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# Feast of the Holy Family

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# ST. VITUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS TIMES

CONFESSIONS  
11:00 AM ON MON, WED & FRI  
AND 30 MIN BEFORE EACH MASS  
(15 MIN BEFORE THE 6:15AM MASS)

### SUNDAY

8:00 AM - LOW MASS  
10:30 AM - HIGH MASS  
4:00 PM - VESPERS  
5:00 PM - MASS

6:15 AM - MON, WED & THURS  
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### SATURDAY

9:30 AM

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## A THOUGHT FOR SUNDAY

**F**HERE'S A LITTLE LINE AT THE END OF THE GOSPEL TODAY. WHILE IT IS MERELY A FEW WORDS LONG, IT SUMMARIZES MOST OF OUR LORD'S LIFE - HE WAS SUBJECT TO THEM.

MOST CHILDREN TRY TO OBEY. MOST OF THEM FAIL A GOOD PERCENTAGE OF THE TIME. AND THE REASON WHY THEY FAIL TO OBEY IS THAT THEY REALLY DON'T WANT TO. THEY HAVE OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS TO DO. (AND YES, FOR A CHILD, THESE ARE IMPORTANT THINGS! GETTING OLDER THEY DON'T SEEM IMPORTANT - BUT THEN GETTING STILL OLDER WE DISCOVER THAT NOTHING IS IMPORTANT EXCEPT OUR SALVATION!)

THE DIVINE CHILD, ON THE OTHER HAND, OBEYED ALL THE TIME. THE ONLY TIME HE GAVE THE APPEARANCE OF NOT OBEYING (WHILE HE ACTUALLY WAS OBEYING GOD THE FATHER) IT WAS RECORDED IN SCRIPTURE FOR ALL OF US TO READ ABOUT!

NOT ONLY DID HE OBEY, BUT HE KNEW BETTER THAN THE PEOPLE HE WAS OBEYING. HE KNEW WHEN IT REALLY WAS A WASTE OF TIME. HE KNEW WHEN THINGS WOULD GO WRONG FOR DOING WHAT HE WAS TOLD. HE EVEN KNEW HOW TO DO THINGS BETTER THAN THE PERSON TELLING HIM! AND YET HE PRACTICED HUMILITY AND SIMPLY OBEYED.

THERE'S A LOT TO LEARN HERE. BECAUSE IF HE, BEING GOD WHO COMMANDS, OBEYS INFERIOR CREATURES, THERE CERTAINLY MUST BE GREAT VALUE IN OBEDIENCE!

*GOD BLESS YOU,  
FR FRYAR*

## HYMNS

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AND PRAISE

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**F**IRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES WILL HAPPEN BETWEEN THE TWO MORNING MASSES, AT 9:30 AM. THE CLASS WILL LAST ABOUT 20 MINUTES. PLEASE MEET IN THE OFFICE BUILDING.

**B**EGINNING TODAY, IT WILL BE THE EXCEPTION AND NOT THE RULE TO PARK IN THE CHURCH CAMPUS ON SUNDAY. THERE IS AMPLE STREET PARKING AND A PARKING LOT ACROSS THE STREET. WHEN THERE IS AN EVENT AT THE POOL (ETC) THAT PARKING IS HARD TO FIND, WE WILL OPEN UP THE CHURCH LOT. THE REASON FOR THIS IS THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN, WHO RUN AND PLAY ON THE CHURCH GROUNDS. IT WOULD BE TRAGIC IF ONE OF THEM GOT KILLED BY A CAR BACKING UP - AND IT WOULD BE TOO LATE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT AFTER THE FACT!

PLEASE RESERVE THE SPACE ALONG THE STREET IMMEDIATELY IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH FOR HANDICAP PARKING.

DURING THE WEEK, HOWEVER, IT IS ENCOURAGED TO PARK IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT, ESPECIALLY FOR THE EVENING MASSES. IT IS MUCH SAFER FOR YOU TO CONGREGATE IN THE LIGHTS OF OUR PARKING LOT RATHER THAN ON THE STREET AFTER THE EVENING MASSES.

