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Dec 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Dora Batres de Mejia

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Part-Time Parish Secretary

Maria Ciarallo

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Christmas Eve



**Bless us Lord this
Christmas with peace that
surpasses all understanding,
joy that is beyond material
possession, love that knows
no boundaries, and strength
that emanates from
faith in You.**

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

Fridays

Holy Hour 6:00pm

Mass 7:00pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday to Friday 9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays 9:30am to 4:00pm

Sunday Eucharist

Saturdays 5:00pm

Sundays 8:00am, 9:30am,

11:00am, 12:30pm and

2:00pm - Spanish Mass

Reconciliation

Fridays 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturdays 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Parish Schools

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Office Hours:

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

9:30am to 5:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays

9:30am to 8:00pm

Note: Office is closed for lunch from 1pm to 2pm

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Monday to Friday

9:30am to 8:00pm

Saturdays

9:30am to 4:00pm



(At time of printing)

Dec 25th - Dec 31st

Monday - Dec 25th

Christmas Day

8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm - Masses
2:00 pm - Spanish Mass

Tuesday - Dec 26th

St. Stephen

9:00 am - Mass

Wednesday - Dec 27th

St. John the Apostle

9:00 am - Mass

• Octavio & Irena Couto †

Thursday - Dec 28th

Holy Innocents

9:00 am - Mass

• Grace Ballantyne †

Friday - Dec 29th

5th Day in the Octave of Christmas

9:00 am - Mass

• Mark Seguin †

7:00 pm - Mass

• Jose Maciel †

Saturday - Dec 30th

6th Day in the Octave of Christmas

9:00 am - Mass

Sunday - Dec 31st

Feast of the Holy Family

8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am,
12:30 pm - Masses
2:00 pm - Spanish Mass

Feast of the Holy Mother of God
5:00 pm - Vigil Mass



Let us Pray

For the Sick in our Community

• Rose Dodaro

For all the Recently Deceased

Parish Life

From Father Liborio,

About two thousand years ago, a Child was born. But who was this Child?
This Child entered the world as all children do.

This Child was announced by an Angel.

This Child was announced by a Star.

This Child took its first breath in the midst of humble settings.

This Child was embraced by a loving mother and step-father.

This Child held the dreams and hopes of a nation.

This Child brought joy to the marginalized (i.e. shepherds).

This Child existed before existence became a word.

This Child became a refugee soon after birth.

This Child was perfect in every way.

This Child was fully human.

This Child is...!

This Child is Jesus.

This Child is the Christ.

This Child is God.

Merry Christmas!!!!

Fr. Liborio



2024 Sunday Offertory Envelopes are Available Now!

What you should know:

1. Pick up any box at one of the Church's exits.
2. **Commence using your new envelopes on January 1st, 2024.**
3. Update your information by filling in the Information Card and your Sunday envelopes for each of the first three Sundays in January 2024.
4. The number on the box you chose is your new number for the entire year and will be the number used to issue your tax receipt at the end of 2024.
5. **PLEASE** - destroy all envelopes from previous years. As of January 1st you won't be registered under any other number - only your new 2024 number.

Religious Article Store Hours

Please enter via the Parish Hall entrance.

The Religious Articles Store is open after all Sunday Masses. In addition to gifts for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism, you will find a great selection of items for birthdays, house warmings and other events. We also carry seasonal one-of-a-kind items from our Bazaar collection.

Drop in and browse; our CWL volunteers will be happy to help you. The store operates on a "CASH ONLY" basis.

Thank you for your Donation! Dec 17th, 2023
Regular Collection: **Not available at time of printing**



St. Mary's Christmas Schedule 2023-2024



Date	Feast	Time
Saturday Dec. 23 rd <i>Office Closed</i>	Vigil: 4 th Sunday of Advent	Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
Sunday Dec. 24 th <i>Office Closed</i>	4 th Sunday of Advent	8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm (Spanish)
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Religious Education and Faith Formation



Nativity of the Lord (Dec 25)

Christmas Day is among the most celebrated feasts in the world. Everything else in life stops while the Christian world, in particular, celebrates the birth of the Savior of the World that took place over 2,000 years ago in the small town of Bethlehem. The first Christmas was celebrated by Mary and Joseph, but a multitude of angels saw to it that poor shepherds from the nearby fields joined the celebration as representatives of the entire Christian world to come. Though the Incarnation took place nine months prior when the Archangel Gabriel announced to the Blessed Virgin Mary that she would conceive a Child, that Child exited her sacred womb and breathed His first breath of air on that holy night.

Most Holy Savior of the World, You are the Light that scattered the darkness. You chose to be born in the most humble conditions, elevating humility as a means of great holiness. As we celebrate Your birth, I pray that You will also be born in my life, and through me, into the world. May this Christmas be a time in which I come to know You more fully and intimately, joining the shepherds in their adoration of You, so that I can share in the abundant new life You came to bestow. Holy Savior, have mercy on me. Jesus, I trust in You.

[Read More Here](#)

Mary of Nazareth



Mary of Nazareth is an epic motion picture on the life of Mary, Mother of Christ, from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. Shot in high definition, it was filmed in Europe with outstanding cinematography, a strong cast, and a majestic music score. Actress Alissa Jung gives a beautiful, compelling, and inspiring portrayal of Mary.

[Read More Here](#)

Christmas Special



Based on the award-winning Bible! Join Minno kids Margot, Lexi, Miguel, and Logan on a heartwarming journey through the Christmas story. Hosted by the Hopeful World, this beautiful retelling of the story of Jesus' birth will help kids understand the true meaning of Christmas. Viewers both young and old will be filled with hope as they recall God's promise fulfilled through our Savior's arrival.

[Formed for Children](#)

The Elements of the Catholic Mass

Elements of the Catholic Mass is designed to help the faithful better appreciate the beauty of the Mass. Featuring Fr. Douglas Martis, former director of the Liturgical Institute, the program consists of thirty-one beautifully produced short videos.

Vestments - Part I



The vestments worn during Mass are sacramental signs. This suggests that they not only serve the practical purpose of covering street clothes, but that they also represent hidden realities. They signify that the celebration of the liturgy is not something ordinary, but that it takes us beyond the experience of daily life.

[Watch Formed Here](#)



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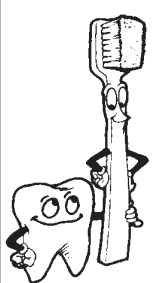
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