

# THE FISH WRAP

The Catholic Parishes of  
Saint John Capistran    Immaculate Conception    Holy Rosary

## MASS TIMES FOR JANUARY

Amherst— Saturday 5:00 PM  
Elm Creek—Sunday 8:00 AM  
Overton—Sunday 10:00 AM

## MASS TIMES FOR FEBRUARY

Overton—Saturday 5:00 PM  
Amherst—Sunday 8:00 AM  
Elm Creek—Sunday 10:00 AM

## MASS TIMES FOR MARCH

Elm Creek— Saturday 5:00 PM  
Overton—Sunday 8:00 AM  
Amherst—Sunday 10:00 AM



## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY    DECEMBER 27TH 2020

## HOLY DAYS MASSES

AS NOTED IN BULLETIN

## OFFICE HOURS

Please call (308) 856-4375 to make an appointment.

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:30 - 4:45  
Sunday - 7:30 - 7:45  
Sunday - After 10:00 Mass  
By request Anytime by appointment

## MARRIAGES

Friday Evenings or 2 PM Saturdays, or you can invoke the "Tool Rule". 4 month minimum preparation. If previously married takes 1 1/2 to 2 years for annulment decision.

## BAPTISM

Call Rectory for class and instructions.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourselves to the Pastor or call the rectory (308) 856-4375 to register.

## DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

Thursday by 3:00pm  
If you miss the deadline it will not be in the bulletin that weekend.

## STAFF

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## Curious about what it might take to become Catholic?

We would love to talk with you. Feel free to call Fr. Joseph at 308-856-4375 or Deacon Bill at 402-680-8425

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Dearly beloved in Christ,

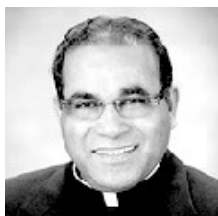
I wish to offer my sincere thanks to all of those who made our celebration of Christmas so wonderful . From those who decorated the churches, both inside and out, the musicians and choirs, the lectors and those who accompanied me at the altar.

In this unusual year, you brought a sense of normalcy and comfort to all of us.

I also wish to thank all of those who were so gracious and generous to me in my first Christmas with all of you.

Yours affectionately in Christ,

Fr. Joseph



**Weekday Masses:**

**Wednesday, Dec. 30th**, Immaculate Conception, 9:00am For **All living and deceased of our parishes** by, Eric and Jamie Hellriegal

**Thursday, Dec. 31st**, St. John Capistran, 5:00PM for †**Aubree Hubbard** by the family of Catherine Daake

**Thursday, Dec. 31st**, Holy Rosary 8:00 PM For †**Tom Cooney** by Pat and Cathy Luther

**Friday, Jan 1st**, at Immaculate Conception, 9:00 AM for †**Catherine Daake** by Bill and Denise Ourada

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday Jan. 2nd, St. John Capistran 5:00pm for †**Catherine Daake** by the Preston Meier Family

Sunday Jan. 3rd , Immaculate Conception 8:00 am **In thanksgiving for Fr. Joseph** by Loyd and Mary Ann Hick-ey

Sunday, Jan. 3rd , Holy Rosary 10:00 am for **The People of the Parishes**

***New Years Mass Schedule***

New Year's Eve, St. John Capisteran.....**5:00 PM**

New Year's Eve, Holy Rosary .....**8:00 PM**

New Year's Day Immaculate Conception .....**9:00 AM**

**Confirmation Retreat**

A Confirmation Retreat is to be held at Immaculate Conception Education Center on Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from noon – 4:00p, lunch will be served. Registration forms are available from all DRE's at each parish, or contact Cheska Hubbard at [cheskahubbard@icloud.com](mailto:cheskahubbard@icloud.com). Registrations due on or before January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

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**St. John Capistran News**

We will be having a meeting of all the Confirmation Parents with Fr. Joseph on January 10th at **2:00m PM** to finalize plans for Confirmation that will be celebrated on February 7th.

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**The Feast of The Holy Family**

Scripture tells us practically nothing about the first years and the boyhood of the Child Jesus. All we know are the facts of the sojourn in Egypt, the return to Nazareth, and the incidents that occurred when the twelve-year-old boy accompanied his parents to Jerusalem. In her liturgy the Church hurries over this period of Christ's life with equal brevity. The general breakdown of the family, however, at the end of the past century and at the beginning of our own, prompted the popes, especially the far-sighted Leo XIII, to promote the observance of this feast with the hope that it might instill into Christian families something of the faithful love and the devoted attachment that characterize the family of Nazareth. The primary purpose of the Church in instituting and promoting this feast is to present the Holy Family as the model and exemplar of all Christian families.

