

CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR THE ALTAR

Dear Friends,

Thanks to your generosity, a total of \$9,471.00 has been donated for this year's Christmas Gift to the Altar. The proceeds cover, in their entirety, the beautiful solemn Marian set of vestments that you saw used on January 1st, and which we will use at the holy altar going forward. God is not outdone in generosity and will reward each of you superabundantly.

Thank you for your generosity!

“The more you honor Me, the more I will bless you.”



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A NOTE FROM REV. CANON ZIGNEGO

Dear Friends,

Canon Talarico, Abbe Raymond, and myself would like to express our gratitude for all the gifts you have graciously offered us in honor of the Infant King for Christmas: prayers, cards, delicious treats, and other gifts. Please know that your intentions are always in our prayers.

Let us remain united in prayers in these most difficult times. Only He can bring light even amidst the darkest hour of the night as He did on that Holy Night of Christmas!

- Merry Christmas and Happy Epiphany!

Sunday, January 7th, 2024

Feast of the Holy Family

Introit

The father of the Just will exult with glee; let Thy father and mother have joy; let her who bore Thee exult. How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord.
The father of the Just will exult . . .

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Who while subject to Mary and Joseph, hallowed family life with virtues beyond description, grant us by their combined intercession, that, having been taught by the example of the Holy Family, we may attain unto their everlasting companionship. Through our Lord . . .

Epistle

Colossians 3:12-17

Brethren: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, a heart of mercy, kindness, humility, meekness, patience. Bear with one another and forgive one another, if anyone has a grievance against any other; even as the Lord has forgiven you, so also do you forgive. But above all these things have charity, which is the bond of perfection. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; unto that peace, indeed, you were called in one body. Show yourselves thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you abundantly: in all wisdom teach and admonish one another by psalms, hymns and spiritual songs, singing in your hearts to God by His grace. Whatever you do in word or in work, do all



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in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, giving thanks to God the Father through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gradual & Alleluia

One thing I ask of the Lord; this I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. Happy they who dwell in Thy house. O Lord! continually they praise Thee. Alleluia, alleluia. Truly Thou art a hidden God, the God of Israel, the Saviour. Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 2:42-52

When Jesus was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. And after they had fulfilled the days, when they were returning, the Boy Jesus remained in Jerusalem, and His parents did not know it. But thinking that He was in the caravan, they had come a day's journey before it occurred to them to look for Him among their relatives and acquaintances. And not finding Him, they returned to Jerusalem in search of Him. And it came to pass after three days, that they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who were listening to Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers. And when they saw Him, they were astonished. And His Mother said to Him, Son, why have You done so to us? Behold, in sorrow Your father and I have been seeking You. And He said to them, How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business? And they did not understand the word that He spoke to them. And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them; and His Mother kept all these things carefully in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and grace before God and men.

Offertory

The parents of Jesus took Him up to Jerusalem, to present Him to the Lord.

Secret

In appeasement, O Lord, we offer Thee this sacrifice, humbly praying that through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God, and that of St. Joseph, Thou will establish our households in Thy peace and grace.
Through our Lord . . .

Communion

Jesus went down with them, and came to Nazareth and was subject to them.

Postcommunion

Grant, Lord Jesus, that those whom Thou refresh with the heavenly sacrament may ever imitate the example of Thy Holy Family, so that at the hour of our death, with the glorious Virgin Mary and St. Joseph welcoming us, we may be found worthy to be received into Thy everlasting home.
Through our Lord . . .

BURSAR'S BOX

Sunday, December 3rd: \$ 4, 667.00

Friday, December 8th: \$ 1, 492.00

Sunday, December 10th: \$ 4, 144.00

Sunday, December 17th: \$ 3, 693.00

Sunday, December 24th: \$ 6, 171.00

Monday, December 25th: \$ 5, 338.00

Sunday, December 31st: \$ 4, 368.00

Total for the Month of December: \$ 29, 873.00

Sunday, January 1st: \$ 3, 042.00

Total for the Month of January: \$ 3, 042.00

Please make checks payable to "Institute of Christ the King" with

Oratory on the memo line. All checks made out to "Our Lady of Czestochowa" are given to the Salvatorian Fathers. By order of the bishop, \$1000/week is given in rent to the Salvatorian Fathers.

Thank you for your generosity!

DONATION STATEMENTS

It is almost time again to issue 2023 donation statements. Please contact the Oratory office if your mailing address has changed since this time last year. It happens often that a number of statements are returned due to incorrect mailing addresses. Thank you in advance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today, January 7th: Coffee Social Hour after Mass at St Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church, located at 557 West 57th Avenue, Merrillville IN 46410. Please bring a dish to share.

Sunday, January 14th: *Blessing Sunday*. Blessings of religious articles will be given after Holy Mass.