



The Rectory will be closed on Friday, December 24th & on Monday, December 27th

St. Mark's Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. Sean P. Flynn, Pastor

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Fourth Sunday of ADVENT



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lectionary: 12

Reading I Mi 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah
too small to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to be ruler in Israel;
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient times.

Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time
when she who is to give birth has borne,
and the rest of his kindred shall return
to the children of Israel.

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock
by the strength of the LORD,
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;
and they shall remain, for now his greatness
shall reach to the ends of the earth;
he shall be peace.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.

R. (4) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face
and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;

take care of this vine,

and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made
strong.

Then we will no more withdraw from you;

give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.

Reading II Heb 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;

in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight.

Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll,
behold, I come to do your will, O God.’”

First he says, “Sacrifices and offerings,
holocausts and sin offerings,
you neither desired nor delighted in.”

These are offered according to the law.

Then he says, :Behold, I come to do your will.”

He takes away the first to establish the second.

By this “will,” we have been consecrated
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once
for all.

Alleluia Lk 1:38

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Lk 1:39-45

Mary set out

and traveled to the hill country in haste
to a town of Judah,

where she entered the house of Zechariah
and greeted Elizabeth.

When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting,

the infant leaped in her womb,

and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,

cried out in a loud voice and said,

“Blessed are you among women,

and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

And how does this happen to me,

that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached
my ears,

the infant in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed are you who believed

that what was spoken to you by the Lord

would be fulfilled.”

New Office Hours

Beginning Tuesday, January 4, 2022 the Rectory will be open
Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 Noon
5PM in Spanish

Daily Masses

Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet after Daily Masses

Monday-Friday at 7:30 AM and 11 AM
Saturday 7:30 AM Only (No 11 AM Mass)
Tuesdays 6 PM Spanish Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and
Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and 11 AM Masses

Devotions and Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays after 11 AM Mass.

Benediction at 1:45 PM

1st Fridays Spanish Adoration beginning at 7 PM

Pray FOR THE SICK

Please Note: New Policy for the Pray for our Sick. Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. To ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

Frances Dougherty, Jim & Andrea Trischitta, Mary Jane Lorenzo, Erin Rubas, Dennis Maloney, Dr. William Burns, Robert Czech, Deacon Mike, Janet Thomas, Edward Morea, Rosalie Renda, Alice Healy, Benjamin Ohlweiler, Jeremy Pavlick, Lucy Gargano, Christine Frauenheim, Robert MacPherson, Jake Gilbert, Bill Lesniak, Jim Bogan, Bruce Bogan, Sr., Alexandra Gavilanes, Sarah Gallagher, Jimmy Azzollini, Vivian Wilson, Ken Hauck, Dorothy Waugh, Patricia Cavanaugh, Rose Courtney, Grace Philhower, Maria Valdez.

Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and
let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

† Eugene Murray

May the angels lead you into paradise...

St. Mark's Bereavement Ministry

Our Bereavement Ministry helps those who are grieving the loss of a loved one during their most difficult times.

They meet on Wednesdays at 11 AM at St. Mark's.

Please call Sue Nolan at 718-637-1162 for more information. All are welcome!

Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and its ministries!

We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

Because of an early deadline for printing, we did not have the collection data for the weekend of December 12, 2021. This data will be reflected in next weekend's bulletin.



Readings for the Week

December 19, 2021

Monday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Friday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 or Col 3:12-17, or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

If you are a parishioner who has not been able to attend Mass and would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you, please contact **Donna at the rectory, 732-449-6364 x100 or email donna@stmarkseagirt.com.**

CONNECT WITH A FAMILY OR SENIOR IN NEED.

Love Thy Neighbor Christmas "Connect" program is underway with local needy families and seniors. You can buy a gift card to be sent or gifts to be delivered. If interested call Diana at 732-542-7012 ext. 105 and get the information needed and give the gift of joy to those in need.



