

St. Ignatius RC Church, Hicksville, New York

*Happy
Christmas*



"Christ," Our Savior, Is Born

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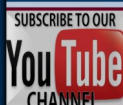


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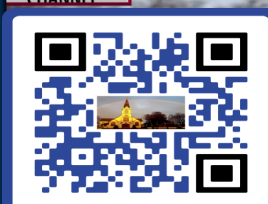
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December 26, 2021, The Holy Family Sunday

WE BELIEVE

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn.3:16)

Responsorial Psalm

WE WELCOME

With joy we welcome all to worship God. Let us lift up our minds, hearts and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come, and thank and praise Him.

“Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.”

WE WORSHIP

Weekend Mass Schedule Weekday Masses

Saturday:5:00 PM (Live) Monday - Friday

Sunday: 7:30 AM 7:00 AM

9:30 AM (Live) 9:00 AM (Live)

11 AM Saturday

12:30 PM 9:00 AM (Live)

5:00 PM (Spanish) (Live) 5:00 PM (Live)

Adoration: Monday to Saturday 9:30AM-3PM

Every Monday, except in July and August:

Adoration, Rosary & Scripture Study at 7:30PM

Every Friday:

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM. **(Live)**

Every First Wednesday:

Rosary to St. Joseph at 8:25 AM. **(Live)**

Every First Friday:

Holy Hour after 9:30AM Mass. **(Live)**

Every First Saturday:

Rosary Meditation at 8:25 AM. **(Live)**

Holy Hour at 6 PM. To 7PM

WE SERVE

Confessions: Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm (English)

First Sunday :3:30pm to 4:30 pm (Spanish)

In the old school building or by appointment

Every First Saturday :6pm to 6.30pm (English)

In the Church

Baptism: Celebrated twice monthly (usually on the second and fourth Sunday). Call the Rectory Office for dates to register. Baptism preparation for new parents is on the 3rd Sunday of the month, following 12:30pm Mass. Please plan well in advance.

Marriage: Arrangements for weddings should be made at least 6 months in advance, and prior to make reception arrangements. Pre-Cana Sessions are required for all couples planning to marry.

Wedding times: Fridays 3:30pm & 5:00pm

Saturday 11:30pm, 1:30pm & 3:00pm

Sundays 3:30pm



We Pray...

For our Sick

Jennifer Lentini, Carolyn Fitzgerald, Hurethya Nathan, Chuck Hoffman, Arthur Marks, Donovan Attridge, Antonio Esposito, Austin Contreras, Jacqueline Perez, Eleanor Sharp, Aidan Lyons, Jane D’Amico, Carla Cruz, Miabella Laureano, Jeremiah Laureano, Terry Jenkins, Cathy Jansen, Cathy Stengle, Lawrence O’Donnell, Mary Ann Goldberg, Lou Ellen Klints, Eleanor Sharp

Heavenly Father, we lift up all who are going through various sickness. Have compassion on them, and lay Your healing hands on them. We pray that You would restore their health, soothe their pain and ease their worries. Give them Your peace and comfort them as they wait. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Get well soon...

Names will be kept on the Prayer for the Sick List for three weeks, unless a family member calls to extend the time.



**For our Birthday Celebrants Of the month of December
May God bless you abundantly.**



**For our dearly departed.
Eleanor Forte**



Just as Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep; and so also in Christ will all be brought to life.

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen .

We pray for their mourning families also.

Merciful Father, comfort all those whose hearts overflow with grief, as they face this sense of loss. May they know the consolation of Your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord . Amen.



For our Military.



Almighty Father, give them courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they do to protect this land and us. Keep them safe in Your loving hands .We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Nourishment by Word of God and Body of Christ...