— Excerpted from *With Christ Through the Year*, Rev. Bernard Strasser, O.S.B.

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Judy and I would like to thank everyone for their wonderful gifts

and for always making us a part of the parish family. May God bless each and every one of you in this Promising New Year. -Deacon Bill



## Collection Report: December 20th, 2020

	Immaculate Conception	Holy Rosary	St. John Capistran
<b>Minimum Income Needed</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
Sunday Collection	\$520.00	\$380.00	\$1,980.00
Retirement Fund (Religious)	\$120.00	\$112.00	\$60.00
Christmas Flower Donation	\$13.00	-0-	-0-
Building Fund	\$100.00	-0-	-0-

**We are tithing Parishes, meaning we give 10% of what God gave us back (5% parish and 5% other charities). Based off bible (Tobit 1:6-7, Deuteronomy 14:22, Hebrews 7:2-25)**

## The 2020-2021 Diocesan Appeal

Parish	Number of Households	Donor Goal	Number of Donors	Goal	Received	Balance Needed
Immaculate Conception	85	23	7	\$7,472.00	\$1,300.00	\$6172.00
Holy Rosary	60	18	9	\$5,592.00	\$3390.00	\$2,202.00
St. John Capistran	79	18	7	\$7,729.00	\$2900.00	\$4,829.00

### Remember the sick and Pray for them.

#### Immaculate Conception Parish

**Homebound:** Donevieve Ourada, Betty Broe

**Ill or Recovering:** Bob Dudek, Betty Geist, Eileen Smith, Pat Johns, Jim Gunderson

#### Holy Rosary Parish

**Homebound:** Jean McTygue,  
**Ill or Recovering:** Alan Smith, Anna Graczyk, Janice Streit, James Poorman, Larry Streit, Garrett Scholz, Lance Kizer, Dan McDonald, Braden Fleischman

#### Saint John Capistran

**Ill or Recovering:** Delores McTygue, Chase Klingelhofer, Dick Riessland, Dave Glatter, Anna Fees, Janice Loeffelholz, Ronin Bowie, Byron Eckhout, Terry Taubenheim, Beverly Kleidosty



### The Escape to Egypt

Matthew Ch. 2: 13 Now after they (the Magi) had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." <sup>14</sup> Then Joseph <sup>[h]</sup> got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, <sup>15</sup> and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet,

"Out of Egypt I have called my son." *New Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition*

### The Return from Egypt

Matthew Ch. 2: 19 When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, <sup>20</sup> "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." <sup>21</sup> Then Joseph <sup>[k]</sup> got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. <sup>22</sup> But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. <sup>23</sup> There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean." *New Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition*

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

## SAINT JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS



ST. JOSEPH WAS A HOLY MAN WHO BELIEVED IN GOD AND FOLLOWED HIS LAWS. HE WAS ENGAGED TO MARY WHEN HE FOUND OUT SHE WAS PREGNANT.



BUT AN ANGEL CAME TO HIM AND TOLD HIM TO NOT BE AFRAID- THE BABY WAS THE SON OF GOD.



AT THAT TIME THE EMPEROR ORDERED EVERYONE TO REGISTER IN THEIR HOMETOWN.



SO JOSEPH TOOK MARY AND TRAVELLED TO BETHLEHEM.



BUT WHEN THEY GOT THERE THE INNS WERE FULL.



FINALLY THEY FOUND A STABLE WITH ANIMALS WHERE THEY COULD STAY.



THAT NIGHT THE BABY WAS BORN. ST. JOSEPH NAMED HIM JESUS. AS THE ANGEL HAD TOLD HIM TO. SHEPHERDS CAME TO WORSHIP THE NEW BABY.

GOD CHOSE SAINT JOSEPH, A GOOD AND HUMBLE MAN, TO BE THE PROTECTOR OF HIS SON JESUS AND JESUS' MOTHER, MARY. IT WASN'T AN EASY JOB- THEY HAD TO TRAVEL FAR ON FOOT AND STAY IN A STABLE WITH ANIMALS, BUT SAINT JOSEPH WAS HAPPY TO SUFFER FOR LOVE OF GOD. ARE YOU?

### Christmas Flower Donations