Christmas Eve, December 24th

7:30 AM

1:00 PM in Spanish

4:00 PM

Reader: Connie Duffy

Eucharistic Ministers: Lynn Jelliff & Patricia Holt

6:30 PM

Reader: Lori Savino

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim & Marianne Sheridan

Christmas Day, December 25th

8:00AM

Reader: Bob Cavazini

Eucharistic Ministers: Gary & Pat Cademartori

10:00AM

Reader: Joe Stillo

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Stillo & Jay Lorenzo

12:00PM

Reader: Jim Mulvihill

Eucharistic Ministers: Colleen Rivera & Jim Mulvihill

2:00 PM in Spanish

The Most Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, December 26th

8:00 AM

Reader: Bob Cavazini

Eucharistic Ministers: Gary & Pat Cademartori

10:00 AM

Reader: Connie Duffy

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Stillo & Jay Lorenzo

12 Noon

Reader: Bob Cienia

Eucharistic Ministers: Bob Cienia & Maria Checton

*The dark night wakes, the glory breaks,
and Christmas comes once more.*



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Your generosity and support helps our parish grow in faith, love and support.

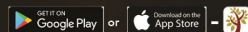
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for information and to sign up.

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613 St. Mark Sea Girt NJ 08750

† This Week's Mass Intentions

DATE	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Monday, December 20		
7:30 AM	† Stephen Cagnacci	Donatelli Family
	† Thomas J. Harris	Maureen and Rick Heilmann
	† Betty Lou Stypa	Jim and Marianne Sheridan
11:00 AM	† Flynn Family	Jerry Flynn
	† Billy Staudenmaier	Nancy Shalhoub
	† Jeffrey Grimm	Peggy Whelan
Tuesday, December 21		
7:30 AM	† Walter Schier	Geri Zalom
	† Harris Pinsky	Mary Ann Zimmer
11:00 AM	† Elvera Caroselli	Rose Ann and Robert Ferguson
	† Jack Jurczyk	Family
Wednesday, December 22		
7:30 AM	† Julia Buonocore	Fred and Lissa McGrath
	† Joan Horne	Pam Zusi and Family
11:00 AM	† Patricia Henry	Joe and Mary Beth Walsh
	† Betty Lou Stypa	Saint Mark's Altar Rosary Society
	† Suzanne Smith	Alice Perry
Thursday, December 23		
7:30 AM	† Janet Ferrante	Ken and Maureen Hauck
11:00 AM	† Emory C. Smith	Betsy Smith
	† Carmine Giordano	Richard Venino
	† Lois Cullum	Patti and John Glassford
Friday, December 24 Christmas Eve		
7:30 AM	† Carol Treger	Estate
	† Deceased Members of the Passalaqua Family	Family
	† Julia Buonocore	Madeline Schollmeyer
1:00 PM	† Richard Reilly, Sr.	Family
	† Betty Lou Stypa	Marion Reilly
4:00 PM	† Stephen J. Bohacik	Family
	† John Shine	Family
	† Cathy Mulvaney	Gene and Judy Mulvaney
6:30 PM	† Ida and Jack Donnelly	Family
	† Philomena Tortoriello	Family

Saturday, December 25 Christmas Day

8:00 AM	People of the Parish	
10:00 PM	† Henry Foerst	Marianne and Jeff Schobel
	† Lois Cullum	Gerri and Tom Bleach
	Michael Davis	Paulette McCormack
12 Noon	† Jack Rosa	Family
	† Robert DeFalco	Friends
	† Ronald Knepper	Family
2:00 PM		

Sunday, December 26 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00 AM	† Julia Buonocore	Kathy Fitzgibbons
	† Robert Kowitski	Cae and Patty Allgor
10:00 AM	† Dr. James Boozan	Frances Dougherty
	† Janet Ferrante	Patricia Weeks
	† Elena Loughran	Lynn Jelliff and Willms Family
12 Noon	People of the Parish	Saint Mark's Parish Family
5:00 PM	† Cesar Ruiz	Nayeli Ruiz
	† Cira Torralba	Isabel Lopez
	† Maria del Carmen Cartagena	Morelos- Cartagena Family



St. Rosary Makers

The Rosary Makers would like to thank Msgr. Flynn for his special blessing at our November meeting.

