



# SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL PARISH

5<sup>th</sup> Liturgical Sunday- Year B

December 31, 2023

## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



WORLD DAY OF PEACE



Luke 2. 22-40  
**JESUS PRESENTED  
IN THE TEMPLE**

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### PARISH MINISTRY

1. DAILY HOLY MASS CELEBRATIONS

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#### A. Sunday Masses

5:00 PM  
Saturday

9:00  
AM

10:30  
AM

12:00  
NN

7:00  
PM

#### B. Daily Masses

12:10 NN  
Monday to Friday

#### C. Special Masses

9:00 AM First  
Saturday of the Month

Weddings and Funerals  
(by Appointments)

#### D. Mass Intentions

Date	Day	Time	Intentions	Date	Day	Time	Intentions
Dec 30	Sat	12:10 NN	Karolina & Jach	Jan 02	Tue	12:10 NN	+ Mr. & Mrs. Frank Paola
Dec 31	Sun	9:00 AM	All Parishioners	Jan 03	Wed	12:10 NN	Brian Berriman & Family
		10:30 AM	+Medrado & Teodora Rosero	Jan 04	Thu	12:10 NN	+Gus & Vivian Pasowisty
		12:00 NN		Jan 05	Fri	12:10 NN	Jonathan Barbarona – Thanksgiving 31 <sup>st</sup> Birthday
		7:00 PM	Karolina & Jach				
January 01, onday	New Year! Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God! Holy Day of Obligation	9:00 AM		Jan 06	Sat	9:00 AM	+Miguel, Lilia, Valentina and Family
		10:30 AM	Vicenta Barbarona :Thanksgiving			5:00 PM	Karolina & Jach
		12:00 NN					
		7:00 PM	Karolina & Jach				

*"May the Risen Lord Jesus Christ grant them eternal peace!"*

Parish Office is closed after Christmas 2023 and resumes January 09, 2024. In the exigency of the service (emergency or urgency), please call the Parish Rector at (867)-334-1625.

## E. Requests for Special Intentions during Holy Mass Celebrations

You may request to offer the following Mass Intentions:

1. **Thanksgiving Mass** (for most special intentions)
2. **Special Milestones** (Birthdays, Anniversaries, etc.),

3. **Healing Mass** (fast recovery from sickness, reconciliation of relationships /ties) 4. **Requiem Mass** (Funeral services, Death anniversary/ remembering the souls)

## 2. SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS AND RITES

### Sacrament of Baptism

**Baptism Preparations:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month

**Baptism Ceremony:** Saturday at 6:00 PM  
and Sunday at 1:00 PM

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 4:00 – 4:45 PM or call for an appointment

**Sunday:** Before the Mass

**Monday to Friday:** 11:30 AM – 12:00 NN

### Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Communion

**Catechesis Classes:** October 2023 - May 2024

**Sacramental Rites:** Spring and Summer 2024

### Sacrament of Marriage

**Marriage Preparations:** Spring Time Only

**Wedding Ceremony:** Couples' Preference

### Sacrament of the Sick:

This is administered once a Year during the World Day of the Sick (*February 11*) during Holy Mass.

On other days, this sacrament is administered by special request. Indicate clearly the Name, Place, Time and the Contact Person. The priest will administer this sacrament ASAP.

## 3. ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

### Prayer for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament  
of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.

Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.



I adore you Jesus, true God,  
and true man, present in the Holy  
Eucharist, kneeling before you and  
united in spirit with all the faithful on  
earth and all the saints in heaven. In  
gratitude for so great a blessing, I  
love you with all my heart, for you are  
worthy of all praise and adoration.  
Lord Jesus Christ, may I never offend  
you with my lack of love. May your  
Eucharistic presence refresh me in  
body and soul. Mary, Mother of the  
Eucharistic Lord, pray for me and  
obtain for me a greater love for  
Jesus. Amen. (*Lay Cistercians of  
South Florida*)

**Regular Schedule: Thursday: 1:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Sacred Heart Cathedral**

We are with you in Praying for your intentions, petitions & all forms of supplications. Drop them in the Prayer Intention Box. Prayer Leaders and Alternates are still needed.

Please share and encourage your families, friends, and colleagues to visit the Blessed Sacrament even for just a couple of minutes.

*-Please contact Katanne Belisle for more details.*

## PARISH UPDATES

*Please Be Informed, Interested and Willing To Get Involved, Share/Donate, Support, Participate, Cooperate*

### 1. ON SPIRITUALITY:

#### PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR JANUARY 2024

#### For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.






## 2. TOTAL OFFERINGS / COLLECTIONS ON DECEMBER 2023

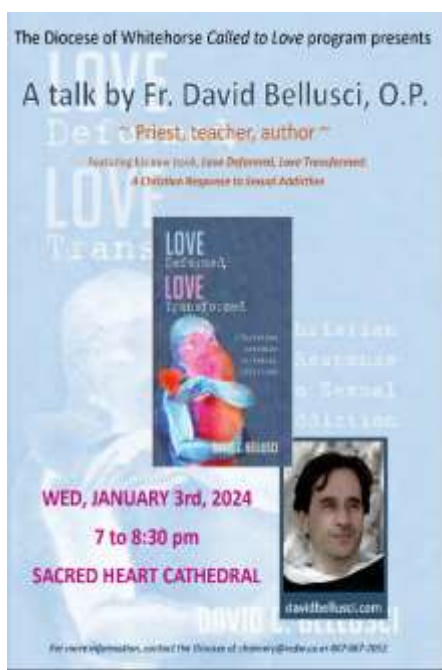
To God we give thanks and to all the people who have shared their bounty for the Month of December 2023. A Total of **Twenty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Nine Dollars (\$24,939.00)** was garnered from Sunday Collections/Offerings, Novena Mass Intentions and Christmas Offerings.



