

# Resurrection

Roman Catholic Parish

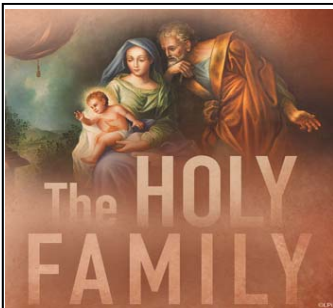
**December 27, 2020: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

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Mr. Sam Cammarata, Deacon  
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Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM; Closed Friday



*"...as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." - COLOSSIANS 3:13*

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can't give what we don't have. Through **Stewardship**, we need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share the gift of forgiveness with someone – a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone right now.

#### **Mass Schedule:**

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:00 AM  
Holy Days and Holidays as announced.

#### **Confessions:**

Saturday 2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

This week's Church Sanctuary Light  
will burn for:  
William Leis  
By Family

This week's Oratory Sanctuary Light  
will burn for:  
Ed Gregorchik  
By The Sweet Shoppe Ladies



**WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020 - THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

| DATE   | TIME                              | INTENTION  |
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| <b>Sunday, December 27</b><br><i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i> | <b>8:00 AM</b><br><b>10:30 AM</b> | Joe Smolen By Diane Ashbridge<br>Sally and Joseph Kozuch By Children |
| <b>Monday, December 28</b><br><i>The Holy Innocents</i>                        | <b>NO MASS</b>                    |  |
| <b>Tuesday, December 29</b><br><i>St Thomas Becket</i>                         | <b>8:00 AM</b>                    | Anna Benyacko<br>By Children   |
| <b>Wednesday, December 30</b>  | <b>8:00 AM</b>                    | Agnes Andrews By Daughters   |
| <b>Thursday, December 31</b><br><i>St. Sylvester</i>                           | <b>5:00 PM</b>                    | Elizabeth Popovich<br>By Daughter, Joanne Spisak                     |
| <b>Friday, January 1</b><br><i>Mary the Mother of God</i>                      | <b>NO MASS</b>                    |  |
| <b>Saturday, January 2</b>   | <b>NO MASS</b>                    |  |
| <b>Sunday, January 3</b><br><i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>                    | <b>8:00 AM</b><br><b>10:30 AM</b> | Edward Figura By Aunt Tina Miller<br>Ken Fyock By Diane Ashbridge    |



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| <b>WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS:</b>        | Envelope Holders: Adult: 451 Children: 15 Total: 466       |
| <u>December 20, 2020</u>            | Weekly Envelopes Used: Adults: 143 Children: 13 Total: 156 |
| Weekly Offertory Envelopes:         | Adults: \$ 4,568.00 Child: \$ 22.00 Total: \$4,590.00      |
| Build. and Maint. \$ 35.00          | Immaculate Conception \$92.00 Poor Box: \$45.01            |
| Candles: \$ 26.00                   | Initial Offering \$5.00 Retired Fund for Religious \$85.00 |
| Christmas \$525.00                  | Loose Offertory: \$ 25.00 Utilities: \$163.00              |
| Christmas Flowers: \$ 25.00         | Mission Co-op \$10.00                                      |
| <b>TOTAL COLLECTION: \$5,626.01</b> |  |

Resurrection Parish Calendar of Events

Thursday, Dec. 30 thru Sunday, Jan. 3 Parish Office Closed

Sunday, December 27 thru Sunday, January 10 The Sweet Shoppe Closed



Our Churches and our homes have the scene of the newborn Child surrounded by his Mother and Joseph. Today the Church celebrates with the Holy Family. May all families be grounded in the love of the Holy Family. When parents and children, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters face tough moments at home, turn to Jesus, Mary and Joseph to find your peace. Pray for right judgement and the strength to live in harmony with the Holy Family.



This Friday, January 1, 2021 is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. As the early ecumenical councils of the church defined, Mary is more than just the mother of the human Jesus of Nazareth. She is much more; she is the Mother of God. Mary bore in her womb the Eternal Word of God.



*Father George and the Staff of Resurrection Parish would like to wish all the parishioners and their families and friends a Happy and Healthy New Year.*



*Heavenly Father, You blessed the Virgin Mary with the fullness of grace. She is our model of faith, hope and love. We give this new year to her intercession and ask for her holy prayers. Place our needs into the protection of her motherly love. With her help, we want our faith to grow. Give us an increase in the virtue of hope when troubles tempt us to despair. Guide us in understanding Your infinite love. And join our hearts, dear Lord, to the Holy Mother's Immaculate Heart, so that we may improve in loving everyone unconditionally, in imitation of our Savior, Jesus. Amen.*



The new year begins, let us pray,  
It will be a year with a new peace,  
New happiness, & the abundance of friends,  
God bless you through out the new year

Please keep in your prayers all those who will be away from their families during the holiday season to ensure our safety and well being, our Military, Law Enforcement, First Responders and Medical Personnel.