We will not meet in December.

Our next meeting is on **Monday, January 24** at 1pm in Fr. Child's Hall (Saint Mark's basement).

The rosary is a priceless treasure inspired by God.

Saint Louis De Monfort

Catholic Charities

Thank you. Your generosity enables Catholic Charities to serve those in desperate need. That generosity was especially demonstrated by the rapid response to the urgent need of the Afghan children housed at McGuire Air Force Base. They and all we serve are so grateful for your support. If you know of anyone needing assistance, especially during this Christmas season, with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence or immigration services please contact us at:

www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711.

We wish you a blessed Christmas and holy, healthy and happy New Year.



St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society at their annual Christmas party on December 6, 2021

WORD OF LIFE

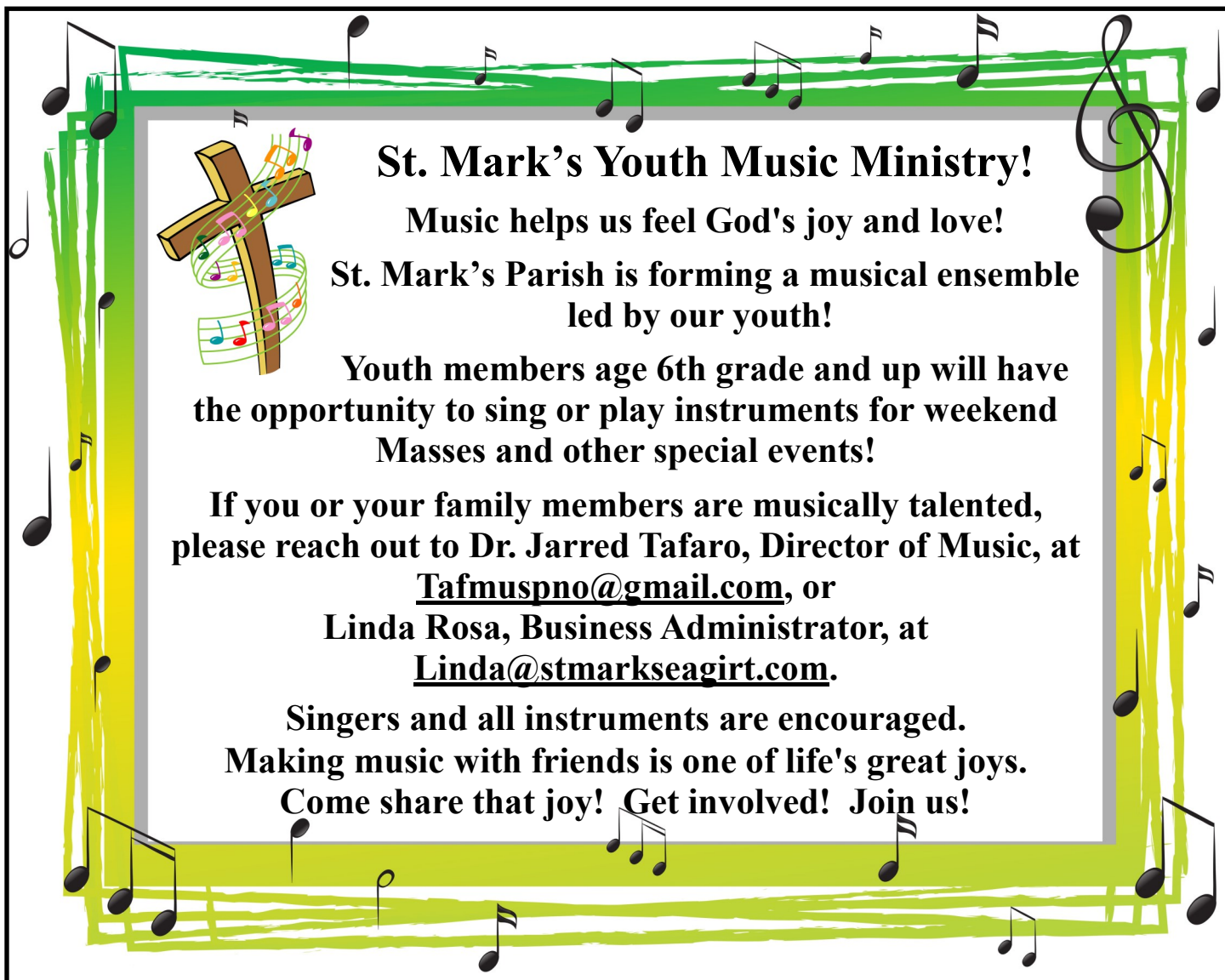
"Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother." Author of "10 Ways to Support Her When She is Unexpectedly Expecting."

