

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD DECEMBER 25, 2020

FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

As we drew near to the end of the Advent Season we were greeted in our liturgy by one of the ancient liturgical antiphons: "O Emmanuel, our king and lawgiver, hope and salvation of the peoples: come to save us, O Lord our God." *Veni ad salvandum nos!* Come to save us! This is the cry raised by men and women in every age, who sense that by themselves they cannot prevail over difficulties and dangers. They need to put their hands in a greater and stronger hand, a hand which reaches out to them from on high. Dear brothers and sisters, this hand is Christ, born in Bethlehem of the Virgin Mary. He is the hand that God extends to humanity, to draw us out of the mire of sin, and to set us firmly on rock, the secure rock of His Truth and His Love.

This is the meaning of the Child's name, the name which, by God's will, Mary and Joseph gave him: He is named Jesus, which means "Savior." He was sent by God the Father to save us above all from the evil deeply rooted in man and in history. It is this evil that separates us from God, and with it our own prideful presumption of being self-sufficient. In addition we try to compete with God and to take His place, to decide what is good and evil, to be the master of life and death. This is the great evil, the great sin, from which we human beings cannot save ourselves unless we rely on God's help, unless we cry out to him: "Veni ad salvandum nos! – Come to save us!"

As we celebrate Christmas let us turn our gaze anew upon the grotto of Bethlehem. The child whom we contemplate is our salvation! He has brought to the world a universal message of reconciliation and peace. Let us open our hearts to him; let us receive him into our lives.

I would like to offer a special word of welcome to our visitors this Christmas Season. Know that you are always welcome and we love having you with us.

Many thanks to everyone who helped to make our celebration of Christmas so special, from our Cathedral Choir to the those who helped to decorate the Basilica. Please know your efforts helped to create a beautiful, warm setting to celebrate the coming of Christ into the world at Christmas.

Monsignor Henry Breier







Christmas Memorial Poinsettias

May the beauty of these Memorial Poinsettias lift up our prayers this Christmas season as we acknowledge the gratitude we feel for loved ones, friends, and those whose lives are a particular blessing to us, both living and deceased.

In Honor of...

The Alatorre Family given by Salvador Alatorre Joseph R. Biden given by Larry P. Walsh David Blanton given by Robert & Sarah Dunn David A. Blanton given by George & Pat Hellmuth Rev. Msgr. Jerome Buchheit given by Paul W. Leible Terry & Cheryl Callahan given by Patricia Callahan The Cathedral Clergy & Staff given by Michael & Richelle Weisbrod The Cuddihee Family given by Dora Cuddihee Donald Daugherty given by Paul W. Leible Sydney Fuller given by Mike Fuller & Stacey Hayes Elise Fuller given by Mike Fuller & Stacey Hayes Abigail, Locke, & Ford George given by Michael & Richelle Weisbrod Zach Hayes given by Mike Fuller & Stacey Hayes Ally Hayes given by Mike Fuller & Stacey Hayes Fr. Joseph Jiang given by Al & Marsha Rheinnecker Fr. Josh given by Susan Shindler Abigail Lambert given by Robert & Sarah Dunn Fr. Brendon Lawless given by Susan Shindler Maya Lee given by Durie Vinson Shiebler The Littleton Family given by Paula Littleton Wendy Nelson given by Durie Vinson Shiebler Jay Reiter & Richard Charow given by Dora Cuddihee Archbishop Rozanski and the Archdiocesan Priests & Seminarians given by Patricia Callahan John & Leisel Schneider given by Sal & Leisel Vitellaro Henry & Lucy Schwetye given by Colleen Schoendienst James Schwetye given by Colleen Schoendienst Sr. Mary Jo Shingler, PHJC given by Paul W. Leible Sisters of the Visitation given by Patricia Callahan St. Louis Visitation Academy Community given by Patricia Callahan Sra. Angie Warner given by Enid Sunderman Rob & Erin Williams given by Colleen Schoendienst Jack, James, Luke, Hank, and Owen given by Colleen Schoendienst

In Memory of...

Caroline & Myron Adler Family given by Richard & Melissa Mark Maximo Collo Alacar given by Tran Huyen Phung Vivian M. Alatorre given by Salvador Alatorre Rick Alatorre given by Salvador Alatorre Joy Kappers Alatorre given by Salvador Alatorre James N. Armstrong given by Beatrice M. Logan Domingo Atok given by Anonymous Deceased members of the Auberman Family given by Margaret Aubermann Helen Aubermann given by Margaret Aubermann Stefan Aubermann given by Margaret Aubermann Ingrid Aubermann given by Margaret Aubermann Hannah Bagley given by Robert L. Byrnes Chauncey & Josephine Batchelor given by Chauncey & Mary-Ellen Batchelor Ann Bowen given by Alisa Goessling Dianna Guillory Boykin given by Alex Boykin The Buschman Family given by Ann S. Frey Thomas J. Byrne, DDS given by Brian Byrne Rosemary H. Byrnes given by Robert L. Byrnes James G. Byrnes given by Robert L. Byrnes Elwood Byrnes given by Robert L. Byrnes Jesus & Salome Cabanero given by Majessa & Rene Foronda

In Memory of...