Sunday,	December 26, 2021 The Holy Family
Readings:	<i>1 Sm 1:20-22,24-28, 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24, Lk 2:41-52</i>
7:30AM	Geraldine McCarthy
9:30AM	Louise and Louis Parmigiani
11:00AM	Robert Romeo
12:30PM	Rita Bergin – Birthday in Heaven Barbara Scartelli
5PM	Mass in Spanish
Monday,	December 27, 2021, St. John, Apostle, Evangelist
Readings	697: 1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
7 AM	Msgr. John Alesandro
9AM	Mercedes Alarcon
Tuesday,	December 28, 2021, The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Readings:	<i>698: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2, Mt 2:13-18</i>
7 AM	Catherine Costa
9 AM	Carol White
Wednesday	December 29, 2021, St. Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr
Readings:	<i>202: 1 Jn 2:3-11, Lk 2:22-35</i>
7 AM	Connie LaRocco
9 AM	Rita Bergin
Thursday,	December 30, 2021
Readings:	<i>203: 1 Jn 2:12-17, Lk 2:36-40</i>
7AM	Baby Hope Heimerle
9 AM	Richard Budinich
Friday,	December 31, 2021, St. Sylvester I, Pope
Readings:	<i>204: 1 Jn 2:18-21, Jn 1:1-18</i>
7 AM	Patrick Lynch
9 AM	Francisco Perez Paulino
5 PM	Tom, Leona and Mike Bergin— Vigil Mass
7 PM	* Mass in Spanish
Saturday,	January 1, 2022, Solemnity of Mary Holy Mother of God, New Year's Day
Readings:	<i>18: Nm 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21</i>
9 AM	Francisco Perez Paulino
12 Noon	The Werner and Cassese Families
5 PM	Rita Bergin
Sunday,	January 2, 2022, The Epiphany of the Lord
Readings:	<i>20: Is 60:1-6, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mr 2:1-12</i>
7:30AM	Fr. James T. Stachacz (Living)
9:30AM	Dina Pakusich Manuela Smith Anthony Giacobello John Metcalf
11:00AM	Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola
12:30PM	Josephine Joyce
5PM	Mass in Spanish

**Mass schedule for
Friday December.31st, Saturday, January.1st &
Sunday, January 2nd
(Subject to change)**


<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Presider</u>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>5pm</i>	<i>Fr. Shibi</i>
<i>Spanish</i>	<i>7pm</i>	<i>Bishop Romero</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>9am</i>	<i>Fr. Shibi</i>
	<i>12pm</i>	<i>Fr. Benjamin</i>
	<i>5pm</i>	<i>Fr. Francis</i>
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>7:30am</i>	<i>Fr. Benjamin</i>
	<i>9:30am</i>	<i>Fr. Shibi</i>
	<i>11am</i>	<i>Fr. Reid</i>
	<i>12:30pm</i>	<i>Fr. Shibi</i>
<i>Spanish</i>	<i>5pm</i>	<i>Fr. Cesar Bejarano</i>

*Jesus, The Bread of Life, nourish us.
Amen.*





*In thanksgiving for my
Fellow Adult Altar Servers
From Carol Hogan*

*Jesus, Light of the World, lead us to eternity.
Amen.*



*The candles this week are offered for
all new born children.*

Sacrificial Giving

*Because of the Holiday Scheduling, we will
post contributions next week. Sorry for any
inconvenience.*

**Pope Francis Intention for
December 2021**

Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**If you see a Mass listed in the bulletin with no intention and you wish to remember a loved one (living or deceased) for their birthday, wedding or anniversary of their passing, please call the rectory office to secure that date and time.*



December 26, 2021 | Feast of the Holy Family

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 | Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 | Lk 2:41-52

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Some of my fondest childhood memories are of my dad leading my three sisters and me in song as we made the hour-long drive to visit my grandparents every other weekend. Granted, our silly car songs don't qualify as "singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs," as Paul advised the Colossians, but I do think they reveal that my dad took to heart Paul's advice about family and faith. Paul writes that in putting on holiness, kindness, gentleness, and forgiving one another, we "put on love, that is, the bond of perfection." Whatever we do, in word or deed, we ought to do in the name of the Lord Jesus. Fathers, mothers, and children are to love one another, seeking and choosing the good for one another, and helping each other along life's journey - on long car trips as well as in a lifetime of situations. On this feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we honor their perfect holiness and love, and pray that God may continue to perfect us in holiness and love within our own families, that we may bear good fruit for the Kingdom.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Three Days? Mary and Joseph couldn't find Jesus for three days! Any parent who has had a child missing for a few seconds understands the anxiety Mary and Joseph experienced in three long days of searching for Jesus. In the end, though, all is well - they find him, and the peace of Christ casts out their fears. It is a remarkable scene: Jesus' parents are *astonished* to see him teaching in the temple, and Jesus is curious as to why they were looking for him - did they not know where he would be? This event marks a sort of milestone in their lives together, as Jesus has hinted at his future public ministry, and his parents have experienced that first bit of soul-piercing that Mary will later fully undergo. For each of them, love is what directed their actions. Joseph and Mary put aside everything to search for their son; Jesus put aside everything to serve his Father; and they joined together in humble obedience to God's will for them. The Holy Family models a way of living for us to imitate, and to witness to others in that imitation.