INTERCESSION

For all parents awaiting the birth of their child:

May they look to the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph and follow their example of cherishing and protecting human life; *We pray to the Lord:*

Save the Date: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Feast Day is January 4th. You're invited to celebrate and honor her on January 9th, 2022 at St. Margaret Church at the 10:00 AM Mass. More details to follow.



St. Mark's Youth Music Ministry!


Music helps us feel God's joy and love!

St. Mark's Parish is forming a musical ensemble led by our youth!

Youth members age 6th grade and up will have the opportunity to sing or play instruments for weekend Masses and other special events!

If you or your family members are musically talented, please reach out to Dr. Jarred Tafaro, Director of Music, at Tafmuspno@gmail.com, or Linda Rosa, Business Administrator, at Linda@stmarkseagirt.com.

Singers and all instruments are encouraged. Making music with friends is one of life's great joys. Come share that joy! Get involved! Join us!




Christmas Offering envelopes are available at the entrances to the church.

We ask you to be especially generous in your Christmas donation this year. We use this collection to help pay some of our larger expenses. Thank you!


On behalf of Fr. Jose, Deacon Mike and the Parish Staff of St. Mark's, I wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year!

Msgr. Sean P. Flynn




Remember Our Troops This Holiday Season

While everyone is not yet able to participate in person at Masses, you can watch them online by visiting our parish website: [Saint Mark's Catholic Church – 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, New Jersey 08750 \(stmarkseagirt.com\)](http://SaintMark'sCatholicChurch-215CrescentPkwy,SeaGirt,NewJersey08750(stmarkseagirt.com)) and click on the Livestream logo or highlight the link below then right click and click open Hyperlink [St. Mark Church Streaming Player](http://St.MarkChurchStreamingPlayer) | Powered by StreamSpot.



St. Marks CYO

Many thanks to the exceedingly generous parishioners of St. Mark's parish for your support of our CYO Christmas wreath sale! It enabled us to send very generous donations to our CYO charities.

God bless you and we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!





ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES 3RD TO 8TH!!!!!!
YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN OUR CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2021
4:00 P.M. MASS

Practices will be held on:

Tuesday, December 14 from 6:30-7:30 P.M. (Church' basement)

At this practice, we will assign roles, practice the play, and discuss costumes.

Monday, December 20 from 5:30 – 6:30 P.M. (Church)

This will be the Final Dress Rehearsal and we will be practicing with the Reader,
Little Angels, Shepherds and Choir.

Any questions, call Diana Zuna Nieves (732)-449-6364, ext. 105

Please return this bottom section to your Catechist.
I would like to be in the Christmas Pageant!

