December 29, 2017

Dear Members and Friends of St. Joseph Church,

Merry Christmas! It is a pleasure to be writing this calendar letter in anticipation of the great Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. I hope that you enjoy the blessings of this season throughout the twelve days of Christmas! As we face the New Year, there are some important events in the month of January that I will highlight.

Dec 31, 2017: Mass at 8:30 and 11:00 am. There is no Vigil Mass for the Holy Day as it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

January 1, 2018: Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God at 10:00 am.

Beginning the week of January 7, I will preside at the Eucharist at St. Joseph Church on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 am. On Wednesdays and Fridays, I will preside at 9:00 am Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. The days when Mass is not scheduled, there will be a Communion Service at each Church.

- Jan 9: Parish Council Meeting at 6:30 pm.
- Jan 10: The children preparing for First Eucharist will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance at 6:00 pm. We will have visiting priests to help with First Confessions and to hear the confessions of the other family members. The Confirmation Candidates and the Celebrate Team members are also invited to attend and celebrate Reconciliation.
- Jan 21: The Growing Families program will be held after the 8:30 am Mass.
- Jan 23: The Finance Committee will meet at 6:30 pm.
- Jan 24: The Worship Committee will meet at 6:30 pm.
- Jan 25: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick at a special liturgy at 4:30 pm. All persons who are suffering from serious or chronic illnesses are invited to attend along with their family members. Immediately following Mass, we will share a light supper of soup and sandwiches in the Msgr. Prokop Social Center.

Jan 27: The Chili Cook Off will follow the 4:30 pm Mass.

Please continue your good works of caring for each other and proclaiming the Good News through the quality of your lives together. Praying that God blesses you with all good things, I remain,

> Sincerely yours in Christ, Rev. Gregory Fedor, Pastor