



SAINT TERESA OF CALCUTTA MISSION STATEMENT

*We are the welcoming community of Saint Teresa of Calcutta
living our faith by endeavoring to follow her example
to see, share and be the light of Christ's love and compassion.*

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph: December 27, 2020

Parish Information: December 27, 2020

Welcome to Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish!

We are pleased to have you share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a parish home we invite you to become part of our parish family and become fully involved in our life of prayer, education, service and community.

Registration: We invite all parishioners to register with the Parish. Registration helps us to serve you when issuing letters in connection with sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony, and for letters of reference. Kindly notify the office if your address changes.

Anointing of the Sick: In case of serious illness or advanced age please call the parish office. For hospital cases, contact the hospital Chaplain.

Pastoral Care: Please call the parish office to have Communion brought to an ill or homebound family member.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage in the parish must contact the parish office to meet with a priest to begin the marriage preparation process. This is the first step in planning their wedding and needs to be done one year before the date of the wedding.

Baptisms: Celebrated second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12:30PM in St. John's Church. Contact the Parish Office at least two weeks before the desired date of Baptism to make arrangements. Parents are required to attend a preparation class before the Baptism. Classes will be held via Zoom at 7:00 PM in McLaughlin Hall. Schedule will be determined.

Parish Staff

Rev. Yvans Jazon	Pastor fjazon@stteresaofcalcuttanj.org
Rev. Joseph Capella	In Residence
James Rocks	Permanent Deacon (retired)
Leo Howitz	Permanent Deacon
Patricia Lipperini	Director of Faith Formation & Safe Environment
Kate Chmelko	Director of Music
Cheryl Venafr	Administrative Assistant
Stephanie Campbell	Administrative Assistant
Rosemary Fearon	Office Volunteer
MaryAnn Mercer	Office Volunteer
Anna Callaghan	Bookkeeper
Linda Roseboro-Brown	Bereavement Coordinator

Parish Office

809 Park Avenue, Collingswood, NJ 08108
856-858-0298
Fax: 856-858-2796
Website: www.stteresaofcalcuttanj.org
Facebook Name: Teresa Calcutta
Faith Formation Office: 856-858-0298, Ext. 19

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday: 9:00AM—3:00PM

The office is closed from 12 to 1 each day for lunch.

Bulletin Submission Dates

Announcements to be published in the bulletin need to be in the Parish Office by Monday at 12 noon, 6 days prior to the publication of the bulletin. Holidays require earlier dates. Please call office to check.

Flyer **inserts** need to be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 12 noon, 11 days ahead of the desired bulletin date.

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

HOLY SAVIOUR CHURCH
50 Emerald Ave., Westmont

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM— in sign language

ST. JOHN CHURCH
809 Park Ave., Collingswood

Sunday: 9:30 AM 11:00AM

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM

Adoration Monday-Friday 9:30—10:30AM (SJ)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 Holy Saviour Church

BAPTISMS

Call the Parish Office to arrange.

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Prayer Requests

Those serving in the military:

Colin Bakey, USN, Eric Bakey, USA,
Alex Coutinho, USAF, Johnny A. Santiago, USA,
1st Lieut. Kayleigh Migaledi, RN, USAF, Salena
Silvaria, NAC/AW, Nathan Tiefenthaler L. Corp

Dear Lord, we ask you to turn their weakness into strength, suffering into compassion, sorrow into joy, and pain into comfort for all those listed here. Let them be filled with patience and joy in your presence as they wait for your healing touch. As you heal and renew your servants, Lord, may they be blessed and praise you. This we ask especially for our parishioners and our friends.

