

December 31, 2011-January 1, 2012 ~ Solemnity of Mary

Readings for the Week of January 1, 2012

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

This Week in Our Parish

Mass intentions are listed in parentheses below

M 1/2 **Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors of the Church**
Offices closed
No Daily Mass

Tu 1/3 **Christmas Weekday/The Most Holy Name of Jesus**
9:00 am Daily Mass (*Albert Fiorell*) - Church
7:30 pm Renew - 4

W 1/4 **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious**
9:00 am Daily Mass (*Janie Kappel*) - Church
6:00 pm Folk Group - Lapointe Hall
7:30 pm RCIA - Church
7:30 pm Adult Choir - Lapointe Hall
7:30 pm Capital Campaign reports - STMA

Th 1/5 **St. John Neumann, bishop**
6:15 pm Cub Scouts 1811 - 1,2,3,4

Fr 1/6 **Christmas Weekday/St. Andre Bessette, religious**
9:00 am Mass (*Deceased Mountaineer Priests*) - Church
9:30 am Eucharistic Adoration - Church
Set up for Feast of the Magi - Parish Center

Sa 1/7 **Christmas Weekday/St. Raymond of Penyafort, priest**
1:00 pm Christmas in Bethlehem - 1,2,3,,LH,T,B
4:00 pm Confessions - Pastor's Office
4:30 pm Mass (*Leslie Hornung, special*) - Church
5:45 pm Feast of the Magi - Lapointe Hall

Su 1/8 **Epiphany of the Lord**
8:00 am Mass (*Ernest Prete*) - Church
9:30 am Mass (*Virginia Davis*) - Lapointe Hall
10:30 am RCIA - T
11:15 am Mass (*Parishoners*) - Lapointe Hall
6:15 pm Confirmation Class - 1,2,3,4,LH

St. Joseph parish accepts **Mass intentions** for the faithfully departed, the needs of the living, and in thanksgiving for special graces. In addition, every weekend one Mass is offered for the parishioners of St. Joseph. To request a Mass intention and pick up a Mass card, please call or stop by the office Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. An offering of \$5 is suggested when requesting a Mass.

We Pray For...

Fr. Leo Tittler, Theresa Lapointe, Joan McLoughlin; Tom McLoughlin; Pat Zimmerman; Roma Duber; Doug Duber; John & Mary Pate; Dan Pelz; Carol Ladouceur; Wilbur Ford; Florence Lee; Keith Geisinger; Cody Pugh; Bobbie Scott; Mary Wolfe; Ann Smithers; Craig Goldsworthy; Soledad Elad; Michelle Harich; Barbara German; Ida Susan Ricketson; Tom Putsay; Kevin Reese; Kathy Keller Roberts; Francesca McCarter; Rev. Art Kuehn; Duane Krepps; John Pawlik; Clark Genau; Jean Ryberg; Mary Justice; Janice George; Terry Frye

About Our Prayer List

To add a name to the prayer list, please email office@stjoesbuckeystown.org or call 301-663-0907 x3022. For privacy reasons, names will be included only if they are submitted by the person requesting prayers themselves or a close relative. Names will be kept on the list for six months.

Prayer For Our Troops

*Lord, hold our troops
in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
For the selfless acts they perform
For us in our time of need.
And give us peace.
We ask this in the name of Jesus
Our Lord and Savior. Amen.*

Word of Life

The Church considers it her duty to defend in our society as a whole the truths and values in which the very dignity of man is at stake. Accordingly, to mention one particularly important point, we have no right to judge whether an individual is "already a person" or "still a person," and even less is it up to us to manipulate the human being or even to wish to do so.

~Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the Hon. Reinhard Schweppe, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Holy See, November 7, 2011

Next weekend's Poor Box collection

The Religious Coalition is a nonprofit organization that operates the Alan P. Linton Jr. Emergency Shelter and eight Food Banks and provides emergency financial assistance to individuals and families in need.



In the past God spoke to
our ancestors through the
prophets; in these last
days, he has spoken to us
through the Son.

Hebrews 1:1-2

Thank you for your contributions!

Weekend of December 17-18

Regular Offertory (including auto-giving):
\$10,938.67

New Church Gifts (including auto-giving):
\$ 1,813.00

Due to the holidays last week's report is not available. A full report will appear in two weeks.

End of Year Statements

Thank you for your generosity over the past year, which has made it possible to finance parish operations without interruption, to care for the facilities and property, and to enhance services and programs. When you use offertory envelopes or automatic giving (electronic funds transfer), your contribution amounts are recorded in the secure parish database. Loose cash and checks given in the collection are not recorded.

