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## The Nativity of the Lord

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Monday - Saturday: 9:30 AM

HOLY DAYS: 6:30 AM, 12:00 Noon, 7:00 PM  
*(except January 1st which follows a Sunday Mass schedule)*

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

SATURDAY: 4:15-5:15 PM or by appointment

### DAILY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

#### SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

MONDAY - SATURDAY: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

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### **SAINT FRANCES CABRINI PARISH PURPOSE STATEMENT**

The Purpose of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish is to be reverently and passionately committed to the Liturgy and celebration of the Eucharist. Our Parish Community is a Catholic family ignited by the love of Christ, embracing compassion, love, and mutual respect for each other. We encourage and welcome everyone to share our life journey bearing witness to the teachings of Jesus Christ and joyfully praising God in our everyday lives.

*Please visit our website: [www.saintfrancescabrini.net](http://www.saintfrancescabrini.net)*



# Mass Intentions

## December 25, 2022

The **9:00 AM Mass** will be celebrated for the deceased members of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish.

## Week of December 25, 2022

### **MONDAY**      *St. Stephen*

**9:30 AM**    Regina Robinson – Snook Family

### **TUESDAY**    *St. John, Apostle*

**9:30 AM**    Kelly and Giardine Families  
                  - Sharon Kelly Giardine

### **WEDNESDAY**    *The Holy Innocents*

**9:30 AM**    Anna Panzarella – Joe Panzarella

### **THURSDAY**    *Octave of Christmas*

**9:30 AM**    Pete Toner – Jean Tasker

### **FRIDAY**        *Feast of the Holy Family*

**9:30 AM**    Kenneth Kowall – Ann Marie Pearl

### **SATURDAY**    *Octave of Christmas*

**9:30 AM**    Anthony Fuscellaro – Yososoegito Family

## January 1, 2023

The **7:00 AM Mass** will be celebrated for the deceased members of Saint Frances Cabrini Parish.



### SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Lamps are being provided this week in memory of *Frank Koller* by his family, and in memory of *Richard W. Groom* by his wife, Helen

### BREAD AND WINE MEMORIALS

The Bread and Wine is being provided this week in a special intention.



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for all those listed in our White Intercessory Book. We also pray for the following people and those who care for them:

Edward Baranoski	Judy McCormick
Harriet Beatrice	Megan McCormick
Marie Breen	Joe Merrick
Peter Cellucci	Maria Percaccia
Nicholas Curato	Dennis Pierce
Josephine Dominick	Marie Ranniello
Grace Ford	Mimi Sabol
Marc Gravante	Justin Saunders
George Kasperitis	Robert Scordia
Joseph Killian	Janice Sutchko
Hailey Knorr	Samantha Tomasick
Janet Law	Jean Wilt

*Please Note:* With regard to parishioners, relatives, and friends who are ill, we invite you to write their names in our White Intercessory Book. Your loved ones will be remembered in each of our weekend Masses.

## PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

We pray for our own families, our parish family, and all those who have lost their lives through war and violence.

May the Lord Jesus bring all our loved ones into His Kingdom.





~ by Monsignor McCormac

On behalf of the Parish Staff, our PREP catechists and our Holy Family Regional Catholic School faculty and staff, I wish you a Blessed and Happy Christmas! As we gather today to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, we are reminded of our responsibility to make Him present in our lives and in our world every day! As we exchange gifts and presents with our family and friends today, and throughout the Christmas holidays, it is well to remember that God our Father, through the power of the Holy Spirit, gave to us His greatest Gift, His Son, Jesus, through the Blessed Virgin Mary. As Christians who share in the Father's gift, we are called to share the gift of Jesus with others.

### **Being a Welcoming Parish**

Here at St. Frances Cabrini Parish, we strive to be a welcoming Parish by intentionally endeavoring to be Christ-like to everyone we encounter. What are the factors which contribute to this endeavor of our Parish Community being welcoming? **First and foremost, it is you, the parishioners**, and therefore we ask that you continue to offer a sign of welcome through a smile or short exchange of words when you notice a new face or a new family. We encourage our parishioners after Mass to continue the conversation outside the body of the church itself, so others who are praying in the church can enjoy the time with the Lord without noise or distractions.

Another contributing factor is our **Greeting Ministry**. The ministry of Greeter offers those entering our church a warm welcome and as they leave the church building, our greeters offer a bulletin and a wish for a good day. **There is always a need for more greeters**. If anyone is interested in this ministry, please call the rectory.

We also enhance our sense of welcome by assisting those who have a hearing impairment or intolerance for wheat. For anyone in our Parish Community who has difficulty hearing, we have **hearing enhancers** available in the sacristy. Parishioners and visitors are invited to simply come to the sacristy for the hearing device. Also, for those who have intolerance to

wheat, we have **low gluten hosts** available. Anyone with this particular need can also come to the sacristy before Mass and we will be sure that the low gluten host is available at that Mass. Our sacristans will be pleased to offer the simple instructions on the reception of this special type of host. For anyone who has intolerance for wheat, low gluten hosts or the wine which is utilized for the celebration of Mass, we have **mustum**.

