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DECEMBER 9, 2018
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



REFLECT

"In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar...and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee...and Lysanias was tetrarch of..." Did you need to pinch yourself awake during the first few lines of this Sunday's Gospel? John the Baptist received quite a prelude today as Luke described the religious and political leadership of the time period. Scripture is divinely inspired, and we believe that everything that made it into the Bible is there for a reason. These lines remind us of an important truth. The Christmas story isn't a fairy tale or nursery rhyme. It's not a parable we say to give meaning to the holiday. At Christmas, God's presence is made tangible in a precise moment in time. The birth of Christ is a historical event. As precursor to Jesus' preaching, the ministry of John the Baptist is also a historical event.

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John's call to repentance and the forgiveness of sins happened in a particular time and place. But that does not mean it is limited to first century Palestine! God continues to move in our daily lives. What we hear in today's Gospel - and what we anticipate at Christmas - occurs in our daily lives. God works in concrete ways in time and space. He did that 2,000 years ago, and He continues to do so today!

This Sunday, examine your own Christmas preparations. Is there anything you need to repent of before the Christmas season? Are there low points in your life, valleys to "be filled" by the love of God? Are there mountainous obstacles in your spiritual life? How can they be "made low"? Are you making decisions that have moved you away from God? This Advent season is the time for them to "be made straight and . . . made smooth." Prepare the way in your heart for Christ today!

50th CHRISMON TREE CELEBRATION

We invite you on **Friday, December 14th** at 7 pm to St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church to celebrate one of our richest traditions – the blessing and lighting of our Chrismon Tree.

Join in decorating the tree, the carol sing and enjoy a presentation of the Christmas Story.

We are in need of volunteers to consider making smaller ornaments (no larger than 6"). There are sheets on the bulletin tables for your reference explaining the symbols that you can make. Only white and gold can be used.

Bring your ornaments to the celebration or leave them on the table in Fr. Kerwan Hall prior to December 14th.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Any CCD students in Grades K-3 who have signed up to be in the Christmas Pageant should plan to meet Mrs. Joyce Chenard on **Friday, December 14th** at 5:30 pm in Classroom 3 at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church for instructions and the dress rehearsal, the pageant will begin at 7 pm that evening.

Confirmation students will meet next **Sunday, December 16th** at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - St. Bernard Church in Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall from 6:30 pm - 8 pm.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS (Second Collection)

This weekend's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for the Religious. Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care needs of aging members. Many elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. At the same time, fewer religious are able to serve in compensated ministry.

Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. By 2028, retired religious are projected to outnumber wage-earners by more than three to one. This weekend's collection gives us the opportunity to help all those who have devoted their lives by giving to others.



"The best thing I did in ministry was to teach children the Gospel through plays," says Sister Clare Vandecoevering, 88. "Oh, they were just delighted!" A member of the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon, she spent more than 50 years in the classroom, sharing her love of Jesus and bringing the Catholic faith to life.

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Perhaps there was a Sister Clare in your life. Perhaps a special woman or man religious shared with you love, faith, and a belief in all you could become. Maybe you knew more than one. Today those sisters, brothers, and religious order priests may be elderly, and their religious communities may struggle to meet retirement needs. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious supports necessities—such as medications and nursing care—and helps ensure the next generation of Sister Clares can continue in ministry. Please give generously.



Meet them at retiredreligious.org/2018photos.

Almost 94 percent of donations directly aid senior religious.

retiredreligious.org

To donate:
National Religious Retirement Office
3211 Fourth Street NE
Washington DC 20017-1194
Make check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious.
Or give at your local parish.

St. Jeanne Jugan Parish Presents

A Vesper Service of Lessons and Carols

Friday, December 21, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Holy Family Church, 23 Simon Road, Enfield, CT



O Come All Ye Faithful! Please join the Holy Family Church Choir around our beautiful Chrismon Tree for an hour long service of Christmas Carols and choral music interspersed with your favorite bible readings of this holy season. Afterwards toast the Christmas Spirit with refreshments in Father Kerwan Hall. O Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!



