THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH, DECEMBER 29, 2013

Parish Staff Team (756-3145)

Mass Intentions

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Pastor :	Sat.		Dominic & Jane Biscone	Billy & Josie Bruno
<i>Rev.</i> Fr. James J. Kane	Dec. 28 Vigil	4:00 pm		
frjim@tcosp.org Ext. 301				Helen Burns,
Deacon:	Sun.		Josephine Burns	Barbara Veino
Deacon Steven Young Ext. 308	Dec. 29	8:00 am	Katie Gager	Kali & Jillian Hager
Steve.richard.young@gmail.com	The Holy	0.00 am	Kalle Guger	
Associate for Administration and	Family			
Pastoral Care:		10:00 am	For all Parishioners,	Pastor
Mrs. Lori Nunziato				
lori@tcosp.org Ext. 302	Mon. Dec. 30		NO MASS HERE	
Pastoral Associate/D.R.E. for Faith	MOII. Dec. 30		8 AM St. Mary's	
Formation:			Coxsackie	
Br. Ron Davis, FSD Ext. 304	Tues.		NO 9 AM Mass	
broron@tcosp.org	Dec. 31	7:00 pm	Holy Day Vigil 7:00 PM at	
Pastoral Associate for Music:			ST. MARY'S, Coxsackie	
Mr. John Schmitt	Wed.			
john@tcosp.org Ext. 303	Jan. 1,	For all Parishior		r's
Volunteer Office Assistants: Ext. 300	Octave Day of	9:00 am	Day/World Day of Prayer	Pastor
Mrs. Donna Hagen [Bulletin Ed.] Mrs. Tina Irwin	the Nativity of the Lord		for Peace	
Mrs. Michelle Fralick	Thur. Jan. 2, St. Basil	9:00 am		
[Prayer Chain Coordinator]			Priest's Intention	Pastor
church@tcosp.org				
Volunteer Sacristan:	Fri.			
Mrs. Joan A. Lipscomb Ext. 300	Jan. 3, The Most Holy Name of	9:00 am	Frances Fetterhoff	Donna Hagen
Facilities Maintenance:				
Mr. Al Visconti Ext. 308	Jesus			
St. Patrick's Cemetery Cemetery Manager: Mrs. Lori Nunziato Sexton: Mr. Charles Burns Groundskeeper: Mr. Angel Perez	Sat. Jan. 4, St Elizabeth Ann Seton	9:00 am	Lansing "Sonny" Sickles	Sam & Carol Persico
Any questions regarding cemetery plots and/or mau- soleum space please call 756-3145.	Sat. Jan. 4	4:00 pm	Tommy Persico	Famly
New Families WELCOME! We would	(Vigil)			
like to include you in our Parish Family. Please call the rectory or stop by to reg- ister.		8:00 am	For all Parishioners, espe- cially all children on this "Little Christmas"	Pastor
Handicapped Accessible	Sunday	10:00 am		
Personal amplifying units available for the hearing impaired	Jan. 5, The Epiphany of the Lord			
Restrooms in the Parish Center				

St. Thomas the Apostle School Kindergarten Open House Saturday, January 11th 10:00 am

St. Thomas the Apostle School is a safe environment where students are empowered to achieve academic and spiritual excellence. Financial Aid Available. Transportation available in most districts. Please join us at our Kindergarten Open House. To register, please contact Carmel Foltan at 518-439-5573 or info@stthomas-school.org

Minister Schedules:

Jan 4 - 4:00 pm: Lector: Tony Manoli Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Ritty, Jackie Stefanik, Clayton Sumner, Eilleen Vosburgh, Rita Gager Server: Donna Hagen Greeters: Carol Bruno Cantor:

Jan. 5 - 8:00 am: Lector: Jim Feuerbach Eucharistic Ministers: Jan Mormile, Hank Mormile, Barbara Ohm, Steve Ohm, Kathy Pacuk Server: Diane Hoffman Greeters: Rosemary Lozano Cantor:

Jan. 5 - 10:00 am: Lector: Bro. Robert Matthews Eucharistic Ministers: Jane Noblett, Lori Nunziato, Barbara Tanner, Kim Wullum, Lauren Barber Servers: Luciano & Lyndsay Polverelli Greeters: Barbara Tanner Cantor:

PLEASE COME INTO THE SACRISTY TO SIGN-IN

Camera: Ron LeClair Counters: Diane Hoffman, Buddy Irwin, Jack Sylvester

Stewardship	Number	Aver- age	\$ Amount	2012	Reflection Joseph's obedience to God was not a one-	
Envelopes & Checks	129	\$28.31	\$3,652.00	\$2,517.00	time thing. His attention to the angel's warning kept Jesus from being murdered by Herod and led to the fulfillment of the prophecy that the Messiah would be a Na- zorean, Fidelity to God's will assures the best use of my talents, too!	
Loose cash			\$236.00	\$ 765.00		
Totals:12/21-22			\$3,888.00	\$3,282.00	Living Stewardship	
Budget			\$3,815.00		We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who seek to be as open as Jo-	
Stewardship			\$ 46.78		seph to the leading of the Holy Spirit, un- derstanding clearly and rejoicing in what	
2nd Collection					God is calling them to be and to do!	
Attendance for the weekend of December 21/22 was 321 (total number of registered families= 338.)						

