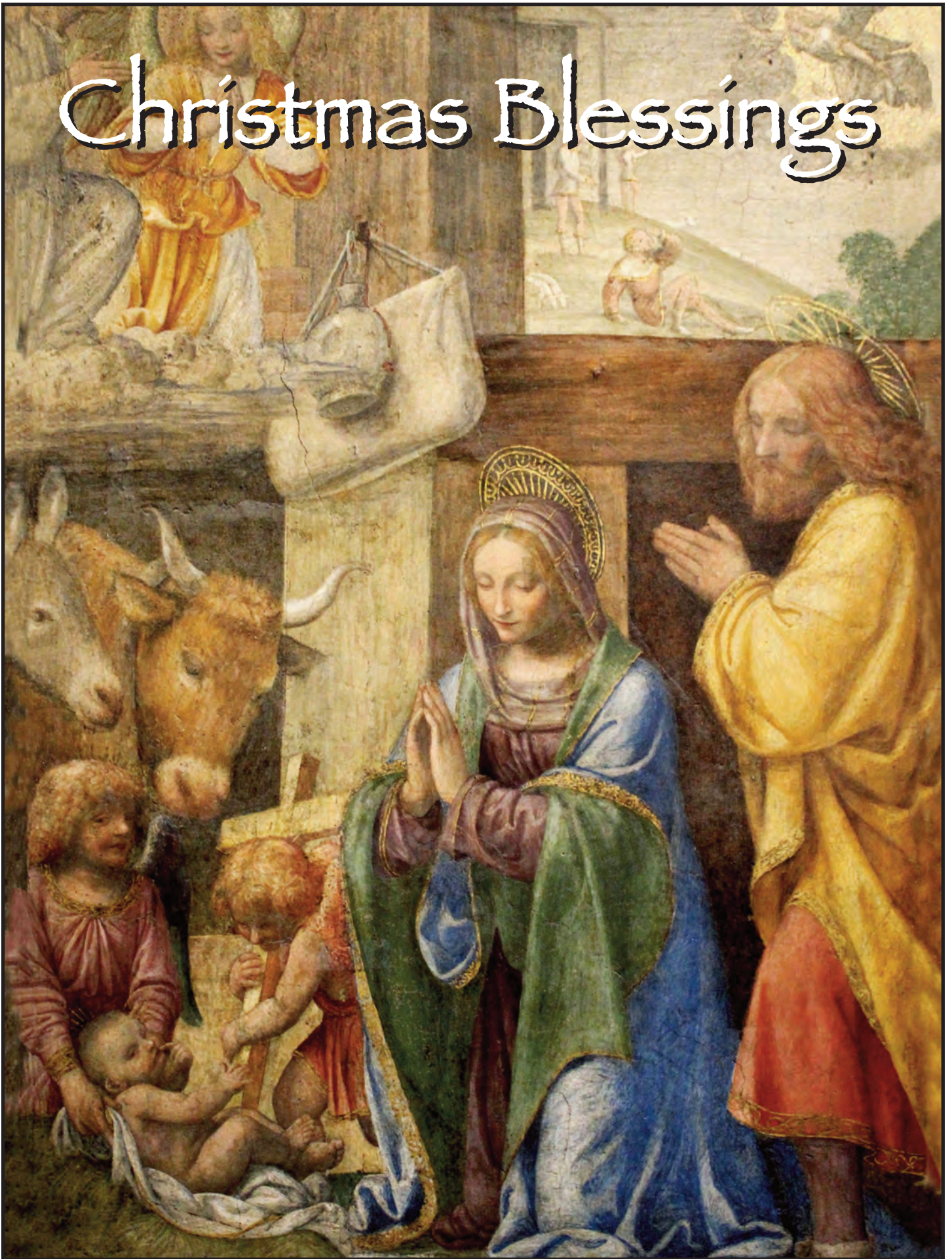


Christmas Blessings



Blessed Sacrament Parish
Solemnity of Christmas
December 25, 2022

From the Pastor's Desk Cont.

Today we celebrate the **Solemnity of Christmas**. Today we celebrate the mystery of the Word becoming flesh, and making His dwelling among us. Christ the Lord is born! May the peace of Jesus Christ - born on this day - be with all of our members on this Christmas day and throughout the Christmas season.