SO TO BE CLEAR: **SUNDAYS, NO PARKING IN THE CHURCH, OTHER DAYS YES.**

**S**PANISH DAILY MISSALS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. THEY COST \$65. PLEASE SEE FR MASUTTI IF YOU WOULD LIKE ONE OF THESE MISSALS. IT IS A GOOD INVESTMENT BECAUSE THIS MISSAL WILL WORK FOR ANY MASS YOU ATTEND FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE OR UNTIL IT FALLS APART, WHICHEVER HAPPENS FIRST!

**A**RE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? DO YOU NEED THE SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION? ADULT CATECHISM IS EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 7.00 PM. PLEASE CONTACT FR. MASUTTI BY EMAIL IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

**N**EXT YOUTH GROUP WILL BE SATURDAY JANUARY 26TH, FOLLOWING THE 9:30 AM MASS.

## MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HERE WILL BE NO ADULT CATECHISM THIS WEDNESDAY,  
JAN 16TH.



WE ARE PLANNING A WOMEN'S RETREAT FOR SATURDAY FEBRUARY 2ND. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS, THERE IS A REGISTRATION FORM OUTSIDE THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH. THE RETREAT WILL BE AT ST. VITUS PARISH AFTER THE MASS AND CANDLEMAS PROCESSION. THE TALKS WILL BE GIVEN BY FR FRYAR. THE THEME OF THE WOMEN'S RETREAT WILL BE FITTING FOR THE FEAST OF CANDLEMAS: TO SHINE THE LIGHT OF CHRIST.

## ANNOUNCING THE HOLY FAMILIES PROJECT

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WE WANT TO BEGIN AN APOSTOLATE AT ST VITUS PARISH THAT WILL BE A SPIRITUAL AID FOR OUR FAMILIES. MEMBERS OF THE PARISH WHO ARE RETIRED OR DO NOT HAVE A FAMILY MAY REGISTER AND COMMIT TO PRAY FOR ONE OF OUR YOUNGER FAMILIES. THIS WILL BE ENTIRELY ANONYMOUS - YOU WILL NOT KNOW WHICH FAMILY YOU ARE PRAYING FOR AND THE FAMILY WILL NOT KNOW WHO THE GENEROUS SOUL WHO IS PRAYING FOR THEM IS. THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES IN RAISING A FAMILY AND KEEPING THE CHILDREN CATHOLIC! THIS BOND OF PRAYER WILL PROVIDE THE FAMILY WITH GRACES AND DIVINE PROTECTION AS THEY STRIVE TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN TO BECOME SAINTS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROJECT, PLEASE SPEAK TO JO ANNE PULLEY, WHO HAS AGREED TO BE THE PROJECT'S MODERATOR.

## STILL MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS!

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 HANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SIGNED UP TO BE PART OF THE ADORACION NOCTURNA LAST WEEKEND. IT WILL BE A GREAT BLESSING TO HAVE A CHAPTER OF THE ADORACION NOCTURNA AT ST. VITUS!

 HERE WILL BE A PREPARATION CLASS FOR THE NOCTURNAL ADORATION ON HOW TO PRAY THE PRAYERS DURING THE ADORATION, ON SATURDAY 26TH OF JANUARY AFTER THE 9:30 AM MASS.

 OOKING AHEAD: IT IS WONDERFUL THAT THINGS ARE SO CROWDED AT ST. VITUS, HOWEVER WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS! WE WILL BE ADDING A FOURTH SUNDAY MASS AT THE BEGINNING OF LENT. MORE ON THIS SOON!

