

THE FEAST OF THE
HOLY
FAMILY

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Infant Jesus Parish



St. John Vianney Church
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass Schedule

4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church
6:00 PM at St. John Vianney Church

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:30 AM at St. Margaret Church
10:00 AM at St. Margaret Church
11:30 AM at St. John Vianney Church
4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church

Holy Day Vigil: 4:00 PM at St. Margaret Church &
6:00 PM at St. John Vianney Church
Holy Days: 8:30 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM at
St. Margaret Church

Week Days :
6:45 AM in St. Margaret Church
8:30 AM in St. Margaret Church

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturdays: 9:00-9:30 AM; 2:30-3:30 PM at St. Margaret Church
5:15-5:45 PM at St. John Vianney Church

**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
December 27, 2020**

Saturday, December 26

4:00 PM Susan Mary Underwood req. by Regina Underwood
6:00 PM Kathleen Golda req. by Rob & Denise Dietrich

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Joseph Azzinaro req. by his wife
10:00 AM Helen Pidliskey req. by her loving daughter, Trish
11:30 AM Martha Beard req. by Rob & Denise Dietrich
4:00 PM Nicholas Luciano req. by his family

Monday, December 28

8:30 AM Paul Khai req. by Ms. Tuyet Bailey

Tuesday, December 29

8:30 AM Charleen A. Peters req/ by Mary Meyer & family

Wednesday, December 30

8:30 AM The Blevins Family req. by Bob & Julie Heenan

Thursday, December 31-NEW YEARS EVE

8:30 AM Vocations
4:00 PM (SM) All Essential Workers
6:00 PM (SJV) Sick & infirmed

Friday, January 1-NEW YEARS DAY

8:30 AM (SM) Julia Doanto req. by Mr. & Mrs. Remshard
10:00 AM (SM) Maureen McCay req. by Pat Brady & family
11:30 AM (SJV) Men & Women in the Military

Saturday, January 2

8:30 AM Protection of the Unborn
4:00 PM John Byrne req. by Steve & Patti Graham
6:00 PM Mary Lou Thelan req. by Betty Leidy & family

**PLEASE NOTE
THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
ON THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER
31ST AND JANUARY 1ST THIS WEEK FOR
NEW YEARS. WE WILL REOPEN ON
MONDAY, JANUARY 4TH.**

Sunday, January 3

8:30 AM Ioannis Georgiadis req. by Gina Haring & family
10:00 AM John McGuinness req. by the McGuinness family
Arthur Romano, Jr. req. by Marlene & Joe Hee
Intentions of Diane Mendel req. by the Macdonald family
Intentions of Mr. C req. by the Macdonald family
11:30 AM Mary Gushue req. by the Philbin family
4:00 PM Vince Sandone req. by Knights of Columbus Council 13259

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary lamp at St. John Vianney Church is burning for the Intentions of
Regina Lapp
req. by Pat Brady.



The Sanctuary lamp at St. Margaret Church is burning in loving memory of
Jeanette Daniels
req. by the Carver family.

New Year's Masses 2021

Thursday, December 31, 2020

4:00 PM (St. Margaret Church)
6:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church)

Friday, January 1, 2021

8:30 AM (St. Margaret Church)
10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church)
11:30 AM (St. John Vianney Church)

**THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION
ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 1.**



OFFICE STAFF

Business Administrator...Sharon Sandone
Parish Secretary.....Gena Deichert
Parish Registrar.....Janet Autodore
Religious Ed Secretary....Janet Autodore
Maintenance Manager.....Mike Collins