Each January, we use this information to create end-of-year contributions statements that are required by the Internal Revenue Service. Specifically, the IRS requires the parish to send disclosure statements for one-time contributions of \$250 or more and for quid pro quo contributions (made in exchange for goods or services). As a courtesy to our givers, we also will send a summary of all contributions made to the parish as recorded on the envelopes you use or the statements we receive about your automatic giving. Please consult with a tax professional if you have questions about charitable contributions and tax records.

Again, thank you for your past financial support of your parish, and please know that your continued contributions will be greatly appreciated.



Baptism Prep Class

Our Baptism Preparation program has changed. First time parents will now attend two sessions, one week apart before a baptism will be scheduled.

Repeating parents must have attended a Baptismal Preparation Class within the past 4 years before a baptism will be scheduled. If not they will take Session I of the program.

The next **Baptism Preparation Session I** will be held **Monday, February 6 at 7 pm; Session II** will be held on **Monday, February 13 at 7 pm**, both in Room 3 of the Parish Center. Although there is no fee for these classes, **registration is required**. To register please contact Therese Kennedy at 301-663-0907 x3022 or email office@stjoesbuckeyestown.org.

You are encouraged to sign up for the preparation classes before your delivery date. Please note that baptisms are not scheduled during Lent.

Safety Reminder

Most accidental injuries occur due to falls. For your safety during the winter, please give a second thought to the type of footwear you are wearing as you head for the door. Ice and snow call for appropriate shoes with good traction. Please be careful walking and driving in wintry conditions as you go about your day.

Note of Thanks

Dear Parishioners,

Many thanks to all the volunteers, lectors, altar servers, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, decorators, musicians, and all who so generously donated time, talents, and services to help make our Advent and Christmas celebrations so beautiful and meaningful.

We also want to thank you for your generosity to our Christmas collection. Your parish depends on your contributions.

May you and your family have a blessed new year!

Sincerely,
Fr. Lawrence Frazier

Rest in Peace
Joseph Peters
George MacVeigh, husband of Ellen MacVeigh
Michel Dabdoub, uncle of Denise Jaar

Office and Daily Mass changes

The parish offices will be closed all day on Monday, January 2nd. There is no Daily Mass.

The 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday, January 7 will be in the church. We hope to see you at the Feast of the Magi that follows in Lapointe Hall.

First Friday and Eucharistic Adoration

On **Friday, January 6**, First Friday Mass will be at 9 am in the church. Eucharistic Adoration will follow Mass and continue through 7 pm.

Spend One Hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace. ~Pope John Paul II

Contact Barbara Simpson to learn more about Eucharistic Adoration: 301-874-2653

March for Life

Give witness to your commitment to life - join the March for Life on Monday, January 23, the 39th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion on demand. Come join this peaceful day of prayer and witness to change the hearts and minds of our nation to turn from abortion. We will have a bus leaving from Frederick and disembarking directly onto the National Mall in Washington, DC for the rally and march to the US Supreme Court. Please contact Dolores at (301) 695-3408 to reserve a seat. Cost is \$20.

World Marriage Day

All married couples are cordially invited to join Archbishop Edwin O'Brien for the special World Marriage Day Mass and Reception at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles Street (*not the Basilica downtown*), **February 12 at 3:00 pm**. The Mass will be bilingual in English and Spanish and interpreted for the deaf.

ST. JOSEPH-ON-CARROLLTON MANOR PRESENTS

BOULDER CANYON

Formerly Friends With You

IN A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO

JOHN DENVER

WEINBERG CENTER FOR THE ARTS

20 WEST PATRICK STREET
FREDERICK, MD

SATURDAY APRIL 14, 2012

DOORS OPEN	6:30 PM
SHOW BEGINS	8:00 PM

TICKETS: \$30.00 \$25.00 \$20.00

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT NEW CHURCH BUILDING FUND

BOULDER CANYON, formerly "Friends With You", is comprised of players from all over the United States who met at an annual gathering of musicians in Aspen, Colorado to celebrate the music of John Denver. Since 2005, they have been entertaining audiences across the country. Let them introduce you to one of America's most treasured performers!!

John Denver fans will want to purchase their tickets early as it is sure to be another sell out performance. These tickets make excellent gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc.