 LSO LOOKING AHEAD: WE WILL BE HONORED TO HAVE **FR BERG** COME AND **GIVE OUR LENTEN RECOLLECTION THIS YEAR!** SINCE HE NOW HAS A PARISH IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO TRAVEL, SO WE ARE HONORED TO BE THE FIRST PARISH HE WILL GIVE A RECOLLECTION AT AFTER HIS TERM AS SUPERIOR GENERAL! WE ARE STILL DECIDING WHICH DATES WILL WORK, BUT MORE THAN LIKELY IT WILL BE A SUNDAY, MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

 F YOU ARE AN EMT, FIRST RESPONDER, MEDICAL DOCTOR, NURSE, LAW ENFORCEMENT OR ABLE TO HELP IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCIES AT ST. VITUS, AND IF YOU ARE WILLING TO BE OF ASSISTANCE IN TIMES OF NEED, PLEASE CONTACT FR FRYAR ([FRFRYAR@ME.COM](mailto:FRFRYAR@ME.COM)) TO LET HIM KNOW! GOD REWARD YOU!



# Fiesta de La Sagrada Familia

EPÍSTOLA. COL. 3.12-17.-

**H**ERMANOS: REVESTÍOS, COMO ESCOGIDOS QUE SOIS DE DIOS, SANTOS Y AMADOS, DE ENTRAÑAS DE COMPASIÓN, DE BONDAD, HUMILDAD, MANSUEDUMBRE Y LONGANIMIDAD, SUFRIÉNDOOS LOS UNOS A LOS OTROS, Y PERDONÁNDOOS MUTUAMENTE, SI ALGUNO TIENE QUEJA CONTRA OTRO. ASÍ COMO EL SEÑOR OS HA PERDONADO, ASÍ HABÉIS DE HACERLO TAMBIÉN VOSOTROS. PERO, SOBRE TODO, TENED CARIDAD, QUE ES VÍNCULO DE PERFECCIÓN. Y LA PAZ DE CRISTO REINE EN VUESTROS CORAZONES, A LA CUAL FUISTEIS ASIMISMO LLAMADOS EN UN SOLO CUERPO: SED AGRADECIDOS. LA PALABRA DE CRISTO MORE ABUNDANTEMENTE ENTRE VOSOTROS, CON TODA SABIDURÍA, ENSEÑÁNDOOS Y ANIMÁNDOOS UNOS A OTROS CON SALMOS, HIMNOS Y CÁNTICOS ESPIRITUALES, CANTANDO DE CORAZÓN, CON GRACIA, LAS ALABANZAS DE DIOS. CUANTO DIJEREIS O HICIEREIS, HACEDLO EN NOMBRE DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, DANDO GRACIAS POR ÉL A DIOS PADRE.

**GRADUAL.-** UNA SOLA COSA PIDO AL SEÑOR Y DESEO ARDIENTEMENTE: MORAR EN LA CASA DEL SEÑOR TODA MI VIDA. FELICES, SEÑOR, LOS QUE HABITAN EN TU CASA; POR LOS SIGLOS DE LOS SIGLOS TE ALABARÁN.

**ALELUYA.-** ALELUYA, ALELUYA. VERDADERAMENTE ERES UN DIOS ESCONDIDO, EL DIOS DE ISRAEL, EL SALVADOR. ALELUYA.

**EVANGELIO.-** (LUCAS 2. 42-52)

**C**UANDO EL NIÑO JESÚS CUMPLIÓ DOCE AÑOS, SUBIERON A LA FIESTA SEGÚN LA COSTUMBRE Y, CUANDO TERMINÓ, SE VOLVIERON; PERO EL NIÑO JESÚS SE QUEDÓ EN JERUSALÉN, SIN QUE LO SUPIERAN SUS PADRES. ÉSTOS, CREYENDO QUE ESTABA EN LA CARAVANA, ANDUVIERON EL CAMINO DE UN DÍA Y SE PUSIERON A BUSCARLO ENTRE LOS PARIENTES Y CONOCIDOS; AL NO ENCONTRARLO, SE VOLVIERON A JERUSALÉN BUSCÁNDOLO. Y SUCEDIÓ QUE, A LOS TRES DÍAS, LO ENCONTRARON EN EL TEMPLO, SENTADO EN MEDIO DE LOS MAESTROS, ESCUCHÁNDOLOS Y HACIÉNDOLES PREGUNTAS. TODOS LOS QUE LE OÍAN QUEDABAN ASOMBRADOS DE SU TALENTO Y DE LAS RESPUESTAS QUE DABA. AL VERLO, SE