The Caraher Family given by Stan & Sue Metheny Deceased members of the Catapang Family given by Dr. Gerry & Lalaine Catapang Penny & Tanner Chrisler given by Abby Lambert Nat Chrisler given by Abby Lambert Elizabeth Chrismer given by Doug & Linda Povis The Churchman Family given by Stan & Sue Metheny Joseph & Constance Clifford given by Karen Clifford H.D. Cowper given by Jerry Pastore John Cremin given by Lois Cremin Bernard J. Cuddihee given by Dora Cuddihee Carl & Rita Dahlberg given by David & Sarah Griffin Blanche DeGreet given by Sal & Leisel Vitellaro James & Catherine DeRigne given by Larry P. Walsh Serafim & Belen Dioso given by Anonymous Mr. & Mrs. Archie Doyle given by Susan Doyle Mr. & Mrs. George Doyle given by Susan Doyle Michael E. Drury given by Patty A. Frazier Hunter Robert M. Drury, Jr. given by Patty A. Frazier Hunter Peter Dwyer given by Nicki & Jim Dwyer The Eby & Flores Families given by Diane Florez Paul Eisel given by Ann Theisen Eisel Lucille Eisel given by Ann Theisen Eisel Arthur Eultgen given by Wayne Eultgen Virginia Eultgen given by Wayne Eultgen Olga & Roman Fedoriw given by Nicholas Roman Slabyj Fr. Dominik Finn, OSFS given by Thomas Mangogna Renato T. Foronda, Sr. given by Majessa & Rene Foronda John Patrick Frank given by Andrew & Ashley Frank Anthony Frank given by Andrew & Ashley Frank Leburn & Florence Frazier given by Patty A. Frazier Hunter Marvin & Mabel Frazier given by Patty A. Frazier Hunter The Frey/Delia Families given by Ann S. Frey Carlos & Ivan Garcia given by Enid Sunderman Johanna Gassino given by Larry P. Walsh John Gerst given by John & Linda Gerst Patricia Gerst given by John & Linda Gerst Mary Ann Getty given by Cecilia M. Kelly Dick & June Gibblett given by Michael & Richelle Weisbrod Robert & Pearl Gibson given by David Parr Rob & Kay Gillooly given by Bob Gillooly George & Felicia Goeken given by Tran Huyen Phung Paul Governal given by Thomas Mangogna Paud Griffin given by David & Sarah Griffin James Griffin given by David & Sarah Griffin Elizabeth Guilles given by Patty A. Frazier Hunter Teresa Isabel Hames given by Bob & Carol Lozano George & Mimi Hellmuth given by George & Pat Hellmuth Eileen N. & Vincent P. Horgan given by Janice Noack Virginia Hufker given by Barbara McElroy Martha Hundelt given by Paul Schweitzer George & Mary Hyland given by Chauncey & Mary-Ellen Batchelor Jennifer Anne Janson given by Ben & Eleanor Janson Bartholomew & Margaret Kelly given by Cecilia M. Kelly Elizabeth Keogh given by Andrew & Ashley Frank Adeline Kohne given by Jon Miller Albert Kohne given by Jon Miller Tony & Ann Kostrzewski given by Phil & Joanne Kostrzewski Anne Marie Kraft given by Andrew & Ashley Frank Fr. Steve Kuhlmann given by Susan Shindler Jarvis Lambert given by Abby Lambert Mr. & Mrs. Eric Laschke given by Susan Doyle Mr. & Mrs. Fred Leible given by Paul W. Leible Mr. & Mrs. Roy Leible given by Paul W. Leible Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Leible given by Paul W. Leible Mr. & Mrs. Harry Leible given by Paul W. Leible Sr. Cornelia Leible, PHJC given by Paul W. Leible William & Virginia Leightner given by Phil & Joanne Kostrzewski Arthur Littleton given by Paula Littleton Jean Littleton given by Paula Littleton Lloyd Logan given by Beatrice M. Logan David Daniel Lozano given byy Bob & Carol Lozano

Rachel Terese Lozano given by Bob & Carol Lozano Raul Jorge Lozano given by Bob & Carol Lozano

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THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA PARISH OUR YEAR IN REVIEW

603 Families in Parish
1,010 Registered Individuals
121 Newly Registered Families
(Since January 1)

29 Baptisms
14 Professions of Faith
24 Confirmations
25 Weddings
14 Funerals









