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**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Sat., December 19<sup>th</sup>**  
4:00PM - (St. J.)  
- For The Deceased Members of The Bourgeois & Owens Family by Jerry & Mary Bourgeois

**Sun., December 20<sup>th</sup>**  
8AM - (St. P.)  
- For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions

9:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For John Sugar by Lois Fey

**Mon., December 21<sup>st</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For Delores Mancini by Diane, Chris & Katie Ford

**Tues., December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For Johnny Garbarino (B-Day) by Mother Helen

**Wed., December 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. P.)  
- For Dcn. James Buttner (Sem.) by The Parish  
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**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

**Thurs., December 24<sup>th</sup> – (VIGIL)**  
4:00PM - (St. J.)  
Midnight - (St. J.)

**Fri., December 25<sup>th</sup> – (HOLY DAY)**  
8:00AM - (St. P.)  
9:30AM - (St. J.)  
-All Christmas Masses – For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.  
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We remember in our prayers  
Charles Mooney, Frances Miller,  
Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine King,  
Walt Belewich, Sr., Ann Lash, Paul Hartness,  
Jim White, Roberta Wilson, John Bailey,  
Cretia Carpenter, Candace Schaffer, David Hoffman,  
Steven Stooks, Michael Stinebrickner, Paul Boliver, Joan Farmer & Scott MacFarland,

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

**Sat., December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
4:00PM - (St. J.)  
- For The Fallon's & Dellerba's by The Family

**Sun., December 27<sup>th</sup>**  
8AM - (St. P.)  
- For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions

9:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For Barney Deshaies by The Family

**Mon., December 28<sup>th</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. J.)  
- No Morning Mass

**Tues., December 29<sup>th</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For Stephen Scheve (Health)

**Wed., December 30<sup>th</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. P.)  
- For Dcn. Benjamin Schrantz (Sem.) by The Parish

**Thurs., December 31<sup>st</sup>**  
8:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For George Stooks by Gerry  
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**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**Fri., January 1<sup>st</sup> – (HOLY DAY)**  
8:30AM - (St. P.)  
6:00PM - (St. J.)  
- For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions  
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**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**Sat., January 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
4:00PM - (St. J.)  
- For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions

**Sun., January 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
8AM - (St. P.)  
- For Louis Narbone by Larry & Gerry Ritter

9:30AM - (St. J.)  
- For Ronald Bartelotte, by Michelle, Chris, Amanda & Family  
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**PARISH OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2021 ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP AT THE OFFICE. IF YOU NEED ENVELOPES FOR THE FIRST TIME, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE. YOU MAY ALSO DONATE ONLINE AT CHRISTOURHOPERC.ORG**

**INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION TIMES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH'S**  
**The Light is on for you is Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> – 4:00-7:00PM.**  
*(Please enter the Church through the front door. Cross over the Sanctuary to go into the Sacristy for Confession when the door is open.)*

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**Our Regular Confession times remain on Wednesday, Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> & Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00-6:30PM at St. Joseph's**  
**3:15-3:45PM at St. Joseph's**

**FAMILY FORMATION PACKETS ARE ON THE OFFICE PORCH. PLEASE PICK THEM UP AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE.**

**Hope Appeal 2020**  
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+JMJ+

Dear Friends in Christ,  
I wish all of you a very blessed Christmas! Please know of my prayers for all of you. One of the traditions at midnight Mass that is not as well known is the Christmas proclamation. This was traditionally chanted before midnight Mass. Pope St. John Paul II restored this tradition in the 1980s. The proclamation itself is simply the first entry of the day in the *Roman Martyrology*. This book is a collection of brief accounts of the lives and deaths of all the saints in the Catholic calendar for each day of the year.

It dates back to the earliest centuries of the Church when the accounts of the deaths and the dates of death of the Roman Christian martyrs were kept by other Christians. Each day of the Martrology is dated using the ancient Roman and Greek dating system.

So, for Christmas Day, the entry for the Birth of the Lord Jesus is very specific using the various dating methods used in ancient Rome at the time. This would be chanted before midnight Mass. Here is the current English translation from the Roman Missal:

“The Twenty-fifth Day of December, when ages beyond number had run their course from the creation of the world, [The original Latin version says “In the 5199<sup>th</sup> year from the creation of the world] when God in the beginning created heaven and earth, and formed man in his own likeness; when century upon century had passed since the Almighty set his bow in the clouds after the Great Flood, as a sign of covenant and peace; in the twenty-first century since Abraham, our father in faith, came out of Ur of the Chaldees; in the thirteenth century since the People of Israel were led by Moses in the Exodus from Egypt; around the thousandth year since David was anointed King; in the sixty-fifth week of the prophecy of Daniel; in the one hundred and ninety-fourth Olympiad; in the year seven hundred and fifty-two since the foundation of the City of Rome; in the forty-second year of the reign of Caesar Octavian Augustus, the whole world being at peace,

JESUS CHRIST, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to consecrate the world by his most loving presence, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and when nine months had passed since his conception, was born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem of Judah, and was made man: The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.”

Have a blessed Christmas! Let us ask the Lord for the graces He wishes to give us during the season of His birth.

*Fr. Matthew Lyons*

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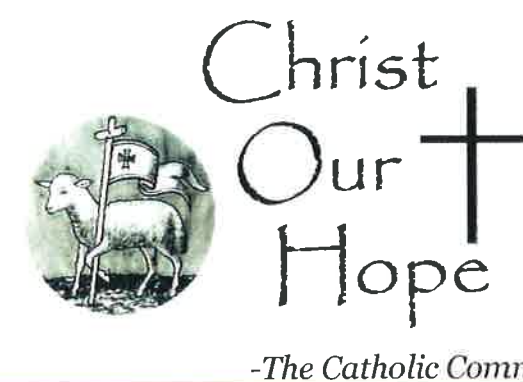
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**Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
This weekend's readings begin on pg. 868-- Year B  
**Dec.20, 2020**  
2 Samuel 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 4a, 16  
*The kingdom of David shall endure forever before the Lord.*  
Psalm 89: 2-3, 4-5, 27, 29  
*Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*  
Romans: 25-27  
*The mystery kept secret for long ages has now been manifested.*  
Gospel Acclamation  
*Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.*  
Luke 1: 36-28  
**Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son.**

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