SERVE/STUDY Perhaps you have some down time in this coming week between Christmas and New Year's. As a family, choose an activity that allows you to think outside yourselves and serve others. Or make a plan to read the Scripture for each day of the upcoming week; everyone can choose a favorite verse to memorize each day. You may be surprised how often these verses enter your mind throughout the week.

<p>QR Code for this Sunday's Liturgy.</p>	 <p>SCAN ME</p>		<p>QR Code for our Parish Prayer Book</p>
<p>Thought of the week</p> <p><i>A happy family is an earlier heaven.</i></p>		<p>Saint quote ...</p> <p><i>"It is in the Holy Family, the original "Church in miniature" that every Christian family must be reflected."</i></p> <p><i>-St. John Paul II</i></p>	



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Christmas 2021

To the People of God of the Diocese of Rockville Centre:

On December 1, 2019, Our Holy Father Pope Francis issued *Admirabile Signum, an Apostolic Letter On the Meaning and Importance of the Nativity Scene. It is a beautiful reflection that I draw on every Christmas season and one which I urge you to read and pray.*¹

In it, the Holy Father reminds us that the simple act of arranging our Nativity set links us to the past, opens questions for the present, and orients the future. It is an act that has an existential impact.

Pope Francis says: “Setting up the Christmas creche in our homes helps us to relive the history of what took place in Bethlehem. Naturally, the Gospels remain our source for understanding and reflecting on the event. At the same time, its portrayal in the creche helps us to imagine the scene. It touches our hearts and makes us enter into salvation history as contemporaries of an event that is living and real in a broad gamut of historical and cultural contexts.”

The beautiful scene of parents and grandparents setting up creches together with children and grandchildren is a powerful multi-dimensional experience of catechesis – the teaching and passing on of our Catholic faith and our belief in the Incarnation of Jesus Christ to the next generation.

Parents and grandparents have that wisdom of teaching children and grandchildren how to assemble and situate the creche, but at the same time, they also have the catechetical and relational sensitivity to let children and grandchildren make choices about where the shepherds, the sheep, the three kings are to be placed.

Children are encouraged to place the Holy Family – Mary, Joseph and the Prince of Peace – with their own hands into the center of the creche. How often children then enjoy, sometimes on their own and sometimes with brothers and sisters and family members, moving and interacting with the figurines. How often their biblical imaginations and souls are set on fire with God’s love as they play with their family Nativity sets.

The Holy Father continues: “I would like now to reflect on the various elements of the nativity scene in order to appreciate their deeper meaning. First, there is the background of a starry sky wrapped in the darkness and silence of night. We represent this not only out of fidelity to the Gospel accounts, but also for its symbolic value. We can think of all those times in our lives when we have experienced the darkness of night. Yet even then, God does not abandon us, but is there to answer our crucial questions about the meaning of life. Who am I? Where do I come from? Why was I born at this time in history? Why do I love? Why do I suffer? Why will I die? It was to answer these questions that God became man. His closeness brings light where there is darkness and shows the way to those dwelling in the shadow of suffering (cf. Luke 1:79).”

¹https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera_ap_20191201_admirabile-signum.html

We can drift through life dodging and repressing these critical existential questions of life. We can live blindly and superficially.

Our Catholic belief in the unity of the Nativity and the Crucifixion, the Creche and the Cross, Bethlehem and Golgotha keeps our lives centered and focused on the things that really count in our short time on earth – the Last Things (Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell) and a belief in the Eternal Joy of Heaven, our true home.

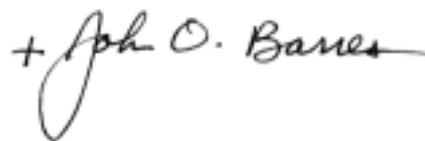
The Holy Father continues to press the existential questions: “The presence of the poor and the lowly in the nativity scene remind us that God became man for the sake of those who feel most in need of his love and who ask him to draw near to them. Jesus, ‘gentle and humble in heart’ (Matthew 11:29), was born in poverty and led a simple life in order to teach us to recognize what is essential and to act accordingly. The nativity scene clearly teaches that we cannot let ourselves be fooled by wealth and fleeting promises of happiness. We see Herod’s palace in the background, closed and deaf to the tidings of joy. By being born in a manger, God himself launches the only true revolution that can give hope and dignity to the disinherited and the outcast: the revolution of love, the revolution of tenderness. From the manger, Jesus proclaims, in a meek yet powerful way, the need for sharing with the poor as the path to a more human and fraternal world in which no one is excluded or marginalized.”

