

ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

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Feast of the Holy Family



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 27th

5:00 pm: † Mary Yvonne Da Costa

Sunday, December 28th—Feast of the Holy Family

8:00 am: † Petronila & Ismael Mendoza

10:00 am: † Immanuel Risardi Iman

12:00 pm: † Antonio Gascon & Richard Anderson

7:00 pm: People of the Parish

Monday, December 29th

8:00 am: † Colin Waters

12:30 pm: † Celia David

Tuesday, December 30th

8:00 am: † Edilberto Payanal

12:30 pm: Healing & Intns of D'Albuquerque Family

Wednesday, December 31st

9:00 am: † Conchita Medina

5:00 pm: Donor's Intention

7:00 pm: People of the Parish

Thursday, January 1st—Mary, Mother of God

10:00 am: † Alan Schmidt

12:00 pm: People of the Parish

Friday, January 2nd

Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

8:00 am: Vocations, Priests & Religious Life

12:30 pm: † Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 3rd

9:00 am: Donor's Intention

5:00 pm: People of the Parish

Sunday, January 4th—The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am: † James Morales

10:00 am: † Anthony Pinto

12:00 pm: † Celia David

7:00 pm: Donor's Intention

WORLD DAY OF PEACE

January 1st, 2026

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." The theme for 2026 is:



"Peace be with you all: Towards an 'unarmed and disarming' peace"

- Pope Leo XIV

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

For prayer with the Word of God ~ Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS



As 2026 fast approaches, the priests and staff of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish wish you and your families a blessed and joyful New Year!

We hope you enjoy this holiday season with your loved ones and look forward to seeing everyone back in the New Year! Happy New Year!

New Year's Schedule

Monday, December 29th

Weekday Mass at 8:00am & 12:30pm

Parish Office closed

Tuesday, December 30th

Weekday Mass at 8:00am & 12:30pm

Parish Office open 10am - 12pm, 1pm - 4pm

New Year's Eve—Wednesday, December 31st

Weekday Mass at 9:00am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Day of Obligation)

December 31st—Vigil Mass at 5:00pm & 7:00pm

Adoration after 5:00pm Mass, Benediction 6:45pm

New Year's Day—Thursday, January 1st, 2026

Mass at 10:00am, 12:00pm

Parish Office closed

Friday, January 2nd, 2026

Weekday Mass at 8:00am & 12:30pm

Parish Office closed

NEWEST CATHOLIC MEMBERS

The following children were recently welcomed into our worshipping community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

 **Daniela Keeshig-Yepez, Anthony Keeshig-Yepez, Aljon Facinabao, Saviour John, Maiya McIntyre and Madelyn McIntyre.** Please keep these children and their parents in your prayers.



Memorial Lamps & Special Intentions

December 20—December 26

In loving memory of
Mario Morra

Beloved husband, father and nonno.

You are loved and greatly missed.

Requested by Lorenza Morra, Rocco & Lydia, Maria & Carmine, Pasquale & Carm, grandchildren Marco, Mateo, Mario & Gianna.

In loving memory of
Alex Parker

our dearest brother, husband and father, who was taken to the Lord on Christmas Day 2022. May he continue to guide, protect and sustain us through all life's challenges. We pray that his soul rest in peace, with our parents and his loved ones, until we all meet again. Forever loved and missed by his family.

In loving memory of
Antonio Figueira

So deeply loved, missed and eternally cherished. Requested by Dad, Mom, your loving sister Kerry-Ann and your brother-in-law Lucio.

December 27—January 2

In loving memory of
Mario Morra

Beloved husband, father and nonno.

You are loved and greatly missed.

Requested by Lorenza Morra, Rocco & Lydia, Maria & Carmine, Pasquale & Carm, grandchildren Marco, Mateo, Mario & Gianna.

In loving memory of
Mary Yvonne Da Costa

Always remembered, forever loved and in our thoughts and prayers.

Requested by the Da Costa Family.

In loving memory of
John William Da Costa

Always remembered, forever loved and in our thoughts and prayers.

Requested by the Da Costa Family.

In loving memory of
Neil Joseph Da Costa

Always remembered, forever loved and in our thoughts and prayers.

Requested by the Da Costa Family.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



During the Octave (eight days) of Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

This feast day honors Jesus, the Blessed Mother, and Saint Joseph as the holiest of families, and therefore a model for all Christians families. They were holy because they placed God at the center of their family life, they loved and sacrificed for one another, and they radiated that love to others in the redemptive mission of the Word Incarnate.

The Feast teaches us about Jesus, Mary, and Joseph—and about each one of us and our own families.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

January 1st, 2026

Most holy Mother of God, you were blessed beyond all people, graced beyond what I will ever comprehend. Thank you for your "Yes" to God in all things. Thank you for your pure and holy love for your Son, for your motherly heart, your motherly pondering, and your motherly care for all your children. Pray for me that I may become more like your Son so as to merit you as my mother and queen. Mother of God, pray for us. Jesus, I trust in You.

2025 DONATIONS

To ensure your donation is included in the 2025 donation tax receipt, cash or cheque must be received by **Tuesday, December 30th, 2025**. Any cheques issued and received after this date will be applied to your 2026 donation. If you have changed your address or phone number, please update us of your new information.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

Monday December 29th

The Serra Club will be visiting our Parish on Monday, December 29th to pray for vocations from 11am-12noon. During Adoration, we will also pray in a special way for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, asking the Lord to inspire generous hearts to respond to His call. All are welcome to petition the Lord to send labourers into His harvest!

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The parish office will be closed from December 24th-29th, and December 31st—January 2nd, 2026. We will be open from 10am-12pm, 1pm-4pm on Tuesday, December 30th. Regular office hours will resume on Monday, January 5th, 2026.

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