

30th December 2018 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 29

9:00am

4:30pm † *Veronica Sanchez*

Sunday, December 30

7:30am *Gloria Pedro (safe trip)*

9:30am *Gilda Genoves & family (safe trip)*

11:00am † *Ananias, Primitiva, Benito M. & Soledad Falcon*

12:30pm *YMI deceased brothers*

Monday, December 31

9:00am † *Salvador Carnero Sr.*

Tuesday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

~ *Holy Day of Obligation* ~

9:00am † *Ernesto Malvar*

Wednesday, January 2

9:00am

Thursday, January 3

9:00am † *Carol Meyer*

Friday, January 4

9:00am † *Crisanto O. de la Torre*

Saturday, January 5

9:00am

4:30pm † *Raquel Arboleda*

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Parish Office Hours

On **Tuesday, January 1st**, the Parish office will be closed. The office will re-open on **Wednesday, January 2nd**.

SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection for **St. Vincent de Paul**

Thank you for your kindness and generous support

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

Dec 18th - Dec 23rd, 2018

Tuesday's Spec coll.	\$ 158.00
Tues. On-line giving	\$ 5.00
Weekend Offering	\$ 2,990.00
Weekend On-line giving.	\$ 245.00

From the Desk of the Pastor

The Holy Scriptures today seek to teach behaviors that manifest tenderness, concern, self-giving, sincerity, patience, forgiveness, mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, responsibility and generosity. The first two readings counsel us into cultivating good habits in order to live a virtuous life, grow incrementally holy and faithful.

However, very little is written about the family life of Jesus. Joseph speaks no words, asks no questions, and gives no sage advice. The New Testament identifies St. Joseph as a carpenter.

St. Matthew presents him as one attentive to God's will for him. St. Luke tells us that Mary sought and followed God's Will for her. Both of them are dependent on God's providence and protection. The Simple house of Jesus and Mary and Joseph was certainly a household of living, and radiant faith.

Mary and Joseph live out their marriage vows in fidelity to God's will. They travel far into Egypt at the angel's direction; they go to the temple to present Jesus according to the custom of their ancestors in obedience to the Law of Moses. They make the long pilgrimage to Jerusalem for Passover, where they lose and then find the young Jesus discussing with the learned teachers of the law in the Temple.

A faith filled family filled with awe and wonder, ponders at the marvels God has done. The dawning of our salvation has come through Jesus, our God incarnate. This wondrous Hope of Israel's salvation fulfilled in Jesus is entrusted to the loving and tender care of Mary and Joseph for our redemption. He is raised in the household of Joseph and Mary to learn the propensities of human nature and recognize human frailties. He would experience human vulnerabilities and temptations to disobedience and sin. However, at the same time, He would be inspired watching Mary's and Joseph's commitment to their vows and fidelity to God.

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

Christmas Schedule of Services

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: December 29th and 30th weekend

Mass Schedule: Saturday at 4:30pm

Sunday at 7:30am, 9:30am, 11am and 12:30pm in Spanish.

Prayers and Rededication of Our Families: at the 11:30am Mass

The Knights of Columbus, Council 615, at St. John the Evangelist Parish, will be assisting at this Mass and sponsoring this dedication at the end of the Mass. All are invited to come with your families and join in this prayerful blessing. Following the Mass, the Knights of Columbus invite us for a 'get-together' in the Parish Hall.

Feast of Mary, The Mother of God, January 1, 2019; Holy Day of Obligation

New Year's Day, there will be only one mass at 9:00 am.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF "FIXING GOD'S HOUSE"

Ending December 30, 2018

This Parish Stewardship program "Fixing God's House" (FGH) was born out of the year long "Quasquicentennial Celebration" of our Parish of St. John the Evangelist. It is an enduring effort on the part of our Stewardship committee to revive, urge and encourage our Parish family and friends to carry the legacy left behind to us by those who came and went before us, to meet the challenges of the times and maintain our Parish facilities for us for years to come.

We Embrace the Past, Celebrate the present and Pledge for the future.

With great pleasure and excitement we present to you a financial report on "Fixing God's House" as of date.

"Pledges" Made	"Pledge money" received as of date	Non-Pledge money Received	Total Cash received
\$ 51,875.00	\$ 15,569.00	\$ 6,880.00	\$ 22,449.00

The unrealized Pledges Balance of is \$ 36,306.00

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist thanks all those who made pledges and made financial contributions to help support the "Fixing God's House" program.

We urge to consider and pray over this noble effort to Fix God's House at St. John the Evangelist.

All FGH contributions are tax deductible expense and one may consider this way of 'giving' as the tax year rolls out.

Walk for Life 2019

The 15th annual Walk for Life West Coast Rally will be held on Saturday, January 26th. The Rally starts at 12:30pm at Civic Center Plaza walking down Market Street and will end at the Ferry Building. Everyone is invited to come. See you there!