

# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

## December 29, 2013

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### *Please pray for those in special need of prayer:*

John, Rich, Evelyn Anderson, Walter W., Patricia Profeta, Maryann Falcone, Nes Blauvelt, Frank Parente, Carmen, Theresa & Louis Aliperti, Connie, Bill D, Ronnie Hunter, Barbara Pratti, Ruthe Scalzo, and Robert Bivens.

### Reconciliation

There will be Reconciliation offered on Saturday, January 4, from 3 to 3:30 pm.

### New Year's Eve Masses

Father Golding will celebrate Mass on Tuesday, December 31: 8 am at St. Peter, 9:30 am at St. John.

### St. Peter Coffee Hour

Coffee hour is this Sunday, December 29. Grab a cup of coffee, some refreshments, and share in fellowship.

### Office Closures

The Church offices will be closed Tuesday, December 31, and Wednesday, January 1.

### Mary, Holy Mother of God:

8 am at St. Peter  
9:30 am at St. John  
6 pm at St. Peter  
7:15 pm at St. John

### No Adoration

There is no Adoration at St. Peter and St. John during New Year's week. They will resume the week of January 5.

### Pentecost Peace

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Albany invite you to their 2014 Annual Peace Retreat, *Our Call to Live the Acts of the Apostles Today* with Sr. Simone Campbell, 7 pm Friday, January 17, to 4 pm Saturday, the 18<sup>th</sup>. Cost: \$55, overnight: \$100. For more information, please contact Sr. Joanne St. Hilaire, 518.389.2666 or [jsthilaire@csjalbany.org](mailto:jsthilaire@csjalbany.org).

*Blessings for a happy & healthy  
New Year!*

### ✦ OUR OFFERINGS ✦

St. John: \$1,974  
Holy Family: 235  
St. Peter 1,391

### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

*The family is the privileged setting where every person learns to give and receive love... The family is an intermediate institution between individuals and society, and nothing can completely take its place... The family is a necessary good for peoples, an indispensable foundation for society and a great and lifelong treasure for couples. It is a unique good for children, who are meant to be the fruit of the love, of the total and generous self-giving of their parents.... The family is also a school which enables men and women to grow to the full measure of their humanity....*

*"O God, who in the Holy Family left us a perfect model of family life lived in faith and obedience to your will, help us to be examples of faith and love for your commandments."*

~ Pope Benedict XVI

### Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

"And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart." (Luke 2:19) Christmas Day is over, but the Christmas season has just begun--at least for Christians if not the secular culture. Take a moment to ponder the awesome miracle of your child's birth. Tell them the story of their birth & a hope you have for them.

### Adoration Opening at St. John

Want to spend an hour each week in the quiet and rest of our Lord? A 5 pm Wednesday slot is opening up in January. Please call Dorothy at 829.5912 if you are interested.