OUR LADY OF FATIMA (REDVERS) ST. MAURICE (BELLEGARDE) ST. ANTHONY (STORTHOAKS)

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December 25, 2022

Christmas
The Nativity of the Lord



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Parish Hall Bookings

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Mass Schedule

Mon, Dec. 26-NO MASS

Tues, Dec. 27—NO MASS

Wed, Dec. 28-NO MASS

Thurs, Dec. 29, 9:00 a.m. +Earl Cunningham by The Family

Fri, Dec. 30, 9:30 a.m. (Estates) +Charles Tinant by Lucille Tinant

New Year's Eve-Mary, Mother of God, Sat, Dec. 31

7:00 p.m. (Bellegarde) +Tracy Parrott by Joe/Irene Poirier

New Year's Day—Mary, Mother of God, Sun, Jan. 1 9:00 a.m. (Storthoaks)

Pro Populo

10:45 a.m. (Redvers) +Poirier Family by Jeannette Poirier

<u>Liturgical Ministries (Redvers)</u>

To ensure your name is still on a ministries list or to volunteer contact Carol Poirier (452-8397).

Sunday, January 1, 10:45 a.m.

Hospitality—Jerome/Carol Poirier

Lectors—Ron/Janelle Martin

Collection—Con Carriere/Raymond Lamotte/Matthew Lemieux/Nathan Poirier

Communion—Real Wolensky

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♦ Thank You/Congratulations from St. Anthony, Storthoaks/Our Lady of Fatima, Redvers to everyone who participated in our parish raffles and fundraisers. Sincere gratitude is extended to everyone who sold/bought tickets, donated auction items, supplied baking, and special appreciation to those who organized the parish social and little pageant in Redvers. Congratulations to the winners of the Storthoaks raffle—Luanne Mann (\$1000 Co-op gift card) and Joanne Longphee (\$500 Co-op gift card). Merry Christmas everyone!



Feast of the Holy Innocents—December 28

Herod "the Great," king of Judea, was unpopular with his people because of his connections with the Romans and his religious indifference. Hence he was insecure and fearful of any threat to his throne. He was a master politician and a tyrant capable of extreme brutality. He killed his wife, his brother, and his sister's two husbands, to name only a few.

Matthew 2:1-18 tells this story: Herod was "greatly troubled" when astrologers from the east came asking the whereabouts of "the newborn king of the Jews," whose star they had seen. They were told that the Jewish Scriptures named Bethlehem as the place where the Messiah would be born. Herod cunningly told them to report back to him so that he could also "do him homage." They found Jesus, offered him their gifts, and warned by an angel, avoided Herod on their way home. Jesus escaped to Egypt.

Herod became furious and "ordered the massacre of all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity two years old and under." The horror of the massacre and the devastation of the mothers and fathers led Matthew to quote Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, sobbing and loud lamentation; Rachel weeping for her children..." (Matthew 2:18). Rachel was the wife of Jacob (Israel). She is pictured as weeping at the place where the Israelites were herded together by the conquering Assyrians for their march into captivity.

The Holy Innocents are few in comparison to the genocide and abortion of our day. But even if there had been only one, we recognize the greatest treasure God put on the earth—a human person, destined for eternity, and graced by Jesus' death and resurrection.

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph December 30

Consecration Prayer to the Holy Family

O Jesus, our most loving Redeemer, who having come to enlighten the world with Thy teaching and example, didst will to pass the greater part of Thy life in humility and subjection to Mary and Joseph in the poor home of Nazareth, thus sanctifying the Family that was to be an example for all Christian families, graciously receive our family as it dedicates and consecrates itself to Thee this day. Do Thou protect us, guard us and establish amongst us Thy holy fear, true peace and concord in Christian love: in order that by living according to the divine pattern of Thy family we may be able, all of us without exception, to attain to eternal happiness.

[Now say 3 times: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be]



Mary, dear Mother of Jesus and Mother of us, by the kindly intercession make this our humble offering acceptable in the sight of Jesus, and obtain for us His graces and blessings. O Saint Joseph, most holy Guardian of Jesus and Mary, help us by thy prayers in all our spiritual and temporal needs; that so we may be enabled to praise our divine Savior Jesus, together with Mary and Thee, for all eternity.

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