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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, my heart is filled with immense gratitude for each one of you who make our parish a vibrant community of faith, love, and hope. Your genuine and lively faith is a beacon of light that illuminates our shared journey, and I am truly thankful to the Lord for the warmth and spirit you bring into our parish family. In the words of the Psalmist, **"I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds"** (Psalm 9:1).

This year 2024 is going to be a year filled with blessings due to our Silver Jubilee Celebration! Bishop Ivan Camilleri will inaugurate it on Saturday January 6th with a solemn Mass at 5pm. Various pastoral and community events are in planning for this Jubilee year. During the season of Lent, the renowned retreat master Fr. Michael Coutts will preach the Lenten Mission from March 2nd to March 6th. On Saturday April 6th Cardinal Tagle, the prefect of the congregation for evangelization of nations will conduct sessions for Youth & Family. On June 8th we are going to have a volunteer appreciation dinner for all men, women and youth who have given their time and talents for the growth of this faith community. Archbishop Francis Leo has accepted our invitation to celebrate the 25th Anniversary Mass on Saturday December 7th, 2024 at 5pm.

Various other committees are also planning numerous community involved programs. Updates will be released as they develop and details are finalized. The year 2024 is also going to be a hectic year due to the church flooring renovations taking place together with these celebrations. During the months of January and February tiling of one section of the church will be done. Therefore, Holy Mass will be celebrated in the parish hall. This change is going to affect many of our organizations and activities. I apologize for any inconvenience that you may encounter; kindly understand and cooperate with our limitations as you always have.

To accommodate the needs of our large parish community, starting Sunday January 7th, we will have 9 Masses on Sunday and 2 Vigil Masses on Saturday. Saturday Vigil: 5 pm & 6pm. Sunday Mass times: 6am, 7am, 8am, 9am, 10am, 11am, 12Noon, 1pm, & 2pm. There will be no change in the weekday Mass schedule. As the hall is used for Holy Mass, we are compelled to move sacramental preparation classes online during these months. A detailed email will be sent to the participants' families.

As we embrace the upcoming Jubilee year of our parish in 2024, let us look forward to a time of renewed vision and renewed lives. This milestone offers us an opportunity to reflect on the journey we've traveled together, celebrate the milestones we've achieved, and discern the path that is ahead.

May this Jubilee year be a season of transformation and growth for each one of us and for our parish as a whole!

Wishing you and your loved ones a blessed New Year filled with the peace that surpasses all understanding and the joy that comes from knowing we are united in Christ.

In Christ's love,

Fr. James Cherickal - Pastor

25th Parish Jubilee Inauguration

The Inauguration of
OUR PARISH 25TH ANNIVERSARY
Silver Jubilee Year



Inaugural Mass
January 6, 2024 ♦ 5pm
Celebrant and Homilist
Bp. Ivan Camilleri

The winner
of the Jubilee Logo Contest
WILL BE ANNOUNCED!

Temporary Mass Schedule Changes

Due to Church Floor Tiling in January & February
Holy Mass will be celebrated in the main hall
START DATE WILL BE ANNOUNCED SOON

Temporary Mass Times

<u>Saturday Vigil Masses:</u>	<u>Sunday Holy Masses:</u>
5pm	6am 7am 8am
6pm	9am 10am 11am
	12pm 1pm 2pm

Weekday Holy Mass times will remain the same

During these few weeks of renovations let's remain
courteous and patient with each other in our temporary
Mass setting & in the parking lot – **Thank You!**



SOLEMNITY

January 1, 2024

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of God

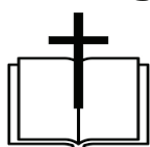
Holy Mass Times:

9am ♦ 10:30am ♦ 12pm ♦ 1:30pm

Sacramental Prep. Resuming ONLINE

Due to Floor Tiling in the Church

First Holy Communion & Confirmation



classes will resume

ONLINE

After Christmas break ALL classes will be online please check your email for coming details. **Thank you!**

Pilgrimage September 2024

Pilgrimage to:

Croatia, Medjugorje, Austria, Hungary, Poland & Czech Republic



Under the spiritual leadership of

Fr. James Cherickal

September 14th to 28th

\$4890.00



For More Information:

Flyer with details available by the parish office Stan (647) 463 9057 or stan@ihtours.com

A Note from the Parish Office

2024 Offertory Envelopes Available in Parish Lobby for Pickup

Please note the following:

1. Verify your correct name and address
2. Discard previous unused envelopes
3. For accurate posting of your donations, please write your name & address for the first few weeks
4. Can't find your envelope?
Leave contact details at the Parish Office



Thank You!

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday January 1, 2024

9am Thanksgiving
1030am Thanksgiving
12pm Thanksgiving
130pm Thanksgiving

Tuesday January 2, 2024

8am †Errol Pinto
7pm †A.L. Chacko

Wednesday January 3, 2024

8am Thanksgiving Jumoke
7pm Thanksgiving Maria Selvarajh
Special intention Pauline Prior
†Daisy Pimentel
†George Magno Fernandes
†Arcon Tamarra
†Filemon & deceased of De Luna family
†Apolinario Catahan & Dina Rosano
†Ronnie Lungsod
†Paul Prior

Thursday January 4, 2024

8am †Joseph Abejide
7pm †All deceased priests and religious

Friday January 5, 2024

8am Thanksgiving Paculan family
7pm Thanksgiving Frederick and Diana D'Mello
†Estelita Ison Samolde
†Anthony De Souza
†Bernad O. Gomes
†Roberto Nicolas
†Susan Marcial
†Maria Cristina Vibar
†Vincent & Philomena Fernandes

Saturday January 6, 2024

730am †Magdalena Cabanting Galang
5pm †Cesar and Teresita Torrefranca

Sunday January 7, 2024

730am Thanksgiving Manalac & Landingin family
9am Thanksgiving Jestin Nazren & Family
1030am †Dennis Santiago
12pm Pro Populo
130pm Thanksgiving Sapinoso & Ramlogan families



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