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Chairman.....Bob Law

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Please pray for our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing home or who are homebound:
Chip Alberta, Eileen Aleksiejczyk, Anthony & Rose Apicella, Rossy Aquirre, Louise Avallone, Jack Bachman, Julie Barbetto, John Bertagnolli, Baby Mary Blocklinger, Samantha Boulden, Richard Thomas Carey, Patricia Carr, Bill Cassidy, Heather Ruple Chiaradonna, Mridul Chowdhury, Donna Chuba, Moira Connell, Ed Conway, Micaela DiPaolo, Jerry Donnelly, Bill Egan, Baby Emil, Neal Ewan, Anthony and Louise Falance, Anthony Faralli, Gina Fasolini, Dorothy Pennewell - Foster, Gerri Foster, Tony Galindo, Annemarie Gendron, Eileen H., Katie Hartey, Christine Hastings, John Havers, Jack Hee, Janine Hee, Carmel Hopkins, Christine & Zachariah Huber, Tim Hutchinson, Baby Jake, Jean, Mackenzie Jones, Cathy King, Robert Kirkbride, Regina Lapp, Christine Lawrence, Michele Lott, Diane Mendel, Frank McCurdy, Jennifer McGlinchey, Karen and Joseph Medallo, Frances Santaniello Michels, Donna Mimplitsch, Linda Montone, Louis Nocella, Margaret O'Donnell, Ron Orrick, John Panepinto, Angela Paul, Susan Paul, Melony Popjoy, Alec Quantavalle, Joe Quintieri, Chuck Rabb, Kyle Riepen, Joel Rivera, Nora Joan Rush, Maria S., Karen Schoch, Gary Shephard, Melissa Sirlopu, David Sullivan, Dylan Vitucci, Coreen Welch, Jim Welch, Louise Wilusz, Helen Convery WitCraft, Baby Mark Zimmerman, Richard Zuber.



The *Legion of Mary* meets every *Wednesday morning at 11:00 AM in Room B of the Ministry Center. The current limit is 8 people.*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Anna Haas

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Today, with the whole Church, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The Holy Family is Holy because Jesus is God; however “Holiness” is also extended to those who do the will of God as well. The “yes” to God’s will made Mary the mother of God and the obedience of Joseph to God’s “command” in his dream made him the foster father of God. Indeed, all members of the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary and Joseph, did the will of God, the Father.

For this reason, every family can be “holy” as long as every member is willing to do the “will” of God. As Jesus said: “whoever does the will of my Father will be my mother, father, brother, and sister”. Unfortunately to expect every member in the family to do the “will” of God is not easy if not impossible, since human will is often, by sinful nature, against God’s will. By doing the Father’s will, Jesus had to suffer and die, Mary had a “sword” pierced through her heart, Joseph had to risk his life to protect the child Jesus and work hard to raise Jesus who was not “really” his own.

As Jesus is the primary cause of the Holy Family, the reason and strength for Mary and Joseph to do God’s will, and the sign of God’s presence in the Family, our families too must need Jesus. The main problem in today’s family life is not because of so many “fatal attractions” in this modern world; but rather because of so many families don’t “have” Jesus. The rise of impatience, selfishness, resentment, indifference, infidelity, addiction, or separation in the family is due to lack of the presence of God, Jesus Christ, who is the very reason for peace, joy, and happiness the family.

As we are entering the threshold of 2021, let us pray asking the Holy Family to protect and strengthen the loving bond among the members of our families. Let us learn from Mary and Joseph always say “yes” to God’s will. Let us make a meaningful New Year resolution by being more patient and understanding, more caring and loving, more tolerating and accepting, and more giving than taking from our loved ones. Fr. Joe Pham.

Have a Blessed and Healthy New Year to All

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

We continue to pray for our men & women overseas especially:



Johanny DelOrbe, Megan Dolan, Justin Gousha, Shawn Jarrell, Becky & Nick Johnson, Rob Solome, Sarah Turse, Joseph Raab, Charles LaGrossa, Anthony M. Ilisco and Lt. Colonel Christian Pajak.

If someone has returned home, please let us know.

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our time of need. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.



VOCATIONS

If you are a man between the ages of 16-35 and feel the possible call to the priesthood, this group can help you discern and pray with others who are also considering the priesthood.

The meetings this year will be held at the Parish offices of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 135 N. White Horse Pike, Lindenwold. The meetings begin at 2PM and end at 3:30PM. Following are the dates for the discernment group:

January 10, 2021	February 21, 2021
March 14, 2021	April 18, 2021

CATHOLIC STRONG UPDATE & WORD OF GRATITUDE

First of all, in the Name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, I would like to express my profound gratitude to all of you for your generous donations to the Catholic Strong Campaign, also my great admiration for your love of God and His Church.

Your sacrificial gifts have provided critical funding for our parish's ministry and the 2020 capital projects: The Infant Jesus Youth Group, St. Margaret church carpet and church renovations as well as the blacktop of St. John Vianney parking lot and the carpet replacement.

To date, our total amount pledged is **\$801,575**. The amount collected as of September 30th is **\$478,397**. Therefore, we still have a balance of **\$323,178** for future collection. Our future capital projects such as the safety cement work around both churches and St. Margaret parking lot are totally depended on the funds of Catholic Strong.

Realizing the necessity of these future projects, **I earnestly encourage all of you to continue making payments on your pledges so that our above projects can be accomplished.** Although every one of us are facing and living in a very difficult and challenging time at this moment, our faith in God and our love for His church will not be diminished. With God's providential care, we will be repaid with plenty. Fr. Joe Pham.