We can never relay our true gratitude for all you do, the sacrifices that you and your families make, and your demonstrated drive to go above and beyond. We hope each and every one of you hear our prayers and thanks and we wish all of you and your families a very Happy and Blessed New Year.

Lord, hold our Military, Law Enforcement, First Responders and Medical Personnel in your loving hands. Please give them continued strength and courage needed so that we may enjoy freedom, safety and good health. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our times of need. Amen



**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR ARE SUFFERING IN ANY WAY, THOSE IN NURSING HOMES AND THOSE WHO ARE HOMEBOUND:**

Helen Lech; Arlene Schaffer; Florence Urbassik, Nellie Barkley, Sophie Mulvehill, Kay Komar, Eric Moran; Rita Ozog; Ed Wysocki; Mary Ann Robatin; Dorothy Savering; and Sylvia Brisko. If you know of someone that you would like added to the prayer list please call MaryBeth at the Parish Office at 539-5788, ext 4.



**THANK YOU** to the many “elves” who helped in putting together Christmas treat bags for the children of the Parish. Many thanks for helping to bring a sense of normalcy to the children during this Christmas season.

**THANK YOU** to the Knights of Columbus Council 11066 for their generous donation to the Children’s Christmas Treat Bags.

**THANK YOU** to all who sold or bought Sizzler Tickets. A special thanks to Patty Gregorchik for chairing this fundraiser. All the tickets have been sold and we know that Ed is smiling down.

**THANK YOU** to all who helped with the decorating of the Church for Christmas, as well as the parishioners who generously donated monetarily to purchase the gorgeous Christmas flowers. Many thanks for helping to add to the beauty of the season.

**THANK YOU** to those who purchased Christmas gifts for our Angel Tree. God bless you for your generosity and for making someone’s Christmas a little brighter.

**MANY THANKS** to all our wonderful helpers who assisted with making the Holiday Rolls, and Haluski. A special thank you to Eileen Elders and Carol Burkardt for chairing and coordinating this event. God bless you all!

**A SPECIAL THANKS:** to the ladies in the Sweet Shoppe for all of their hard work and long hours dipping & selling chocolates. We appreciate all of their hard work as well as all of the “heavenly” chocolates!

**God’s blessings to all of you for the giving of your time, talents and treasure for your Parish!**



**COLLECTION COUNTERS:** Group 2 volunteers are scheduled to count the collection on **Monday, December 28.** Thank you to all who help!

# Parish News

**REMINDER:** There will be **NO Rosary** at the Oratory on **Mon., Dec. 28 or Fri. Jan 1.** The regular Rosary schedule will resume on Mon., Jan. 4 at 12:15 PM at the Oratory.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** for the **January 3 bulletin** are due in to the Parish Office by **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29 AT 9:00 AM.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME** in praying the Rosary on Mon. and Fri., at 12:15 PM at the Oratory. A schedule of Oratory Rosary leaders is as follows:

## Monday

Dec. 28 - No Rosary

Jan. 4 - Phil Skala

Jan. 11 - Fran Findley

Jan. 18 - Deacon Sam

Jan. 25 - Nancy Fesko

## Friday

Jan. 1 - No Rosary

Jan. 8 - Jim and Nina Kopriva

Jan. 15 - Diane Ashbridge

Jan. 22 - Janet Yuras

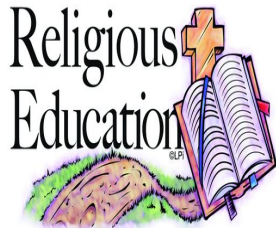
Jan. 29 - Pat Barrett

**2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are available for pick up at the Parish Office. If you know someone who is homebound please feel free to take their envelopes to them.

**CALENDARS AND MISSALETTES** are available at the Church and at the Parish Office. You can pick them up when you pick up your 2021 Offertory Envelopes.

