



# Our Lady of Peace Church

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS & SISTERS  
Established 1899

**The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph - December 27, 2015**  
**La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, José y María**  
**27 de Diciembre de 2015**

## PARISH STAFF

Rev. Patrick Boyle, O.F.M. - Pastor  
Rev. Orlando Ruiz, O.F.M. - Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Brian Jordan, O.F.M. - In residence  
Lilian M. Flores - Office & Parish Manager  
Sister Irix Mejia, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary - Superior  
Sister Luvia Martinez, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary  
Sister Adali Ulloa, H.F.I.C. - Parish Secretary

## OUR LADY OF PEACE CONVENT

Hermanas Franciscanas de la Inmaculada Concepción  
209 First Street Brooklyn, N.Y. 11215  
Sr. Margarita Barrera, H.F.I.C.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:30 p.m. &  
7:15 p.m. - Neo-Catechumenal Way  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - English  
9:30 a.m. - Latin Tridentine Mass (also every 3rd  
Saturday of the month at 1:00 p.m.)  
11:00 a.m. - Spanish  
Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENTS:

RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.  
and by appointment at the Rectory.

BAPTISMS - By appointment

MARRIAGES - Arrangements should be made first with  
the parish at least six months in advance. Couples  
must show readiness, attend Pre-Cana classes and  
receive special instruction at the Rectory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK - Anytime

## OFFICE HOURS: Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday:

9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon & 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon ONLY .

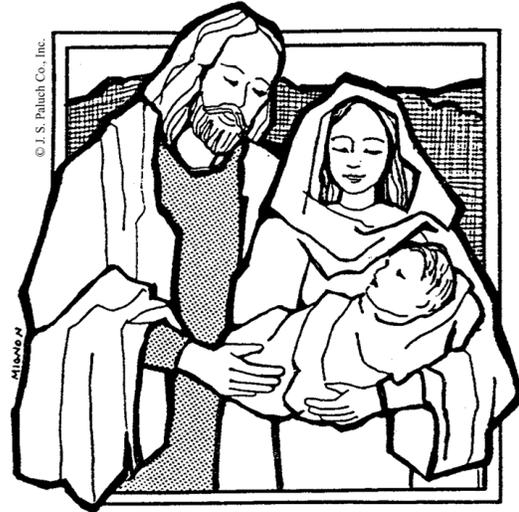
## NEO-CATECHUMENAL COMMUNITY

Directors: Andres & Miladys Torres - (917) 562-2732

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (C.C.D.)

Lilian M. Flores - Director. Classes are held on Saturday  
mornings, October through May, from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

*The child grew to maturity  
and was filled with wisdom!*



*El niño iba creciendo en edad y sabiduría!*

## DEVOTIONS:

Holy Hour - 'First Friday' of each month, beginning with the  
8:00 a.m. mass, and continuing with Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament & Benediction.

SAINT ANTHONY DEVOTIONS - every Tuesday following the  
8:00 a.m. daily mass.

## GOLDEN AGE CLUB

The Senior's club meets every Thursday at 11:00 a.m.,  
September through June in the gym.

## MUSIC MINISTERS

Michael Ancona                      Brittany Stetson  
Maria Schwab

## TRUSTEES:

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## PARISH CONTACTS

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**From the Pastor's desk . . .**

This is a rather curious week. Today, just hours after celebrating the birth of Jesus at Christmas, the Church directs our attention on the **'Holy Family' of Mary, Joseph and Jesus.** Then, in just four days, we will usher in a **'New Year,'** with our observance of the **Octave of Christmas** and the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, on January 1st!**

On this Feast of the **'Holy Family,'** we recognize that all family life is sacred, but it is not without trial. Perhaps this is the most important message we can glean from today's readings. If Jesus, Mary, and Joseph can trip up sometimes (**can disconnect,**) then we shouldn't find it surprising when such things happen to us as well. And parents everywhere (**and children, too**) can probably relate to, and take some solace in, the Gospel's account of Mary and Joseph, after Jesus explained why he stayed behind in the temple. Mary and Joseph heard Jesus' words, Luke tells us, **"But they did not understand what he said to them"** (Luke 2:50). How many parents can identify with Mary and Joseph **not understanding their son!** Amen! Nevertheless, Jesus does go back home with them, and we're told he continues to thrive under their care. They are a reminder to us, that any family can be a **'holy family,'** when love is at the center of their family life.