A note from Julie Crumsho:

I would like to wish all the members of the Infant Jesus Senior Citizens club a very ***Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.*** I hope we can resume our meetings and activities sometime soon in 2021. I have missed seeing all of you and hope everyone is staying safe and healthy.



Saturday, January 2

4:00 PM Joe Capone

6:00 PM Denise Dietrich

Sunday, January 3

8:30 AM Mark Petito

10:00 AM Laurie Bachman

11:30 AM Maria Schiavo

4:00 PM Ed Morrison



Thank you to the Phifer Family for the beautiful Christmas Tree and to those who helped put it up. Thank you to all those who bought ornaments in remembrance of a loved one or for personal intentions which adorn the tree. All will be remembered in prayers throughout the Christmas Season.

HELP NEEDED

There are many state guidelines and requirements that we need to adhere to for COVID19. These include strict capacity restrictions and social distancing at the churches.

Your help is needed to prepare the churches for each Mass as well as to guide the faithful as they arrive for Mass. For **each** Mass we need:

[6 volunteers at](#) St. Margaret Church, and
[4 volunteers at](#) St. John Vianney Church.

Thanks again on behalf of everyone at Infant Jesus Parish.

Please click the link below to sign-up.
<https://signup.com/go/SVenKsF>

WITH PROFOUND GRATITUDE For YOUR WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERINGS

In the name of the Risen Christ, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your faithfulness of giving. Your Weekly Sunday Offerings are greatly appreciated especially during this difficult time. It is sad that our communal worship has to be suspended; however our parish's operational expenses are still incurred. Therefore, every financial offering is so meaningful and essential to the life of our parish. I am truly grateful to you for continuing your financial support during this tough time. Be assured that your financial sacrifices during this time will not be passed over without God's notice. May many graces and blessings be bestowed upon you and your families.

-Fr. Joe Pham.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS



December 13 - \$7,762.00
Retired Religious - \$1,467.00

May God repay you for your sacrifices. Thank you for making your checks payable to:

“Infant Jesus Parish”



“GOOD SAMARITAN” NEEDED

In the Gospel of the “Good Samaritan”, a man asked Jesus: **“Who is my neighbor?”** Jesus responded by telling him the parable of the “Good Samaritan”. Today, our **“Neighbor”** are those whose lives depend on **The House of Charity Fund**:

Care and Education of Seminarians
Care of Elderly Priests
Social & Community Services
Compassion Outreach
Catholic Education
Youth and Campus Ministry
Vitality Catholic Healthcare Services

These Ministries are absolutely dependent on the **generous sacrifices of your compassionate and caring hearts**. I am prayerfully and gratefully asking each one of you for **your generous sacrificial gifts to the 2020 House of Charity**. Your sacrifices certainly will make the **above Ministries** possible.

“Lord Jesus, please **multiply** my House of Charity Gift to help my **“Neighbor”**.”

- Fr. Joe Pham

Parish Goal - \$168,018.00
Received 231 gifts - \$91,556.23

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LOCAL ADVERTISERS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 27

Deeper Dimension - 7:00 PM
(via Zoom until further notice)

Monday, Dec. 28

Prayer Group - 7:30 PM (B limit 8 people)

Wednesday, Dec. 30

Legion of Mary - 11:00 AM (B)
(limit 8 people)

Thursday, Dec. 31

NA - Socially distancing outside as weather permits - 8:00 PM

Sunday, Jan. 3

Deeper Dimension - 7:00 PM
(via Zoom until further notice)

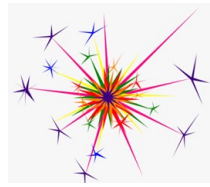


REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the NJ Division of Child Protection and permanency and law enforcement. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588.



IJD Youth Ministry Faith on Fire



Sparks: Grades 3-5

Sparks, our youth group for elementary students serves as an introduction to our parish youth ministry. The group will meet monthly for meetings and group service projects (completed on the parish grounds). Meetings will include a snack, prayer, games and activities all done in the light of our Catholic Faith. Due to covid 19 meetings take place in the convent courtyard or convent meeting room until we can go back to the parish meeting room. Sparks will meet one Wednesday each month (12/16, 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, and 5/19) from 4:30-5:30).

