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The Holy Family

January 8, 2017

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Mass Intentions

Sun. Jan. 8th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	The Holy Family, Class II Christine Lescombe - Elaine Malinowski <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. Jan. 9th 7:45 a.m.	First Sunday after Epiphany, <i>IV Class</i> † Kenneth Medved - <i>Evelyn Tereshko</i>
Tues. Jan. 10th 7:45 a.m.	Votive Mass of the Angels, <i>IV Class</i> † William W. Skuba - <i>Mr. & Mrs. Ken Skuba</i>
Wed. Jan. 11th 7:45 a.m.	St. Hyginus, <i>Pope & Martyr, IV Class</i> † Virginia Lammers - <i>Jack & Trish McGovern</i>
Thu. Jan. 12th 7:45 a.m.	Votive Mass of the Holy Ghost, <i>IV Class</i> † Mary Pohowsky-Chiocco - <i>Robert S. McHale</i>
Fri. Jan. 13th 6:00 p.m.	Commemoration of Baptism of Our Lord, <i>II Class</i> Joseph & Lauren Seeley - <i>Robert & Mary Seeley</i>
Sat. Jan. 14th 9:00 a.m.	St. Hilary, <i>Bishop, Confessor, & Doctor, III Class</i> Albert P. Ignatovich - <i>Jean Ignatovich</i>
Sun. Jan. 15th 8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Second Sunday after Epiphany, <i>Class II</i> Brian & Vincenza Palmiter - <i>Brian & Gina Palmiter</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am
High Mass: 10:15 am

Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am
Friday: 6:00 pm
Saturday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Saturday
One half hour before Mass
Sunday: 7:15-7:50 am
& 9:15-10:05 am

DEVOTIONS

Exposition-Benediction

Friday 5:00 pm
Saturdays 8:00 am

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Thursday - After Mass
Friday-Sunday - Before Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Friday 9 am - 4 pm
THURSDAY - CLOSED
Saturday - 10 am - Noon

The Holy Family

INTROIT

Prov. 23, 24, 25

Let the father of the Just rejoice greatly; let thy father and thy mother be joyful, and let her rejoice that bore thee. How lovely are Thy tabernacles O Lord of hosts; my soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. *V.* Glory...

COLLECT

O Lord Jesus Christ, Who, in the days of Thy subjection to Mary and Joseph, didst consecrate home life by ineffable acts of virtue; by the intercession of Thy holy Mother and of Thy foster-Father, make us so to profit by the example they with Thee have set us, that we may be counted members of Thy household for evermore. Who livest...

EPISTLE

Col. 3, 12-17

Brethren, put ye on, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, the bowels of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if any have a complaint against another, even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so you also. But above all these things, have charity, which is the bond of perfection: and let the peace of Christ rejoice in your hearts, wherein also you are called in one body: and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly, in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another, in psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles, singing in grace in your hearts to God. All whatsoever you do in word or in work, all things do ye in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God and the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord.

GRADUAL

Ps. 26, 4

One thing I have asked of the Lord: this will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. *V.* Blessed are they who dwell in Thy house, O Lord; they shall praise Thee for ever and ever.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Truly Thou art a hidden King, the God of Israel, the Saviour. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Luke 2, 42-52

And when Jesus was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast, and having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem; and His parents knew it not. And thinking that he was in the company, they came a day's journey, and sought him among their kinsfolks and acquaintance. And not finding Him, they returned into Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found Him in the temple sitting in the midst of the doctors, hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard Him were astonished at His wisdom and His answers. And seeing Him, they wondered. And His mother said to Him, son, why hast Thou done so to us? Behold Thy father and I have sought Thee sorrowing. And He said to them, How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business? And they understood not the word that he spoke unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth; and was subject to them. And His mother kept all these words in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom, and age, and grace with God and man.

OFFERTORY

Luke 2, 22

The parents of Jesus carried Him to the temple, to present him to the Lord.

SECRET

To appease Thee, O Lord, we offer the Victim of Salvation, humbly beseeching Thee that, through the prayers of the Virgin Mother of God and of St. Joseph, Thou wouldst establish our households in Thy peace and favor. Through the same...

COMMUNION

Luke 2, 51

Jesus went down with them, and came to Nazareth and was subject to them.