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

SESSION: _____ CATECHIST: _____

I WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE AS: Circle one

Mary

Joseph

Wise Men (3 needed)

Angels (3 needed)

Baby Angel (1 needed)

Big Angels (2 needed)

Big Shepherds (2 needed)

Star Angels (2 needed)

Angel & Shepherd Alert

We're calling all "Little Angels" and
"Little Shepherds" in the Kindergarten,
1st and 2nd Grades to participate in
St. Mark's Christmas Eve Pageant on:



Friday, December 24, 2021
4:00 p.m. Mass.

- All that is needed for an angel is a white robe (which could be a sheet with a hole for their head and a tie at the waist). Halos will be provided. No wings are needed.
- For a shepherd's costume a simple shepherd's headdress is needed (which could be a small towel or piece of fabric held in place with a headband). The shepherds may wear their regular clothing.
- Each participant will also need 2 AA batteries for the candles they will carry.
For more information about the costume, please see me, I will be able to help you!

PRACTICE WILL BE HELD ON:
MONDAY, DECEMBER 20
6:00-5:30 p.m.

Any questions, please call Diana Zuna Nieves at (732) 449-6364 ext. 105.

Please return this portion to Diana Zuna or your child's Catechist.

I WOULD LIKE TO BE AN: (circle one)

LITTLE ANGEL

LITTLE SHEPHERD

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Grade: _____

Catechist: _____

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Cuarto Domingo de Adviento
Diciembre 19, 2021

Primera Lectura: Jr 23, 5-8.

“Miren: Viene un tiempo, dice el Señor, en que haré surgir un renuevo en el tronco de David:

será un rey justo y prudente y hará que en la tierra se observen la ley y la justicia. En sus días será puesto a salvo Judá, Israel habitará con fiabilidad y a él lo llamarán con este nombre: ‘El Señor es nuestra justicia’. Por eso, miren que vienen tiempos, oráculo del Señor, en los que no se dirá: ‘Bendito sea el Señor, que sacó a los israelitas de Egipto’, sino que se dirá: ‘Bendito sea el Señor, que sacó a los hijos de Israel del país del norte y de los demás países donde los había dispersado, y los trajo para que habitaran de nuevo su propia tierra’ ”.

Salmo Responsorial: Sal 71, 2. 7-8. 12-13. 17.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Comunica, Señor, al rey tu juicio y tu justicia, al que es hijo de reyes;
así tu siervo saldrá en defensa de tus pobres y regirá a tu pueblo justamente.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Al débil libraré del poderoso y ayudará al que se encuentra sin amparo;
se apiadará del desvalido y pobre y salvará la vida al desdichado.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Bendito sea el Señor, Dios de Israel, el único que hace grandes cosas.

Que su nombre glorioso sea bendito y la tierra se llene de su gloria.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Segunda Lectura: Heb 10, 5-10.

Hermanos: Al entrar al mundo, Cristo dijo, conforme al salmo: No quisiste víctimas ni ofrendas; en cambio, me has dado un cuerpo. No te agradaron los holocaustos ni los sacrificios por el pecado; entonces dije –porque a mí se refiere la Escritura–: “Aquí estoy, Dios mío; vengo para hacer tu voluntad”. Comienza por decir: “No quisiste víctimas ni ofrendas, no te agradaron los holocaustos ni los sacrificios por el pecado –siendo así que eso es lo que pedía la ley–; y luego añade: “Aquí estoy, Dios mío; vengo para hacer tu voluntad”. Con esto, Cristo suprime los antiguos sacrificios, para establecer el nuevo. Y en virtud de esta voluntad, todos quedamos santificados por la ofrenda del cuerpo de Jesucristo, hecha una vez por todas.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio


R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Señor nuestro, que guiaste a tu pueblo por el desierto y le diste la ley a Moisés en el Sinaí, ven a redimirnos con tu poder.

R. Aleluya

Evangelio: Mt 1, 18-24.