QUEDARON ATÓNITOS, Y LE DIJO SU MADRE: «HIJO, ¿POR QUÉ NOS HAS TRATADO ASÍ? TU PADRE Y YO TE BUSCÁBAMOS ANGUSTIADOS». ÉL LES CONTESTÓ: «¿POR QUÉ ME BUSCABAIS? ¿NO SABÍAIS QUE YO DEBÍA ESTAR EN LAS COSAS DE MI PADRE?». PERO ELLOS NO COMPRENDIERON LO QUE LES DIJO. ÉL BAJÓ CON ELLOS Y FUE A NAZARET Y ESTABA SUJETO A ELLOS. SU MADRE CONSERVABA TODO ESTO EN SU CORAZÓN. Y JESÚS IBA CRECIENDO EN SABIDURÍA, EN ESTATURA Y EN GRACIA ANTE DIOS Y ANTE LOS HOMBRES.

## ESTE DOMINGO

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ONCEDIDA A CIERTAS DIÓCESIS POR EL PAPA LEÓN XIII, EN 1893, Y EXTENDIDA A LA IGLESIA UNIVERSAL POR BENEDICTO XV EN 1921, LA FIESTA DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA HA SUPLANTADO EL 1ER DOMINGO DESPUÉS DE LA EPIFANÍA, CUYA MISA SE CELEBRA EL PRIMER DÍA LIBRE DE LA SEMANA QUE SIGUE.

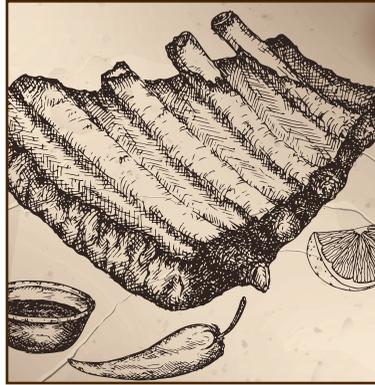
JESÚS, MARÍA Y JOSÉ, EN LA HUMILDE CASA DE NAZARET, SON EJEMPLO DE LA SANTIDAD MÁS GRANDE EN LAS CONDICIONES DE VIDAS MÁS SENCILLAS. ENTRE LOS ACONTECIMIENTOS QUE HAN MARCADO EL NACIMIENTO DEL SALVADOR Y EL COMIENZO DE SU VIDA PÚBLICA QUIERE LA IGLESIA RECORDAR TODOS LOS AÑOS ESTE GRAN MODELO, EN EL QUE NUNCA HAN DEJADO DE INSPIRARSE LAS FAMILIAS CRISTIANAS. ÉL SANTIFICA PARA SIEMPRE LA PRÁCTICA DE LAS VIRTUDES FAMILIARES.