We highly acknowledged and sincerely thanked all donors and supporters of the **Parish Renovation Project**. In December we received **\$10,600.00** and enabled us to have already raised the amount of **\$44, 250.00** yet we still need more amount to fully pay the cost of the entire project.

*May the Lord continue to bless you and grant the noble desires of your hearts and souls. Looking forward for more people to share and help our Church grow healthier and sustain well the services needed by our Parish and our Diocese.* 

### 3. Featuring a new book entitled, *Love Deformed, Love Transformed: A Christian Response to Sexual Addiction.*



A talk by Fr. David Bellusci, O.P. (Priest, teacher, author) featuring his new book,

*Love Deformed, Love Transformed: A Christian Response to Sexual Addiction.*

Wed. Jan 3, 2024 from 7 to 8:30pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral. A social will follow in the CYO Hall. For more information, visit [www.davidbellusci.com](http://www.davidbellusci.com), or contact the Diocese of Whitehorse at [chancery@rcdw.ca](mailto:chancery@rcdw.ca) or 867-667-2052.

### 4 SPECIAL PROGRAM AND CALLING FOR ADULTS AND FAMILIES



Session 6 - Friday, January 12th, 2024 at 7pm

*"Fathers and Mothers as Educators: The Rights and Duties of Parents; The Meaning of the Parents' Duty."*

**Presenters:** Allan & Leaseth Ocampo, Couples for Christ

### 4. SPECIAL THANKS!

To all individuals, groups, and parishioners, especially the Choir Groups, the Children performing the Christmas Skit, the Altar Servers, Lay Ministers / Readers / Psalmists, Mass Sponsors and Offerers who in one way or another have helped and supported the church in all her activities and undertakings for the successful and joyful celebration of Advent Novena Masses, Christmas Eve and Christmas 2023 Masses, we sincerely extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all you have done and shared. May our God and the Holy Family in the unity of the Holy Spirit be glorified and continue to shower as abundant blessings in the coming years especially what our hearts and souls desire in accordance to His divine Will.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!... from the bottom of our hearts.**



### 5. MUSIC MINISTRY – Special Music Schedule

December 31: **9:00 AM** Ryan / Jilian / Lucille AND **10:30 AM** No music, open for whoever wants to do music

## 6. CATECHISM CLASSES OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### Important Details:

**CLASSES WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 08, 2024.** Parents are enjoined to give time for reviewing the lessons with children especially in making their journals. It will be more appreciated if they can find time to open the links or visit the website for the videos used in their classes. **Please teach them the fundamental prayers and have them memorized by heart.** For further information please see Father Slawek or email Caroline Knickle at [catechesis@sacredheartcathedral.ca](mailto:catechesis@sacredheartcathedral.ca)

## 7. WORLD DAY OF PEACE – 57<sup>th</sup> COMMEMORATION

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.” Each year has a specific theme, chosen by the Holy Father.

Pope Francis had chosen the theme “**Artificial Intelligence and Peace**”. He encourages that the **ethical dimensions of AI**, including issues of privacy, prejudice, and impact on human dignity, be addressed in the sphere of education and in the development of international law.



## Celebrating the Commemorations of the Saints For the 2nd Week in Ordinary Time –Year B

The feast of the saints is important because it is a way of **honouring God and growing in our love for Him<sup>12</sup>**. It also reminds us of **the ways the Lord has been and continues to be at work in the world<sup>2</sup>**, and of **the triumph of the Gospel<sup>3</sup>**. By celebrating the feast days of saints, we commemorate their lives, their virtues, and their intercession for us. (EWTN)



January 01: **Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God**



January 02: **St. Basil The Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen**



January 06: **The Epiphany of the Lord**

To All Our Beloved Parishioners  
Brothers and Sisters in Christ  
Sacred Heart Parish and Diocese of Whitehorse

*Merry Christmas 2023!...  
And a Wonderful New Year 2024!*

We wish and pray that you will be filled with fullness of the Christmas Spirit of Love, Joy, Unity, Peace and Goodwill. We also brightly hope for your abounding graces in the New Year 2024.



Fr. Sławomir Szwagczyk  
Parish Rector  
Heleeta Lapetina  
Parish Secretary-French Community  
Chad Wareny  
Parish Accountant  
Vicenta Barbarota  
Parish Secretary



### BLESSED BE THE LORD GOD AND PEACE TO HIS PEOPLE ON EARTH!!!....

Indeed, it is a great glory of God that there were **587** people received Holy Communion on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses with the presence of many children as well.

People aspire for what is beautiful and love it. But what is beautiful is also good. God is good. Everyone looks for the good, therefore everyone looks for God. –*St. Basil*