POSTCOMMUNION

Do Thou, O Lord, bring us whom Thou has refreshed with heavenly mysteries to imitate the example of Thy holy Family, that at the hour of our death, with the Virgin Mary and blessed Joseph at hand, we may be received by Thee into our everlasting home. Who livest...

Introduction to the Devout Life (Cont'd)

It is Needful to Put Away All Inclination for Useless and Dangerous Things

Part I, Chapter 23

Sports, balls, plays, festivities, pomps, are not in themselves evil, but rather indifferent matters, capable of being used for good or ill; but nevertheless they are dangerous, and it is still more dangerous to take great delight in them. Therefore, my child, I say that although it is lawful to amuse yourself, to dance, dress, feast, and see seemly plays,--at the same time, if you are much addicted to these things, they will hinder your devotion, and become extremely hurtful and dangerous to you. The harm lies, not in doing them, but in the degree to which you care for them. It is a pity to sow the seed of vain and foolish tastes in the soil of your heart, taking up the place of better things, and hindering the soul from cultivating good dispositions. It was thus that the Nazarites of old abstained not merely from all intoxicating liquors, but from grapes fresh or dried, and from vinegar, not because these were intoxicating, but because they might excite the desire for fermented liquors. Just so, while I do not forbid the use of these dangerous pleasures,

I say that you cannot take an excessive delight in them without their telling upon your devotion. When the stag has waxed fat he hides himself amid the thicket, conscious that his fleetness is impaired should he be in need to fly: and so the human heart which is cumbered with useless, superfluous, dangerous clingings becomes incapacitated for that earnest following after God which is the true life of devotion. No one blames children for running after butterflies, because they are children, but is it not ridiculous and pitiful to see full-grown men eager about such worthless trifles as the worldly amusements before named, which are likely to throw them off their balance and disturb their spiritual life? Therefore, dear child, I would have you cleanse your heart from all such tastes, remembering that while the acts themselves are not necessarily incompatible with a devout life, all delight in them must be harmful.

St. Francis de Sales

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PARISH extends a warm welcome to all visitors and new parishioners in the parish.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Our annual Christmas Party is today after the High Mass. Everyone is welcome!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT: **The** Christmas Pageant is today during the Christmas party. We hope you all come and enjoy the food and festivities!

FR. GERARD SAGUTO FSSP: Will give his next class on Wednesday, January 11th at 7:00 p.m. The topic will be **“Observations and Comments on the Creed.”** Instruction on how to present the faith and counter modern criticism will be covered. Everyone is welcome!

ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE: Our Parish Goal is \$10,000. As of today, we have reached **60** percent of our pledged goal. Envelopes can be found in the church vestibule. Please mark your donation to the appeal with our parish code 060.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: Contribution statements for 2016 will be mailed out at the end of the month.

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSINGS: Fathers are encouraged to exercise their paternal authority as head of their household and bless their homes. Blessed chalk with instructions may be **found in the vestibule** of the church.

Epiphany House Blessing

The lintel of the main door of the house (and all other doors at will) is marked with the blessed chalk by the father of the household in the following way:

20 + C + M + B + 17

The prayer which is said while marking the door is as follows:

The Three Wise Men “C” Caspar “M” Melchior “B” and Balthasar followed the star of God’s Son who became man “20” two thousand “17” seventeen years ago. “+” May Christ “+” bless our home “+” and remain with us “+” throughout the New Year. Almighty God incline your ear. Bless us and all who are gathered here. Send us your holy angel who will defend us and fill with grace all who dwell here. Amen.

Altar Boys

THE HOLY FAMILY

January 8th
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Dominic Gardner
AC2 Jack Gardner

TEAM B

MC Francis LaFata
TH Stephen LaFata
AC1 Patrick Schneider
AC2 Sean Michelin
C Brian LaFata
S1 John Skuba
S2 Joseph Skuba

WEEK ONE

Monday Patrick Schneider
7:45 a.m.

Tuesday
7:45 a.m.

Wednesday Andrew Pheasant
7:45 a.m.

Thursday Joseph Skuba
7:45 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY
AFTER EPIPHANY

January 15th
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Patrick Schneider
AC2 Mathias Morris

TEAM C

MC Dominic Gardner
TH Patrick Seeley
AC1 Joseph Seeley
AC2 Brendan Seeley
C Jack Gardner
S1 Michael Gardner
S2 Sean Michelin