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## DECEMBER 26, 2021 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

### MONDAY – DECEMBER 27 – SAINT JOHN

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Intentions of the Thesing Family  
6:45 P.M. Rosary in Church

### TUESDAY – DECEMBER 28 – THE HOLY INNOCENTS

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Marian Battista (ANN)

### WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 29 – FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Elenora Pucci (BR)  
8:00 A.M.-NOON Adoration

### THURSDAY – DECEMBER 30 – SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OF THE LORD

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Intentions of Joshua Feibelman

### FRIDAY – DECEMBER 31 – SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

6:10 A.M. Communion Service  
7:30 A.M. Don Taylor

### SATURDAY – JANUARY 1 – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

9:00 A.M. Pat Marks

### SUNDAY – JANUARY 2 – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

7:30 A.M. Ron Merkel  
9:30 A.M. Louis Perrino (ANN)  
11:30 A.M. Frank Thesing  
7:00 P.M. For Our Parishioners

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

For the past two months or one sixth of the year, our society has been pointing to Christmas. I saw the first Christmas ad at the end of October. There have been Christmas trees and wreaths, lights and tinsel, carols and cookies, Santa Claus and Rudolph, parties and cards, and gifts purchased. In many ways, all of that is the wrapping for the best gift of all: God's gift of self to us in the person of Jesus born of Mary in Bethlehem, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and laid in a manger!



In the gift of Jesus, God has embraced the human race and human history. Christmas is the celebration of that embrace! And God embraces not just human life... but my life... and your life! God embraces not just human history in general...but my history... my story... and your story! The good news is that God embraces you... God embraces me!

In the midst of all the wrappings this Christmas, don't miss the gift! May you experience God's personal embrace! May that experience bring you joy and peace during the Christmas season and throughout the new year!

Fr. Jim

## BAPTISMS

Nicholas Alan Johnson, Jr.,  
son of Nicholas and Karen Johnson.

## PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The Parish Office is closed until 8:00 a.m. on Monday, January 3, 2022. If you have an emergency, you will be able to reach us by calling 513-471-7741, ext. 9. All other messages can be left at 513-471-7741, ext. 0. We will be checking messages periodically throughout the week and will return your call.

## HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

**NEW YEAR'S EVE** – Friday, December 31: 7:30 a.m. Mass ONLY

**NEW YEAR'S DAY, FEAST OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD:** *(not a Holy Day of obligation this year)*

Saturday, January 1: 9:00 a.m. ONLY. NO 4:30 p.m. Mass for Sunday obligation

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY** – Sunday, January 2: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament of the Sick is a healing sacrament of the Church. Anyone who is sick or elderly and in need of physical or emotional healing can come to this sacrament which will be communally celebrated annually. Those who would like to receive the sacrament before a hospital stay or surgery are invited to call the Parish Office to make arrangements. The sacrament is also available to those who may be near death. Please call the parish emergency line. Someone will respond to your call. Please inform the Parish Office when a member of the parish is hospitalized.

### Considering Entering the Catholic Church?

RCIA is the process through which adults are fully initiated into the Catholic faith community. The process provides for different levels of entry. To obtain more information, call Deacon Mark Bardonaro at 471-7741.

### Infant Baptisms

Attendance at a Parent Pre-Baptism Session is required. Call the Parish Office at 471-7741, ext. 0.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday, 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m., or by appointment.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

One of the engaged or his/her parents must be a registered and active parishioner for six months prior to scheduling a wedding. Scheduling must take place at least six months in advance of the wedding. Weddings are not scheduled during Advent or Lenten Seasons. A marriage preparation program is required.

### Communion for the Sick and Homebound

Please call the Parish Office to request this service.



**SAFE PARISH**

SafeParish is the child protection platform for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Everyone registered with SafeParish should have received an email with the quarterly,

video bulletin. This training bulletin must be completed by January 6, 2022 in order to remain active and in compliance with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Child Protection Policy. ***If you did not get the bulletin, check your spam or junk mail. You can also sign into your account, go to the Training Tab and click on the "Due" link to see which bulletins are due and their due date.*** No one may work with children if they are not active and in-compliance.

### MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND DECLARATION OF NULLITY (ANNULMENT)

Tuesday, January 18, we will gather in the Faith Sharing Room at 7:00 p.m. for a discussion on marriage, divorce and annulments. We will examine what the Church says about marriage and what happens when a marriage ends in divorce. We will detail the declaration of nullity process: What is it? When is it necessary? We are offering this evening in an attempt to bring about a deeper understanding of all marriages. Come join us!

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL POOR BOXES

Due to the safety of the schoolchildren, the St. Vincent de Paul Collection box has been removed from the Parish grounds. The St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes at the entrances to church are for monetary and non-perishable food donations *only*. **Do not put clothing or household items in the box.** Donations of clothing and household items can be dropped at the local St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store at 3015 Glenhills Way near Ferguson Road or held until our next Bundle Sunday. Thank you for your understanding.