Sacraments

BAPTISM

Baptism Prep class occurs on the first Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am

Mass in the Meeting Room. Monthly Baptisms are scheduled for the 3rd

Sunday of each month after the 10:30 am Mass or by appointment. For more

information regarding baptisms please contact the rectory at

(860) 749-8353, and join us for the monthly

Baptism prep class. (SB)

Preparation class for parents held monthly. Call Deacon Vincent Motto at 860-745-1865 or email DeaconVince@cox.net to schedule attendance.

Baptisms are booked only after all paperwork is on file. Parents must be registered parishioners. (HF)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm at each church and by appointment.

CONFIRMATION

In the Hartford Archdiocese, students are confirmed in their sophomore year after a year of preparation.

Please contact our Religious Education Director for more information.

MATRIMONY

Arrange with pastor at least 6 months before wedding date.

HOLY ORDERS

Young men interested in the priesthood should speak with any priest for more information. Please visit hartfordpriest.com.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Priests are available for anointing either at home or in the hospital. Please contact the parish office to arrange.



THIS WEEK

Location Key:

HF = Holy Family Church

SB = St. Bernard Church

SBS = St. Bernard School

LA = Little Angels Pre-School

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8 (THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

8 am . . . Mass (SB)

9 am . . . Mass (HF)

4 pm . . . Confessions (HF, SB)

5 pm . . . Vigil Mass (Second Sunday of Advent) (HF, SB)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 9 (SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am. . . Mass (HF)

After all Masses. . . Women's Guild Cookie Walk (HF Fr. Kerwan Hall)

8 am . . . Mass (SB)

9 am . . . Mass (HF)

10:30 am . . . Mass (SB)

11 am . . . Mass (HF)

MONDAY DECEMBER 10

7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)

7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)

8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)

9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

TUESDAY DECEMBER 11

7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)

7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)

8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)

9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

Noon . . . Senior Lunch (SB Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall)

2 pm . . . Legion of Mary (HF Rooms 2 & 3)

3:30 pm . . . Rosary (HF)

6:30 pm . . . RCIA (HF Room 1)

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 12

7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)

7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)

8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)

9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

6:15 pm . . . Bingo Sales Begin • 7 pm . . . Game Begins (HF)

THURSDAY DECEMBER 13

8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)

9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

7 pm . . . Choir Rehearsal (HF Rooms 2 & 3)

FRIDAY DECEMBER 14

7 am . . . Rosary (SB Chapel)

7:30 am . . . Daily Mass (SB Chapel)

8:30 am . . . Rosary (HF)

9 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

9:30 am . . . Exposition and Extended Adoration (HF)

12 noon . . . Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction (HF)

7 pm . . . Chrismon Tree Celebration (HF)

SATURDAY DECEMBER 15

8:30 am . . . Daily Mass (HF)

4 pm . . . Confessions (HF, SB)

4:30 pm . . . Rosary with Legion of Mary (SB)

5 pm . . . Vigil Mass (Third Sunday of Advent) (HF, SB)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 16 (THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am. . . Mass (HF)

7:30 am . . . Rosary with Legion of Mary (SB)

8 am . . . Mass (SB)

9 am . . . Mass (HF)

10 am . . . St. Nicholas Breakfast (HF Fr. Kerwan Hall)

10:30 am . . . Mass (SB)

11 am . . . Mass (HF)

11:30 am . . . December Baptisms (SB)

12 pm . . . Pre-Baptism Class (HF Rooms 2 & 3)

12 pm . . . St. Nicholas Breakfast (HF Fr. Kerwan Hall)

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." Welcome Christ into your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekends are February 1st - 3rd and July 12th - 14th, both in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Pat and Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday from 2 pm - 3 pm at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church in rooms 2 and 3. New members are welcome. For more information, call Pat Guillerault at 860-749-0159.



ST. BERNARD CHURCH ALTAR SOCIETY

The St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - St. Bernard Church Altar Society could use your help in assisting with the care of the altar. Please contact Sally at St. Bernard Church at 860-749-8353 if you are interested.

SENIOR LUNCH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Senior Lunch is **Tuesday, December 11th** at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - St. Bernard Church in Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall. It's our annual Christmas party!

