

December 20, 2020—Fourth Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Dec. 19, Saturday

- 5:00 pm + Pete Vega/Dennis P. Mikulin
- Jorge Garcia (B-Day)

Dec. 20, Sunday

- 8:00 am + Julia Williams/Gary Williams/Tommy Krenek

Dec. 22, Tuesday

- 6:00 pm + Tommy Krenek

Dec. 24, Thursday (Christmas Eve Midnight Mass)

- 12:00 am + Randy Kocurek

Dec. 25, Friday (The Nativity of The Lord) (Christmas)

- 8:00 am +Henry, Annie & Tommy Krenek/Randy Kocurek

Dec. 26, Saturday (St. Stephen, The First Martyr)

5:00 pm + Peter, Lec & Teresa Koeniger/Joseph Beran

Dec. 27, Sunday (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)

- 8:00am +Woodrow & Georgia Spacek
- + John J. & Laura Mikulin

Dec. 21 Sing of Songs 2:8-14 Luke 1:39-45
Dec. 22 1 Samuel 1:24-28 Luke 1:46-56
Dec. 23 Malachi 3:1-4,23-24 Luke 1:57-66
Dec. 24 2 Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12 Luke 1:67-79
Dec. 25 Isaiah 62:1-5 Matthew 1:1-25
Dec. 26 Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59 Matthew 10:17-22
Dec. 27 Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3:12-21 Luke 2:22-40

Holy Family Mass Intentions

Dec. 20, Sunday

- 10:00am Grant Peimann/Rita Shelley

Dec. 23, Wednesday (Saint John of Kanty, Priest)

- 5:30 pm Paula Shelley/Reuben Goocher

Dec. 24, Thursday (Christmas Eve)

- 4:00pm +Tom Olechowski

Dec. 25, Friday (Christmas Day)

- 10:00am Paula Shelley/Kevin McGinni

Dec. 27, Sunday (The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)

- 10:00 am Colonna Family/Rita Shelley

Confessions: Wednesdays 5:00-5:30pm Saturdays 11:00-12:00pm

For Sunday Dec. 13: Attendance: 66 Collection: Regular: \$ 903.00

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Amado & Deolinda Baca

Confessions: Tuesdays 5:00-6:00pm Saturday 4:00-4:30pm

<u>Date</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Money Counters</u>
Saturday Dec. 19	Ida Schuman	Until further	Notice	We Will	Not Assign
Sunday Dec. 20	Mike Muzny	Volunteers	For	These	Ministries

Saturday Dec. 26	Zach Zgabay	Until further	Notice	We Will	Not Assign
Sunday Dec. 27	Dorothy Rackel	Volunteers	For	These	Ministries

For Sunday Dec. 12/13: Attendances: 54

**Collections: Regular: \$ 1870.00
Special: \$ 440.00**

Sanctuary Light: In Loving Memory of Dennis P. Mikulin

Reflection 

We read in today’s Gospel passage from Luke the wonderful words of the Blessed Mother’s “fiat,” her “yes” to God’s plan. “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” These are among the most beloved words in the Gospel. But the next sentence is also important for the Christian steward.

Stewardship

This Christmas, let us resolve to make our whole life a gift to the One Who has given us every-thing. It is the work of a lifetime. But He will give us all the help and strength we need to do it.

Bulletin Information: Submit by Tuesday to 979-884-3100 or stjoeedb@verizon.net

www.stjosephdimeboxtx.com

www.holyfamilylex.org

Calendar of Events
St. Joseph's - Dime Box

Special Prayers for the Sick: For the sick members of St. Joseph/Dime Box community: RJ Muzny Jalane Wiederhold Bernadette Beran Patsy Krenek Rev. Msgr. Isidore Rozycki Elena Massey Gladys Kallus Josephine Schultz Helen Fritsche Jak Chapman Lynette Supak Sue Bradford Becky Dallke Mike Thompson Werner & Gloria Jatzlau Dwayne Muzny John David Mikulin Larmey Morris Margie Kostelka Oscar Slovacek Sue Strange Ray & Adele Zboril Dena Doonan Matcek Larry Lehmann Joe Pertl Patricia Tarnowski Harrison Pharis Nelson Bounds Ernest Ofcarzak Jr. Vlasta Ofcarzak Carla West Louis Muzny Bennie & Doris Supak Glenn Spitzenberger Lynette Schatte Kathy Muzny
(May they be freed from danger, relieved of suffering, and held fast in the tender arms of Jesus, the Divine Healer!)

Church Decorating: We will decorate the Church today, Sunday, December 20th after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. **Everyone is invited to help.**

Anniversary Correction : Wishing Tom & Patsy Simek an incredibly Happy 50th Wedding Anniversary on December 19th (instead of December 16th as stated in last week's bulletin). Congratulations and May God continue to Bless you every day.

Advent Penance Service: There will not be an Advent Penance Service this year due to COVID. Additional times for confessions are:

Dime Box: Tuesdays 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Saturdays: 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm
Lexington: Wednesdays 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm Saturdays: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

2021 Envelopes : Please pick up your box of envelopes that are on the table in the cry room. If you do not have a box of envelopes and would like to receive one, please sign the sheet and we will get you a box.

