



*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*  
*Sunday, December 29, 2024- Year C*

**Sunday Readings**  
 Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14  
 Colossians 3.12-21 Luke 2.41-52

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28**

4:30 pm Intention of Adrian & Connie Buis –  
 Wedding Anniversary

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29**

8:30 am +Giovanna Butera – Michelle Stewart  
 10:00 am In Thanksgiving – Angelis O & Jeffrey B  
 11:30 am Flordeliza Legaspi- Lilian Legasfi  
 2:00 pm Opening of the Jubilee Year with  
 Bishop Gerard Bergie  
 7:30 pm Cathedral parishioners

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 30**

7:00 am In Reparation to the Holy Face & Name of  
 Jesus – Theresa McNulty  
 12:10 pm +Olajiire Fowler - Babatunde & Lola  
 Fowler

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31**

12:10 pm +Bolu Fowler - Babatunde & Lola Fowler

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

*New Year's Eve*

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31**

4:30 pm Intention of Leo Bonomi – Wowk Family  
*New Year's Day*

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1**

8:30 am Pro Populo  
 10:00 am Special Intention  
 11:30 am In Thanksgiving – Providence Nneji

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 2** *Sts. Basil the Great &*

*Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church*

12:10 am MaryElle Buckley – Rick Nelson

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 3**

12:10 pm +Holy Souls in Thanksgiving – Thomas  
 Bonomi

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 4** *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

8:00 am +Holy Souls – Jennifer Olszowy  
 4:30 pm +Jacqueline O'Brien – Wayne & Ruth  
 Penner

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 5**

8:30 am +Deceased Members of Sabiano &  
 Sarmiento Families – Cely Sabiano  
 10:00 am +Olga Mary Vizer – Somogyvári Family  
 11:30 am +Raymond & Emily Nowaczyk – Francine  
 Baranek



**SANCTUARY LAMP**  
 Week of December 29th  
 + Linda Lingaitis - Diaz Family

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR**

**New Year's 2025**

**Tuesday, December 31 –**

**New Year's Eve**

**4:30 pm**

**Wednesday, January 1 –**

**New Year's Day**

**8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am**

**No Evening Mass**



**SNOWFLAKES & CHRISTMAS  
 FLOWERS REMEMBERANCES**

There are Christmas trees in the upper foyer decorated with snowflakes. These snowflakes hold the names of deceased Family Members and Parishoners of the Cathedral who died in 2024. You will also find a book with the names of those remembered through the Christmas Flower Envelopes. We have received \$2,105.00 for the Christmas Flowers and decorations. Many thanks for your generosity. Your loved ones will be remembered at all Masses offered on Christmas Day and throughout the Christmas Season.

The Office will be closed Tuesday,  
 December 24<sup>th</sup> and re-open Friday,  
 January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

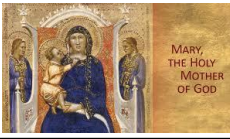


**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS**

December 22nd Offertory:	\$5,969.00
Candles:	\$208.00
Missals:	\$40.00
CWL:	\$1,200.00
Deo Gratis:	\$200.00
Flowers:	\$385.00

**SUNDAY ENVELOPES**

New Boxes of envelopes are out for those who wish to begin using regular envelopes. Please fill out all the information for the first month or so to ensure that the correct information has been recorded. Please update any information if there has been a change for regular donors. Thank you!



# The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

## Wednesday, January 1, 2025- Year C

**📖 Readings 📖**  
**Numbers 6.22-27**  
**Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 2.16-21**

### WORLD DAY OF PEACE- JANUARY 1

The World Day of Peace was established by Pope Paul VI in 1968 who asked that “every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise, at the beginning of the calendar which measures and outlines the path of human life in time, that Peace with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate the development of events to come.” Each year has a specific theme, chosen by the Holy Father. The theme chosen by Pope Francis is **“Forgive us our trespasses: grant us your peace”**.

This theme aligns with the spirit of the Jubilee Year, focusing on hope, forgiveness, and bringing people together. Inspired by *Laudato Si'* and *Fratelli Tutti*, the Holy Father states: “May 2025 be a year in which peace flourishes! A true and lasting peace that goes beyond quibbling over the details of agreements and human compromises. May we seek the true peace that is granted by God to hearts disarmed: hearts not set on calculating what is mine and what is yours; hearts that turn selfishness into readiness to reach out to others; hearts that see themselves as indebted to God and thus prepared to forgive the debts that oppress others; hearts that replace anxiety about the future with the hope that every individual can be a resource for the building of a better world.”

*All Parishioners are invited to visit the beautifully restored Nativity Scene in front of St. Catharines City Hall. It is a stunning display to see day and night! This meaningful religious display was made possible through the dedication and generosity of the Catholic Women’s League, the Knights of Columbus, Mr. Tom Rankin and Mr. John MacLellan of Rankin Construction, McNamara and Reynolds Design Centre, Mr. Dennis Sawatzky of Garden City Home Hardware Store and many volunteers of our community. It will be up until January 7, 2025. It is sure to inspire you!*



### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

In Canada, Christmas, and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, January 1<sup>st</sup> are Holy Days of Obligation.



### The 2025 Jubilee of Hope

Will officially open on December 24, 2024, with Pope Francis opening the Holy Door at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. Pope Francis decreed that, “...on Sunday, December 29, 2024, in every cathedral and co-cathedral, diocesan bishops are to celebrate Holy Mass as the solemn opening of the Jubilee Year...”. In our diocese, **Bishop Gerard Bergie will celebrate Mass at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, Sunday, December 29, 2024**, The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as the solemn opening of the Jubilee Year. All parishioners are encouraged and welcome to attend.

### Liturgical Music: Feast of The Holy Family



ENTRANCE: 465 Good Christians All,  
 Rejoice  
 RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 129 ps 128  
*Happy are those who fear the Lord,  
 And walk in his ways.*  
 GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Christmastime Alleluia  
 PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS: 618 (Tune 582)  
 Joseph, Be Our Guide and Pattern  
 COMMUNION: 469 In Night’s Deep Silence  
 RECESSIONAL: Alma Redemptoris Mater  
 454 Joy To The World  
 MASS MUSIC: CW II Latin Mass 343a, e, g, i.  
 Gloria CIS Hymnal 5.3

### Prayer For The New Year

*Bless us, O Lord;  
 And bless the time  
 And seasons yet to come.  
 Teach us to number our days aright,  
 That we may gain wisdom of heart.  
 And fill this New Year with your kindness,  
 That we may be glad and rejoice  
 All the days of our life.  
 Amen*



