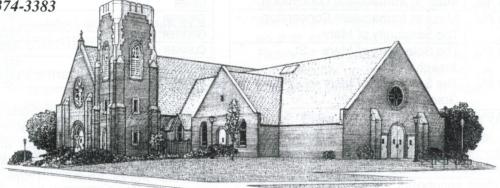
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HOLY EUCHARIST Saturday Evening — 4:00 PM Sunday Morning — 9:00 AM Holy Days: as scheduled

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

A registered parishioner who wishes to celebrate his or her marriage at St. Joseph's is asked to contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the anticipated date (and before any other arrangements are made) in order to begin sacramental preparation.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered members of the parish, baptism may be arranged during a weekend liturgy. Parents should contact the office to attend class in preparation for the sacrament of Baptism. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available prior to any Saturday evening liturgy.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

If you or someone in your family is going to the hospital for surgery, please request the Sacrament of Anointing by calling the Parish Office. Due to federal regulations, the parish is unable to access inpatient information from hospitals and nursing homes without your consent.

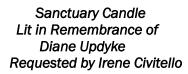
## **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Catholics moving into the area are invited to register in the parish by calling the parish office.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
JANUARY 2 <sup>ND</sup> , 2021 THROUGH JANUARY 10 <sup>™</sup> , 2020

01-02	4:00 PM	Rev. Thomas Boyle - John & Shirl		
		Crane		
		Ruth P. Meier – The Meier Family		
01-03	9:00 AM	For All Parishioners		
01-04	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception		
01-05	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception		
01-06	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception		
01-07		No Mass		
01-08		No Mass		
01-09	4:00 PM	For All Parishioners		
01-10	9:00 AM	Clara Coppola (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) –		
		The Family		

	Scripture Readings for the Week			
Mon. 01/04	1 Jn 3:22-4.6	Mt 4:12-17, 23-25		
Tues. 01/05		Mk 6:34-44		
Wed. 01/06	1 Jn 4:11-18	Mk 6:45-52		
Thurs.01/07	1 Jn 4:19-5:4	Lk 4:14-22		
Fri. 01/08	1 Jn 5:5-13	Lk 5:12-16		
Sat. 01/09	1 Jn 5:14-21	Jn 3:22-30		
Sun. 01/10	ls 55:1-11 1 Jn	5:1-9 Mk 1:7-11		





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#### Additional Christmas Memorials

Ruth Brundige Al & Betty Sarnowski Luz M. Taan Daniel G. Ward Richard A. Ward Patricia M. Zorzi Hazel Rodriguez Jack Sarnowski Ruperto R. Taan Martha T. Ward Richard J. Ward

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – Jan. 9/10, 2021				
	4:00 PM	9:00 AM		
LECTOR	TBD	TBD		
BREAD 1	Celebrant	Celebrant		
BREAD 4	C. Kukan	B. Corlew		
USHER	P. Shave	A. Mitchell		
USHER	TBD	R. Schiavone		
USHER	TBD	C. Reynolds		
USHER	TBD	D. Stec		
GREETER	M. Schwartz	T. Caldwell		
GREETER	A. Swartz	TBD		
CLEANER	TBD	T. Caldwell		
CLEANER	TBD	S. Caldwell		
CLEANER	TBD	TBD		

We have **12 volunteer positions** (including lector and one Eucharistic minister) that need to be filled for each mass. Sign-up sheets are available in Holy Family Hall for each week. We have many empty slots for the weeks ahead. Thank you to those who continue to volunteer each week so that we may remain open ~ we could not continue to hold mass without you.

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**Parish Stewardship:** Our income for the period **Dec. 21-27, 2020** amounted to **\$9,744.90** and expenses for the same period were **\$5,343.71.** If attending

mass in person, please drop your donations in the donation box on the way into mass. Any donation for a special Second Collection must be in a **separate envelope**, clearly marked for the designated collection. If you are unable to attend in person, but wish to continue your support of your parish, contributions may be mailed or dropped off at our Parish Office at 45 MacArthur Drive, Scotia. God bless you for your continued support & generosity.