Those who are sick: Nancy Barone, Helen Berger, James Beierschmitt, Esther Benson, Jacob Bocchicchio, Ashley Boland, Bernadette Burke, Barbara Carrozza, Theresa Charlton, Anthony Corrado, Baby Declan Costello, Dean Dickel, Annette Dickel, Rudolph DiGiovanni, Anne Flamer, Victoria Gilbert, Patricia Grady, Larry Haigh, Jamie Hankins, Cherie Hansen, Violet Harden, Bill Hower, Rosario, Huarijara, Teresa Jermyn, Chet Kasprzak, Rachel Kellmaier, Wally Kimovich, William Kinee, June Kuntz, Nina Lopes, Nicholas Matyas, Mari Alice McVey, Terry Meloche, Eleanor Migaledi, B. J. Miller, Colin Murray, Carolyn Ishan, Terry Payne, Elise Principato, Frank Tiefenthaler, Michael Travis, Lyibov Ukhanska, Barbara Vollrath, Marie Wann, Wear Family, Myra Worrell

**Please pray for our Stephen Ministers
and those to whom they minister.**



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 26

4:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Sunday, December 27

8:00 Sheehan r/b Natalie Entz

11:00 Ann Lafferty r/b the Fleming Family

Monday, December 28

9:00 Patrick Cuning r/b the Cuning Family

NO ADORATION

Tuesday, December 29

9:00 John J. Szymanski, Jr. r/b Susan Gregg

NO ADORATION

Wednesday, December 30

9:00 Anne Anita Amede' Saint Fort r/b Fr. Yvans
Jazon

NO ADORATION

Thursday, December 31

9:00 Jack and Jo Kernan r/b the Family

5:00 (HS) James Cuning r/b the Cuning Family

NO ADORATION

Friday, January 1

9:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

NO ADORATION

Saturday, January 2

4:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC

Sunday, January 3

8:00 Wallace and Joseph Families r/b the Family

9:30 Mary Van Note r/b her Husband & Family

11:00 Intentions of Parishioners of STC



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The sanctuary candle will be burned this week in memory of:

Holy Saviour: Margaret Haughey r/b the Family

St. John: Joseph Duffy r/b the Campe Family

Feast of the Holy Family December 27, 2020

This is the last Sunday of this year 2020. It was really a hard year for the world. This year has left us some unforgettable memories which we will never want to experience in our lifetime again. Even though the effects will remain in our lives for many generations to come, let us continue to pray, so God will prevent our world from anything that would be similar to this experience.

We thank God for his blessings upon us and for the hope of a much better New Year. We pray so this New Year will bring us a breath of hope and new signs of a better life. As we are approaching this New Year, let us remember all those who have passed on this year, members of our families, friends and fellow parishioners. We will continue to pray for them, so the Lord will welcome them all into His heavenly Kingdom.

Even though the year was not a normal year for all of us, we were very fortunate to be able to accomplish many things in our parish. We thank God for Zoom technology which allows us to keep our meetings going, so we could continue our ministries and move forward with the parish life. I wish to express great gratitude to all of you who have been so faithful to the parish in every way. I express a warm welcome to those who have become new members during the pandemic and met us along the way to join with us to continue to make Saint Teresa of Calcutta Parish a lively faithful community. Thank you to the Parish Staff who are working tirelessly to keep all the activities moving during the pandemic. I extend my gratitude to all the ministries and volunteers who made themselves available so many times to serve the parish, as they are helping others to worship God. For all those who could not come to Church physically but continue to support the parish financially and spiritually by joining us to worship the Lord through video broadcasts on Facebook and YouTube, I thank you for your continued dedication to your church community.

We all know it was a special year. We have learned so much, like a true way to experience the word of Saint Paul to the Romans 8:35: "Who can separate us from the Love of Christ?" The experience of having our Church closed for a couple months has taught us the value and the importance of our sacred place of worship. This time gave us the experience which reminded us that the church community is a big and important part of our lives and we need to work hard to maintain our community at its best. When I say work hard, I don't mean so much in words, but in actions to keep going and moving forward. For your New Year resolutions, I invite you all to pledge time to worship, time to serve your church community, time to "participate" in the parish devotions and other spiritual gatherings in addition to Sunday Masses as much as you possibly can, even if it is still through video broadcasts. Let your presence be known to one another and encourage one another.