I would like to say **Thank You** to the many talented people who are making the Christmas liturgies this weekend so beautiful. First, I would like to thank the accompanists, cantors, choir members, and instrumentalists for their gift of music that add so much to our liturgies. I offer thanks also to our lectors, altar servers, ushers, greeters, Extraordinary Ministers, and sacristans. I would like to thank our Art & Environment Committee and our parish Minutemen who have beautifully decorated our church in preparation for Christmas. Finally, I extend a very important thank you to Parish Music Director Steve Buckman who has prepared and coordinated the music for our Christmas liturgies today. Wonderful job everyone in making our Christmas liturgies this weekend such a joy-filled encounter with the Lord!

For those wishing to celebrate the liturgical **Feast of the Holy Family**, the Universal Church celebrates that feast this year on **Fri. December 30**. Please join us here this upcoming Friday December 30 at 8:00 a.m. Mass to celebrate this Feast Day.

Finally, the following is our Mass schedule for the **January 1 Holy Day**. On this holy day we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God. This year January 1 falls on a Sunday, so we will be using our regular weekend Mass schedule.

Sat. December 31 (New Year's Eve) at 4:30 p.m.
Sun. January 1 (New Year's Day) at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.



To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy or other church personnel -- even if it is in the past -- individuals are encouraged to call the Diocese's Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number at 217.321.1155. Individuals may also contact Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.25.ABUSE.

Monday 8:00 a.m.	December 26, 2022 Richard Reis
Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	December 27, 2022 Marge Blair
Wednesday 8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	December 28, 2022 Klene Family Poor, Needy & Homeless of the Parish
Thursday 8:00 a.m.	December 29, 2022 Ernie Buckman
Friday 8:00 a.m.	December 30, 2022 Laura & Robert
Saturday 8:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	December 31, 2022 Raymond Vahlkamp People of the Parish
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	January 1, 2023 Lori Porter Elaine Hall

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Regular Collection:	\$ 12,413.00
Electronic Giving:	\$ 1,085.00
Total Collection	\$ 13,498.00
Weekly Support Needed:	\$ 12,013.00
Deficit/Surplus:	\$ +1,485.00
Regular Support Actual (YTD)	\$ 264,736.65
Regular Support Needed (YTD)	\$ 300,325.00
Regular Deficit/Surplus : (YTD)	(\$ 35,588.35)
Total School Collection	\$ 9,046.00
Haiti	\$ 665.00

This Week in Our Parish

Monday Office Closed	December 26, 2022
Tuesday Legion of Mary-GS	December 27, 2022 1:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m.
Wednesday Adoration Evening Prayer/Benediction	December 28, 2022 8:30 a.m.–5:10 p.m. 5:00 p.m.–5:20 p.m.
Friday Office Closes	December 30 2022 12:00 p.m.

Advent Caring Collection

A huge thank you to all who participated in collecting goods for those in need this Advent Season. Thank you for being Christ's hands and feet to those in need.

All goods collected will be donated to the Catholic Charities and Ladies of Charity pantries.



Christmas Octave Feast Days

For Catholics, the Christmas Celebration does not end on December 25. Special celebration is given to the Octave of Christmas or the 8 days following. The party keeps on going! Check out the schedule of Holy Days below for ideas of when to celebrate with your family.

December 26 | St. Stephen the First Martyr

December 27 | St. John the Evangelist

December 28 | The Holy Innocents

December 29 | St. Thomas Becket

December 30 | The Holy Family

January 1 | Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God
(Holy Day of Obligation)



Picking a Patron Saint for the New Year

A growing tradition among families is picking a patron Saint for the New Year. You can ask for this Saint's intercession throughout the year, celebrate their feast day, and invite them into the prayer life of your family throughout the year. This is a great way to make a new friend in Heaven!

1. There are multiple ways you could choose a Saint: The Saints Name Generator: This internet site created by Jenifer Fulwiler enables you to be randomly assigned a saint at the click of a button.
2. Get a stack of holy cards or this nice selection of 70 or so. Divide them like a deck of cards and pick the one on top.
3. If you have a copy of Butler's Lives of the Saints, or some other saint book/series with a large selection of saints, open it randomly and select the saint of the page that opens.

Word of God Sunday

To celebrate "Sunday of the Word of God" on January 22, the Parish will be gifting a new Great Adventure Bible to each of our 8th grade students.

We are asking for sponsors to donate \$36 to cover the cost of the Bible.

If you would like to contribute, please put "Sponsor Bible" on an envelope with money enclosed. These can be sent to the Parish Office or left in the collection basket at Mass.

