



*The Nativity with God the Father and the Holy Ghost. Giambattista Pittoni (1687 – 1767)*

### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*Mater Misericordiae Catholic Church glorifies God, uniting its members in faith, hope and charity through profession of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Faith and through participation in the Sacraments and Traditional Rites of the Missale Romanum 1962, under the governance of the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Phoenix and the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter.*



# MATER MISERICORDIÆ CATHOLIC CHURCH

*An Apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter*

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## NOTITIÆ

*December 27, 2020*

**Propers:** Sunday within the Octave of Christmas Class II, White

**Readings:** Gal. 4:1-7; Lk. 2:33-40

**6:30am Low Mass; 8:00am Low Mass; 10:30 Low Mass**

**Intentions:** 6:30am: † Madeleine Elizabeth Eaton; 8:00am: Pro Populo; 10:30am: Carl James and Kathryn Frances Kunasek; 12:30pm: Celebrant's Intention

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 6:30am; Tuesday and Thursday: 6:30am and 12 pm;  
Wednesday and Friday: 6:30am and 6:30pm; Saturday: 8:00am. Exceptions Below.

<p><b>Monday, December 28</b> Propers: Holy Innocents, <i>Martyrs</i> Class II, Red</p> <p>Intentions: 6:30am: Ava Terese Gomez</p>	<p><b>Thursday, December 31</b> Propers: 7th Day in the Octave of Christmas Class II, White</p> <p>Intentions: 6:30am: † Madeleine Elizabeth Eaton 12:00pm: Juan Carlos Navarro</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, December 29</b> Propers: 5th Day in the Octave of Christmas Class II, White</p> <p>Intentions: 6:30am: Peter P. Anderson 12:00pm: † Holy Souls in Purgatory</p>	<p><b>Friday, January 1</b> Propers: Octave Day of Christmas Class I, White</p> <p>Intentions: 9:00am: Erick Navarro 6:30am: Pro Populo</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, December 30</b> Propers: 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas Class II, White</p> <p>Intentions: 6:30am: † Holy Souls in Purgatory <b>Evening Mass cancelled</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday, January 2</b> Propers: Immaculate Heart of Mary (Votive) Class III, White Intentions: 8:00am: Fr. Michael Passo, FSSP</p>

### CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday: 6:00am-6:30am; Tuesday & Thursday 11:00am-12:00pm; Wednesday & Friday 5:30pm-6:30pm  
Saturdays 7:00am & 2:00pm to 3:00pm; Sundays: 30 minutes before each Mass.

**Other times by appointment.**

## SUNDAY COLLECT

O Almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to Thy good pleasure; that in the name of Thy beloved Son we may deserve to abound in good works: Who with Thee liveth and reigneth.

## SUNDAY EPISTLE: Gal. 4:1-7

Brethren, as long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all: but is under tutors and governors until the time appointed by the father: so we also, when we were children, were serving under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, that He might redeem them who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because you are sons, God hath sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Therefore now he is not a servant, but a son: and if a son, an heir also through God.

## SUNDAY GOSPEL: Luke 2:33-40

At that time Joseph and Mary the Mother of Jesus were wondering at those things which were spoken concerning Him. And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His Mother: Behold, this Child is set for the fall, and for the resurrection of many in Israel: and for a sign which shall be contradicted: and thine own soul a sword shall pierce, that out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was far advanced in years, and had lived with her husband seven years from her virginity. And she was a widow until fourscore and four years: who departed not from the temple, by fastings and prayers serving night and day. Now she, at the same hour, coming in, confessed to the Lord: and spoke of Him to all that looked for the redemption of Israel. And after they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their city, Nazareth. And the Child grew and waxed strong, full of wisdom: and the grace of God was in Him.

### ♦ Upcoming Feast Days:

Dec. 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents, *Martyrs*

Jan. 2: Immaculate Heart of Mary (votive)

Jan. 6: Epiphany of the Lord

Jan. 13: Baptism of the Lord

For your continued growth in holiness and piety, we encourage you to attend Mass during the week.

♦ **Sacramental Emergencies:** Please see the phone number on the front of the bulletin for sacramental emergencies, except from Dec. 25 - Jan. 1. During these dates, please call 480-549-3381.

♦ **No Public Rosary before Sunday High Mass:** Because of lack of space when CCD is in session, the schola and other choirs must warm up in the choir loft before Sunday High Masses. Therefore, the Rosary will not be recited publicly before the 10:30am Mass.