As we are praying for the world's pandemic to conclude and ask God's blessings on everyone for the future of our work, family, home life, economy and much more, let us continue to pray for good health so that we can continue to serve the Lord through our ministries, our Sunday worship and during the special liturgical seasons and events.

On behalf of the parish community, I want to thank the parish Men's Club for their many activities and continuing support to our parish. As you know, the members of the Men's Club serve all the active ministries in our parish. They are always here to support the community in any capacity or when help is needed. They are greeters and ushers who meet you at the door every Sunday, money counters, volunteers, and they serve in many other activities in the parish. During this past year, they even helped to paint the basement of the convent. Two Saturdays ago, they helped to clean the basement of McDade Hall. They were part of the team arranging and helping to set up for the outdoor masses along with the parish council members. I would like to invite all of us to thank them for the many services and support they generously provide to our parish community. Again, I personally thank the Men's Club for their support and their love for the Parish Community

I pray that our Lord showers his blessings upon each and every ministry in our parish, along with their families, and ask God's blessings for us all for 2021, so we can continue to be a healthy actively growing, compassionate, caring, and richly spiritual parish.

My sincere wishes for a Happy New Year to all of you!

Fr. Yuans Jazon, Pastor



Stewardship Information



*Participate in Electronic Giving.
It's Simple ... Safe ... Convenient.*

- Log onto www.parishgiving.org.
- Click "SIGN UP NOW: follow the prompts.

Weekly Collection: \$6981.00 Dec.8: \$814.00

Religious Retirement: \$1776.00

Electronic Givers: November— \$19,112/ 139 givers

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish during these difficult times! May God bless you and those you love!



CATHOLIC STRONG UPDATE

Parish Goal: \$1,226,835

Pledged to Date: \$720,195

Thank you to all who are praying for the success of this campaign and to those who have responded so generously.

Fr. Yvans Jazon, Pastor

DECEMBER 27

FORGIVING STEWARDS

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." - COLOSSIANS 3:13

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can't give what we don't have. Through **Stewardship**, we need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share the gift of forgiveness with someone – a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC STRONG UPDATE

Raised: \$40,600,000

Collected: \$22,795,264

Payments made by 11/30/20 will be part of December's distribution to parishes.

Thank you for your prayers & your generosity!

DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

BEREAVEMENT – SUPPORT MINISTRY TRAINING

Dates: Mondays, February 2—March 8

Time: 7 PM to 9 PM on-line

Registration: Forms are available in the Parish Office

Deadline to Register: Friday, January 22

RETROVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Dates: February 12-14, 2021

Place: Family Life Center in Malvern, PA

More Info.: Call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org

All inquiries are confidential.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES VEHICLE DONATION PROGRAM AND 2020 TAX DEDUCTION

Catholic Charities is asking you to check your garage, yard or other areas around your house for old vehicles. Please donate your vehicle(s) to the Catholic Charities (Diocese of Camden) Charitable Auto Resources for Services (CARS) vehicle donation program. The CARS program accepts any type of vehicle, running or non-running, including cars, vans, SUVs, trucks, boats, mobile homes, motorcycles, golf carts, scooters, etc.

Free towing and an IRS tax deduction form will be provided for your vehicle donation. To donate, call 1-877-586-9227, and PLEASE MENTION YOU ARE DONATING YOUR VEHICLE TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF CAMDEN, NJ. You can also donate your vehicle online at: <http://catholiccharitiescamden.careasy.org/HOME.html> Donate by December 31 to receive a 2020 tax deduction.