**MASS RESERVATIONS:** If you would like to attend Sunday Mass at 8:00 AM or 10:30 AM, PLEASE call MaryBeth at the Parish Office to make a reservation, 539-5788, ext. 4, **Mon. thru Thurs., 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM (Reminder...Parish Office is closed on Fri.)**. If you leave a message, please be sure to leave the Mass you would like to attend and the number of people who will be attending. Reminder, masks must be worn and may only be removed to receive Holy Communion and social distancing will be practiced.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER,** Resurrection Parish will follow the Johnstown School District's and/or Bishop McCort's schedule. If there is a two hour delay, the Parish Office will open two hours late (11:00 AM), and all meetings/activities will take place. If there is no school the Parish Office will be closed and all meetings/activities will be cancelled. If there is an unscheduled early dismissal the Parish Office will close early and all meetings/activities will be cancelled. **Please note, scheduled Mass WILL BE celebrated regardless.**



**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!**

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT:** Please review the lessons and return acknowledgement forms as soon as possible.

**NEXT PARENT AND CONFIRMATION MEETINGS:  
JANUARY 10, 2021.**



**THE SWEET SHOPPE is closed thru Sunday, January 10. We will reopen on January 11, 2021. Hours will be announced. Have a Happy and Healthy New Year!**



**AL-ANON:** Christmas and New Year's can be joyous times for many, but for the families of active alcoholics, they can be dark and stressful. Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families of alcoholics. We do this by practicing Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous, by welcoming and giving comfort to the families of alcoholics and by giving understanding and encouragement to the alcoholic. Because of Covid-19, most Al-Anon meetings are being held virtually. The Ebensburg Al-Anon Family Group meets Mondays at 7:00 PM. For access to the meetings, please call 814-954-2422 and leave your first name and your phone number. There are also many other virtual meetings held throughout the state. A list of virtual meetings can be found at [pa-al-anon.org](http://pa-al-anon.org); click on "Pennsylvania Temporary Virtual Meetings."

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH** will hold a TAKE OUT ONLY Fish Fry on Friday, January 8. The wearing of masks and social distancing protocols will be in place. Orders will be taken by calling the Activity Center at 539-3518 on Thursday, January 7 from 8:00AM until 11:00AM and on Friday, January 8 from 8:00AM until ?

### PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome those who have found a spiritual home in our faith community. Parish registration is indicated by a registration (envelope) number. Registration is not to be assumed by simply attending Mass at the parish. Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage are not scheduled within six months of parish registration so evidence of practicing the Faith may be demonstrated. To register at this parish, please call the parish office.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The sacrament of baptism is celebrated at any Sunday liturgy throughout the year (normally not during the season of Lent). At least one of the parents must be a registered and participating member of this parish for at least 6 months. Baptisms for non-parishioners are arranged after permission is given in writing by the proper pastor of the parents. Arrangements for a baptism can be made at any time before the birth of the child. Normally, a baptismal preparation class is required.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The sacrament of marriage is arranged by meeting with the pastor. No date or other arrangements are to be made before this meeting. One of the parties must be a registered and participating member of the parish for 6 months before preparations can be made. According to diocesan policy, a date for the wedding is not to take place within 9 months of the initial contact so that all preparation and paperwork can be completed.

### GODPARENTS AND SPONSORS

A godparent/sponsor is to give good example of living out the Catholic faith. A godparent/sponsor is to be fully initiated in the Catholic Church, having received the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist. They are to, and indeed do, receive the Sacrament of Eucharist often. If there is a situation of co-habitation or marriage outside the laws of the Church, that person is ineligible to act as a godparent or sponsor. Church law states *that* for infant baptism, one male and one female are to be used as godparents. Sponsor certificates can only be given to those eligible and registered at this parish. Participation in the prayer life of this parish must be evident for six months before sponsor certificates are given. Less than six months will need indication from your previous parish that there was participation in the life of that parish.



#### **Parish Council**

Michelle Rager, Chairperson, 525-4154  
Gary Vitko, Vice-Chairperson, Education Committee, 535-2239  
Gregg Majercsik, Cemetery Committee, 539-9068  
Kyra Miller, Education Committee, 279-8746  
Kris Moran, Education Committee, 262-8070  
Cindy O'Connor, Family Life Committee, 242-8776  
Brian Pavic, Liturgy Committee, 418-0279  
Rick Pavic, Properties & Maintenance Committee, 244-3047  
Lynn Popovich, Activities Committee, 536-7336  
Steve Reasbeck, Education Committee, 288-9924  
Larry Sestrich, Finance Committee, 255-2344  
Faith Thomas, 479-2062

If you have a need for a prayer  
and would like to be put on the  
prayer chain, please contact Barb  
Gulick at 814-467-8576 or  
[ibg213@atlanticbb.net](mailto:ibg213@atlanticbb.net)