Annual QND Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, January 8 from 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. in the QND Cafeteria. The cost is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. (Children under 5 eat free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Work Camp this summer.



Prayer...Liturgy... Word of God...Service



CAROLING AT HORIZONS



Prayer...Liturgy... Word of God...Service

Circle of Caring

If you know of anyone who could use a helping hand after returning home from the hospital, please contact Linda Hinkamper at 217-223-4159 during the month of December 2022. The Circle of Caring is for anyone who has just had a baby, returned home from the hospital or is unable to drive. Volunteers will carry in meals, provide rides, do housekeeping tasks or just lend a helping hand.

Remember the Sick in Your Prayers...

Please pray for parish family members: Doris Hildebrand, Tom Liesen, Betty Wiewel, Allan Harvey, Robin Cimera, Barb Peters, Maggie Kistner, Robert Conover, Linda Anemone, Anna Mae Timpe, Dan and Sandy Meade, Monica Mast, Carl Nieders, T. J. Nelson, Ken Nelson, Cheyenne Gayton, Eric Strunk.

Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call Carol Price to add their intentions to the Prayer Chain: 217-223-8881.



*14 Day Candle
Burns in Memory of
Madalon Elam*

Friend of Catholic Education Dinner

Please join us Saturday, February 4 at 6 p.m. at the Atrium on 3rd for the Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation's 14th Annual Friend of Catholic Education Dinner.

This year's event will honor Fr. Roy Bauer whose love and passion for Catholic education left an incredible legacy in our community. Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased at ticketstripe.com/FOCEDinner2023 or by mailing a check to the Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation at 1721 College Ave, Quincy, IL 62301.

For more information, please contact Sara Reuschel at director@quincycatholicschools.org or by calling (217) 779-3157.

The words of the angel to the shepherds in Luke's Gospel, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord." (Luke 2:10)



Memorare

Remember,
O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled
to your protection,
implored your help,
or sought your intercession
was left unaided.
Inspired by this confidence,
I fly unto you,
O Virgin of virgins, my mother;
to you do I come,
before you I stand,
sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not my petitions, but
in your clemency hear
and answer me. **Amen.**

prayer composed by St. Bernard
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Join the Junior Legion of Mary

Blessed Sacrament is now establishing a Junior Legion of Mary. This is an opportunity for young people under the age of 18 to join this spiritual army of Mary to grow their faith and adults to help lead them. Members are required to attend weekly meetings and to do at least one hour of work each week.

For more information contact:
Denise Sagoi, 217-316-5729

ourlegionofmary@blessedscs.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Saturday, December 31, 2022

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Kaileb Baker Vince Selby Samuel Klauser	Ruth Bange Terry Duesterhaus Deacon Terry	Devin Huner (GS) Lee & Marie John (WD)	Jane Lester	Gary Beckman Ted Johnson Jim Schrand James Smith

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR Sunday, January 1, 2023

Mass Times	Servers	Communion Minister	Greeters	Lectors	Usher
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	TBA	Diane Butler Nancy Kelly Doug Luther	The Mark Reuschel Family (GS) Glen & Becky Ebbing (WD)	Pamela Luther	Robert Brown Ed Lohman Brett Nieman Kevin Steinkamp
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	TBA	Patty Adam Ann Gage Jill Kelly	Henry Wilson Family (GS) Substitute Needed (WD)	Elizabeth Bozarth	Matt Bozarth Ron Kelly Marvin Schrecke Greg Young

SERVERS Week of December 26, 2022

Monday, December 26, 8:00 a.m. & -Tuesday, December 27, 8:00 a.m.- Emmy Kistner & Ellie Miler
Wednesday, December 28, 8:00 a.m.- Cadence Smith & Leah Terwelp
Thursday, December 29, 8:00 a.m.- Candence Smith & Leah Terwelp
Friday, December 30, 8:00 a.m.- Cadence Smith & Leah Terwelp

CHRISTMAS BLESSING OF HOME

Father Tom is available for Blessings of Homes during this Christmas Season. Please call the Parish Office to schedule!
217-222-2759

Prayer...Liturgy... Word of God...Service



The Ladies of the Bazaar Committee would like to thank all parishioners who supported the Bazaar in any way....

Donating baked goods, gift cards, craft items, working the booths and purchasing goods. All of you helped make it a success! We can not thank you enough! Merry Christmas!

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