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Let us

Adore Him!!!



Dear Parishioners:

“Santa’s most popular helper by far is Rudolf, the red-nosed reindeer, who had a very shiny nose. We all know his story, as told in the Christmas song, how all of the other reindeer used to laugh and call him names. They never let poor Rudolf play in any reindeer games. But one day, all that was turned upside down. For on a foggy Christmas eve Santa came to say: Rudolf with your nose so bright, won’t you guide my sleigh tonight? The story of Rudolf is modelled on the story of salvation. It connects with our story both as individuals and as a community. It is not Santa who saves us but the newborn Jesus.

To begin with, Rudolf was a misfit. Compared to the image of the ideal reindeer we can say that something was definitely wrong with him. What is more, he was not in any position to help himself. So are we all, misfits, as the Bible tells us. “For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Romans 3:23). “All we like sheep have gone astray” (Isaiah 53:6). Like lost sheep we are not in a position to help ourselves. Rudolf could not help himself. All his fellow reindeer only made things worse for him. Only one person could help him, Santa, the messenger from heaven.” (Association of Catholic Priests)

Let us all accept the fact that God has chosen us in Christ. We all know John 3.16; God so loved the world that He sent His only Son. Let us be glad and rejoice for this great goodness of the Lord. Like the early Christian community let us experience the presence of God in word and action. Like angels and shepherds, let us be messengers of good tidings that Christ is born in us, in our family, and neighborhood. Let us share this message with gifts of love and giving to those in need.

In 2024, from September to October, we will be celebrating the 75th anniversary of our parish community. To mark the occasion and make it a lifetime experience, we have formed a committee to take charge of various sub-committees who will be involved in the planning and preparation for the event.

I wish to thank all those who are involved in leadership team and ministries. I also thank our Fr. Victor, parish Admin assistant Leah and all my other collaborators in the administration of the parish.

My parishioners and friends, in this season of rejoicing, may you be especially blessed.

I wish you all a blessed Christmas and a happy New Year.

Prayers and blessings,

Rev. John Alex Pinto OCD - Pastor

Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year!!!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions				
Day			Intention	
Sat	Dec	23	4pm	+Rose+
			6pm	Sp. Int. of El Shaddai Prayer Group
Sun	Dec	24	9am	For the Parishioners
			11am	+Robert Dublanko+
			4pm	Intention of the Donor
			7pm	OCDS-St. Teresa of Jesus Comm.
		Midnight	El Shaddai Prayer Group	
Mon	Dec	25	9am	Sp. Int. of Donors for Christmas Flowers and Int. of Parishioners
			11am	Thanksgiving - Leah Botor
			12:30pm	Thanksgiving - Carol Dublanko
Tues	Dec	26	7pm	Thanksgiving-Simbang Gabi Group
Wed	Dec	27	8am	Intention of the Donor
Thurs	Dec	28	8am	Healing of Donald Brooks
Fri	Dec	29	8am	+Anna Maria+
Sat	Dec	30	4pm	+George Brooks
Sun	Dec	31	9am	For the Parishioners
			11am	+Reynaldo Genese+
			4pm	Sp. Int. of Kataryna Jeziorek
Mon	Jan	01	9am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
			11am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
			12:30pm	Sp. Int. of Joanna Myrcik
Tues	Jan	02	7pm	+Rita Balais+
Wed	Jan	03	8am	+Rodolfo Tayag+
Thurs	Jan	04	8am	+Marilyn & Sonia Cunada+
Fri	Jan	05	7pm	+Aulis Kinnunen+

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Dec 23 | Saturday | 4 pm & 6 pm
Dec 24 | Sunday | 9 am & 11 am

December 24 | Sunday | Christmas Eve

4 pm, 7 pm & Midnight

December 25 | Monday | Christmas Day

9 am, 11 am, & 12:30 pm

December 28 | Thursday

Feast of the Holy Innocents

8am (Blessing of children during Mass)

Sunday after Christmas

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Dec 30 | Saturday | 4 pm

Dec 31 | Sunday | 9 am & 11 am

December 31 | Sunday | New Year's Eve

4 pm

5 to 5:30 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

January 1 | Monday | New Year's Day

Mary Mother of God

9 am, 11 am, & 12:30 pm

**Office will be CLOSED from
December 25 to January 03**

Thank you to the organizers, Rowena & Marites—OCDS, and our Sponsors, OCDS, CFC, Handmaid of the Lord, Legion of Mary & El Shaddai. Special thank to the Choir, headed by Bro. Toto of the Couples For Christ & Handmaids of the, of the Simbang Gabi.

Welcome and thank you to our visitors for joining us in the Eucharistic celebration this Christmas season.

MASS TIME

Weekdays: Monday, 8am; Tuesday, 7pm;
Wednesday to Friday, 8am;

First Friday Devotion, 6pm Adoration; 7pm Mass

Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4pm (Anticipated)

Sunday, 9am, 11am 12:30pm



SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:50pm;

Saturday, 3:00pm to 3:45pm;

or by Appointment

For other Sacraments:

Please contact the Parish Office

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Thursday 9am to 12:30pm; 1:30pm to 4:30pm CLOSED on Weekends and Statutory Holidays

A welcoming community of faith sharing the light & truth of the gospel of Christ.