QUIERE LA IGLESIA QUE, ADEMÁS DE LOS DÍAS DEDICADOS A FESTEJAR SEPARADAMENTE AL NIÑO JESÚS, A MARÍA SANTÍSIMA Y AL PATRIARCA SAN JOSÉ, SE HAGA RECUERDO HOY DE LOS TRES JUNTOS, FORMANDO LA FAMILIA EJEMPLAR Y MODELO DE LO QUE DEBE SER, SEGÚN DIOS Y EL EVANGELIO, LA FAMILIA CRISTIANA DE NUESTROS TIEMPOS. EN ESTE CONCEPTO SE VENERA HOY AL HIJO DE DIOS COMO HIJO DE FAMILIA; Y SE RECUERDA A LOS PADRES , A LAS MADRES Y A LOS HIJOS ATOLONDRADOS DE HOY, SU CONDICIÓN DE TALES Y SUS RESPECTIVOS Y MUTUOS DEBERES, Y LA OBLIGACIÓN DE TODOS JUNTOS PARA CON DIOS. ESTO HA TENIDO PRESENTE LA IGLESIA AL RENOVAR CON LA FIESTA DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA EL HERMOSO IDEAL DE LA ANTIGUA FAMILIA CRISTIANA, A LA QUE ANHELA RECONducIR OTRA VEA AL MUNDO, HIJO PRÓDIGO, Y PRÓFUGO DE ELLA, QUE HA CONVERTIDO AL HOGAR EN UN HOTEL SI ES RICO, O EN UNA POSADA SI ES POBRE.

# ANNOUNCING THE 2019 ST. VITUS RIB CONTEST!

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ON THE DAY BEFORE SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY (SATURDAY FEBRUARY 16TH)  
WE WILL HAVE A RIB COOK-OFF CONTEST!



PARTICIPANTS WILL BRING THEIR OWN RIBS, AND MAY BRING THEM COOKED  
OR COOK THEM ON SITE IF THEY BRING THEIR OWN GRILLS.

THE RIBS SHOULD BE READY TO BE SERVED AT 3 PM SHARP.

IT IS FREE TO EAT, HOWEVER IF YOU WISH TO JUDGE THE RIBS  
YOU CAN PAY \$25 FOR JUDGING RIGHTS.

THERE WILL ALSO BE A CONTEST OF BEST SIDE DISH  
AND BEST DESSERT.

WE NEED TWO COORDINATORS FOR THE RIB CONTEST, WHO WILL ACCEPT  
REGISTRATIONS, TALLY THE JUDGING VOTES AND ANNOUNCE THE WINNERS.

WHOEVER IS INTERESTED IN BEING A COORDINATOR,  
PLEASE CONTACT FR FRYAR.

## VOTIVE LIGHT STANDS

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HERE ARE MANY DIFFERENT FURNISHINGS AND OBJECTS IN A CATHOLIC CHURCH THAT WE EXPECT TO SEE AND THAT HELP US RAISE OUR PRAYERS TO GOD. ONE IS THE HOLY WATER FONT AT THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH, WHICH WE USE TO BLESS OURSELVES AND BY DOING SO WE WASH AWAY ANY VENIAL SIN SO THAT WE CAN ENTER THE PRESENCE OF GOD WITH PERFECTLY CLEAN SOULS. ANOTHER IS THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS, WHICH WE HAVE HAD MADE FOR ST. VITUS AND WILL BE INSTALLING VERY SOON.

ANOTHER SMALL FURNISHING IS THE VOTIVE CANDLE STAND. WE HAVE FINALLY PLACED A SMALL VOTIVE CANDLE STAND IN FRONT OF THE MANGER, AND THAT STAND WILL REMAIN THERE ONCE THE MANGER IS TAKEN DOWN AS THE VOTIVE CANDLE STAND FOR OUR LADY. A SECOND VOTIVE CANDLE STAND WILL BE PLACED IN FRONT OF THE STATUE OF ST. VITUS WHICH IS CURRENTLY BEING MADE.

CANDLES BURN. THIS BURNING, SIMILAR TO THE CUT FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR OR THE BURNING OF INCENSE, IS A SACRIFICE. AS THE WAX BURNS IT EVAPORATES AND WILL NEVER BE USED AGAIN. THEY ARE BEING CONSUMED FOR GOD. AND THEIR SACRIFICE, LIKE ALL WORTHY SACRIFICES OF THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS REFLECT THE SACRIFICE OF THE MASS.