May our prayer, silent contemplation and creative family catechesis of the Nativity scene help us to be instruments of a Gospel revolution of humility, charity, mercy, tenderness, and solidarity with the sick, the poor and the suffering.

May our commitment to “holiness and mission” bless our contemplative Synodal listening and our Eucharistic Revival and Evangelization.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you and your families!

Sincerely in Christ,



Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish is offering a Virtus Class on the following day:



When: **Friday, January 7, 2022**
Time: **6:30pm to 9:30pm**
Where : **The class will be held in person in the Science Room in the Old School**

Please note that registration is required.

Please call **Joan Della Ratta** at the Rectory **931-0056** to reserve a spot.

Mark Your Calendars
UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>December 26 Monday to January 3 Friday</p>	<p>Christmas Novena adapted from St. Alphonsus Ligouria's prayers at the 9am Mass <i>(Live)</i></p>
<p>December 31 Friday</p>	<div data-bbox="342 468 493 594" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Adoration Chapel at 3pm. (Live)</p> <p>NEW YEAR SCHEDULE 2022</p> <p>FEAST OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD. Vigil Mass in English at 5 pm (Live) & in Spanish at 7 pm. An hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament from 6pm to 7pm to thank for 2021, and for all the blessings, protection and guidance for 2022.</p> <div data-bbox="1279 619 1521 909" data-label="Image"> </div>
<p>January 1 Saturday</p>	<div data-bbox="329 909 824 1073" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Rectory will be closed on December 31st and January 1st</p>
<p>January 1 Saturday</p>	<p>First Saturday Rosary at 8.25am (Live) Holy Masses at 9am (Live) and 12 noon in English FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY—USUAL SUNDAY SCHEDULE 5pm Vigil Mass in English</p>
<p>January 2 Sunday</p>	<p>Holy Masses at 7:30 am, 9:30 am (Live), 11 am, & 12:30 pm in English 5 pm in Spanish. First Sunday Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Blessings at 9:30am Mass</p>

The **2022 Missals** will be available this Sunday in the Sacristy. For a **free-will offering**, you can secure a Missal for yourself to take home for your use during the year.

Please see the Sacristan.

BREAKING BREAD
 2022



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Stewardship

Bulletin Reflection: In today's Gospel, Jesus is separated from His parents while in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover. This event is also the Fifth Joyful Mystery of the Holy Rosary.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Hospitality: Share the joy of Christmas to others this season! Fill our community with love, by being hospitable to all around you

St. Ignatius Loyola



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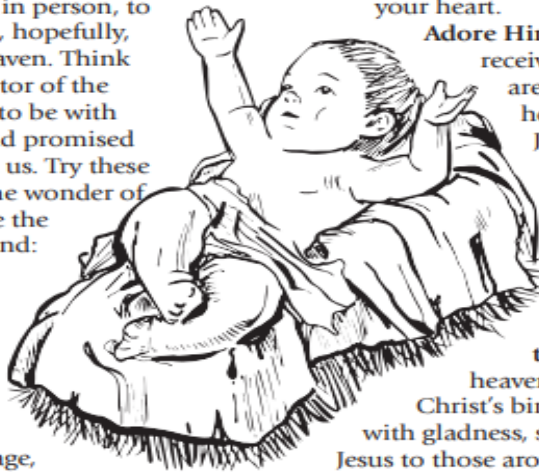
Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

December 2021

Make this Christmas your own

Each year at Christmas, we celebrate an amazing truth. God came to Earth, in person, to be with us and, hopefully, bring us to Heaven. Think of it – the Creator of the universe came to be with you and me and promised to remain with us. Try these ways to keep the wonder of Christmas alive the whole year round:

Receive Him with Mary's open heart. When the angel Gabriel delivered God's stunning message, Mary accepted God's will completely. She kept her heart open to His will throughout her life. We can imitate her by letting nothing come between us and God. Go to



Confession regularly. Pray daily. Attend Mass at least weekly. Receive Jesus in your heart.