**CONTACT: CHARLIE ABELL 301-473-5805
FOR TICKETS AND INFORMATION**

Faith Formation

Therese Ivanisin, Director, ext. 3012

Ashley Arominski, Youth Ministry, ext. 3016

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Wednesday CFF (K-5th Grade)	6:50—8:00pm	Jan 7, 11, 18*	Christmas in Bethlehem & Feast of the Magi
Christmas in Bethlehem Set-up	6:00pm	Jan 6	Set-up for Saturday, Jan. 7th, call Cindy or Therese I.
Life Teen (9 - 12th Grade)	6:15—8:15pm / Lapointe Hall	Jan 15	Life Night: Movie Night "Soul Surfer"
Edge (6 - 8th Grade)	2:30—4:30pm / Lapointe Hall	Jan 22	Edge: Paschal Mystery/Lent
Wednesday Catechist Meeting	7:00—9:00pm	Jan 4	Planning for next several months.
Saturday Generations of Faith (GoF) K - 8th Grade & Adults	1:00—8:00pm, parish center	Jan 7	Be involved with Christmas in Bethlehem and the Feast of the Magi!
Sunday Afternoon Generations of Faith (GoF) K - 8th Grade & Adults	1:00-8:00pm, parish center	Jan 7	Be involved with Christmas in Bethlehem and the Feast of the Magi!
Sunday Evening Generations of Faith (GoF) K -5th Grade & Adults	1:00—8:00pm, parish center	Jan 7	Be involved with Christmas in Bethlehem and the Feast of the Magi!
Baptism Prep Session	7:00—8:30pm	Feb 6 & 13	To register call Therese Kennedy, ext. 3022 Don't wait!

K-5th GRADE

Are you a 5th grader or older? We invite you to help with the Liturgy by becoming an Altar Server. Call Karl Noah 301-668-2235.

January Generations of Faith (GoF): Families are to be involved with Christmas in Bethlehem and the Feast of the Magi.

6th-12th GRADE

Created to Love

Saturday, January 7, 2-5pm at St. Ignatius

An afternoon workshop for middle school teens and their parents about healthy relationships and decision making.

All middle school parents please turn in registration form or opt out form.

Check website for more information!

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Confirmation

The Confirmation Program needs one more teacher to help with this coming year's Confirmation Classes starting in January. Contact Ashley if you can help!

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation Families

Next session January 14, 2012 @ 9:30am - 12:30pm
First Reconciliation, Saturday, January 21, 2012 @ 10:30am

ADULTS & FAMILIES

You are invited to spend Christmas in Bethlehem in the parish center. January 7th, from 1 to 4pm. Stop by anytime!

Then join us for the **Feast of the Magi (Potluck)** 5:45pm-8pm in Lapointe Hall.

Menu: (Parish will provide Fried Chicken and Fish Sticks, Drinks and beverages. Names beginning I-Z: bring Side Dishes. Names beginning A-H: bring Desserts.

4:30pm Mass that day will be celebrated in the Church.

E-mail: CKindl@stjoesbuckeyestown.org or TIvanisin@stjoesbuckeyestown.org and let us know number attending.

Upcoming: Men's Retreat Saturday, January 28th @ 9:30am-3:30pm

**You Are Invited to Spend *Christmas in Bethlehem*
and join in the
Feast of the Magi
at
St. Joseph-on-Carrollton
Manor**



Plan on stopping in Bethlehem for awhile. Tour the streets, sing a song, hear a story, make a few gifts to share with others, meet townspeople and sign your family crest just like Joseph and Mary when asked by the census guard. Be ready to pay the tax collector if asked (donations will be given to the poor box).

Saturday, January 7th from 1pm-4pm.

Visit for as long as you like.

4:30pm Mass will be celebrated in the church that evening.

Interested in helping or donating for the event? See the Faith Formation page for more details. It takes many people to set-up and clean-up a town after the census! Set-up Friday, Jan. 6th.

Feast of the Magi (Potluck)

5:45pm-8pm in Lapointe Hall

Menu:

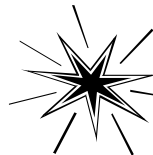
Fried Chicken and Fish Sticks

Drinks and beverages

(Parish will provide)

Travelers with the name beginning I-Z provide - Side dishes

Travelers with the name beginning A-H provide - Desserts



Complete the following form and return it to the Faith Formation office **by January 4th** or e-mail the following information to: CKindl@stjoesbuckeystown.org or Tlvanisin@stjoesbuckeystown.org

I/We will be attending: ___ *Christmas in Bethlehem* festivities and/or ___ the *Feast of the Magi*.