**\*Please silence your cell phone. Thank you.**

### ♦ Parish Contact Emails:

**office@phoenixlatinmass.org:** setting up appointments with the priests, Flocknote, Baptisms

**officesupport@phoenixlatinmass.org:** Mass intentions, Parish registrations, Notitiae

**ccd@phoenixlatinmass.org:** for information on CCD

**safe@phoenixlatinmass.org:** Safe Environment

**kofc15576@gmail.com:** for information on the Knights

**choir@phoenixlatinmass.org:** Men's Schola, Mixed Choir, or Children's Choir

**serverguild@phoenixlatinmass.org:** inquiries about altar serving

**youth@phoenixlatinmass.org:** for youth group

**security@phoenixlatinmass.org:** to contact the Porters of St. Joseph

**HIH@phoenixlatinmass.org:** for Helpers of the Immaculate Heart (girls group ages 5-12)

**marriage@phoenixlatinmass.org:** for information on marriage preparation. Please be sure to contact us at least 9 months before intended nuptials.

**troop315@phoenixlatinmass.org:** Troops of St. George

### ♦ FSSP PRAYER REQUESTS

Dec. 27: Rev. Fr. Christopher Pelster

Dec. 28: Rev. Fr. Calvin Goodwin

Dec. 29: Rev. Fr. Dennis Gordon

Dec. 30: Rev. Fr. James Jackson

Dec. 31: Rev. Fr. John Fongemie



♦ **Pray for our Parish Vocations:** Please pray for our men: Fr. Caleb Insko, FSSP; Fr. Martin Rangel Garcia, FSSP; and Fr. Richard Wallace, FSSP; and seminarian Elijah Mundattuchun-dayil. Pray also for Sr. Mary Thomas, O.Praem and Sr. Teresa Amorose, OCD (postulant).

♦ **Parish Council Members:** Sarah Copeland, Dr. Joseph Mittel, Betty Mundattuchundayil, Christina Cunningham, William Luzader, Ted Brennan, and David Montoya.

♦ **Finance Council Members:** Brandon Higgins, Ryan Regula, Erik Twist, Janice Bright, and Douglas Connolly.

♦ **Helpers of the Immaculate Heart (HIH):** Girls ages 5-12 are invited to be part of a new Marian group. The first meeting will be Saturday, Jan. 2 after the 8:00am Mass. Information and registration can be found at phoenixlatinmass.org/hih or you can email Sarah at HIH@phoenixlatinmass.org

♦ **Women's Group:** Ladies, Ladies, Ladies! Let's start the new year by getting together for the First Ladies Group meeting. It will be held on Jan. 16 at 9am in the church office. Every lady of the parish is welcomed. A few treats will be served and a little social time. If you have any questions please email Leslie Brennan at Leslieb2416@yahoo.com. Thank you.

♦ **Office Hours:** The office will be closed today. On Dec. 31, the office will close at 12:30pm and remain closed on Friday, Jan 1.

♦ **New Year's Eve and Day:** On Thursday, Dec. 31, the regular Mass schedule will take place with a Holy Hour and *Te Deum* at 11:00pm. On Friday, Jan. 1 there will be 8:00am Confession, 9:00am Low Mass, 5:30pm Confession, and 6:30pm Low Mass.

♦ **From the Pastor:** It has been a long and difficult year. Filled with many different emotions but now, it is our duty as Christians to be of good cheer and celebrate Our Savior's birth. As Fr. Rock mentioned last week in his Sunday sermon, St. John the Baptist's mission was to make every crooked path straight and lower every high mountain and hill. That is figuratively to lower the high and mighty from their pride, to recognize their great sins and their absolute necessity for a Redeemer. The Redeemer has now come! But he comes to us in the humblest of ways; as a babe in a manger. Let us therefore, celebrate Our Savior's birth especially by practicing humility and finding joy in Our Savior. We wish you all a very merry Christmas. May Our Lord fill your souls with many spiritual gifts.

♦ **Fry's Community Rewards Program:** Please sign up to help the parish through your grocery purchases. We get a percentage of what you spend. Link up your Fry's card to Mater Misericordiae at www.frysfood.com. Click on Community Rewards; our member number is ML272. From Sept. 1 through Nov. 30 a total of \$202.36 was donated from 78 households. God reward you for your generosity!