856-342-4104 | Kevin.Hickey@CamdenDiocese.org

Parish Ministries



MISSIONARY DISCIPLES MINISTRY

Fellow Parishioners,

In these challenging times the Missionary Disciple Ministry is creating a program for personal and spiritual development. This will be an opportunity for outreach; it will enable fellow parishioners to connect, to pray, to learn and to share.

We envision small groups of parishioners initially connecting via Zoom to discuss scripture, to pray, and to share their faith to the extent that they are comfortable. Having this opportunity to interact with others in our community in these uncertain times will help us to learn more about our relationship with God.

If you are interested please contact us with your information via email at petedunn@financialguide.com or call us directly (Fran Boyer 856-816-2294/ Pete Dunn 856-397-1139). We look forward to hearing from you.

Stay safe,
The Missionary Disciple Ministry

JANUARY 2-3

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Sacristan
4:00	NRemetz	Truran	Truran
8:00	Blake	Deacon Rocks	Fearon
9:30	Cipolla	Bonafiglia	Mercer
11:00	BHensler	Deacon Leo	THowitz

SAVE THE DATE!

The next Financial Peace University class will be held on Thursday nights, beginning January 19. Details to follow.

What others have said who attended the class in March:

- We had excellent FPU classes. The coordinator was great! Always available to answer and address our questions."
- "Favorite part was the accountability and sharing our successes."
- Really great discussions around the difficult topic of money."



THANK YOU FROM DON BOWKER

I wish to thank Saint Teresa's Men's Club and the other volunteers for their gracious efforts on Saturday, December 12. Because of their hard work, we were able to completely empty the basement of McDaid Hall. Not only was this a fire hazard, but it was also a dangerous path for firemen to work in the event of a fire.

The continued support provided by the Men's Club and other volunteers is the base of a spirited parish.

Thank you, again!
Don Bowker

Parish Spiritual Ministries



Intercessory Prayer Ministry

This is a group of people who devote specific time to pray for the needs of others in the parish. As part of the Intercessory Prayer group, each of our parish ministries will be assigned a week and create an intention for a specific need of our parish.

Parish Prayer Intention for the Week of December 27—January 2

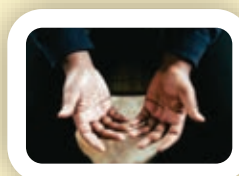
Dec. 27—Jan. 2 We ask you Father to give direction to the Parish Finance Committee of St Teresa of Calcutta. Aid them in their responsibilities to act as a consultative body which assists the pastor to act justly and prudently in the administration of the parish's material goods. Help to guide them in their three main areas of responsibility- Administration and Finance, Facility Management, and Stewardship and Development.

Guide the efforts of the Financial Committee so that all Temporal concerns are aimed at the spiritual transformation of our parish community. May the material aspects which are discussed not detract from the primary work of our parish: the holiness of all its members.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

Finance Council, Website and Communication

*Let my prayer be incense *-before you; my uplifted hands
-* an evening Offering.(Psalm 141:2)*



Monday—Friday

9:30—10:30

St. John Church

No morning adoration

Dec. 28-Jan. 1

PRAYER SERVICE FOR NATIONAL UNITY

Where: St. John Church

Date: Monday, January 11

Time: 7 PM

Let us join together to pray for
unity and reconciliation within
our community and our nation.



NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULES

New Year's Eve: Thursday December 31

9AM: Regular daily mass

5 PM: Holy Saviour Church **40 to 60**

New Year's Day: Friday, January 1

9 AM: St. John Church—**100 to 150** ******

**** Maximum number of people
allowed in church**



PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS

- Monday—Wednesday, December 28-30
9 AM—4 PM
- Thursday, December 31
9 AM—at 12 noon
- Friday, January 1
Closed
- Monday, January 4
Open at 9AM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

One of the primary missions of our St. Vincent DePaul Society is to assist people in times of emergency. We respond to calls for help on our parish number [856-858-1444](tel:856-858-1444). Often people are reluctant to ask for help, but should you know of anyone in our community in need of urgent assistance, please refer them to our number and let them know we are there to help.