This New Year's Eve, at the turning of the year, you may catch a glimpse of the old year, a cartoon figure of a hunched old man with a sickle, usually referred to as **'Father Time.'** Where else but in this column could you learn that this is in fact **a pope?** December 31st was, in the old calendar, the feast of St. Sylvester. Legend says that Sylvester healed the Emperor Constantine of leprosy, and presided at the liturgy of baptism for the grateful emperor. In 314, he was chosen Pope, and it fell to him to organize the peacetime church, free at last from persecution. He founded the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome.

In northern Europe **"Sylvester Night"** is a time of great parties with eating, dancing, and singing, recalling perhaps, the joy of the church in the fresh air of Sylvester's papacy. In Poland, there was great fear as the year 1000 approached, that an immense dragon would devour the earth and set fire to the heavens. The people prayed earnestly to St. Sylvester, trusting that the saint would not permit such suffering on his feast day. They've been celebrating ever since!

Many New Year's customs have pagan roots, like the British **"First Footer"** tradition. The idea is that the first person setting foot into your house in the new year determines the luck for the year ahead. The ideal first footer was not a bit like old Pope Sylvester, but rather a tall, dark-haired man carrying the right gift. A handsome first footer meant the year ahead would be pleasant, and if he carried bread or a shovel of coal there would be food and warmth in the future. Who will be your household's first footer? May God's blessings be upon all your families as we begin this New Year!

*Sincerely, Fr. Pat*

**+ Jubilee Year of Mercy +  
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**



Imagine: three New Year's celebrations in little over a month! In late November, Advent began the new liturgical year; December 8th, ushered in the **'Jubilee Year of Mercy';** and this coming Friday, the **New Year 2016!** In today's Gospel, after three days of anguish, Mary tells Jesus how desperately she and Joseph have been searching for him. Mary could be speaking for the whole human race. With religious persecutions raging, international and domestic conflicts seething, our family and friends suffering various difficulties, not to mention our own personal problems, how much our world needs Jesus as another New Year veiled in mystery begins! As we pray for God's mercy to enfold our world and embrace each of us in 2016, let our New Year's resolution be to live the Jubilee Year of Mercy by being for others, as Mary was, a channel of God's mercy and an instrument of Christ's peace.

**+ Año Jubilar de la Misericordia +  
Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia**



Imagina: ¡tres celebraciones de Año Nuevo en el transcurso de menos de un mes!, al final de noviembre, con el Adviento empezó el Nuevo Año Litúrgico;

luego el 8 de diciembre, el **Año Jubilar de la Misericordia** y este viernes que viene, el Año Nuevo 2016. En el Evangelio de hoy, después de tres días de angustia, María le dice a Jesús lo preocupada que ella y José habían estado buscándolo. María podría estar hablando por toda la humanidad. Con violentas persecuciones religiosas, conflictos nacionales e internacionales en plena ebullición, nuestra familia y amigos sufriendo de varias dificultades, sin mencionar nuestros propios problemas personales, ¡qué tanto nuestro mundo necesita a Jesús como otro Nuevo Año empieza cubierto de misterio! Al orar por que la misericordia de Dios se muestre a nuestro mundo y envuelva a cada uno de nosotros este 2016, que las resoluciones este Año Nuevo vivan el Año Jubilar de la Misericordia para los demás, como María fue, un instrumento de la misericordia de Dios y de la paz de Cristo.

**+ First Friday Holy Hour +**

This Friday, January 1st, is also the **'First Friday'** of the month. Due to the **'New Year's Day'** schedule, the monthly **'First Friday Holy Hour'** and the evening **'Rosary,'** will **not** be conducted.

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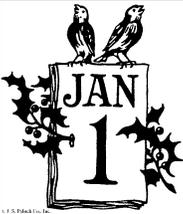
**+ 2016 Calendars +**

As we anticipate the beginning of a **'New Year'** this week, please be aware that there are calendars located in the rear and foyer of the church for 2016. They are compliments of . . .

**\* LEONE FUNERAL HOME\***

located at 696 Fourth Avenue here in Brooklyn. We are most grateful for

this generous gift to our parish. The calendars are printed in both **'English'** and **'Spanish.'**



**+ Parish Office Hours +**

Please be aware that the Parish Office will be **CLOSED** this week as part of the Christmas and New Year's Holidays. This doesn't mean that no one will be home at the Rectory! Fr. Patrick and/or Fr. Orlando will be here each day during the holiday week, **HOWEVER**, this simply means there won't be someone sitting in the front office waiting to answer the door. So, if you have an emergency, or business that needs to be addressed while the office is closed, please **CALL FIRST** and inform us that you need to stop in at the office, otherwise, as stated, there won't be anyone to answer the door.