Family Name: _____

Number of Adults attending # _____ (16 & older) **Children attending #** _____

In Case of inclement weather a contact number and/or e-mail is requested:

Family E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Community Bulletin Board

St. John Regional Catholic School News

Walk-in Wednesdays! Join us every Wednesday from 9-11 am. Prospective parents are invited to visit SJRCS and tour the Pre-K through 8th grade classrooms. Applications for Pre-K – 8th Grade now being accepted for the 2011-12 school year. Download forms at www.sjracs.org. Contact Karen O'Boyle at kboyle@sjracs.org or call 301-662-6722 for additional information.

Musactifun program with Monte Leister at SJRCS for ages 2 to 6. Join us every Wednesday starting January 11 to February 29 from 11-11:45 am. This program is designed to get kids and parents moving, singing, laughing, learning, and having tons of fun together as well as reinforcing large motor coordination and cognitive development. The cost is \$40 for a four week session.

High School Placement Test Make-up

St. John's Catholic Prep, Saturday, January 7, 8:30 am registration; 9 am testing; \$30 testing fee. St. John's is a Catholic, co-educational college preparatory high school located at 889 Butterfly Lane in Frederick. Students currently enrolled in an Archdiocese of Washington school take the high school placement test at their middle school. Students do not need to take both tests. All other interested 8th grade students are required to take this placement test. Call 301-662-4210 to pre-register. Space is limited.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships

The Knights of Columbus award several scholarships each year for both college and high school students. For information on scholarships available, please write to: Maryland State Council, Knights of Columbus, 10915 Stand Rd., Owings Mills, MD 21117, or visit www.kofc-md.org. The deadline for receipt of applications is February 1, 2012.

Knott Scholarships

The Knott Scholarship Fund announces the availability of four-year, full-tuition scholarships for the 2012-13 academic year to be awarded on the basis of outstanding academic achievement. Catholic students currently in Grade 4 or Grade 8 may apply. These scholarships may be used to attend a Catholic parish elementary or a Catholic high school within Frederick, Carroll, Baltimore, Anne Arundel, Harford or Howard counties or Baltimore city.

For information regarding qualifications and an application form describing eligibility requirements visit: www.knottscholar.org.

Lifeline for Troubled Marriages

Retrouvaille can help couples experiencing marital difficulty. Call 301-468-6764 or 410-647-0350 for confidential information, or email TomNCarol@comcast.net, or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or www.retrouvaille.org.

Keep Their Dream Alive

Help make higher education affordable for all qualified Maryland students regardless of immigration status. Learn how you can activate and educate your parish or community to support their DREAM. They were brought here as youngsters and love America – their home. They are hardworking, file taxes and will not take any university spots away from other Maryland students – and they will pay the full Maryland in-state tuition rate. The Maryland Catholic Conference is holding training sessions for those who want to campaign to keep the DREAM alive for these students. Thursday, January 12 from 7 – 9 pm at Cathedral of Mary Our Queen (5200 North Charles Street, Baltimore). To register, and for more information, visit www.mdccathcon.org/dream or call 301-261-1979

Catholic Physician & Health Care Professionals

The Baltimore Guild Catholic Medical Association invites Catholic physicians and other health care professionals to a beginning of the year fellowship gathering on January 14. The day begins with the celebration of 8 am Mass at St. William of York Church (600 Cooks Lane, Baltimore) followed by breakfast at a local diner where Rev. Michael DeAscanis will offer a reflection. RSVP appreciated at 410-368-8475. For more information visit www.bg-cma.org.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats

We welcome Fr. Steve Frenier from the Shrine of St. Anthony to the Rachel's Vineyard Ministry Team! Upcoming Baltimore Retreats to be held at Bon Secours Spiritual Center are scheduled for January 27-29 & April 27-29. The cost of the retreat is \$225.00 per person, which includes private rooms, baths, meals and materials. Scholarships are available for those requiring help in attending the weekend. www.rachelsvineyardbaltimore.org; or email rvbaltimore@archbalt.org; 410-625-8491.

Lending Library for the Blind

Xavier Society for the Blind has a large lending library of books in Braille, large print and audio CD's. They record ten periodicals, and provide the Mass readings for Sundays and feast days in all three formats. Mailing is free to and from people certified as blind (which can also include having partial vision or having difficulty dealing with traditional print because of other physical ailments, dyslexia or other impediments). For more information call 800-637-9193, email info@xaviersocietyfortheblind.org or visit www.xaviersocietyfortheblind.org.

Pregnant, Need Help?

Call the Gabriel Network - 1-800-ANGEL-OK
Suffering Post-Abortion Syndrome?
Call Project Rachel - 1-800-286-4224