Adore Him like the Magi. After receiving Communion, you are literally heart-to-heart with Jesus. Thank Him, praise Him, or just rest in Him. Give Him the gift of your full attention. Receive the graces of His love.

Proclaim Him like the Angels. Just as the heavenly host announced Christ's birth to the shepherds with gladness, so we are to proclaim Jesus to those around us. We do this when we join in worship at Mass each Sunday, and give Him credit for our blessings and gifts. His presence in our hearts becomes evident when we live with love and Christmas joy.

Celebrate birth

December is the month in which we celebrate the birth of the infant King. This has become a time to reaffirm our respect for life from conception to natural death. We pray that all babies are given the gift of life.

"Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything."
(Our Lady to St. Juan Diego, December 9, 1531)



Why Do Catholics Do That? Why do Catholics believe Jesus really came?

That Jesus lived in first century Israel is well documented by both Christian sources and non-Christian sources. The Old Testament, which was known to Jews many years before Christ's birth, predicted the coming of the Messiah.



Jesus' life, death, and Resurrection fulfilled those prophecies. The Gospels name eyewitnesses as sources for the miracles Jesus worked. Another compelling argument for Jesus' reality, however, is the witness of the martyrs through the centuries, who remained faithful to Christ even to death.

from Scripture Luke 2:41-52, Finding in the Temple

The Feast of the Holy Family (December 26) includes the story of finding Jesus in the Temple, a story of love and obedience. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph traveled to Jerusalem for the Passover, as was the custom for Jews of that time. They traveled in a large group for protection against bandits who infested the hill country. So it wasn't surprising that His parents didn't miss Jesus as they started the return trip. Upon discovering Him missing, they hurried back to Jerusalem.

On the third day of searching, they found Jesus in the Temple. He was



questioning the priests and amazing them with his understanding. However, Mary asked how He could have caused His parents so much worry and Jesus replied, "Did you not know I must be in my Father's house?" Though they were puzzled by His answer, Mary and Joseph took Jesus back to Nazareth. He remained there in obedience to His parents until it was time for his public ministry. We learn from this story to obey not only God but also those in authority over us.

Q & A Do we have to return to Mass in person?

When we love someone, we don't want to just call or send an email. We want to be together in person, growing in love and friendship. Then, too, when we love Jesus, we want to be with Him in body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. "It is a substantial presence by which Christ...makes himself wholly and entirely present" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1374).



The Eucharist is a gift we can only fully receive in person. It is spiritual food for the journey. In it we receive not just graces, but Jesus, Himself. Nowhere else on Earth and in no other way can we be so closely united to Him who loves us most.

It is possible – and required – to attend Mass in person unless there is a grave reason to stay away. Still, let nothing keep you from Jesus in the Eucharist. Go to Confession regularly and never miss Mass. Do whatever you can to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Remember, God is never outdone in generosity.

"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given..."

"Porque un niño nos ha nacido, hijo nos ha sido dado..."



***Behold, the Virgin shall be with
child and bear a Son, and they shall name
Him Emmanuel, which means, "God is with us."
Matthew 1:23***

***He aquí, la Virgen concebirá y dará a luz un Hijo, y le pondrán por nombre
Emmanuel, que traducido significa, "Dios con nosotros".***

Mateo 1:23

***Merry Christmas! ¡Feliz Navidad!
From/De parte de:***

***Erika Aldana, Diane Brosseau, Lissette Campos, Tony D'Angelis, Tom Kenny,
Lorena Medrano, Frank Philpitt, Derek Stadler, John Toner***

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The Priests, the Parish Staff and the nuns here at St. Ignatius Loyola wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a



*May you be filled with the gifts of
Love, Peace & Joy.*



DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Navidad 2021

Para el Pueblo de Dios de la Diócesis de Rockville Centre:

En diciembre 1ero, 2019, nuestro Santo Padre Francisco publicó *Admirabile Signum, una Carta Apostólica Sobre el Significado y la Importancia del Nacimiento. Esta es una hermosa reflexión a la que yo recurro cada temporada navideña y a la que les exhorto a leer y rezar.*¹

En ella, el Santo Padre nos recuerda que el simple acto de arreglar nuestro pesebre [Belén, Nacimiento] nos vincula con el pasado, nos abre interrogantes para el presente y nos orienta al futuro. Es un acto que tiene un impacto existencial.

