## Feast of the Holy Family

December 31, 2017



May our Christmas Season be a blessed occasion to reflect upon and live the precious gift of Emmanuel— God with us!

Mon: Luke 2:16-21 Tues: John 1:19-28 Wed: John 1:29-34 Thurs: John 1:35-42 Fri: John 1:43-51 Sat: Luke 3:23-38 First Reading: Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Second Reading: Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Gospel: Luke 2:22-40

#### God is with His People!

It has been said that Jesus' formative years are summed up in seventeen words as we celebrate the Christmas Feast of the Holy Family: "The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him." Luke beautifully sets the tone of his Gospel—this little baby will grow to adulthood and have special concern for the poor and forgotten. He will be servant, teacher and healer of the humble, lost and rejected.

Pope Francis, in *The Joy of the Gospel*, says: "Salvation came to us from the "yes" uttered by a lowly maiden from a small town on the fringes of a great empire. The Savior was born in a manger, in the midst of animals, like children of poor families; he was presented in the Temple along with two turtledoves, the offering made by those who could not afford a lamb; he was raised in a home of ordinary workers and worked with his own hands to earn his bread...His ministry began: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor." GOD is with us!

#### Monday, January 1, 2018



There will be a special Mass on New Year's Day, January 1, 2018 at 7 am to celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, and the World Day of Prayer for Peace.

### Parish Potluck for the Epiphany of the Lord

Please mark your calendars now and plan ahead to join us for a special parish potluck to celebrate



the blessings of the Christmas Season on the beautiful Christmas Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday, January 7 at 12:30 pm, following the 11:15 am Mass.

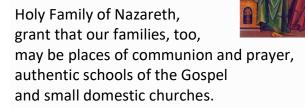
## You are invited to bring dishes based on your

last name: Main Dish A—G
Side Dish H—M

Salad N—S
Dessert T—Z

## **Prayer to the Holy Family**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love; to you we turn with trust.



Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division; may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

—From Pope Francis Apostolic Exortation "The Joy of Love"

## Message of Pope Francis for 51st World Day of Prayer for Peace—1 January 2018

The theme of the 2018 Message is "Migrants and Refugees: Men and Women in Search of Peace." Please read the message on the Vatican website: http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/papa-francesco\_20171113\_messaggio-51giornatamondiale-pace2018.html.

"You are the Body of Christ. In you and through you the work of the incarnation must go forward. You are meant to incarnate in your lives the theme of your adoration—you are to be taken, blessed, broken, and distributed, that you may be the means of grace and vehicles of Eternal Charity." —St. Augustine of Hippo

### New Social Outreach Ministry—A Hot Meal!

The needs of the homeless, as well as others going through difficult times here in Carmel Valley, has been a concern of our Parish Pastoral Council. We would like to expand our Social Outreach Ministry to include a possible once a month or so hot meal in the Parish Hall. This, of course, would require a team of parishioners willing to serve in this new ministry. Please contact Fr. Dennis as soon as possible if you are available. Your service would be deeply appreciated.

#### **OLMC Study Group**

A parish study group has been meeting monthly for a year to read and reflect upon a book about Ignatian Spirituality. They will be meeting again on January 8, 6 pm, at the Corkscrew Restaurant to begin a new book, *My Life with the Saints*, by James Martin, S.J. The saints are our ancestors in faith and just as many of us long to learn our family ancestry, learning about the saints can be very fulfilling in our spiritual life. New members are welcome! Please call Patricia Merrifield 809-4057 if you have any questions.

#### Offertory Report 12/24 & 25/2017

4th Sunday of Advent (12/23-24): Plate \$1,695; Hope's Pantry \$5; Building Fund \$315; Other \$470 Total: \$2485. Christmas (12/24-25): \$6,565.

#### Mass Intentions Dec. 30-Jan. 5, 2017

Sat	4:30 pm	+Frank DiPaola, Sr.	
Sun	9:00 am	Families of the Parish	
Sun	11:15 am	+Muriel Potter	
Sun	5:00 pm	Familias de la Parroquia	
Mon	7:00 am	World Day of Prayer for Peace	
Wed	7:00 am	Sick and homebound of the Parish	
Thu	7:00 am	Children and youth of the Parish	
Fri	7:00 am	Pope Francis	

## Eventos, Celebraciones y Misas Especiales



# Domingo, 1 de enero, Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios y el Día Mundial de Oración por la Paz

Misa en ingles a las 7 am

## Mensaje del Santo Padre Francisco Para la Celebración del 51 Jornada Mundial de la Paz 1 de enero de 2018

Migrantes y Refugiados: Hombres y Mujeres que Buscan la Paz

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/es/ messages/peace/documents/papafrancesco\_20171113\_messaggio-51giornatamondiale-pace2018.html



## Domingo, 7 de enero, La Epifanía del Señor

¡Nuestra Celebración Parroquial de la Navidad y la Fiesta de los Reyes Magos! 12:30 pm - Cena de Traje En el salón parroquial—¡Acompáñenos! Favor de traer un plato según su apellido:

Plato principal: A—G
Plato: H—M
Ensalada: N—S
Postre: T—Z

#### Youth Corner (Luke 2:22-40)

Like us God was born among us as a little child. A vulnerable child. We come to know and experience him with us in our needs and vulnerabilities. He is love made flesh! And he will always be with us!

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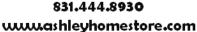
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**Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo** 

#### Mass Schedule Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

## Pastoral Council:

Jeff Hawkins, *Chair*, Patrick Dowd, *Vice Chair*, Lori Jakubowski, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, Dede Woodhead

#### **Faith Formation:**

First Communion Year 1:
Lorena Cabrera, Esther Valdez
First Communion Year 2:
Christian Haun, Patricia Merrifield
RCIA / Adult Faith Formation: John Condon

Hope's Pantry: Lydia Newton • Wed 10 am−12 pm Hope's Boutique: Deborah Kimes • Wed 10 am−12 pm Manna Ministry: Joni Zabala • joni@thegrid.net

Why Catholic? Ministry: Tess Arthur • tessors@ hotmail.com, Alondra Klemek • lalavk@hotmail.com (Spanish)

Bereavement Ministry: Trudy Dowd • trudydowd@

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#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

#### **Office Hours**

Wednesday through Friday 9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

#### **Finance Council:**

Joe Hertlein, *Chair*, Rafael Maldonado, *Vice Chair*, John Finn, *Secretary*, Diane Douglas, Pat Ryan, Steve Zalan

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#### **Music Ministry:**

Larry Carolan (4:30 pm & 9 am Mass)
Louis Lebherz, *Director*, Barney Hulse, *Piano* (11:15 am

Mass)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

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