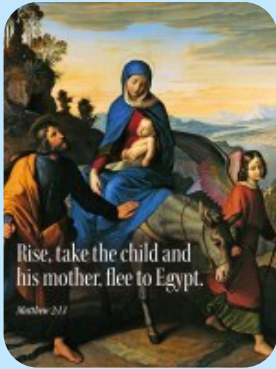
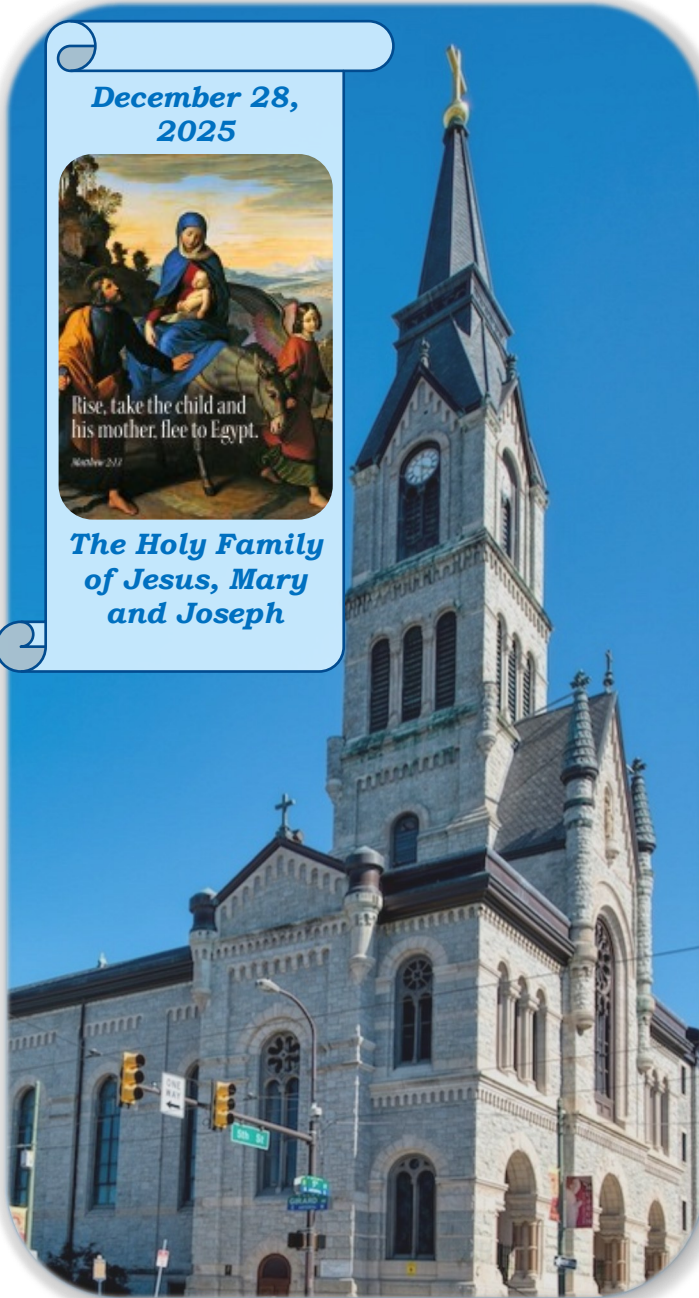


**December 28,
2025**



***The Holy Family
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and Joseph***



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m (Vigil).

Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Spanish),
12:30 pm

Weekdays: 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

O.L.P.H. Novena: 7:00 p.m. (Shrine) Filipino Sponsored

CONFESSIONS

Mon - Sat: 11:45 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)

RECTORY OFFICE

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

GIFT SHOP SCHEDULE

Monday - Sunday: 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS: You are asked to arrange an appointment in advance by telephone with the Priest you wish to see.

SICK CALLS: Emergencies & Hospital Visitation: Please contact the Rectory office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism is administered monthly. Arrangements are made in advance at the Rectory. Sponsors must provide proof of eligibility by a letter from their respective pastors, and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation. Parents attend a Pre-Jordan meeting prior to Baptism, which is arranged at a mutually convenient time.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least six months before the date of the wedding. Pre-Cana instructions are required. Couples rather than parents or wedding coordinators should contact the church. If either party was previously married, an annulment must be granted prior to the selection of a future wedding date.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27

5:30 PM † Maria Magdalena Asencio - rb: Maria Elena Asencio

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28

7:30 AM Purgatorian Society

9:30 AM Parish Family and The Kernan Family - rb: Family

11:00 AM † Pascual Bermudez – rb: Nydia Betancourt

12:30 PM † Denise Marie Bryan - rb: Geri Kotch

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † Antonia Neris – rb: Josefina Hernandez

5:30 PM † Joan Hammel - rb: Children & Grandchildren

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM † Frank, Doreen, and David Kearney - rb: Susan and Christine Kearney