Ignite: Grades 6-8

Ignite is our junior youth group, open to students in 6th, 7th and 8th grade. Ignite meets on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month from September through June at St. John Vianney in the Fr. Szolack Center from 5:30-7 PM. This will give people time to arrive after the 4PM Mass at St. Margaret Church. Meetings will include prayer, snacks, icebreakers and energizers, and small and large group activities, all in the context of faith and fun. Ignite members will have opportunities for service projects and volunteer work throughout the year.



Ablaze: Grades 9-12

Ablaze is the group for those in 9th-12th grade. Ablaze meets on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at St. John Vianney in the Fr. Szolack Center from 5:30-7 PM. This will give people time to arrive after the 4PM Mass at St. Margaret Church. All those in High School are welcome to join. Meetings will include prayer, snacks, icebreakers and energizers, discussions and activities, all in the context of faith and fun. Service and participation in diocesan youth events are also part of the program.

Questions? Please contact Sr. Dianna at 856-848-6049 or ijpyouthonfire@gmail.com



ABLAZE

A Statement from Bishop Kevin Rhodes (Committee on Doctrine) and Bishop Joseph Naumann (Committee on Pro-Life Activities) regarding concerns expressed over the Morality of the Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccines:

The Pontifical Academy for Life gives as an example the case of rubella (German measles): "We find, in such a case, a *proportional reason*, in order to accept the use of these vaccines in the presence of the danger of favouring the spread of the pathological agent, due to the lack of vaccination of children. This is particularly true in the case of vaccination against German measles."²

The Pontifical Academy does call for appropriate expressions of protest against the origins of these vaccines as well as for vigorous efforts to promote the creation of alternatives. "There remains a moral duty to continue to fight and to employ every lawful means in order to make life difficult for the pharmaceutical industries which act unscrupulously and unethically." The Pontifical Academy adds, however, that public health must not be sacrificed. "The burden of this important battle cannot and must not fall on innocent children and on the health situation of the population."

There appears to be some confusion in the media regarding the moral permissibility of using the vaccines for COVID-19 developed by Pfizer Inc. and Moderna. We would like to offer some clarifications.

Neither the Pfizer nor the Moderna vaccine involved the use of cell lines that originated in fetal tissue taken from the body of an aborted baby at any level of design, development, or production.¹ They are not completely free from any connection to abortion, however, as both Pfizer and Moderna made use of a tainted cell line for one of the confirmatory lab tests of their products. There is thus a connection, but it is relatively remote.

Some are asserting that if a vaccine is connected in any way with tainted cell lines then it is immoral to be vaccinated with them. This is an inaccurate portrayal of Catholic moral teaching.

There are three documents from the Holy See that treat the question of tainted vaccines: 1) the 2005 study by the Pontifical Academy for Life, "Moral Reflections on Vaccines Prepared from Cells Derived from Aborted Human Foetuses"; 2) paragraphs nos. 34-35 in the 2008 Instruction on Certain Bioethical Questions (*Dignitatis Personae*) by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith; 3) the 2017 Note on Italian Vaccine Issue, by the Pontifical Academy for Life.

These documents all point to the immorality of using tissue taken from an aborted child for creating cell lines. They also make distinctions in terms of the moral responsibility of the various actors involved, from those involved in designing and producing a vaccine to those receiving the vaccine. Most importantly, they all make it clear that, at the level of the recipient, it is morally permissible to accept vaccination when there are no alternatives and there is a serious risk to health.

Churches are OPEN

- **St. Margaret** Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm
Sunday Masses: 8:30 am – 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Weekday Mass: 6:45 & 8:30 am in the Church
- **St. John Vianney** Saturday Vigil Mass: 6:00 pm
Sunday Mass: 11:30 am.
- The **Dispensation** for the faithful from the obligation to participate in Mass on Sundays and Holy Days still remains in **EFFECT**.
- Those who are at **HIGH RISK FOR CONTRACTING COVID-19 SHOULD STAY HOME**.
- **The 4:00 PM Mass will be live-streamed** each weekend for those who are unable to come to church due to health reasons or to capacity restrictions.
- The elderly and families with young children (who may find it difficult to maintain a six-foot distance from others) are encouraged to stay home.
- **Holy Communion will be distributed on Sundays at St. Margaret Church at 11:15 AM for those who watch Mass on Live-Stream** and would like to receive Holy Communion.
- **The faithful should wear cloth face coverings** when in public, including when they come to church. Young children under the age of 2, anyone who has trouble breathing, or anyone otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance does not need to wear a face covering.
- The faithful should maintain a 6-foot distance from each other at all times except members of a single household.