**PARISH SECOND COLLECTION FOR JAN. 9<sup>TH</sup>/10<sup>TH</sup>: Fuel Collection.** In the last fiscal year, the total cost of utilities for all parish-owned properties amounted to \$21,444.92.

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**Remember in your prayers** those members of our parish who are sick or suffering in any way, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our shut-ins. We also pray for family, friends and those who have died recently, especially *Chet Watson*,

father of Heather (Wayne) Peterson; *Jean M. Decker*, sister of Margaret Dolen; *Marion O'Connor;* and *Anna Johnson.* We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.

#### A Christmas Message from Faith Formation

To Our St. Joseph's and Our Lady of Grace Families:

What an unusual year it has been! Yet, during this Advent and Christmas season I see hope. The hope I see starts with a small child in a manger. His name in Hebrew or Aramaic was Yeshua. We Christians prefer to use the Greek translation. Jesus.

Hope is a word that contains all our dreams and wants and desires. Why should we place such huge burdens on such a small baby who seems so vulnerable and powerless? Because that baby came into the world with another name. Emmanuel. God is with us!

So, during these uncertain times, when hope seems lost, please place your trust in that small baby, knowing full well he has the power to transform any situation from evil to good.

I want to take this opportunity, also, to thank every one of you for making my task this year so easy.

I will end with this quote from Saint Padre Pio, "Pray, Hope and don't worry".

God Bless you all!

#### Roberta M. Quinn

Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation

For the safety of our Faith Formation students, in person instruction will not commence until Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Please remember to say "thanks" to our bulletin sponsors for their generous support and mention their ad when doing business with them (please see the special "coupon" we have on the back of our bulletin for this purpose). We welcome our newest sponsor ~ Auto Solutions on Freeman's Bridge Road in Scotia. We do have sponsorship spaces available. Perhaps you have a business and would like to support St. Joseph's? Please contact Deb Griffith at the office for more information (518-346-2316).



We have received many comments regarding the new backdrop for our Nativity scene in Holy Family Hall.

Special thanks to **Dan Seaver** who constructed the wooden panels and John Morrette for his beautiful painting of those panels. Once again, St. Joseph's has benefited by the Time & Talent given by our parishioners.



We currently live stream our 9 am mass on Sunday mornings. The link to connect with **TREAM** our live stream is:

#### https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDgBXL8 RT 55biUcsAofgB4w9XGcHR8DA

We remind all parishioners that the dispensation from obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains in force until further notice. Those who are at risk or do not feel comfortable attending at this time, are encouraged to remain at home and participate via our live stream mass on YouTube. Please, if you are experiencing ANY cold or flu-like symptoms, DO NOT **COME TO MASS.** This is for everyone's safety.



SOCESAN APPER <u>2020 Diocesan Appeal Update</u>: As of Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, we have been credited with 2020 Diocesan Appeal Update: As of 99 gifts/pledges totaling **\$32,635** toward our assessment goal of \$60,910. Thank you to all who have

given to this vital campaign. It is important to note that any amount received in excess of the Parish Assessment Goal will be directed back to the Parish at the end of the Appeal in June 2021. If you have not already given, please consider going online or call the office and we would be happy to send you a donation Please remember that the Albany envelope. Stewardship Office has taken over the handling of this campaign, therefore, all donations must be sent direct to the Diocese. Important information regarding this year's Appeal:

Appeal website: diocesanappeal.org Donate online: donate.thediocesanappeal.org Ouestions: stewardship@rcda.org or phone 518-453-6680 .....



Blood Drive - Friday, January 22, 2021 - 1 PM to 6 PM at Our Lady of Grace. To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-REDCROSS, or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: OURLADYOFGRACE.

If you can't make it on the 22<sup>nd</sup> -

Immaculate Conception Church is also sponsoring a blood drive on January 16<sup>th</sup>. For information please call the ICC parish or check the Red Cross website.

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