5:30 PM Vinh and Melissa Au Wedding Anniversary - rb: Le Nguyen

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

5:30 PM Thanksgiving from Cacho Family - rb: Francisco Cacho

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1 - *Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God*

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:16 PM Mary Lu Kost - rb: Ron Kost

5:30 PM Luz Maria Mejia H. - rb: Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 2

7:00 AM Purgatorian Society

12:15 PM Neumann Guild

5:30 PM † Dominic & Maria Nguyen - rb: Le Nguyen

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

12:15 PM OLPH MASS LEAGUE

REMEMBER THE SICK OF THE PARISH

In your prayers, please keep in mind our sick, homebound, and those in healthcare facilities including: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSsR, Jennifer Woods, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Ann Pham, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinallee Colon, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola, Jeanette Troutman, Linda Butter, Ann Russo, Brian Devers, Terri Campione, Orlando Morales, Monsarate Torres, Lisa Belle, Wayne Belle, and William Vaughn. *Please call the rectory office to add a name.*

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Feast of the Holy Family. In the Gospel we see how Divine Providence guided the Holy Family as it endured its trials. St. Francis de Sales notes:

In today's Gospel the angel commanded Joseph to take the Child and His mother and go into the land of Egypt. Like the Holy Family, we must go into a world where we find ourselves in the midst of enemies. As a result, we can become disquieted if events don't go according to our wishes. To avoid the shipwrecks that are so common in sailing the waters of this world, let us consider the great peace and serenity of mind that the Holy Family had. With holy confidence in Divine Providence, they remained calm and peaceful amid the unexpected events that befell them. God will protect us too in the sea of life when everything may be in confusion not only around us, but within us as well.

However, no matter what course the ship may take, our heart, our spirit, our will, which is our compass, must tend toward God's love and peace, for God's place of peace is in the restful heart. When a lake is very calm on a very serene night, the stars in the sky are reflected in the lake. If we look down into the tranquil lake, we see that the beauty of the heavens is as clearly visible as when we look up at the night sky. Likewise, when our soul is perfectly calm and untroubled by the winds of superfluous cares, unevenness of spirit, and uncertainty, it is very capable of reflecting in itself the image of our Lord.

The Holy Family teaches us how we ought to embark on the sea of Divine Providence. Trusting in God's providential goodness, let us not be surprised or troubled when we meet with similar problems to those encountered by the Holy Family. Try to do well today without thinking of the next day. If you fall short in some way, do not be disheartened. Our Savior's heart is large, and wants our heart to find room in His heart.

Blessings,
Fr Mike

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Consider lighting a candle for your intentions or in memory of a loved one. The candles are located at the Blessed Sacrament Altar, the Perpetual Help Shrine, the St. John Neumann Altar, the Upper Church's Main Altar, and the Priest Chapel.



If you are interested, please contact the rectory office for details.

Donation: \$20 for 2 weeks; \$10 for one week

WEEKEND COLLECTION - 12/14/2025

Masses	\$2,105.00
Envelopes Mailed - Offerings	\$393.00
Electronic Giving -	\$2,360.04
Total.....	\$4,858.04
Total 2nd Collection.....	\$1,166.00

SANCTUARY CANDLES

This week, the candles in the sanctuaries will burn for the following intentions:

Blessed Sacrament Altar (Lower Church)

Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen

OLPH Shrine (Upper Church)

Little Family - rb: Nora Little

St. John Neumann Altar

Nguyen Family - rb: Le Nguyen

Blessed Sacrament Altar (Upper Church)

All the faithful departed - rb: Patricia and Raymond Villanueva

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THE ROSARY

We invite you to join us each day at 11:55 a.m. in the Shrine as we pray the Rosary for peace. Please come and pray with us.



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LA MISA DE HOY

11:00 AM † Pascual Bermudez – sp: Nydia Betancourt

CONFESIONES EN ESPAÑOL

10:30 AM

DONACIONES DE UNITED WAY

Si usted contribuye a United Way a través de su trabajo, favor considere designar a la **Escuela San Pedro, United Way #52989**, para que su donación ayude a nuestra escuela.

VELA DEL SANTUARIO

Esta semana, las velas de los santuarios se encenderán por las siguientes intenciones:

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Abajo)

Familia Nguyen

- sp: Le Nguyen

Santuario de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro (Iglesia de Arriba)

Familia Little

- sp: Nora Little

Altar de San Juan Neumann

Familia Nguyen

- sp: Le Nguyen

Altar del Santísimo Sacramento (Iglesia de Arriba)