Cristo vino al mundo de la siguiente manera: Estando María, su madre, desposada con José, y antes de que vivieran juntos, sucedió que ella, por obra del Espíritu Santo, estaba esperando un hijo. José, su esposo, que era hombre justo, no queriendo ponerla en evidencia, pensó dejarla en secreto. Mientras pensaba en estas cosas, un ángel del Señor le dijo en sueños: “José, hijo de David, no dudes en recibir en tu casa a María, tu esposa, porque ella ha concebido por obra del Espíritu Santo. Dará a luz un hijo y tú le pondrás el nombre de Jesús, porque él salvará a su pueblo de sus pecados”. Todo esto sucedió para que se cumpliera lo que había dicho el Señor por boca del profeta Isaías: *He aquí que la virgen concebirá y dará a luz un hijo, a quien pondrán el nombre de Emmanuel, que quiere decir Dios-con-nosotros.* Cuando José despertó de aquel sueño, hizo lo que le había mandado el ángel del Señor y recibió a su esposa.



Horario de Misas para Diciembre y Enero

Viernes, Diciembre 24 1:00 PM

- Misa de la Natividad del Señor & Pastorela por los niños(as)

Sábado, Diciembre 25 2:00 PM

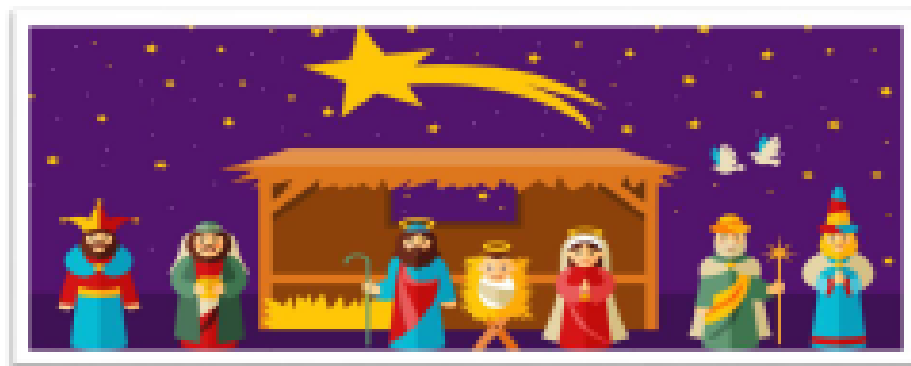
- Solemnidad de la Natividad del Señor- Misa del Día.

Sábado, Enero 1 2:00 PM

- Solemnidad de Santa María Madre de Dios y Misa de Año Nuevo.

Para más información llamar a la oficina
(732) 449-6364 ext. 104.

Obra de Navidad 2021



Invitamos a todos los actores, angelitos y pastorcitos en las clases de Religión
a participar en la Obra de Navidad de San Marcos el:

Viernes, 24 de Diciembre de 2021

Misa en español 1:00 p.m.

***San Marcos proveerá todos los disfraces para la obra.**

Ensayos en la Iglesia:

1. Lunes, 13 de diciembre de 5:30-6:30 p.m.

2. Martes 21 de diciembre de 6:30 -7:30 p.m.

** Maria, José, Ángeles grandes, Reyes Magos y pastor grande, deberán hablar español
para poder participar, ellos tendrán partes en la obra que tiene que memorizarse.*

Cualquier pregunta, llame a Diana Zuna Nieves al (732) 449-6364 ext. 105

Devuelva esta porción a Diana Zuna o al catequista de su hijo (a).

ME GUSTARÍA SER UN: (circule uno)

MARIA	JOSE	ANGELES (3 grandes)	REYES MAGOS (3)
PASTOR (1 grande)	ESTRELLA	PEQUENOS ANGELES	PASTORCITOS

Nombre del niño (a): _____

Teléfono: _____ Grado: _____

Catequista: _____