

Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 21, 2014

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10:00 AM to 4:00PM (M - F)

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MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00 AM in the Chapel

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM in the Church

Sunday

English Mass 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Creole Mass 12:45 PM

Holy Days

English Mass 9:00 AM Bilingual Mass 7:30 PM

Eucharistic Day of Adoration Every 1st Friday



Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Church, Cambria Heights is a diverse, vibrant, family united in faith. Drawing from our rich cultural backgrounds, we proclaim Christ as Lord, celebrate His living presence in the Sacraments, and serve others in his name.

HE IS FROM THE GLORIOUS KINGDOM

"Rather He emptied himself and took the form of a slave being born in the likeness of men." (Philippians 2:7)

The significance of Christmas is its immense display of God's love for the human family. It is also a clear unfolding of God's design for the human person. In our age both of these insights are critically important.

God's love is manifested in action – sacrificial action. The birth of Jesus described above in the words, "he emptied himself," involves action on God's part. The Son of God voluntarily empties himself that he might totally embrace our life as a human



person. He freely chooses to walk in our shoes sacrificing his uniqueness, his power and majesty for us. Why? The Son of God becomes a human person that the Father's plan might be totally fulfilled and made known to all. God's design in creating the human family was, "let us make man (male and female) in our own image and likeness." The human race was created to be a visible representation of God, to carry within the human person the spark of God and to live in the likeness of God on the face of the earth, and, in complete union

with God for eternity. To live in the likeness of God is to live in what Pope Paul VI described as "communities of love" and Pope John Paul II speaks of as "solidarity." To live in this fashion means to embrace sacrifice as a way of life.

I think that the popularity of Christmas is directly related to the above understanding of the feast. Christmas serves to lift our spirits, to enlighten us about our real potential, and to give us an opportunity to show our better side. Christmas generates hope.

As we approach Christmas I want to encourage you to make time for prayer and reflection during this busy season. Please allow the Lord to touch you through the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).Let God's love restore you to "God's image and likeness." Make time for the Eucharist; celebrate "God's image and likeness" as through this sacrament of sacrificial love God builds us into a "community of love." Practice charity that you might give witness in action to the "solidarity" of God's family living as a "community of love."

Christmas Blessings to all!

Fr. Hilaire

Celebration of the Sacraments

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 4:00 PM. At other times, please make an appointment with one of the priests.

Matrimony

Please schedule an appointment with a priest at least six months before an anticipated wedding date for marriage preparation and Pre-Cana.

Baptism

Baptism is celebrated in English on the 2nd Saturday at 1:00 PM, and in Creole on the 4th Saturday at 1:00 PM. Pre-registration with child's original birth certificate is required. Please call the rectory for an appointment.

Communion for the Homebound

Anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness may receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis. Please call the rectory.

Weekday Reading

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd;

Lk 1:46-56

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab,

8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;

Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Thursday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27,

29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]; Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4

-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn

1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab,

16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;

In 20:1a, 2-8

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps

128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12 -17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, December 21

8:00 am Bernard Zenny in Thanksgiving 10:00 am Cecil & Hilda Carington (D) 12:45 pm Louise Pascal Dumornay (B)

Monday, December 22

9:00 am Marie Germain (D) 9:00 am Cllorie Bazile (B)

Tuesday, December 23

9:00 am Izabelle Cajoux (B

Wednesday, December 24

9:00 am Esther Delatour (D)

Thursday, December 25

9:00 am Thanksgiving to Holy Family

By Izabele Bazile

Friday, December 26

9:00 am Suzie Canal (B)

Saturday, December 27

9:00 am Lozama Celestin (D)

5:00 pm Souls of Purgatory by Geralde Alexis



Pray For

Myriam St Louis Juste, Myrna Desnoyers, Yolande Pierre, Hubert Mills, Mythe Ste Rose, Rosa Wright, Irma Ali, Saintecile Joseph, R. Saillant Jr., Sade Jean-Raymond, Jahlil Nahser, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Baptiste, Brenda Alleyne, Elliot Haynes, Ann Gutman, Alex St. Urbain, Candie Olmstead, Augustina Pitt, Gloria John, Clarence Hoggard, Lela Moton, Narque and Patrick Jean, Carolyn Keller, Marie Elene, Mercia Crevecoeur, Carolin Edith, Eva Thebeaud, Steve Ste Rose, Raymonde Bertrand, Anne Louissaint, Carmene Muscad, Genevieve Morin, Marie Kernisant, Cecilie Campayne, Gustave Dominique, Mie Antoinette Ferere, Marguerite Etienne, Ms. Anglade, Georges Brierre, Christine Bellot, Raymond Cleophat, Terry Gilbert, Sylvia Williams, Katena Charles, Evelina Malbranche, Louise Young, Cecille Lingoard, Marcelle Carre, Delreta Mason, Claudette Perrin, George L. Jordan, Elizabeth Kingston, Joane Zamy, Celine Duverger, Myrtha Manigat, Edrice Enayo, Ledanee Couloute, Nicole Crispin.

ECHOING MARY'S DECISION

The angel Gabriel today confronts Mary with a mystery. The mystery of salvation in Christ is not a mystery that is solved, but a reality beyond our comprehension that we must choose to enter into. In the liturgy of the Eastern Church, everyone waits to see if Mary will enter into the mystery: God waits, Adam and Eve and all the souls of the dead who long for paradise wait, angels wait for new heavenly companions. And there is much rejoicing when her decision is "yes."

We have less dramatic choices offered to us, but the mystery of our salvation in Christ is by no means "solved." We may understand it a bit better due to Mary's "yes." We may be a bit closer to it through the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. But it still remains a mystery to which we all must give our own "yes." Soon we will be singing "O come, let us adore him." May our Advent prayer, our echo of Mary's "yes," continue then, so we may enter into the mystery of our salvation in Jesus Christ, God among us.



Eucharistic Day of Adoration

Please join us and be blessed on the first Friday of each month for Eucharistic Adoration beginning with morning Mass at 9:00am in the church, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament throughout the day. Evening Prayer and Benediction with the Nocturnal Adoration Society at 7:30pm.

Bereavement

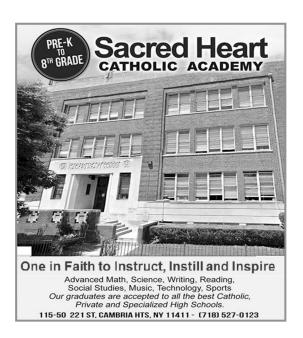
We invite the bereaved to join us for reassurance and support on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in Father Nolan's Unity Room.

Gwoup Konsolasyon

Pou konsole moun ki pèdi yon moun chè nan fanmi yo. Gwoup Konslasyon an kapab ede w. Rankontre nou chak dènye Jedi nan mwa a nan basement presbitè a 7è di swa.

Ministry of Consolation

A group of caring, compassionate volunteers assist families in planning the funeral liturgy of their loved ones. For further information please contact the rectory or Angela DePeaza at 718.525.4311.



The Lighting of the Third Candle: Waiting for the Son

By lighting one candle each week of Advent, we help ourselves to get ready for the birth of Jesus. So far we have lit three candles. The first reminded us to wait for God our Shepherd. With the second we asked the Lord to come and forgive our sins. The third, pink, candle signified our joy as we wait.



Today focus on the coming of the Son - the son of Mary, the Son of God!

Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24th

5 PM Chirstmas Vigil Mass in the Church

Midnight Mass in Creole in the Auditorium Midnight Mass in English in the Church Caroling begins at 11:30 pm

Thursday, December 25th

10:00 AM Bilingual Mass in the Church