Fieles almas fallecidas - sp: Patricia y Raymond

Villanueva

Capilla de los Redentoristas

Lorraine Kingsbury Miner

RECORDEMOS A LOS ENFERMOS DE LA PARROQUIA

En sus oraciones, por favor, tenga en cuenta a nuestros enfermos, confinados en casa, y aquellos en los centros de salud, incluyendo: Fr. Gerard Brinkmann CSsR, Jennifer Woods, Clara Torres, Ada Olivo, Wayne Shaak, Michaela Breslin, Marcelino Casiano, Luz Martinez, Juana Ortiz, Charles Ambrose, Ann Pham, Danielle Sorrichillo, Jack Michael Little, Reinalee Colon, Tanya Rapone, Jane Kernan, Alicia Ann Chomo, Betty Santos, Mary Zajac, Kathy Griffin, Michael Micciola, Jeanette Troutman, Linda Butter, Ann Russo, Brian Devers, Terri Campione, Orlando Morales, Monsarate Torres, Lisa Belle, Wayne Belle, and William Vaughn. Favor de llamar a la rectoría para incluir un nombre en la lista.

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DEL ESCRITORIO DEL PASTOR

Queridos Feligreses,

Hoy es la Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. En el Evangelio vemos cómo la Divina Providencia guió a la Sagrada Familia durante sus pruebas. San Francisco de Sales señala:

En el Evangelio de hoy, el ángel ordenó a José que tomara al Niño y a su madre y huyera a Egipto. Al igual que la Sagrada Familia, debemos vivir en un mundo donde nos encontramos rodeados de enemigos. Como resultado, podemos inquietarnos si los acontecimientos no se desarrollan según nuestros deseos. Para evitar los naufragios tan comunes al navegar por las aguas de este mundo, consideremos la gran paz y serenidad de espíritu que poseía la Sagrada Familia. Con santa confianza en la Divina Providencia, permanecieron serenos y en paz en medio de los acontecimientos inesperados que les sobrevinieron. Dios también nos protegerá en el mar de la vida cuando todo parezca estar en confusión, no solo a nuestro alrededor, sino también dentro de nosotros.

Sin embargo, sea cual sea el rumbo que tome la nave, nuestro corazón, nuestro espíritu, nuestra voluntad, que es nuestra brújula, debe tender hacia el amor y la paz de Dios, pues el lugar de paz de Dios se encuentra en un corazón sereno. Cuando un lago está en calma en una noche serena, las estrellas del cielo se reflejan en él. Si miramos hacia el lago tranquilo, vemos que la belleza del cielo es tan claramente visible como cuando miramos hacia el firmamento nocturno. Del mismo modo, cuando nuestra alma está perfectamente en calma y libre de las preocupaciones superfluas, la inestabilidad de espíritu y la incertidumbre, es capaz de reflejar en sí misma la imagen de nuestro Señor.

La Sagrada Familia nos enseña cómo debemos embarcarnos en el mar de la Divina Providencia. Confiando en la bondad providencial de Dios, no nos sorprendemos ni nos turbamos cuando nos encontramos con problemas similares a los que afrontó la Sagrada Familia. Intentemos hacer el bien hoy sin pensar en el mañana. Si fallamos en algo, no

~ Noticias de la Parroquia ~

nos desanimemos. El corazón de nuestro Salvador es grande y desea que nuestro corazón encuentre un lugar en el suyo.

Bendiciones,
Padre Mike



VELA DEL SANTUARIO

Considere encender una vela por sus intenciones, o en memoria de un ser querido. Estas velas se encuentran en el Altar del Santísimo Sacramento, el Santuario de Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro, el Altar de San Juan Neumann, el Altar Principal de la Iglesia de Arriba, y la Capilla de los Sacerdotes. Si usted está interesado, comuníquese con la oficina de la rectoría para más detalles.
Donación: \$20.00 por 2 semanas; \$10 por una semana.



EL ROSARIO

Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros todos los días a las 11:55AM en el Santuario a rezar el Rosario por la paz. Venga y únase a nosotros con el arma espiritual.



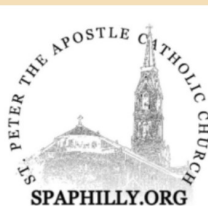
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COLECTAS DEL FIN DE SEMANA 12/14/2025

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**ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH
CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, December 24th:

Regular weekday masses in Shrine at
7:00 AM and 12:15 PM
Only 11:45 AM Confessions

Choir Concert at 5:00 PM
Vigil Mass at 5:30 PM in the Upper Church

Thursday, December 25th:

9:30 AM (English), 11:00 AM (Spanish), and
12:30 PM (English)
In the Upper Church, NO Confessions

Thursday, January 1st:

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Regular Mass and confession schedule
in the Shrine.

Join us for the
**ST. JOHN NEUMANN
FEAST DAY**
Masses

**SUNDAY,
JANUARY 4, 2026
FEAST DAY MASS**

12:30 PM
UPPER CHURCH

.....
**MONDAY,
JANUARY 5, 2026**

12:15 PM
UPPER CHURCH

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6:30 PM Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*
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Christmas Hours

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Friday, Dec. 26th.

We will also be closed on
New Years Day, Thursday, Jan. 1st.