SO IN THIS WAY THE CANDLE BECOMES AN EXTENSION OR EXPRESSION OF OUR PRAYER. OFTENTIMES WE WANT TO PRAY A LONG TIME BUT CANNOT - HOWEVER WE CAN LIGHT A CANDLE, OFFER THAT CANDLE TO OUR LADY (OR WHICHEVER SAINT) FOR OUR INTENTION, AND THEN GO ABOUT OUR DAY AND THE CANDLE REMAINS, RAISING OUR PRAYER TO GOD.

USUALLY WE GIVE AN OFFERING FOR THE CANDLE. WE ARE ACTUALLY *not* BUYING THE CANDLE, SINCE THESE ARE BLESSED. WE ARE OFFERING MONEY IN A SIMILAR WAY AS WE DO WHEN WE OFFER A STIPEND FOR A MASS - WE ARE SACRIFICING A TINY BIT OF OUR MONEY TO UNITE IT TO OUR PRAYER. THIS TINY BIT OF MONEY, INCIDENTALLY, GOES TOWARD PAYING FOR THAT LITTLE CANDLE - BUT THAT'S NOT THE POINT. IT ALL FITS TOGETHER: OUR MONEY IS SACRIFICED FOR THE CANDLE, AND THE CANDLE IS SACRIFICED TO OFFER OUR PRAYER LONG AFTER WE LEAVE, AND THEY BOTH REFLECT IN SOME SMALL WAY THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS.

SO VOTIVE CANDLES SEEM LIKE A SMALL THING. ACTUALLY, THEY ARE QUITE SPECIAL!

*A little tidbit:* WE HAVE ARRANGED THE CANDLES FROM TALLEST TO SMALLEST. THOSE IN THE CENTER BURN FOR 24 HOURS. THE NEXT RING IS TEN HOURS, THE NEXT WILL BURN FOR FIVE HOURS AND THE OUTER RING TWO HOURS.



ACH PART OF THE WORLD HAS DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS AND MANY FAMILIES HAVE DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS. IN MADEIRA, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY HAVE THE CUSTOM OF “STEALING” ONE FIGURINE FROM A NEIGHBOR’S NATIVITY SCENE AND PUTTING IT IN THEIR OWN, ONLY ONE, EACH YEAR. YOU CAN’T STEAL YOUR FIGURINE BACK, YOU HAVE TO STEAL ONE OF THEIRS!

THIS FIRST CHRISTMAS AT ST. VITUS WE ARE INTRODUCING THE:

## ~ ST. VITUS CHRISTMAS CUSTOM ~

EACH YEAR, EACH PERSON CAN BRING ONE (**JUST ONE**) FIGURINE (LAMB, OX, SHEPHERD, ETC). YOU WRITE YOUR NAME ON THE BOTTOM OF THE FIGURINE WITH PERMANENT MARKER AND YOU LEAVE IT AT THE OUTSIDE NATIVITY SET. AT THE END OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ON FEBRUARY 2ND, THESE FIGURINES WILL GET A SPECIAL BLESSING AND THEN YOU TAKE IT HOME AND YOU CAN USE IT IN YOUR FAMILY NATIVITY SET AT YOUR HOME NEXT YEAR. THAT PIECE WILL BE SPECIAL SINCE IT SPENT LAST CHRISTMAS AT THE CHURCH!

PLEASE LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THE MAIN FIGURES OF THE NATIVITY SET AND MAKE SURE THAT YOUR FIGURINE IS PROPORTIONATE! NOT TOO GIGANTIC AND NOT TOO TINY!

YOU MAY BRING YOUR FIGURINE AND PLACE IT AT THE NATIVITY SET ANYTIME. PLEASE LEAVE IT THERE UNTIL FEBRUARY 2ND THOUGH, WHEN THEY WILL ALL BE BLESSED.

**DISCLAIMER:** YOU HAVE TO BE WILLING TO TAKE THE RISK THAT THE FIGURINE MAY BE DAMAGED, OR POSSIBLY STOLEN. PLEASE KEEP THAT IN MIND WHEN YOU ARE PLANNING ON PARTICIPATING!