In order to enhance a sense of welcome and to encourage fellowship among our parishioners, on the **Fourth Sunday of the month after the 9:00 AM and the 11:00 AM Masses**, we have **hospitality** in the Parish Center or in warmer temperatures on our Gathering Circle. This ministry provides refreshments, baked goods, bagels, and fruit, so that while enjoying these goodies, parishioners can get to know one another and share conversation with each other.

We are also pleased to indicate that at **11:00 AM Mass**, every Sunday morning, we have our **Little Church** program for children ages 2 through 5 in the Parish Center. Little Church is a free childcare service where the younger children hear bible stories, sing songs, and learn about Jesus along with other children their own age, while their families attend the 11:00 AM Mass in church. Parents can bring their children to the Parish Center on their way over to the church prior to the 11:00 AM Mass.

We are also pleased to note that at our **11:00 AM Mass**, we have our **Children's Liturgy of the Word** for all children in kindergarten through grade 3. Children are called forward at the **11:00 AM Mass** before the Scripture Readings begin and are sent forth from the congregation with a blessing by the celebrant. The children are led by a catechist and other volunteers to the St. Joseph Chapel in the Parish Center. During the Children's Liturgy, the Scripture Readings are proclaimed to the children in age-appropriate language. The catechist then leads the children in a teaching on the Scripture Readings. The children are returned to the congregation shortly after the offertory gifts are presented.

We are also **children friendly** here at St. Frances Cabrini. **In addition to our Little Church Program and the Children's Liturgy of the Word Program**, we offer several things in regard to our families with younger children. We now provide a family privacy room which is available in the office across from the sacristy. This room has a **changing table** and chairs for use by parents who need a place to go to change their child, nurse their child, or simply soothe their child in privacy. Also, if little ones are getting too loud in church, or need a place to go to

move about, parents can bring them to the vestibule where they are still able to see into the church, as well as continue to hear, thus continuing to participate in the Mass. We also provide **age-appropriate Children's bulletins** every Sunday at the doors of the church.

New volunteers are always welcome in these children's ministries. Safe Environment Clearances are required to participate in these ministries. Please know that the rectory staff is available to assist volunteers in obtaining these clearances.

Let us continue to be the type of community which is conscious and aware of one another, especially those who are new to our community of faith. It takes the whole community to emanate that sense and presence of welcome. Let us each do our part in the name of the Lord Jesus, who welcomed all. Let us keep in mind the words of Jesus, **"Whoever receives you, receives Me, and whoever receives Me, receives the One who sent Me."** (Matthew 10:40)

*Again, on behalf of our St. Frances Cabrini staff,  
I wish everyone a Blessed, Happy,  
and Merry Christmas.*



## **Scripture Readings: The Nativity of the Lord (Midnight Mass)**



### **First Reading ~ Isaiah 9:1-6**

The prophet Isaiah lived 750 years before Christ. In his time, the northern Jewish Kingdom of Israel was laid waste by the armies of Assyria. Today's passage offers the conquered people hope for a glorious future under a wonderful king. Christians have seen Jesus as fulfilling this prophecy.

### **Second Reading ~ Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7**

The letter to Titus was written about 30 years after Paul's death, and was written in Paul's name, a practice common in the ancient world. Titus was a traveling companion of Paul, and later was in charge of a Christian community on the island of Crete.

### **Gospel ~ Luke 2:1-14**

Jesus comes to bring peace on earth by reconciling us to God and to one another with the power of love that casts out fear. His reign continues to break into our wherever the good news is proclaimed, sins are forgiven, and lives are transformed.

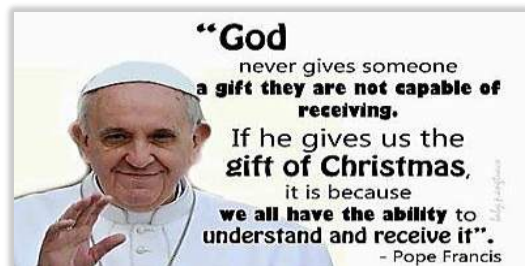


## **Christmas Caroling for the Homebound**



On **Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, between 6:00 PM and 8:30 PM**, our parish will continue our tradition of **Christmas Caroling for the Homebound**. Members of the Saint Frances Cabrini Music Ministry will take the lead in singing a variety of Christmas songs and hymns on the doorsteps of our homebound parishioners. All are welcome to participate and share in the joy of the Christmas season.