El Papa Francisco dice: “Instalar el pesebre en nuestras casas nos ayuda a revivir la historia que tuvo lugar en Belén. Naturalmente, los Evangelios siguen siendo nuestra fuente para comprender y reflexionar sobre el acontecimiento. Al mismo tiempo, su representación en el pesebre nos ayuda a imaginar la escena. Nos toca el corazón y nos hace entrar en la historia de la salvación como contemporáneos de un acontecimiento vivo y real en una amplia gama de contextos históricos y culturales.”

La hermosa imagen de los padres y de los abuelos preparando juntos el pesebre con sus niños y sus nietos es una poderosa experiencia multidimensional de la catequesis – de enseñar y transmitir nuestra fe Católica y nuestra creencia en la Encarnación de Jesucristo a la próxima generación. Los padres y los abuelos tienen esa sabiduría de enseñar a sus niños y a sus nietos a montar y colocar el pesebre, pero al mismo tiempo, ellos también tienen la sensibilidad catequética y la afinidad para dejar a los niños y a los nietos que tomen la decisión de dónde van a colocar los pastores, las ovejas y los tres reyes magos.

Se anima a los niños a colocar la Sagrada Familia -María, José y el Príncipe de la Paz- con sus propias manos en el centro del pesebre. Con qué frecuencia los niños disfrutan, a veces solos y a veces con sus hermanos y familiares, moviendo e interactuando con las figuras. Cuántas veces su imaginación bíblica y sus almas arden con el amor de Dios mientras juegan con sus belenes familiares.

El Santo Padre continua: “Me gustaría ahora reflexionar sobre los distintos elementos del belén para apreciar su significado más profundo. En primer lugar, está el fondo de un cielo estrellado envuelto en la oscuridad y el silencio de la noche. Lo representamos no sólo por fidelidad a los relatos evangélicos, sino también por su valor simbólico. Podemos pensar en todos los momentos de nuestra vida en los que hemos experimentado la oscuridad de la noche. Pero incluso entonces, Dios no nos abandona, sino que está ahí para responder a nuestras preguntas cruciales sobre el sentido de la vida. ¿Quién soy yo? ¿De dónde vengo? ¿Por qué he nacido en este momento de la historia? ¿Por qué amo? ¿Por qué sufro? ¿Por qué moriré? Para responder a estas preguntas, Dios se hizo hombre. Su cercanía trae luz donde hay tinieblas y muestra el camino a quienes habitan en la sombra del sufrimiento (Lucas 1:79).”

¹https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/es/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera_ap_20191201_admirabile-signum.html

Podemos ir a la deriva por la vida evadiendo y reprimiendo estas cuestiones existenciales críticas de la vida. Podemos vivir a ciegas y superficialmente.

Nuestra creencia católica en la unidad de la Natividad y la Crucifixión, el Pesebre y la Cruz, Belén y el Gólgota, mantiene nuestras vidas centradas y enfocadas en las cosas que realmente cuentan en nuestro corto tiempo en la tierra - las Últimas Cosas (Muerte, Juicio, Cielo e Infierno) y una creencia en la Alegría Eterna del Cielo, nuestro verdadero hogar.

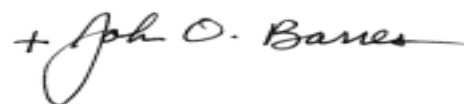
El Santo Padre sigue insistiendo en los asuntos existenciales: "La presencia de los pobres y de los humildes en el belén nos recuerda que Dios se hizo hombre por aquellos que se sienten más necesitados de su amor y que le piden que se acerque a ellos. Jesús, 'manso y humilde de corazón' (Mateo 11:29), nació en la pobreza y llevó una vida sencilla para enseñarnos a reconocer lo esencial y a actuar en consecuencia. El belén nos enseña claramente que no podemos dejarnos engañar por la riqueza y las promesas efímeras de felicidad. Vemos el palacio de Herodes al fondo, cerrado y sordo a las noticias de alegría. Al nacer en un pesebre, Dios mismo lanza la única y verdadera revolución que puede dar esperanza y dignidad a los desheredados y marginados: la revolución del amor, la revolución de la ternura. Desde el pesebre, Jesús proclama, de manera mansa pero poderosa, la necesidad de compartir con los pobres como camino hacia un mundo más humano y fraterno en el que nadie sea excluido ni marginado.