Please note, that the daily 8 o'clock morning mass will be celebrated as usual (*with the exception of Friday, January 1st. Please note the mass schedule for that day.*)

**New Year's Day  
+ Mass Schedule +**

Many of us tend to think about New Year's Day, January 1st, as a 'holiday' and simply the first day of the New Year, or the last day of a long, but well deserved Christmas vacation. But in the Catholic Church, January 1st, is celebrated as the '**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God,**' and it is also observed as a '**Holy Day of Obligation.**' Please note the additional mass times that were added to our schedule, beginning with a '**Vigil Mass**' o New Year's Eve at **4:30pm**, which will be celebrated in '**English.**' On New Year's Day, there will be two masses, one at **9:00am**, which will be celebrated in '**English,**' and one at **11:00am**, celebrated in '**Spanish.**'



**+ Stewardship of Treasure +**

Due to the Christmas holiday and the printer's schedule, this bulletin needed to go to press earlier than usual. The figures for the collections of the

**Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 20th**  
**Christmas - December 25th**

**Feast of the Holy Family - December 27th**

**The Octave of Christmas - New Year's Day - January 1, 2016**  
and

**The Feast of the Epiphany - January 3, 2015**

will all be listed in the bulletin for **January 7, 2016**

*As always, we remain grateful for your generous support,  
"Thank You!"*

**+ Please Remember and Pray for the Sick +**  
*"And the prayer offered in faith may make the sick person well"*

*+ James 5:15*

*Hector Ortiz, Guadalupe Bautista, James Morganti, Nicholas-Tomsic, Lucille Acocella, Friar Daniel Morey, ofm, Arlene Morganti, Henry Seretta, William Casale, Maria Albanese, Melissa Torres, Molly Meltzer, Salvatore Russo, Carlos Emilio Flores, Friar Ron Bolfeta, ofm, Elaine Vona / Dr. Ray Mustafavi, Dolly Panza, Catherine Scorcia, Sebastian James Diaz, Dante Manzo, Flo Leopold, Vincent Manzo, Isabel Chavarria, Ciro Diaco, Catherine Dashiff, Matthew Anthony Keefe, Gia Florio, Luis Rodriguez, Nicolas Escamilla & Ernestina Martinez Rojas, Maria Teresa Salazar Alava, Luis Cáceres.*

*Please inform the parish office when it's appropriate to remove someone's name from this prayer list. Thank you.*

**Masses for  
the Week**



**Saturday, December 26, 2015**

4:30pm John Bartley (*Dec*)

7:15pm Neo-Catechumenal Community

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph  
December. 27, 2015**

8:00am Marian Boyle (*Dec*)

9:30am Latin Tridentine Mass

11:00am For the Living and Deceased members of  
Our Parish ("**Pro-Popolo**")

**Monday, December 28, 2015**

8:00am Patrick Froncillo (*Dec*)

**Tuesday, December 29, 2015**

8:00am St. Anthony - Brother Maseo Butteri, ofm (*Dec*)

**Wednesday, December 30, 2015**

8:00am Fr. Jonh Scarangelo, ofm (*Dec*)

**Thursday Morning, December 31, 2015**

8:00am Fr. Bruno Ciardiello, ofm (*Dec*)

**Thursday Evening - "New Year's Eve!"**

**The Octave of Christmas & the Solemnity of Mary,  
the Mother of God.**

4:30pm - *Vigil Mass* - Crispino Mongiello (*Dec*) (*English*)

**Friday - "New Year's Day" - January 1, 2016!**

**The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God.**

9:00am Elizabeth M. Boyle (*English*)

11:00am Intention of the Celebrant (*Spanish*)

**Saturday, December 2, 2016**

4:30pm Michelina & Dominic Mirto (*Dec*)

7:15pm Neo-Catechumenal Community

**The Epiphany of The Lord, Sunday January 3, 2016**

8:00am For the Living and Deceased members of  
our Parish ("**Pro-Popolo**")

9:30am Latin Tridentine Mass

11:00am Faustino de Jesus Lugo (*Dec*)

Acción de gracias al Niño Dios

**+ Religious Education Classes +**

**There are no classes next Saturday, January 3rd.  
Classes will resume on Saturday, January 9th.**



**+ REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES +**

+ **Sanctuary Lamp** + Francine Manzo (*Dec*)

+ **Altar Bread & Wine** + Nicholas Dente (*Dec*)

+ **Chapel Lamp** + Francine Manzo (*Dec*)