**FOOD PANTRY
HOURS:
Mon. & Wed.: 10AM
to 12 PM**

Staples put into each bag:

Breakfast:

Oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, condensed milk, cereal boxes

Lunch:

PB and jelly, tuna, mac & cheese, spam, chunky/regular soups

Dinner:

Pasta sauce, pasta, vegetables & beef stew, instant rice/potatoes, canned fruit

Gift cards from food stores, especially Aldi, are also appreciated.

*Thank you so much for your
continued support!*



SANDWICH MAKING

Make at home and drop off only until further notice. Please bring your already made sandwiches to Good Shepherd cafeteria on **Monday, January 18 at 7PM**. Someone will be there to accept your donation.

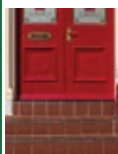
PLEASE MAKE ONLY TURKEY & BEEF BOLONGA SANDWICHES.

Please put cheese on all sandwiches.

Cases of water as well as apples and oranges are being requested.

November: 480 sandwiches were made, 7 cases/water, 14 bags/fruit

Discussion Meeting.: 3rd Tuesday, January 19 at 7PM promptly via ZOOM. Thank you for helping the needy.



DINNERS TO DOORSTEPS

We provide meals for people or families who are ill, disabled, living alone, parents of new babies, etc. We also provide meals for individuals and families who are struggling to put food on the table. If you need help, please call Michelle. Everything is strictly confidential.

More Info.: Contact Michele Santiago at : 609-598-1787 or by email at grandmarose73@yahoo.com.

- **Additional volunteers are needed for cooking and delivery.**

LIFE-LONG FAITH FORMATION

Growing in Faith At Every Age

*I want a laity, ... who know their religion, who enter into it, who know just where they stand, who know what they hold and what they do not, who know their creed so well that they can give an account of it, who know so much of history that they can defend it. I want an intelligent, well-instructed laity — I wish you to enlarge your knowledge, to cultivate your reason, to get an insight into the relation of truth to truth, to learn to view things as they are, to understand how faith and reason stand to each other, what are the bases and principles of Catholicism...***Cardinal John Henry Newman**

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process of welcoming people who want to be full members of the Catholic faith community. This includes those who have never been baptized, those baptized in other Christian denominations, and baptized Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. RCIA is not a “class” but rather a journey of faith. In the company of a group of faith-filled parishioners who serve as the RCIA team and with other people inquiring about the Church, and through experiences of prayer, faith-sharing, instruction, and discussion, you will have the opportunity to grow in your relationship with God as you discover how your faith could be nurtured with the Catholic tradition. If you would like to learn more about RCIA please call Father Yvans.

PARENT SACRAMENTAL PREP

**Parents of 2nd graders
and older children needing
First Reconciliation and First Communion:**
Zoom Meetings on January 19 and 20. 7:30PM.

Please note: If you are a parishioner of St. Teresa and your child attends a Catholic school in the area, you are asked to attend these meetings and participate in our parish’s sacramental prep. Sacraments are always celebrated in one’s parish, not one’s school.

Please call the parish office if you need to be put on our email list for Zoom invitations.

**HOME SCHOOL FAMILY GATHERING
SUNDAY JANUARY 3**
Watch for your zoom invitation.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

To be cute about it, I quote here an American humorist by the name of Evan Esar (d. 1995): “Family: A social unit where the father is concerned with parking space, the children with outer space, and the mother with closet space.” Whether Mr. Esar was fully correct or not, there is a grain of truth in what he wrote, and there is always some truth in wholesome humor. However, for my purpose I prefer this statement of Sir Winston Churchill about the nature of family. “There is no doubt that it is around family and the home that all the greatest virtues ...are created, strengthened, and maintained.”