Please bring an appetizer to share prior to our lunch of chicken and stuffing. The fun **starts at noon** and will end with a carol sing. We will provide the lyrics. So, bring your friends and neighbors, a goody to share, and your best voice!

If you did not sign up in November, please call Barbara Bird at 860-749-0534 to reserve your seat.

At St. Bernard Church, the sanctuary candle in the church burns in memory of Bertrand Grondin, at the request of Lisette; the chapel candle burns in memory of Joseph Kiczuk.



Contact the SB church office for information about having the sanctuary candles burn for your intention.



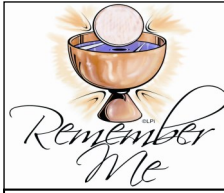
WINTER POLICY

The winter policy for St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church and St. Bernard Church is now in effect for daily Masses Monday – Friday.

The policy states that when Enfield Public Schools cancel or delay school on that day, the daily 7:30 am Mass at St. Bernard Church and the daily 9 am Mass at Holy Family Church will be cancelled for that day. The policy is for the safety of all. The intentions for the Masses will be rescheduled at a mutually agreeable time. You may call the rectory of the Church where your Mass intention was scheduled to discuss a new date.

NEW ADORATION HOURS AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

The new period of Eucharistic Adoration began on December 7th. The period of Adoration after the 9 am Mass at Holy Family Church will conclude with Benediction at noon. The regularly scheduled Holy Hour at St. Bernard Church every first Friday at 3 pm in the chapel will continue. This hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, evening prayer, and Benediction. This tradition of Eucharistic Adoration is another way the Lord is present to us in our lives.



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY DECEMBER 8 (THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

- 8 am. . . Helen and George Dobitsky† (Requested by their Children, Nancy, Gary and George, Jr.) - SB
- 9 am. . . Robert J. Foley and Kathy Foley† (Requested by their Family) - HF
- 5 pm. . . Donald Guillerault† (Requested by Gail Snow) - HF
- 5 pm. . . Ewa Pawlowicz† (Requested by Stanley Pawlowicz) - SB

SUNDAY DECEMBER 9 (SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

- 7:30 am. . . St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - HF
- 8 am. . . Niles Stebbins†, 7th Anniversary (Requested by the Fallon and Stebbins Families) - SB
- 9 am. . . John Cimino, Sr.† (Requested by his Family) - HF
- 10:30 am. . . Souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them† - SB
- 11 am. . . Brian Bouchard†, 15th Anniversary (Requested by Mom and Dad) - HF

MONDAY DECEMBER 10

- 7:30 am. . . Conrad G. Walsh - SB
- 9 am. . . Bernard and Stephen Couture† (Requested by their Family) - HF

TUESDAY DECEMBER 11

- 7:30 am. . . Deceased Members of the Duquette Family† (Requested by the Duquette Family) - SB
- 9 am. . . Armand Roy† (Requested by his Wife and Family) - HF

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 12

- 7:30 am. . . Joseph Kiczuk†, 29th Anniversary (Requested by Chris and Ted Kiczuk) - SB
- 9 am. . . Eileen and Eddie Lawless† (Requested by Judy) - HF

THURSDAY DECEMBER 13

- 9 am. . . Margaret Ballard†, 46th Anniversary (Requested by Liz and Bill Ballard) - HF

FRIDAY DECEMBER 14

- 7:30 am. . . St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - SB
- 9 am. . . Sophie Mickel† (Requested by the Dean Family) - HF

SATURDAY DECEMBER 15

- 8:30 am. . . Mr. Thaddeus Zajchowski† (Requested by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zajchowski) - HF
- 5 pm. . . Joseph Gagnon†, 25th Anniversary (Requested by his Family) - HF
- 5 pm. . . Erminzon Bermeo† (Requested by his Sister) - SB