**To add a name to either the list of carolers or to the list of homes on our caroling route, or for additional information, please call Jean Madden at 215-946-4040 or send an email to Jean Madden [music@saintfrancescabrini.net](mailto:music@saintfrancescabrini.net)**



THIS WEEK ON  
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Week of December 25, 2022



**Forgiven - Session 1: Where are You?**

As we make resolutions for 2023, don't forget about your spiritual well-being! Watch our Forgiven series, so you can help guide friends and family to new spiritual beginnings!



**Who is St. Stephen?**

Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the life of St. Stephen, first Christian martyr and heroic leader of the early Church.



**Christmas as "Christ's Mass": The Manger and the Eucharist by Dr. Michael Barber**  
Dr. Michael Barber explains the extraordinary connection between Christmas and the Eucharist, coining the great solemnity as "Christ's Mass."

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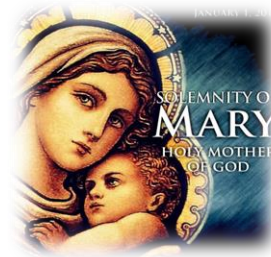
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**Open Secretary/Receptionist Position  
~ St. Frances Cabrini Parish**

Saint Frances Cabrini Parish is looking for a candidate to fill an open Secretary/Receptionist position in the Parish rectory. This position provides clerical and administrative support for the Pastor and Pastoral Staff. Requirements include familiarity with office organization techniques, excellent written and verbal communication skills, proficiency in MS Office with a strong aptitude for learning new software programs and transferring knowledge of one program to another, as well as time management capability.

**Interested candidates can send their resume and contact information to [bkdavid2@verizon.net](mailto:bkdavid2@verizon.net).**



**Saturday, December 31, 2022**

**Vigil Mass 5:30 PM**

**Sunday, January 1, 2023**

**7:00 AM – 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

**The 11:00 AM Mass on January 1  
will be live-streamed.**



The Rectory Offices will be **CLOSED**  
on December 26<sup>th</sup> and January 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**POT OF GOLD**

Due to the Holiday printing schedule, the results of the Pot of Gold drawing on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, were not available to be printed in this week's Parish Bulletin. For more information, please access our website at [www.saintfrancescabrini.net](http://www.saintfrancescabrini.net) and click on the Pot of Gold, to get last week's results.

**This week's Pot of Gold drawing will take place on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022.**

**WE ARE A TITHING COMMUNITY**


Due to the Holiday printing schedule for our Parish Bulletin the contributions for the weekend of December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> were not yet available to be printed in this Parish Bulletin.

As always, thank you for your generosity and support of our Parish Community here at Saint Frances Cabrini.



Knights of Columbus Council # 4215 is hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual **CASH BINGO** Fundraiser on Saturday 1/28/2023 in Monsignor Woods Hall. Proceeds support our charitable activities including Veteran's, Senior Citizens and families who struggle around the holidays. Tickets are \$30.00 and offer more than ninety-five chances to win cash and prizes. Additional game boards and raffle tickets will also be available for purchase. There will be twelve games of Bingo, Raffle Baskets, Door Prizes, snacks, and drinks. This is a BYOB event. Doors open at 5:30 pm and the games start at 7:00 pm.

**For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit our website at [www.kofc4215.com](http://www.kofc4215.com) or email us at [kofc4215bingo@gmail.com](mailto:kofc4215bingo@gmail.com). Tickets may also be purchased at the Rectory.**



**March for Life**  
**January 20, 2023**  
**Washington, DC**

The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge on the National Mass and march on Capitol Hill. It is the largest human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protect ... TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE! We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected.

**Monday Evening Prayers**  
**Every Monday via Zoom, 6:30PM**  
All are invited to pray vespers with the AFIRE community (via Zoom) Monday evenings at 6:30pm (ET).

## The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction

You are not alone! The Church desires to be close to her children who are struggling with addiction and to bring them the healing power of Jesus Christ's love. The Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction webpage ongoing support, testimonies and events that are happening throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to spiritually support you in your journey towards recovery. Visit [archphila.org/hope](http://archphila.org/hope) for details and new postings.



## Catholic Women's Healthcare

The **Gianna Center of Philadelphia** is located in East Norriton (very close to Plymouth Meeting Mall) and is accepting new patients. The Center provides an authentically Catholic approach to women's reproductive healthcare and follows Catholic medical ethics. The providers treat women in various age groups - from teens to seniors, and offer general gynecologic care, yearly women's check-ups, and natural family planning instruction in the Creighton Model Fertility Care System. Services are available in English and Spanish. For more information see [phgiannacenter.org](http://phgiannacenter.org) or call the center at 844-204-0005.



## Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Helpline:

Do you need help accessing services and supports for someone with an intellectual disability or Autism? A collaboration of Catholic Social Services-Developmental Programs, The Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Schools of Special Education of the Archdiocese is offering this convenient helpline to assist families connect to disabilities services provided by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

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