Over this holiday time of year we are most likely to be with family, either literally or virtually because of the virus. We can verify Sir Winston’s observation. Family also gives us the answers to most of life’s important questions. Do you think the young Jesus had questions? Certainly He must have, because remember He took on a human nature “like ours in everything but sin.” What is one of the principal ways we learn? Through answers to questions. Through that triple-spoke process of lessons taught, example given, and experience lived, Our Lord and Savior indeed grew in wisdom and grace. I think it is an important detail that all this happened in the little village of Nazareth. It was located on the edge of the empire, far from the high society and corruption of Rome. So insignificant was it that it is nowhere even mentioned in the whole Old Testament. Great things can happen in humble places, as our family homes most often attest.

Could Our Lord have had better teachers in how to handle life than Mary and Joseph? Hardly. Without any advanced degrees after their names, we can say with conviction that both Christ’s parents had “PhD’s” in holiness. Mary who was declared “full of grace” by an archangel, and Joseph remembered as a “just man” in the Scriptural sense cannot be excelled at their task. The Holy Spirit has decided not to tell us if any peers taught Jesus things, but we can imagine they too played a part, for better or worse, in His human upbringing. So we stand back for a time from all our concerns to admire and celebrate this Holy Family. We can see the necessity of these thirty or so years to prepare Our Lord for His incomparable mission.

That brings up the subject of our mission. Obviously it begins in our family circle, but it has to expand from there if we are to take our Baptismal and Confirmation promises seriously. That means doing our part to tell the waiting world all about Jesus and His Good News, even if the world neither acknowledges nor cares that it is waiting. Waiting for something, or more accurately, Someone, beyond its own calculations to give it purpose. Taking up the admonitions of Sirach and Colossians, which we read this weekend, is a good place to begin. After all, that’s our way to heaven.



Saturday Masses

Fr. Thomas Rozman – Pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Mechanicsburg, Diocese of Harrisburg, PA
ASL Vigil Mass 4:00pm EST at stjosephmech.org

Fr. Matthew Hysell OP – Ministerial Priest for the Archdiocese of Edmonton & Doctoral Candidate for Sacred Theology at Dominican University College in Ottawa, Canada
ASL Vigil Mass 7:30pm EST at face-book.com/icdacanadiansection

Sunday Masses

(Masses are organized by time zones)

Fr. Shawn Carey – Director of the Boston Deaf Apostolate, Archdiocese of Boston, MA
ASL Mass 11:00am EST at youtube.com/user/DeafApostolateBoston (recordings at bostondeafcatholic.org)

Fr. Mike Depcik – Director of Catholic Deaf Community, St John's Deaf Center, Archdiocese of Detroit, MI
ASL Mass 11:30am EST at facebook.com/deafmass

Monsignor Glenn Nelson J.C.L. – Director of Deaf Apostolate & Vicar General, Diocese of Rockford, IL
ASL Mass 10:00am CST at facebook.com/RockfordDeafApostolate

Fr. Michael Hermes – St. Paul Catholic Church, Olathe, KS
ASL Interpreter 10:00 am CST at <https://www.spcatholic.org/>



Sunday Masses Continued

Fr. Dave Korth – Sacred Heart Church, Diocese of Omaha, NE
ASL Interpreter 10:30 am CST at sacredheartchurchomaha.org or YouTube.com/SacredHeartChurchOmaha



Bishop Michael Olson – St. Patrick's Cathedral, Diocese of Fort Worth, TX
ASL Interpreter 11:00am CST at fwdioc.org

Fr. Tom Coyle – Director of Colorado Catholic Deaf Ministry, Lakewood, CO
ASL & English 10:00 am MST at stbernadettelakewood.org or St Bernadette Parish Lakewood CO Face-Book Page or St. Bernadette Parish Lakewood CO YouTube Channel

Very Reverend Patrick Schafer OFM
Holy Family Church, Archdiocese of Santa Fe, Albuquerque, NM
ASL & English 8:00am MST /
ASL & Spanish 10:00am MST at Holy Family Church Albuquerque FaceBook Page or Holy Family Church Albuquerque YouTubeChannel