SUNDAY DECEMBER 16 (THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

- 7:30 am. . . St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - HF
- 8 am. . . Julie Fallon†, 4th Anniversary (Requested by the Fallon Family) - SB
- 9 am. . . Larry LaRoche† (Requested by Dave and Karen Carrigan and Family) - HF
- 10:30 am. . . Ronald Morse† (Requested by Karen and Mike Timpone) - SB
- 11 am. . . William Snyder, Sr.† (Requested by Ann and Family) - HF

DAILY MASS READINGS

- MONDAY DECEMBER 10:** Is 35:1-10•Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]•Lk 5:17-26
- TUESDAY DECEMBER 11:** Is 40:1-11•Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [Is 40:10ab]•Mt 18:12-14
- WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 12:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab•Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]•Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
- THURSDAY DECEMBER 13:** Is 41:13-20•Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]•Mt 11:11-15
- FRIDAY DECEMBER 14:** Is 48:17-19•Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Jn 8:12]•Mt 11:16-19
- SATURDAY DECEMBER 15:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11•Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]•Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- SUNDAY DECEMBER 16:** Zep 3:14-18a•Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]•Phil 4:4-7•Lk 3:10-18

You can access the Daily Mass Readings via our parish app, at our parish Web site (www.sjenfield.org) or by visiting the U.S. bishop's Web site (www.usccb.org).





ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE OF ST. BERNARD CHURCH

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Bernard Church will be handing out shopping bags this **Saturday, December 8th and Sunday, December 9th** after all Masses at St. Bernard Church for their annual Christmas food collection for families in need in our local community. Food items should be returned to Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall the weekend of December 15th and 16th, as volunteers will be packing food baskets for distribution to families on Sunday, December 16th. As always, we appreciate the exceptional generosity our parishioners have always shown for the benefit of our community neighbors.

GIVING TREE AT ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH - ST. BERNARD CHURCH

The Gift Stars have been placed on our Giving Tree. We have many families that are in need of food and gifts* for Christmas. When returning your gift please have it wrapped with the tag from the Giving Tree attached. Please return the gift to St. Bernard Church by **Monday, December 10th**. The gifts and food baskets will be delivered on Sunday, December 16th. Thank you for all you do to help those who are in need in our parish and community.

*Gift ideas: age appropriate toys, movie passes, gift cards, electronic games, board games, and winter clothing.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. Bernard Church will be meeting on Monday, **December 17th** at 7 pm in the Meeting Room at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - St. Bernard Church.



St. Jeanne Jugan Women's Guild
Annual Cookie Walk

Date: Sunday, December 9th

Place: St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church, Father Kerwan Hall

Time: After all Sunday Masses

Come fill a bag with homemade cookies - only \$7 per bag!

ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT

The St. Nicholas Project for 2018 has begun.

Parishioners are invited to drop by Fr. Kerwan Hall at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church after Mass to pick up tags and guidelines. Bring your gift cards to the hall and drop them in locked collection boxes.

The final weekend to drop off gift cards and receipts is December 15th and 16th.

The St. Nicholas Project, sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society, provides gift cards to 50 families in need. Your generosity for those in need is appreciated.



Get in touch

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BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS

**Sunday, December 16th AFTER 9 am and 11 am Mass
at St. Jeanne Jugan Parish - Holy Family Church
in Fr. Kerwan Hall**

Tickets will be on sale after the 9 am and 11 am Masses starting on December 2nd. Tickets are \$6 each, but children age 3 and under are free!

Call Nancy Marco in the CCD office at 860-745-7770 with any questions.



ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH SUPPORT

"Happy House" is a free-will collection taken up at HF to fund construction of simple, sturdy houses in Haiti through the Haitian Health Foundation. Gift cards for Dunkin Donuts, Big Y, Stop and Shop, and Shop Rite are sold after Masses at SB with proceeds going to St. Bernard School.

Please note that the weekly and online amounts represent the combined totals from Holy Family Church and St. Bernard Church.

WEEKLY: \$11,501.00

ONLINE: \$2,860.00

HAPPY HOUSE: \$202.00 (HF)

CHRISTMAS GIFT CARDS: \$1,420.00

GROCERY CARDS WEEKLY SALES/PROFIT: \$2,135.00/\$78.00(SB)

YEAR-TO-DATE PROFIT: \$4,907.00 (SB)



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