Que nuestra oración, nuestra silenciosa contemplación y la creativa catequesis familiar del Pesebre nos ayude a ser los instrumentos de una revolución evangélica de humildad, caridad, misericordia, ternura y solidaridad con los enfermos, los pobres y los que sufren.

Que nuestro compromiso de "santidad y misión" bendiga nuestra escucha sinodal contemplativa y nuestro renacimiento eucarístico y de evangelización.

Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo para ustedes y sus familias!

Sinceramente en Cristo,



Reverendísimo John O. Barres
Obispo de Rockville Centre

La parroquia de San Ignacio de Loyola ofrece una clase de Virtus al día siguiente:



Cuando: Viernes 7 de Enero de 2022

Horario: 6:30pm a 9:30pm

Dónde : La clase se llevará a cabo en persona en el Sala de Ciencias en la Vieja Escuela

Tenga en cuenta que es necesario registrarse.

Por favor, llame a Joan Della Ratta a la Rectoría 931-0056 para reservar un lugar.

Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia COMUNIDAD HISPANA



Evangelio del Domingo

Lectura del santo evangelio según san Lucas (2,41-52)

Los padres de Jesús solían ir cada año a Jerusalén por la fiesta de la Pascua.

Cuando cumplió doce años, subieron a la fiesta según la costumbre y, cuando terminó, se volvieron; pero el niño Jesús se quedó en Jerusalén, sin que lo supieran sus padres.

Estos, creyendo que estaba en la caravana, anduvieron el camino de un día y se pusieron a buscarlo entre los parientes y conocidos; al no encontrarlo, se volvieron a Jerusalén buscándolo.

Y sucedió que, a los tres días, lo encontraron en el templo, sentado en

medio de los maestros, escuchándolos y haciéndoles preguntas. Todos los que le oían quedaban asombrados de su talento y de las respuestas que daba.

Al verlo, se quedaron atónitos, y le dijo su madre:

«Hijo, ¿por qué nos has tratado así? Tu padre y yo te buscábamos angustiados».

Él les contestó:

«¿Por qué me buscabais? ¿No sabíais que yo debía estar en las cosas de mi Padre?».

Pero ellos no comprendieron lo que les dijo.

Él bajó con ellos y fue a Nazaret y estaba sujeto a ellos.

Su madre conservaba todo esto en su corazón.

Y Jesús iba creciendo en sabiduría, en estatura y en gracia ante Dios y ante los hombres

Palabra del Señor

Gloria a ti Señor Jesus

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**MISA EN ESPAÑOL
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5:00pm.

Invita un amigo, un familiar, un vecino.

¡Dios te

recompensará!

PARA BAUTIZOS

Por favor comuníquese con la rectoría. El teléfono y los horarios están disponibles en la primera página del boletín.

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**Agradecemos a los catequistas y líderes de los grupos y movimientos por su gran servicio a Dios y a la comunidad.**

**SERVIMOS A DIOS**

**PASTOR: Rev. Shibi Pappan**

**DIACONADO: Mario y Dora Gómez  
José y Judith Contreras.**

**Horario de rectoría con español Asistencia**

**Martes y jueves de 9a 5.**

**Liturgia dominical disponible en nuestro sitio web**

## PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

**Diciembre 31  
Viernes**

**Misa de Año Nuevo en español a las 7pm en la Iglesia**

**Por favor vea St. Ignatius Loyola sitio web para fechas y horarios**

# Feliz año nuevo

Sagrada Familia de Nazaret, comunión de amor de Jesús, María y José, modelo e ideal de toda familia cristiana, a ti confiamos nuestras familias.

Haz de cada familia un santuario en el que se acoja y se respete la vida: una comunidad de amor abierta a la fe y a la esperanza, un hogar en el que reinen la comprensión, la solidaridad; y en el que se viva la alegría de la reconciliación y de la paz.

Concédenos que todas nuestras familias tengan una vivienda digna en la que nunca falten el pan suficiente y lo necesario para una vida verdaderamente humana.

Abre el corazón de nuestros hogares a la oración, a la acogida de la Palabra de Dios y al testimonio cristiano; que cada una de nuestras familias sea una auténtica Iglesia doméstica en la que se viva y se anuncie el Evangelio de Jesucristo.

Amén.