THE PANTRY	THRIFT SHOP		
December 3 thru December 20	Jan. 2 - 3 - 4 CLOSED		
# families 63 # adults 104			
# children81# seniors12# using diapers/formula7	December - \$ 220.56		
"THANK YOU" to Don & Rita Gager, Mark, Lori, Kevin, & Jenny Anderson, Donna & Michelle Hagen for helping to pack the bags for Christmas distribution. "THANK YOU " to the men from LaFarge for pick	Thrift Shop Hours:Thursday, Friday & Saturday 1 - 3 pmVolunteers needed: call Jeanne 756-9580Thrift Shop Coordinator,- Jeanne Randio		
up and delivery for the food baskets, and for the generous corporate monetary donation.			
Your monetary & food donations are greatly appreciated. <i>Pantry Hours:</i>	Church Linens - January - Danielle Parks		
<i>Tuesday & Friday 10-11 am Wednesday 6-7 pm</i> Food Pantry Coordinator, <i>~Díane Hoffman:</i>	Anyone willing to do church linens call the Rectory at 756-3145		

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Quote of the Week:

"If you are not treated like royalty by the world, if you feel outcast from your church, if your job makes your life seem menial and if your life is full of burdens, you have a special spotlight on God's stage and He has a special place in His heart for you. He founded a church for the outcast, not a church that casts out people.

What is the Christmas message? Simply this—Be you saint or sinner, you belong at the stable. Be you rich or poor, you belong at the stable. Christ did not come to earth to exclude anyone. His arms reach out to all who turn to Him. Whoever we are and whatever we have done in the past, all of us belong at the stable. "

-Fr. Bob Warren, SA

Questions of the Week:

(Holy Family) "As the old year ends and the new year dawns, in what area of my life is God asking me, like Joseph, to trust and obey, to dare and to do?"

(New Year's) "To whom do I need to bring a special greeting of Christ's peace, with the assurance of supportive friendship, this New Year's Day?" -<u>Pastoral Patterns</u> (Winter 2013)

Prayer of the Week:

"O Lord Jesus Christ, once you embraced and placed your hands upon the little children who came to you, and said: "suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven, and their angels always see the face 0of my Father!" Look now with fatherly eyes on the innocence of these children and their parents' devotion and bless them this day through our ministry. [parents sign the forehead of each child with the sign of the cross] In your grace and goodness let them advance continually, longing for you...keeping your commandments. Then they will surely come to their destined home, through you, Savior of the world. Who lives & reigns for ever & ever." Blessing of Children on Holy Innocents Day

-Catholic Digest

Church Calendar

Dec. 31 - NO Women's Bible Study 31- Mass at 7pm—at St. Mary's Coxsackie

Jan. 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR'S! Mass here at 9:00 A.M. Jan. 6 - Rosary led by K of C, 6:20 pm, church

6 - K of C meeting, 7 pm, Room 4

Faith Formation Ministry

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My Dear Parishioners:

Rejoice in the Lord Always! Again I say rejoice! Father Jim Kane, our pastor, gave a very moving homily on the fourth Sunday of Advent. He reminded us of our call to make the birth of the Christ child real in our lives. He cited the thoughts of former Archbishop Romero as well as reminding us that we must see the Christ child in the broken and poor of the world. Although our Christmas scenes reflect beauty and artistic power we must realize that Christ need to be sought in a world where so many are disenfranchised, have nothing to eat, no place to sleep and no one to love them. This is our call. Bring Christ to all!

It is also important for me as a Franciscan, to remind you that the Christmas crib was developed as a way to remember the nativity of the Lord. It was St. Francis of Assisi and his brothers who recreated the scene with which we are familiar. No wonder the setting is so close to nature. Francis loved all the elements of the world and saw them united in the birth of the savior. It is a tradition that Francis left with the church as we continue to unite heaven and earth in that beautiful setting.

January 12th:All faith formation classes resume following the 10 am Liturgy.

January 16th: The Men's Bible Study resumes on Thursdays at 1pm in Room 5, in the parish center. The Women's Bible Study will continue separately on Tuesdays. RCIA will resume in January, please pay close attention for important dates which will be posted in the bulletin.

January 26th:Confirmation class will have the Right of Enrollment, which officially makes them candidates for Confirmation.

Unfortunately, due to the weather we did not get the opportunity to assemble our train in the parish center with the contributions from the children for the food pantry. None the less, we wish to thank all who helped in any way and the food of course will be delivered to the food pantry with much appreciation. As the new year unrolls, keep Christ in your lives and in your hearts!

With every good wish,

In Christ and Francis,

~Brother Ronald-Francis Davis, FSD Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation/DRE