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Condolences to the Family of Tom Olechowski: Please keep in your prayers Tom Olechowski, husband of Kathi and member of Holy Family Parish. May the Perpetual Light Shine upon him and may his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, Rest in Peace. Please keep his family also in your prayers. (Tom volunteered his time each year helping St. Joseph on Saturday setting up for our annual Bazaar.)

Christmas Flowers: Christmas Flowers envelopes are in the pews; please take one if you would like to do flowers in memory of your loved ones. Please return in the collection basket by **December 20th**.

Special Collection: A special collection for the Feast of the Holy Family will be next weekend, December 26th and 27th. Thank you for your support.

2021 Calendars & Books: Please pick up one calendar per family. There are also two different books and each family can take one of each.

Mass Schedule for Christmas & New Year's

Christmas Eve:	Lexington: 4:00 pm	Dime Box: Midnight
Christmas Day:	Lexington: 10:00 am	Dime Box: 8:00 am
New Year's Eve:	Lexington: 6:00 pm	(Thursday)
New Year's Day:	Dime Box: 8:00 am	(Friday)

Sign Up Sheet: A grotto flowers sign-up sheet for 2021 is now in the cry room. This year it is now a quarterly schedule for Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter only 4 people are needed to sign up. Thank you.

Calendar of Events
Holy Family – Lexington

Special Prayers for the Sick: For the sick members of the Holy Family Community: Caleb Schmidt Karla Blaine Paul Goocher Phillip Sims Brian Koehler Keith Sims Eleanor Gonzales Laura Casco Ollie Brice Tommy Adams Sean Sullivan Linda Goocher Santos Gonzales KC Hudson Harper Pittman Eric Anthony Martinez Mary Best Juanita Greene Donna Brewer Virginia Schmidt Trinity Blankenburg Blake Gibson Avery Wright Mary Truex Barbara Sanders
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CCD Calendar: Please mark your calendars for the following dates of CCD classes. We will not have CCD the weekend of the livestock show, however at this time I do not have those dates. We are excited to get back to a normal schedule. Classes start from 9:00am-10:00am. Please arrive 5 minutes early so we can begin on time. Classes will remain in the same location (PAC & Parish hall) to be able to maintain a safe social distance.
Date: Jan 10, 17 & 24 Feb 7, 14, 21, & 28(?)
March 7(?), & 28 April 11, 18, & 25 May 2, 9, & 16(last day)

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Church Cleaning: Attached is the Church cleaning schedule for the remainder of the year. Please let me know if you would like to sign up or pay for a cleaning or two. The cost to have it cleaned is \$50.

<u>Clean Any Day of Week</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Name</u>
Dec. 21-26 th	Dec 27	_____

Pastoral Care: Please call for any sacraments needed such as Anointing of the sick, Baptism or Penance. **979-884-3100.**

Website: I would like to remind everyone to please check out our website www.holyfamilylex.org for the latest parish updates and bulletins. If you have any important updates that need to be posted on our website please contact Ace Blankenburg at aceblankenburg@gmail.com

My dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,

I would like to wish you all the blessings of Christmas in advance. We are still not in a situation to celebrate Christmas as we used to do it. So many of you may not be able to go to church to attend the Christmas Mass due to health or age related reasons. So I thought it will be nice to wish you all A Merry Christmas before Christmas day.

Though we had to go through a rough year due to the Covid19 we are blessed to see some rays of hope. A few vaccines have come out and we hope that they will bring an end to this pandemic soon. Just like Christmas is a celebration of Hope, the coming of the vaccines brings good news of hope. This is a Christmas gift to the whole world. That gives us all the reason to look forward to better times. Let us thankfully remember in our prayers those people who worked hard to find out remedies for this terrible virus. It is important that we keep in our prayers all our brothers and sisters who work in the health care sector in different capacities. You might have heard of stories about their heroism and sacrifices in their efforts to save lives. May the Incarnate God bless them and their families abundantly.

At this time of joyful celebrations so many families grieve over the loss of their beloved ones due to this pandemic. There are so many still struggling with this problem. Let us remember them all in our prayers. The season of merriment has turned out to be a season of mourning for them. Together with that it has caused a lot of unemployment, loss of classes in schools and colleges, and a lot of personal and family problems. For all these there may not be an immediate solution. But we need to be hopeful. Also we need to be prayerful. Brighter days are on the way.

Christmas is the joyful remembrance of God's self-giving to humanity. That is why we consider this season as a season of giving. I would like to remind and request all of you to include at least one family or a person who are in real need in your regular list for giving. Let us try to bring some Christmas joy to someone outside the circle of our kith and kin.

Though the external festivities have been curtailed the spiritual celebrations keep the same grandeur as it used to be. I would like to invite all the young and healthy people in our parish families to make plans to go to confession and attend Christmas Mass. For a believer that is the real celebration of Christmas. (Please see the Christmas Mass schedule in the bulletin) I would like to wish you all A Happy New Year also. May we be blessed with a New Year that is free from the fear of viruses and filled with peace and prosperity.

God bless you

Rev. Joy J Adimakkeel

Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year