### BEACONS OF LIGHT: PASTORAL PLANNING FOR OUR THIRD CENTURY



The first major phase of Beacons of Light was the announcement of the final Families of Parishes. Our Family of parishes will include Our Lady of Victory, St. Simon, St. Al's on-the-Ohio, and St. Vincent de Paul. In January or February, three priests will be officially assigned to

this family, a pastor and two associates. The next major phase is the implementation of the new Families of Parishes on July 1, 2022. This will involve a great deal of planning and preparation over the coming months. Please pray for our archdiocese and all who will play significant roles in this effort. To stay on top of the latest developments on Beacons of Light, sign up for the free monthly *Beacons Update* newsletter at [www.CatholicAOC.org](http://www.CatholicAOC.org).

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### ST. DOMINIC PARISHIONERS FOR LIFE

St. Dominic Parishioners for Life will hold a BABY SHOWER to benefit Pregnancy Center West. Donations can be brought to the Gathering Place after all Masses on January 22 and 23. Monetary donations are critical along with donations of diapers, wipes, formula and onesies.

### ST. DOMINIC MEN'S SOCIETY LOTTERY

The tickets have been sold, and now is the time when the winners are drawn!!!

The winning ticket numbers for the first week of December are:

December 20	#013 Jim Depaoli
December 21	#363 Betty Schultz
December 22	#060 Robert Murphy
December 23	#978 Tom Layton
December 25	No drawing on Christmas

### ANOTHER WAY TO SUPPORT ST. DOMINIC

Are you age 70 ½ and required by the IRS to take annual distributions from your IRA account, also known as Required Minimum Distributions (RMD)? If so, you may consider making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from your IRA account directly to St. Dominic Parish. QCDs will satisfy your annual distribution requirement, (RMD), and will not be included in your taxable income for the year. This could be a great way to save taxes and financially support St. Dominic Parish. For more details on Qualified Charitable Distributions from your IRA account, please contact your investment advisor and/or your tax advisor as we cannot give specific tax advice.



Online Giving is available for parishioners with WeShare, an easy and convenient way to save time and support the church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure.

With WeShare, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. You can decide how much to give to any collection and make changes any time, day or night. Plus, you can leave your checkbook at home on Sundays.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit <https://stdominicdelhi.weshareonline.org/> or visit our parish website at [www.stdominicdelhi.org](http://www.stdominicdelhi.org) and click on the green Online Giving icon on the left side of the page.

If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish

office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0.



We have started the Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) again at the 9:30 a.m. Mass! CLOW is a ministry for the young children of the parish. At the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade are dismissed to the Gathering Place for a learning experience, on their level, that mirrors the Scripture readings, Creed and Prayers of the Faithful. The children then return to their families in church to celebrate the remainder of the Mass. **We are looking for adult volunteers who are SafeParish-trained to assist our current leaders. (If you are not SafeParish-trained, there is training available for you). If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Karen Brandstetter, Pastoral Associate, at 513-471-7741, ext. 481 or via email at kbrandstetter@stdominicdelhi.org.**

## ST. DOMINIC NEWS

**STATEMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS** – If you wish to receive a statement of your contributions for 2021, please drop the WHITE card found in the November/December envelope mailing in the collection on Sunday or bring it to the Parish Office. You can also contact the Parish Office at 513-471-7741, ext. 0 or parishoffice@stdominicdelhi.org to request a statement.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS** – Are you retired or an empty nester? Do you miss the sense of purpose you had when working? Do you wonder *is God finished with me?* The Ignatian Volunteer Corps is a great response to these questions. IVC matches your skill set with non-profits while enhancing your spiritual growth. Contact IVC's Region Director Tom Conway to learn more by email at tconway@ivcusa.org or by cell at 910-685-5084. For more on the Ignatian Volunteer Corps, visit [www.ivcusa.org](http://www.ivcusa.org).

**THE MESSIAH, BY GEORGE FREDERIC HANDEL** – The St. William Choir and Soloists and the Cincinnati Metropolitan Chamber Orchestra, conducted by David F. Allen, present the Messiah, an oratorio by George Frederic Handel, Sections I and III. Join them at St. William Church on Sunday, January 9 at 3:30 p.m. for this free performance. During intermission, a freewill offering will be accepted to help defray costs of the performance. For more information, contact St. William Parish at 513-921-0247.



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Our future depends on you.

Please remember St. Dominic in your will and estate planning.

Our legal title is St. Dominic Roman Catholic Church.

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 2

	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (Captains names are listed first.)
7:30 a.m., Sunday	BC Charles	Clinton Backscheider, Scott Beck, Vi Bronner
9:30 a.m., Sunday	Michelle Smith	Jan Bonomini, Nancy Gibbs, Katie Bezold
11:30 a.m., Sunday	Paul Brinker	Lisa Autenrieb, Jenny Berndsen, Meg Morris
7:00 p.m., Sunday	Lizzy Martin	Jim Gerdes, John Klopp, Joe Middendorf



– Fr. Jim, Fr. Chris, Deacon Mark, Jenny O'Brien  
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