

# St. Joseph Catholic Church

## Newsletter

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### January Mass Readings

**January 07**  
**The Epiphany of the Lord**  
*Is 60:1-6*  
*Eph 3:2-3, 5-6*  
*Matt 2:1-12*

**January 14**  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*1 Sm 3:3-10, 19*  
*1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20*  
*John 1:35-42*

**January 21**  
**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Jon 3:1-5, 10*  
*1 Cor 7:29-31*  
*Mark 1:14-20*

**January 28**  
**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*Dt 18:15-20*  
*1 Cor 7:32-35*  
*Mark 1:21-28*

# SOLEMNITY

# OF MARY

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

### HISTORY

The Catholic church celebrates the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1 each year, the 8<sup>th</sup> day after Christmas. In most places this day is a holy day of obligation, so the Church requires that we attend mass.

The title "Mother of God" was officially given to Mary in 431 A.D. at the council of Ephesus. At this meeting of bishops, it was declared that Jesus was both fully human and fully divine (God), therefore Mary was the mother of God. This day is the oldest feast day to honor Mary. We celebrate Mary's faith and commitment to God on this day.

### SCRIPTURE

The first time we hear the words that Mary is the mother of God is when Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, greeted her.

"Why should this great thing happen to me, that my Lord's mother comes to visit me?" Luke 1:43.

Elizabeth recognized the privilege God had granted to Mary and Mary's grace in accepting it.

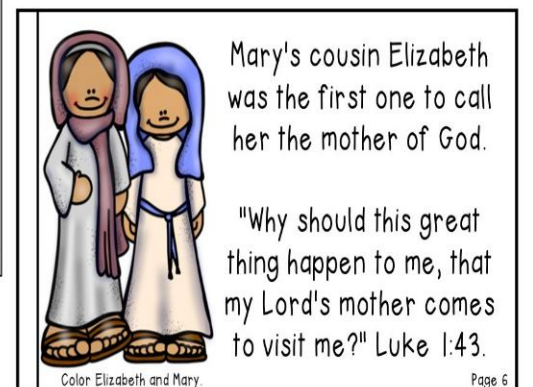
*Holy Day of Obligation*



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Color: Elizabeth and Mary.

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## JANUARY 1

# CATHOLIC HOLY DAYS & HOLIDAYS

I hope 2024 brings  
you lots of love,  
laughter and joy.

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**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**Financial Report**  
**NOVEMBER 2023**

<b>RECEIPTS:</b>	
Collections	19,969.00
Second Collections	1,760.00
Fund Raisers	- 0 -
Cemeteries Funds	260.00
Other Income	4,344.65
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$26,333.65</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	
Salaries & Benefits	21,652.75
Rectory, Church & Offices	5,621.51
Budgeted Committees	278.34
Contributions/Aid	1,650.00
Scholarships	- 0 -
Second Collections	1,067.00
Cemeteries Expenses	962.21
Other Expenses	801.22
Diocesan Assessment	2,082.75
Parish Support-Seminarians	377.27
Capital Expenditures	- 0 -
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>	<b>\$34,493.05</b>
<b>EXCESS RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS:</b>	<b>(\$8,159.40)</b>

\*Balance due on the new HVAC units in the church.



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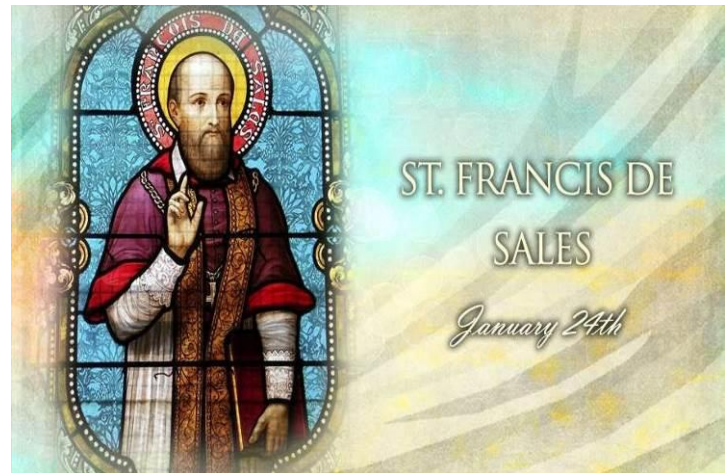
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**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

As soon as Jesus  
was baptised  
he saw the Spirit of God  
coming down on him.



Matt 3:13-17



Remember, this is our parish newsletter and our way to connect with each other. If you have news you would like to share, please email me at [stjosephnews14@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephnews14@gmail.com).

# JANUARY



# BIRTHDAYS

01	Mildred Warfield	16	Jan Patterson
03	Betty Bradshaw	16	Dena Via
03	Silvia Chavez	19	Janie Culpepper
03	Eric "Buddy" Smith	19	Donna Smith
04	Jaycie Clay	20	Christopher Coody
05	Linda Oster	20	Betty Peden
06	David Wilbert	21	Rowland Barthet
07	Rhonda Gustek	22	Richard Campbell
08	Gabriel Chavez	22	George Dickson, Sr.
09	Lauren Zell	22	Lisa Kosmitis
10	Theresa Falls	23	Noel "Bud" Bryant
12	Mary Ives	23	Lori Rosetti
13	Erin Koenig	26	Mary Daggett
14	Judy Erstine	26	Clinton Jacinto
15	Amor Bruce	27	Lisa Burns
16	Gloria Aureli	28	Michael Roberts
		30	Melinda Courtney

04	Nicolai & Allison Birch
10	Richard & Kay Burleigh
16	Jason & Amy Dean
20	Charles & Glenda Stahr
21	Noel "Bud" & Gail Bryant
28	Thomas & Lori Rosetti





# St. Joseph Stained Glass Saints

Submitted by: Sandra Taylor



**#12 St. Anthony**

In 285, at the age of 34, he decided to follow the words of Jesus, who had said: "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasures in heaven; and come, follow Me.", which is part of the Evangelical counsels. Taking these words quite literally, Anthony gave away some of the family estate to his neighbors, sold the remaining property, donated the funds thus raised to the poor, and himself became a missionary. He went about Italy working miracles for the people. Whenever he spoke to anyone about Jesus, they listened and accepted Jesus as their Savior. One night the Divine Child came to visit Anthony. He kissed the Saint gently and told him how much He loved him. Since his death, he has done wonderful things for those who ask him to pray for them.

# Catholic Saints Word Search

A Z K D L F R A N C E S M T W P U L B X H U M W  
U J T E R E S A Y Y X I S E L I Z A B E T H X S  
D I I V V K W K Z L X Q Z Q F S V J V I X H Q D  
Y L I F I J V M L J O A C H I M W Y U A S F K O  
K I I C S O B L E S S E D V I R G I N M A R Y C  
U J B S I S G P V A L E N T I N E D A U I C V C  
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U A Y F O P P R J L Y V I N C E N T I W E I I X  
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Nicholas

Rita

Thomas

Teresa

Gabriel

Anne

Blessed Virgin Mary

Frances

Joan

Isidore

Rose

Michael

George

Juan

Marguerite

Augustine

Elizabeth

John

Bernadette

Peter

Valentine

Vincent

Raphael

Joachim

Joseph

# Epiphany

The wise men followed the star,  
And found Christ who is light from light.  
May you too find the Lord  
when your pilgrimage is ended. (Amen)



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