Fr. Tom Schweitzer with Deacon Tomas Garcia
Holy Angels Catholic Church of the Deaf, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CA
ASL & English 8:30 am PST / ASL & Spanish 11:30 am PST at youtube.com/user/hacofthedeaf/live

For more information and updated schedules, please contact Fr. Bradley.
Hugh.Bradley@camdendiocese.org
856-583-6111



Call to Worship

Feast of the Holy Family—December 27, 2020

ENTRANCE HYMN

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING MENDELSSOHN

Verses

1. Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing: "Glo - ry to the
2. Christ, by high - est heav'n a - dored, Christ, the ev - er -
3. Hail the heav'n - born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of

1. new - born King; Peace on earth, and mer - cy mild,
2. last - ing Lord; Late in time, be - hold him come,
3. Righ - teous - ness! Light and life to all he brings,

1. God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!" Joy - ful, all ye
2. Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb. Veiled in flesh the
3. Ris'n with heal - ing in his wings. Mild he lays his

1. na - tions, rise, Join the tri - umph of the skies; With an -
2. God - head see! Hail th'in - car - nate De - i - ty! Pleased as
3. glo - ry by, Born that we no more may die, Born to

1. gel - ic hosts pro - claim: "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
2. man with us to dwell; Je - sus, our Em - man - u - el!
3. raise us from the earth, Born to give us sec - ond birth.

Refrain

Hark! the her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new - born King."

Text: 77 77 D with refrain; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: Felix Mendelssohn, 1809–1847; adapt. by William H. Cummings, 1831–1915.



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING: Sirach3: 2-6, 12—14

God sets a father in honor over his children; a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and preserves himself from them. When he prays, he is heard; he stores up riches who reveres his mother. Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, and, when he prays, is heard. Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother. My son, take care of your father when he is old; grieve him not as long as he lives. Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; revile him not all the days of his life; kindness to a father will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt of your sins —a house raised in justice to you.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 105: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH, YEAR B



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SECOND READING: Colossians 3: 12-21

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Let the peace of Christ control your hearts;
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

GOSPEL: Luke 2: 22-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord*, and to offer the sacrifice of *a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel."

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted —and you yourself a sword will pierce— so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from



Creed:

At the words that follow, up to and including “and became man”, all bow.

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



COMMUNION HYMN:

THE FIRST NOWELL

THE FIRST NOWELL

Verses

1. The first No - well, the an - gel did say,
2. They look - ed up and saw a star
3. And by the light of that same star
4. This star drew nigh to the north - west,
5. Then en - tered in those wise men three,
6. Then let us all with one ac - cord

1. Was to cer - tain poor shep - herds in fields as they lay;
2. Shin - ing in the east, be - yond them far;
3. Three wise men came from coun - try far;
4. O'er Beth - le - hem it took its rest,
5. Full rev - 'rent - ly up - on the knee,
6. Sing prais - es to our heav - 'nly Lord;

1. In fields where they lay keep - ing their sheep,
2. And to the earth it gave great light,
3. To seek for a king was their in - tent,
4. And there it did both stop and stay,
5. And of - fered there, in his pres - ence,
6. Who with the Fa - ther we a - dore

1. On a cold win - ter's night that was so deep.
2. And so it con - tin - ued both day and night.
3. And to fol - low the star wher - ev - er it went.
4. Right o - ver the place where Je - sus lay.
5. Their gold and myrrh and frank - in - cense.
6. And Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.

Refrain

No - well, No - well, No - well, No - well,
Born is the King of Is - ra - el.

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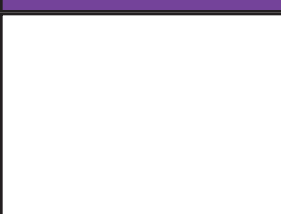
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