

# The Holy Family Jesus, Mary and Joseph



## Pastor's Corner

Happy feast day of the Holy Family!! I pray you all had a Blessed and Holy Christmas. All the preparing, the buying and the wrapping is now (to use the kid's phrase) so history, so yesterday! The question becomes—Where are we now? Are we still feeling the Blessings and peace of Christmas or has “normal life” taken over again?

We hear today about the Holy Family. Following God, nothing is more missed than family when they are on the “other side.”

Our second reading speaks about forgiveness. If somehow, some way you have not forgiven nor let go of something—this is for you. YES, I'M TALKING TO YOU!!! God is very clear, we must forgive, no exceptions. This is not a game, you will never be forgiven for your sins if you do not forgive others! We will hear this a lot this year echoed in scripture so get ready! When you forgive it doesn't mean you forget but it IS the only way you can begin to experience joy and peace in your life.

Have a great week and remember to cherish your family, it is God's greatest gift to you! Don't miss a moment!

Love,

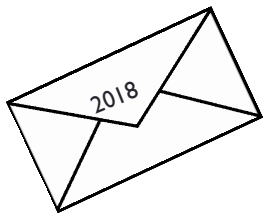
*Father Mike*

*Stewardship: Time,  
Talent & Treasure*  
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### Parish office

The Parish Office will be closed until Tuesday, January 2, 2018. The staff and volunteers wish you all a Happy and Safe New Year! God Bless!!!



### 2018 Envelopes

The 2018 Envelopes are available for pick up today **AFTER** all the Masses in the East Wing. Please do not come in before Mass or into the office as the envelopes will not be accessible to office staff. We thank you in advanced for your patience and cooperation with the distribution process.

We will also have them next weekend January 6th and 7th. These worked out to the only weekends were are able to distribute them again thank you for your patience and

### UNTOLD BLESSINGS: THREE PATHS TO HOLINESS

Welcome to Bishop Barron's look at the journey to sanctity. The aim is to help you study, reflect and act in obedience to the will of God . We will use scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The retreat is about learning, loving and living your faith. Bring your bibles. The DVD will be shown on Wednesdays Jan.10, 17, 24 31 and Feb. 7 and 21 in the William Room from 9.10 to 10.30 am. If you have any question please call Sr Lila 727-869-3130

### JANUARY IS POVERTY AWARENESS MONTH!

During Poverty Awareness Month, join the U.S. Bishops in taking up Pope Francis' challenge to live in solidarity with the poor. Liturgical and practical resources in both English and Spanish can be found at this link: <http://www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development/povertyeducation/poverty-awareness-month.cfm>.

“Poverty” is not a catch-phrase—it is a serious reality many are living.

# Liturgy & Worship

## Mass Intentions

<u>Monday: 01/01</u> 8:30am	<b>Joyce Miller</b>
<u>Tuesday: 01/02</u> 8:30am	<b>Al Poirier</b>
<u>Wednesday: 01/03</u> 8:30am	<b>Vocations</b>
<u>Thursday: 01/04</u> 8:30am	<b>Souls in Purgatory</b>
<u>Friday: 01/05</u> 8:30am	<b>Thomas Johnson</b>
<u>Saturday: 01/06</u> Vigil 4:00pm	<b>Dina LeBlanc</b>
<u>Sunday: 01/07</u> 8:00am	<b>Parishioners</b>
10:00am	<b>Joseph and Raymond Sheridan</b>
1:00pm	<b>Grace Hollander</b>



### Altar Candles

The candle burning on the altar in the Chapel and Church for the month of December is **in memory of Mike Tormey** and were donated by his **wife and children.**

### *Candles & Flowers*

Remember your loved ones or your special intentions. You can do this with candles that burn all week in the Chapel or in the grotto or a monthly candle. You can also request to support the flowers that are on the altar for the week. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested 727-869-3130



## Readings for the Week of January 1, 2018

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God</b> Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Saint Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church</b> 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</b> 1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Saint Elizabeth Anne Seton, Religious</b> 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saint John Neumann, Bishop</b> 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Saint André Bessette</b> 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b> Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

### *Our Parish Family*

We welcome into the parish community all new members and those returning Home to us.

We remember all who are sick at home or in the Hospital.

We remember in our prayers those who have died: Lee Fleres.

Respect Life  
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## Florida March for Life

The Diocese is sponsoring a day trip to the Florida March for Life in the nation's oldest city, St. Augustine, on Saturday, January 13, 2018. This March is for anyone who believes in the sanctity of human life. \$40.00/adults and \$20.00/ages 13 and younger- includes boxed lunch. Bus departs St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Clearwater and St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Seffner. Learn more and register here: <http://www.dosp.org/life/upcoming-events/> Question? Contact Sabrina Schultz at 727-344-1611 or [sab@dosp.org](mailto:sab@dosp.org).

## Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe

We are pleased to announce that the Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be in the Chapel at St. James the Apostle on Thursday, January 18 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. This Image is an exact replica of the Tilma with the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe which is maintained in Mexico City. A special Rosary, the story of the Apparition and the miracle of the roses will be shared with the students of Bishop Larkin Catholic School throughout the day. All are welcome to visit the Chapel and venerate this blest Image.

## 50th ANNIVERSARY

### DIOCESE OF ST. PETERSBURG'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Starting on January 1, 2018 the Diocese of St. Petersburg will begin the celebration of its 50th Anniversary with the theme of gratitude, joy and hope. We are planning various events and providing resources throughout the year, in order to remember the past with gratitude, celebrate the present with joy and look to the future with hope. To help keep parishes, schools and the community informed of our jubilee, the Diocese of St. Petersburg has created a website with information. Please visit [www.DOSP.org/50](http://www.DOSP.org/50) to learn about the events that are being planned and how parishes, schools and the entire community can participate. This website will be continually updated and expanded so please check back often.

## WINTER CONCERT SERIES at SAINT MARY'S BEGINS!

Sunday, January 7, 3:00 p.m. "An Epiphany Choir Festival" Four choirs, including an English Hand bell Ensemble, come together to celebrate the conclusion of the Christmas season with choral, organ and hand bell music, as well as some traditional carol singing! Free admission, though a free-will offering will be taken to defray costs. Family-friendly, this one-hour concert is the first in the 2018 WINTER CONCERT SERIES, now in its 8th year at Saint Mary, Our Lady of Grace Church, 515 4th Street South, Saint Petersburg, FL 33701. For more information, please call 727-896-2191 ext. 208 or go to [www.stmaryolg.org](http://www.stmaryolg.org).



## Men's Conference

**SAVE THE DATE:** for the 8th Annual Tampa Bay Men's Conference on February 10, 2018 Whether you are married or single, a retiree or a high school student, a faith warrior or just starting your faith journey – the Tampa Bay Men's Conference is your opportunity to take your spiritual life to the next level!

Three dynamic, internationally-known speakers will be in the area for a one-day event specifically designed for men of all ages.

Read more at this link: <http://www.dosp.org/save-the-date-for-thecatholic-mens-conference/>.

What's Ahead

# S.T.A.T.I.C. CALENDAR

## December 31

The Youth Group would like to thank Mrs. Tina McCann for entertaining the residents of the Assisted Living by singing Christmas songs.

The residents just love watching the young ones sing and dance. Thank you to all who brought the holiday cheers to them – Michael, Dominik, Jahra, Cierra, Geoffrey and Jenna, Giada, Zelinda, Ylenia and Chloe, Vanessa and Victoria. Thank you Victoria for sharing your talent (she sang so beautifully). Thank you to all who brought the cookies. St James Youth Group is truly a special group. I love you all!!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE**



Youth News

### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES: Please mark your calendar**

- ◆ January 14, Sunday Movie Night at Hollywood 18 – Movie title and name TBA
- ◆ January 21, Sunday 11:00am- Free Throw Contest by KOC and 2:30 Assisted Living Visitation
- ◆ February 3/4 , Souper Bowl Collection after each mass

Please stop by the youth table to sign up and check out what is happening. If you have any questions, ideas, suggestions please contact me. Best way is cell / text: (727) 967-3768. You can also email me at [youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org](mailto:youth.group@stjamesportrichey.org) Youth Ministry office: (727) 869-3130 ext. 1309.

Thank you and God bless. Lorraine Parsons

**Baptism:** Congratulations on the upcoming birth of your child! The Baptism of your child provides an opportunity to examine your own Christian Life and spirituality and we want to extend this to your child. Please contact the Parish Office to inquire about the preparation process for the Sacrament of Baptism.



**Marriage:** At least six months preparation needed.



**Renewal/Blessing of Marriage Vows:** Please contact the Parish Office one month before.

**The Sick:** If you know of anyone who is sick, at home or in the hospital, and in need of a visit please contact the parish office.



**Joining the Parish:** To join the parish we invite you to visit us in the parish office, Monday—Friday. Our hours are 9-12 and 1-4. Stop by and meet us and we will get all the necessary information from you. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at 727-869-3130. We look forward to meeting you and saying hello.



## Bishop Larkin Catholic School Open House Sunday, January 28, 2018 1 to 3pm



Come see what our excellent school has to offer!  
Classes for Pre-K3, VPK, K to 8

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**Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00am-12noon/1:00-4:00pm**

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm in Chapel

Morning Prayer weekdays Monday-Friday 8:00am in Chapel

Adoration: 1st and 3rd Friday (3pm) and 2nd and 4th Thursday (7pm)

Masses: Daily: Monday - Friday 8:30am

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm/Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm