

THE CARPENTER'S NEWSLETTER



The Official Newsletter of St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Oshawa

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY - 5:00 PM
SUNDAY - 9:00 & 11:00 AM

MONDAY - SATURDAY 9:00 AM

FIRST FRIDAYS - MASS & ADORATION -
7:00 PM



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PASTOR'S DESK

Dear parishioners,
 May the peace of our expected Saviour, the love of the Father and the abiding grace of the Holy Spirit fill your hearts. What a beautiful time as we begin to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord and look forward to the dawning of his star in our hearts. May our celebration of the Lord's birth this year usher in peace and joy. And particularly as we navigate a post-pandemic world, may we rise into a new dispensation of even greater commitment to his will, to his church and to his world. I hope your Advent preparation is going fine. As we look towards rounding up our Nicene Creed study, we shall have our Advent Retreat the next two days after the last Nicene Creed Study. (9th and 10th of December). Please see page 3 on the parish activities for more details. That same page also contains the Christmas schedule of Masses for this year. In the meantime, the Christmas Concert is coming! Exciting time!! Book your spot via our website to have an in-person experience of it. Otherwise you could also watch online (realtime) if you do choose, via our website. May the child Jesus bring us abundant peace. May Mary lead us to him continually. May our patron saint, Joseph the holy man, intercede for us. Have a wonderful month ahead; have a beautiful preparation for and celebration of Christmas, and see you in 2022.

Fr. Victor Amole
Pastor

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*Please visit page 6 for more details.



GOSPEL INSPIRATION

IMMANUEL: GOD WITH US

Written by Fr. Victor

Look! The virgin is with child and will give birth to a son whom they will call Immanuel, a name which means 'God-is-with-us.' -Mt.1:23

With the fall Adam came a colossal loss. Humanity, in Adam, preferred a fruit to the garden.[1] That preference came with its consequences. Humanity lost accord with God and the garden, the symbol of human-divine harmony was shut with angels stationed on its boundaries to prevent any further interaction with the divine. (Gn.3:24). The book of Genesis paints a picture of a lost friendship, love went awry! God seems to be distanced from man in consequence of sin and the "Deus absconditus"[2] theorists seem to have a save case in the matter. Yet, God whose name is love and is ever present, never abandoned man; even the fall will not alter his nature. As St. Paul puts it, "If we are faithless, he is faithful still, for he cannot disown his own self." [3] Thus even as he doled out the punishment to humanity in the loins of Adam and Eve, He also gave a promise of redemption through the "offspring" of the woman, in what biblical scholars call the "proto-evangelium" (the first gospel).[4] Friendship was lost but friendship was promised!

Mary, the new Eve, mother of the living, bore Jesus Christ, the God-made-man as the direct fulfillment of that prophecy. Paul the Apostle helps us to understand this mystery, when he says in Gal.4:4-5, "... but when the appointed time had come, God sent his Son born of a woman, born a subject of the law, so that we could receive adoption as sons (and daughters)." Such is the mystery of Christmas when, true to his promise, the virgin conceived and bore a son and gave him the name Immanuel. The eternal Word of God became flesh and lived among us.[5] By taking flesh he exalts humanity which was grounded by sin; human flesh, the instrument of the fall, became renewed and imbued with a promise of glorification.

At Christmas, the God who made the universe and holds it in existence freely chose to step into our history in a most unprecedented and mysterious fashion. For love of us his creatures, he chose to become one us so as to lift us up from our dunghill of sin; he was born an infant at Bethlehem in a manger among smelly sheep. St. Augustine puts it well when he says "the son of God became the son of man that the sons of men might become the son of God" Jesus was born to save his people,

born to restore the lost friendship. His birth which we commemorate at Christmas is therefore a new dawn for humanity. It is God's love song to humanity with outstretched hands. It is a joyful message that He's not done with us yet, He is ever at work in us.

With the birth of Christ, God spoke to us in the best language possible. St. John of the Cross says "in giving us his Son, ... (God)spoke everything to us at once in this sole word – and he has no more to say....because what he spoke before to the prophets in parts he has now spoken all at once by giving us the ALL who is his son." [6] No wonder human history takes its dating from his birth and is re-oriented by it. Now God's dwelling is among men, we are no longer alone. God in Christ is with us to face life's challenges and to journey with us. There is no need to live in fear for God is Immanuel!

In Christ we are put in direct touch with our God. The story of Christmas was at last understood by that woman who was seated by a fireplace, wondering why God ever decided to come in the flesh. The whole thing seemed so absurd. Why would God take flesh and live among us? Then she heard a noise outdoors. She saw a dozen geese groping about in the snow, cold and confused. She went outside and tried to herd them into her warm garage. But the more she tried to help them, the more they scattered across the lawn. Finally she gave up. Then an odd thought came to her: *if just for a minute I could become a goose and talk to them in their language, I could explain that what I was trying to do was for their happiness. Then it struck her. That's what Christmas is all about! It's about God becoming a human to teach us what is necessary for our happiness and to lead the way!*

[1] Cf. Genesis 3.

[2] *Deus Absconditus* (an absconded God) in its extreme understanding, is a theory which suggests that God created the universe and then abandoned it. Those who suggest such a theory point to the evil in the world. However, the expression has a slight and more constructive variant in the thoughts of some theologians like Martin Luther and Karl Barth who used it to indicate the "hiddenness of God" or the fact that God is beyond human comprehension but reveals himself by himself and as he decides.

[3] 2 Timothy 2:13.

[4] Cf. Genesis 3:15.

[5] Cf. John 1:14.

[6] St. John of the Cross, *The Ascent of Mount Carmel* 2,22,3-5 in *The Collected Works of St. John of the Cross*, tr. K. Kavanaugh, OCD, and O. Rodriguez, OCD (Washington DC:Institute of Carmelite Studies, 1979).

UNIVERSAL INTENTION OF THE POPE

Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.



AROUND THE PARISH

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PLEASE NOTE:

Our Advent Retreat comes up on the 9th and 10th of December. Confessions will be available on these days. Please come to prepare yourselves for the birth of the Lord. There are no morning Masses on December 24th and January 31st.

There will be no confessions nor evening Mass on Saturday 25th (Christmas day). Masses are in the morning as above.

There will be no confessions nor evening Mass on Saturday January 1st (New Year's day).

Extra confession times by appointment are also available from December 21st-23rd. (Please call the office).

May Christ be born in our hearts. May his light dawn in our lives. And may 2022 usher in a better year than ever before.

God bless you.

DECEMBER 8: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SOLEMNITY AND END OF THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception this year coincides with the end of the Year of Saint Joseph, our patron saint. The year has been celebrated universally as declared by Pope Francis from Jan 1 2020 to Dec. 8, 2021, marking the 150th year anniversary Saint Joseph was declared the patron of the universal Church. Join us for the morning Mass (9am) on December 8th to mark this day.

ADVENT RETREAT

After our study of the Nicene Creed which ends on the 8th of December, we shall conclude with a preparation for Christmas with our Advent Retreat on the 9th and 10th of December. There will be priests available for confession, and we shall have a prayerful time in adoration of the Lord. Please mark your calendars to prepare yourself for Christmas. These are the main confession days for Christmas. There are no confessions nor Mass on Saturday evenings of December 25 and January 1.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Plans are now in top gear for the Christmas concert. Register on the website stjosephtheworkeros.archtoronto.org to attend **in person**. The occasion will also be streamed online as well. The link will equally be available on our website. It will be great to celebrate as a parish community and share in the joy of expecting our saviour. Register via our website, stjosephtheworkeros.archtoronto.org. Let us celebrate joy!



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Parents of the children of our parish in grade 2 or higher can now enroll their children into the catechism program for First Holy Communion. Pick up a package at the church or in our elementary schools (St. Joseph or St. Anne Elementary Catholic Schools) Please call the office for more information. First Communion Registration dates are Tuesday, December 7 to Tuesday, December 21.

CATHOLIC MOMS' GROUP

Come join our St. Joseph the Worker Parish Catholic Moms Group. Our next meeting will be Thursday, December 16th at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. Email: sjw@catholicmomsgroup.com. Also check out www.catholicmomsgroup.com.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS AND ADORATION

January 7th, 2022 is the first Friday for the month. As usual we shall have Mass in the morning at 9am and also in the evening at 7pm followed by an hour of Eucharistic adoration while confession is also available. Come let us adore the Lord.

CHAPLAINCY NEWS

THE GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Come join hundreds of young adults in Ottawa from January 6-8 at CCO's Rise Up! Kick off your new year by spending some time with our Lord. Hear great speakers, spend time in adoration, social with friends and meet other young adults at this annual conference!

Need a ride? We got you covered! Transportation options are available. Need financial assistance to make this retreat happen? We have bursaries available! Contact the chaplaincy team for more details and bursary application information. Can't wait to see you there!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

To our lovely students and alumni, we wish you a very merry and blessed Christmas. This year like last, has not been easy. Many of you have had your lives altered by the pandemic, have not been able to return home to visit family and felt a great deal of emotions. However, we see your smiles, your twinkling eyes and your love for one another and our Lord. Each of you is a gift to Oshawa Catholic Chaplaincy and we thank you for continuing to be a part of this chaplaincy, for being a part of our family! We pray that the new born baby Jesus may bring you comfort, joy and new hope in this liturgical and calendar year of 2022. Merry Christmas friends! With our love, Conchita, Shannon and Fr. Victor.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

December 2021

10 ENCOUNTER NIGHT

Adoration, praise and worship music, prayer, and confessions. Join us and the parish community at 7 p.m. sharp for a talk by Fr. Roger Pascall as we complete the final day of our parish Advent Retreat.



DIY Advent Wreaths

12 CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us in the Parish Hall at 3 p.m. to see your friends perform on stage! Cheer them on as they share their gifts of music this Advent season! Reserve your spot via Eventbrite to ensure a seat.

Encounter Night



MEN'S & WOMEN'S GROUP CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

We interrupt our regularly scheduled programs to bring a special twist on Men's Group and Women's Group for the month of December. Group leaders will be in touch for how each group for our December sessions will celebrate!



Women's Group

A FEW WAYS ON HOW TO CELEBRATE ADVENT & CHRISTMAS WELL

1. Advent is a time of waiting and preparation. Create space in your heart, home, and calendar to intentionally journey through Advent as we prepare for Christ's birth on Christmas and His second coming at the end of our lives and at the end of time. For example:

a) Live the scriptures! Be sure to catch the weekly reflections from students on our Instagram page and join them as they read a chapter of Luke per day starting on December 1st. This is the perfect time to cozy up with your bible in hand, light your advent wreath and journey through the Gospel of Luke!



b) Don't overindulge in all-things-Christmas (food, parties, movies, music, décor). These are all good things but be sure to reflect on how your choice of activities can draw you deeper into the spirit of Advent so you can be more prepared for Christmas.



c) Go on a retreat or create your own retreat day at home! Take a day to pray, attend Mass, visit a chapel, go on a Rosary walk, attend an in person or online retreat and disconnect from your devices in order to connect more deeply with the Lord and prepare for His birth.

2. Celebrate Christmas well! As Catholics, we should know how to feast well! We do not just move from one celebration to the next. The Church offers us the Christmas Octave of 8 days to celebrate the birth of Christ. Keep up your decorations, reflect on the Nativity, blast the Christmas tunes & watch your favourite movies, spend time with family or friends and enjoy to greatest present of all – the presence of Our Lord, Emmanuel, God with us!



SAINTS OF THE MONTH

SAINT FEAST DAYS & QUOTES

December 3 - St. Francis Xavier

"You don't have to give to me because I love you; after all, even if I didn't expect from you what I do, I'd still love you just as much."

December 4 - Saint John Damascene

December 6 -Saint Nicholas

December 7 -Saint Ambrose

"What was the reason for the Incarnation? It has to be this: the flesh that had sinned had to be redeemed by the same flesh."

December 8 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 9 -Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

December 12 -Our Lady of Guadalupe

"Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection?"

December 13 -Saint Lucy

"Those whose hearts are pure are temples of the Holy Spirit."

December 14 -Saint John of the Cross

"In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human success, but rather on how much we have loved"

December 21 -Saint Peter Canisius

December 25 -The Nativity of our Lord

December 26 -The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 27 -Saint John the Apostle

"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in him."

December 28 -The Holy Innocents

"Do not think that we say that these things are only to be received by faith, but also that they are to be asserted by reason. For indeed it is not safe to commit these things to bare faith without reason, since assured truth cannot be without reason."

December 29 -Saint Thomas Becket

December 31 -Saint Sylvester

"THE ROAD IS NARROW. HE WHO WISHES TO TRAVEL IT MORE EASILY MUST CAST OFF ALL THINGS AND USE THE CROSS AS HIS CANE. IN OTHER WORDS, HE MUST BE TRULY RESOLVED TO SUFFER WILLINGLY FOR THE LOVE OF GOD IN ALL THINGS."
-SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

STORY OF A SAINT

Saint John of the Cross

(June 24th 1542-December 14th 1591)

Patron Saint of mystics, contemplative prayer, & poets.

John was born in 1542 in Spain and at the age of twenty-one, he entered the Carmelite Order. In 1567, he was ordained and contemplated transferring from the Carmelites to enter the more austere Carthusians. He then met St Teresa of Avila, who convinced him that the life John sought could be found within the Carmelite reform movement. She had already initiated this reform among the Carmelite nuns and wished to begin with the men. In 1568, the male Carmelite reform movement was initiated and John of the Cross was among the first members.

In 1557, some Carmelites who opposed the strict observance reform held John captive for nine months. During his imprisonment he began to write his famous poems, The Spiritual Canticle. After his escape, John continued to write and to serve in various offices in the reformed Carmelite Order. In particular, he was known for being a gifted confessor and spiritual director. This gentle man died in Ubeda, Spain echoing Jesus's last words "Into your hands O Lord, I commend my spirit".



CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

1.

EL SALVADOR

In El Salvador's countryside, particularly Atiquizaya, Christmas decorations for the whole town are organized by each "barrio". If you're walking around town, every 2 blocks or so you'll see a Christmas tree, nativity scene or some other decoration made by the families of that block. Then on Christmas Eve, there's an outdoor Mass celebrated on the street, usually on the biggest intersection of roads in town. Then at midnight, there's a huge display of fireworks. For my family in particular, we do the usual stuff, participate in the activities above and for dinner, we usually have: Pan con chumpe, which is like a turkey sandwich. Imagine a Banh Mi with turkey and a special sauce called Recaudo, made with tomatoes and a bunch of spices. We also have pork Roulade sometimes and also the turkey with the Recaudo alone, that's pretty good too. Then for desert, we usually make Budín, kinda like bread pudding with raisins or any other desert really. Sometimes we mix deserts from other festivities just because those are too good! Shared by Luis G.

2.

IRELAND

Christmas in Ireland is now very similar to Canada. On Christmas Eve all the families attend midnight Mass. We have a big feast after mass of turkey, ham, potatoes, lots of vegetables, salmon, shrimp, Christmas pudding, English trifle, butter tarts, mince meat, fruit cake for dessert with loads of custard and many international dishes to suit who ever is joining the family from many different places in the world. The manger is all ready and the youngest child puts baby Jesus in the cradle. Every window in our home has a light and the Christmas tree has home-made ornaments with the names of all people at the dinner. Every Christmas the children pick out the tree, grandpa cuts it down and each child must plant a new tree. Crackers are made for everyone in advance with small gifts inside. Stockings are also lined up on the fireplace with oranges, chocolates, knitted toys, gloves, hats and maybe a lump of coal. Christmas is the most wonderful celebration in Ireland especially if it snows. Shared by Mary L.



3.

COLOMBIA

Christmas in Colombia is definitely the most celebrated feast of the year, and one that people certainly look forward to right after the middle of the year (once we hit the 'bre' months SeptiembRE, OctuBRE, NoviemBRE, DiciembRE). It is, by and large, centered around the birth of Jesus and the nativity scene, and hosts a beautiful Novena tradition in which families and friends gather each day, 9 days in a row, to pray together, sing, and share delicious Colombian such as buñuelos (corn/cheese fried balls) and natilla (a flan-like dessert), in preparation for Christmas day. For 'Día de las velitas' (December 7th) we celebrate the eve of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, by lighting many candles outside of our home, which makes for a beautiful display across all neighborhoods. Beautiful villancicos (Christmas carols) accompany celebrations throughout the entire season. There are many more traditions such as 'aguinaldos', 'día de los inocentes' on December 28th, and 'día de reyes' on January 6th, but let's just say- Christmas in Colombia is the most wonderful way to spend the most wonderful time of the year! Shared by Rafael Andrés C.

2.

4.

NIGERIA

I am Nora, from Nigeria and this is how it is celebrated in my family. Christmas is a very special holiday in my family, probably our favourite holiday. Our celebration starts on the 24th with the Christmas eve mass after which we go home to sing carols and prepare for the 25th. On Christmas day, we attend Christmas mass and come home to have a festive family lunch with fried rice/jollof rice, coconut rice, efo tiro, chicken or turkey being part of the numerous dishes we will have, and then we watch a Christmas movie together. Meanwhile, Christmas, like some other big feasts in Nigeria, is an occasion in which neighbors, families and friends share specially prepared dishes. It is one of those occasions in which even people of other faiths, notably Moslems, join in celebrating with their Christian neighbours. Shared by Nora O.

5.

THE PHILIPPINES

For us Filipinos, Christmas is what we are looking forward to every year, it is filled with celebrations and customs- full of joy and love. Everyone starts the decorations normally as soon as the "ber" months draw closer, hearing jolly Christmas carols on the radio, putting up Christmas tree, "parol"(a light up star lantern), belens (nativities) and millions of different lights that are beautifully set up. It's so much more fun to take a walk during the night because there's so much light. Everything is ready as soon as the first day of September comes. We just love to celebrate this beautiful season as long as we can. Our Simbang Gabi where Catholic Filipinos attend as early as 3:00 am to 5:00 am local time, is a nine-day mass series in preparation for Christmas. It starts from the 16th of December until Christmas Eve and it is known as Misa de Gallo. After the mass, Filipinos buy and eat holiday delicacies sold in the church yard for breakfast, both fresh and warm; perfect for the cool breeze! Shared by Madelaine R.

ANECDOTE OF THE MONTH

The First Live Christmas Crib

In 1223, St. Francis of Assisi inaugurated a pious practice that today has become so common that many think that it always existed. This great saint, as he was traversing the rolling hills of central Italy one December to proclaim the Gospel, noticed that few of his countrymen were taking the mysteries of the Faith seriously. Many were not even preparing for Christmas. Of those who were getting ready to celebrate the Lord's birth, they looked at it as an event tied exclusively to the past. The mysteries of the Faith had become sterile. The central persons in the drama had become stale and lifeless, incapable even of stimulating his contemporaries' imaginations — and therefore no longer capable of inspiring them to a greater relationship of mutual love with God in the present. To counteract these tendencies, St. Francis set up the first crèche in recorded history on Christmas Eve, 1223, in the town of Greccio. He brought in live animals — an ox and an ass. He recruited a newborn baby and a set of young parents. Hay and a manger were brought in. There was even the attempt — with hundreds of burning torches — to create the luminescence of a bright star. And Francis could not have been happier with the results. People came from all over to see the living nativity. Through all the sounds, sights and even smells, the multitudes became convinced that Christmas was not just a cute story, but a real event, one that was not just past, but something which they were called to enter in the present. Soon living crèches like this spread throughout Italy and into other parts of Europe. The phenomenon soon extended into art, as artists started to paint nativity scenes with all the main characters dressed anachronistically in 13th century garb — to emphasize that Christmas is not just a bygone event, but, more important, one very much in progress, in which every believer is called to "go now to Bethlehem" and "pay [Christ] homage." As St. Francis' first biographer wrote, "The Child Jesus had been forgotten in the hearts of many; but, by the working of God's grace, [the Child Jesus] was brought to life again through his servant Francis and stamped upon their fervent memory." (Fr. Roger Landry)



HOW TO CONTINUE GIVING

We know that many parishioners would like to continue to donate to the parish on a regular basis during this time. As a non-profit organization, our parish relies heavily on your financial assistance, but especially since we are unable to open for Mass due to the current health crisis. Here are some ways to continue giving:

SECURE MAILBOXES AT THE PARISH

If you would like to make your usual weekly donation or otherwise support us in this regard, we invite you to make a donation at the parish.

We now have TWO secure mailboxes available for our parishioners.

The mailboxes are locked and under 24 hour surveillance so your donations are secure and will be checked daily.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING (PAG)

If you are interested in pre-authorized giving, please contact the parish office to obtain a registration form. Once the form is completed, feel free to email the form along with a scanned copy or photo of a voided cheque to development@archtoronto.org for processing. Contributions would then be withdrawn from your bank account on the 20th of each month.

ONLINE GIVING

If you would prefer to donate online, there are various options available:

1. Contribute via credit card as a one-time or recurring contribution
2. Contribute via online banking by emailing your name, address, parish name and municipality (e.g. Durham and Scarborough) to campaign@archtoronto.org, in response to which the Archdiocese of Toronto will email you account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese as a payee for the purposes of online banking. Your one-time or recurring gift will then be forwarded to our parish.

We thank all of our parishioners for their generous donations during this difficult time.

SHARELIFE

ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as a Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Over 40 ShareLife agencies serve tens of thousands of people locally and countless more around the world, regardless of religious affiliation. Given the growing needs in our communities, it is crucial we meet our 2021 Parish Campaign goal of \$13.8 million.

By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues • help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten • deliver food to children in developing countries • form priests and deacons

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need. The remaining collection days for this year is this weekend, October 30th and 31st.

Thank you for sharing life!

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where my loved ones resides.
Home is where it's safe, where my
loved ones are inside."*



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WHY MAKE AN ADVENT RETREAT?

As we prepare as a parish this year to celebrate the joyful event of God becoming man, our Advent retreat invites us to create space in our lives to accommodate the Christ child. The retreat will address the 7 deadly sins-Envy, Anger, Sloth, Pride, Gluttony, Greed and Lust. Aquinas the great theologian was of the opinion that we are all prone to at least one of these demons as he calls them. Is there a festering resentment at the success of others? (Envy) Is there an insatiable desire for attention and approval from others? (Pride) Or are you subject to emotional outbursts and profanities? (Anger) Come explore the many ways in which these deadly sins manifest themselves and take root in our lives so that God's grace and Joy may find a suitable dwelling place in our hearts! Our Retreat facilitator will be Fr. Roger Pascall. He comes with many years of experience in the priesthood and also in the teaching field.

EXPERIENCE

**love,
peace,
and joy**

THROUGH MUSIC !

BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS TO

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT
ON DECEMBER 12TH, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.

Register online to save your seat for this beautiful performance honouring the newborn Baby Jesus by visiting our website. There, you will also find the link to watch this great event online.



MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM US TO YOU!

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you a joyful celebration of the Christmas. May Christ shine forth in our lives. May the splendor he brings us, by uniting to our humanity, light up our days. Amen.

CONTRIBUTIONS

If you are interested in contributing towards this new parish initiative (i.e., the printing costs associated with this publication) please contact the Parish Office. We thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

If you are interested in advertising your professional services in the Carpenter's Newsletter, please contact the parish office for more details.