy Father. **To read the message for Jan. 1st, 2025:**
<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20241208-messaggio-58giornatamondiale-pace2025.html>

CWL News *Why belong to the Catholic Women's League?* The CWL invites all Catholic women, 16 years of age and over, to share their gifts and make a difference.

Come, join us!

For more information: Christine Osborne @ 705-303-3808

Happy New Year



St. Peter the Apostle Youth Choir
Calling all youth, ages 8+ yrs!
Join us for singing, fun, and friendship!

January 10 @ 6:30 PM

Meet new friends, and enjoy a fun evening together.
Special Treat: Once a month, we'll have a fun activity!
We can't wait to see you there!



Pope Francis – January Prayer Intention

For the Right to an Education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war. May their right to an education - which is necessary to build a better world - always be respected.



The Jubilee Year 2025 – a Holy Year of Hope!

The last ordinary holy year, the Great Jubilee Year of 2000, which took place under John Paul II, was one of the biggest events in the history of mankind. The Holy Father Francis has asked that the coming Jubilee Year 2025 to be



lived as a "year of hope. The jubilee year has become a Catholic tradition. It was originally intended to be celebrated every one hundred years; in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years. The rule to celebrate it every 25 years was established with the Holy Year of 1470 under Pope Paul II. Those who participate in a Holy Year pilgrimage are granted a plenary indulgence; those who are unable to attend in person for concrete reasons are invited to participate spiritually, "offering up the sufferings of their daily lives, and participating in the Eucharistic celebration."

Jubilee of 2025: Tue, Dec 24, 2024 – Wed, Dec 24, 2025 Did you know? The official mobile app for the Holy Year 2025, "Iubilaeum25", is available for download!

Website for Jubilee: <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>

Reminder: We are still collecting stamps!



Help fund Projects for Development & Peace.

Please support this initiative by simply cutting off the stamps from your envelopes without damaging the perforations. Save them in baggies/ envelopes & drop them off at the church office.

For tax purposes, any donations for the 2024 year that requires a tax receipt must be received by December 31, 2024

For those that have moved and wish a tax receipt please let the church office know of any address changes by the second week of January 2025.



Jubilee 2025: Hallow has made its channels available to promote the message of Hope that the Holy Year aims to convey to pilgrims worldwide! www.hallow.com

Eucharistic Adoration - Spend an hour with Jesus! Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration **9:00am – 5pm** **Wednesday, January 7th** beginning at



9:00am. Everyone is invited. Please sign the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the Church and select your hour time slot as we do not want to leave Jesus alone. **The Church will remain open all day if all time slots are filled.** **Unscheduled drop-ins are welcome.**



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