♦ **Mass cancellation:** Evening Mass is cancelled on Wednesday, Dec. 30 at 6:30pm.

♦ **Troops of St. George:** The Troops of Saint George is the premier fraternal Catholic apostolate for priests, men, and young men looking for a life of adventure coupled with virtue. Boys need formation from their fathers. Together, fathers and sons work toward achievements and milestones of manhood while using the outdoors as their backdrop. Contact Brian or Steve at troop315@phoenixlatinmass.org.

♦ **Dec. 26 through Jan. 5:** All Masses from Dec. 26 through Jan. 5 are scheduled to be Low Masses. There will be a High Mass for the feast of the Epiphany, Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday High Masses will resume Jan. 9.

♦ **Epiphany Poster Contest:** Calling all aspiring artists! The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a poster contest for Epiphany. The theme is "the Star followed by the Magi." There will be two age groups: 12-17 and under 12. The prizes for each group will be \$50, \$30, & \$20 for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place, respectively. Submissions should have name, age, and family contact info. Submissions can be given to any Knight; the deadline for submissions is Jan. 6.

♦ **Indulgences for New Year's Eve and Day:** A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who recite the *Te Deum* (no. 967 in the hymnal) in thanksgiving. On Dec. 31, the indulgence is plenary on the usual conditions if the hymn is recited publicly. A partial indulgence is granted to those who devoutly recite the hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus* (p. 542). On Jan. 1, the indulgence is plenary on the usual conditions if the hymn is recited publicly. To gain an indulgence attached to a prayer, it is sufficient to recite the prayer alternately with a companion or to follow it mentally while it is being recited by another (1999 *Manual of Indulgences*, norm 23). Join us Dec. 31 at 11pm for adoration and *Te Deum*.

♦ **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic or would like to know more about the Faith then contact the parish office for a registration form. Classes will start on Wednesday, Jan. 20 at 7:00pm. This is a six month program and the ceremonies are scheduled in August.

♦ **Parishioner Meals Program:** If you have recently had a baby or are experiencing financial difficulty, please be sure to sign up for our meal program. The meal program relies on the generosity of our community to provide meals to families in need. We also need help in preparing meals, so if you are a gifted cook and would like to help our community, please email Elisabeth at lissieraemoore@gmail.com. Program only open to registered parishioners.

♦ **2021 FSSP Calendars:** There are leftover 2021 FSSP calendars in the office for a donation of \$10.00. Please contact the office if you would like one.

♦ **Latin Mass Orientation:** Are you new to the parish? Have you been attending, but want to learn more about the Latin Mass? If so, then consider our Latin Mass Orientation (previously New Parish Orientation) on Sunday, Jan. 10 from 9:15-10:15am in the parish hall. Fr. Rock will discuss the Mass, using a Missal, and traditional authentic Catholicism. You do not need to sign-up to attend.

♦ **Parish Registration:** If you have been attending Mater and have decided to make this your parish, please fill out a parish registration form. This is especially important if you are needing sacraments or documents from our church office. You may obtain a form in the vestibule. Place completed form in the donation basket or scan/email it to the parish office.

♦ **Baptisms:** If you have a child that is in need of baptism or if you are currently expecting, please email the church office to request a baptism registration form and more information.

♦ **Exodus 90:** Exodus 90 is a ninety-day spiritual exercise for men based on prayer, asceticism, and fraternity, beginning Jan. 4. Elijah Mundattuchundayil will be giving a talk about Exodus 90 today after the 10:30am Mass. Questions? Email Ted at ted@diamondbackappraisals.com.

♦ **Newly Baptized Baby:** Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Kyle McIntee. Their daughter was baptized this past week. Please keep the baby and family in your prayers.

♦ **Newly Married Couple:** Congratulations to Fiona Mallaire who recently married Mr. Scott Jackson. Please pray for this couple.

♦ **Building Fund:** Please consider giving to our building fund. Specify your donation to the building fund on your envelope or online. This money will go towards the current and future property needs of Mater Misericordiae.

♦ **Wine Blessing:** There will be a wine blessing on Dec. 27 after the 10:30am Mass for the feast of St. John the Evangelist. Many assassination attempts were made on his life and tradition holds that he would bless his wine before consuming. There will be a table in the hall to place your bottles of wine for the blessing. Please be sure to put your name on the bottle.