



EMMANUEL

God is with us

DECEMBER 25, 2022

NATIVITY OF THE LORD CHRISTMAS

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Thursday:

7:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

Friday:

7:30 a.m.

8:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

8:30 a.m.

4:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

5:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)

Sunday:

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. (Children's Mass)

10:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Or by appointment



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OUR LOCATION



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Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 8:00am-4:00pm | Sat. - Sun. Closed

WELCOME TO EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OUR MISSION

Emmanuel Catholic Church which means, God is with us, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of

life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

BISHOP OF PALM BEACH

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito

CLERGY

Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora
Pastor

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro
Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes
In Residence

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan
Weekday/Weekend Associate

Rev. Fr. David Carr
Weekday/Weekend Associate

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

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Lectors

Fr. Theo Ihedoro Ext. 1004

Hospitality / Ushers

Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce

Music

Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Clanaven Baldonado & Men's Choir

Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

Altar & Clergy Vestments

Maryann DiBiase, Carol Chapman, Nancy McDonald, & Imelda Kirk

Homebound / Hospital Ministry

Fr. Theo Ihedoro Ext. 1004

Giftshop

Josephine Joan Ext. 1009

Blood Drive:

Patti Gomez 561-293-9761

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Ladies Guild

President Carol Chapman

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Luke VanHove

PARISH SCHEDULE

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every first Friday from 9:00am - 5:55pm
Followed by the 6:00pm Mass
Morning Adoration 6:30am - 7:30am (Monday - Friday)

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm-7:30pm
(after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass
or call the parish office

BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in
Advance. Contact Parish Office.

WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass
7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday 8am-1:30pm
Tuesday Closed
Thursday & Friday 8am-1pm
Saturday Closed
First Sunday of the Month 10:30AM- 1:00PM
Second Sunday of the Month- **Temporarily Closed**
Third & Fourth Sundays of the Month 10am- 1:30pm

NOTE: Gift shop will be closed when the parish office
is closed

ROSARY GROUP

Monday-Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

PARISH EVENTS

26 Monday

6:30am	Adoration
1:00pm	Monday at the Movies

27 Tuesday

6:30am	Adoration
10:00am	Faith Sharing

28 Wednesday

6:30am	Adoration
4:00pm	SoulCore

29 Thursday

6:30am	Adoration
9:00am	Anointing of the Sick (in Church)
3:00pm	Holy Hour for Priests, Religious, Missionaries, & Vocations

30 Friday - Office & Gift Shop closed

6:30am	Adoration
6:30pm	Taizé

31 Saturday

9:00am	Confession
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CHRISTMAS

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DECEMBER 25, 2022

IS 52:7-10 | PS 98:1-6 | HEB 1:1-6 | JN 1:1-18

We must call to mind, my dear friends, that God is a lover. What is unique about Christianity as compared to other religions is that, it was not us who searched out for God. Rather, it was God who searched out for us. Not only that, it was God who intimately manifested his love to us by sending his own beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the mystery of Incarnation: God became man; God is Emmanuel, meaning God is with us.

Christmas is nothing less than God wanting to be with us. God is telling us: "I love you no matter what and no matter who you are." Christ said: "Yes, God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him may not be lost, but may have eternal life" (John 3:16).

On Christmas day, God did take the risk. He became one like us as a lowly child born in a manger. In this way, we will not be overwhelmed by his power and greatness, but will understand his true love for us. And for us, to love him not out of fear nor wonder, but with a real love in our hearts.

Let us receive the Lord by opening ourselves to him. He will never forcibly enter from the outside. We need to open ourselves from the inside so that he may be able to come in.

Our friends may not have the capacity to accept us as we are, but God can only say, "I love you with an everlasting love; the more you are wounded with your sins, the more I will embrace

you tightly in my arms." Yes, he embraces us in our hurts and brokenness that we might find healing and hope in his loving compassion.

On Christmas day, God manifested his deepest love for us. There is no need for us to be afraid to lay open our woundedness and weaknesses. He can only assure us: "Come close to me. My love is greater than your sinfulness."

Come to think of it, my dear friends, we celebrate Christmas at the end of the year, It is not because the love of God, the love of Jesus, is demonstrated to us only once a year. In reality, we experience God's love every day in many different ways and situations, God is the faithful and tireless lover who will never forsake us.

God's love is always fresh and new; it is never monotonous, This love of God that was revealed on Christmas day enables us to look forward with hope and confidence to a new beginning in our lives, For Christmas is the celebration of God's love for us, a time to remember always that God is telling us: "I love you." Only in the awareness of that love can we really be able to love God and others in return.

Merry Christmas is just another way of saying:
God loves you ... God loves us.
Merry Christmas ...



DECEMBER 25, 2022 - WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

EMMANUEL CATHOLIC CHURCH 05

25 SUNDAY

- 7:30am** †Carmella Battilana by Cookie Anastasi, & †Rudy and Frances Biola by Angela and Mark
9:00am †Pappalardo and Manuele Families by Rose, & *Thanksgiving for Sikora Family by Jennifer
10:00am Children's Mass (No mass this week)
10:30am Parishioners & Benefactors
12:00pm †Eduardo Rivera by Victor Rivera, & †Matilde Rivera by Victor Rivera

26 MONDAY

- 7:30am** *Grace Menzel by Martina DeBoise, & †Souls in Purgatory by Martina DeBosie
8:30am †Genaro Chaves Sr. By Marisol and Allan, & †Teresa Gomez Moreno by Daughter

27 TUESDAY

- 7:30am** †Jonathan Chapel by Hilda Porrata-Doria, & †Vernon Vaz by Christina
8:30am *Penny Mary Waters by Maureen Bruckner Davis, & †Genaro Chaves Sr. by Marisol and Allan

28 WEDNESDAY

- 7:30am** †Tita Bodewig by Claudia Pardo, & *Monique Riley by Family
8:30am †Filomena Terranova by Ramon Palmero, & †Mary Simprini by Gail Calemno

29 THURSDAY

- 7:30am** †Guillermina Colmenares by Carmen Montes, & †Joseph Robert Moran by Barbara Moran
8:30am *Christy Paul Shaju by JoAnn Frank, & †Vivian Novellino by Carmella Regina

30 FRIDAY

- 7:30am** *Matthew Joseph Pottorff by Monica Paez, & †Joseph Moran by Bob and Sue Halon
8:30am †Michael Patrick Gainor by Anne and Gerry Gerhard, & †Mary Kay Hasenauer by Margaret Bailey
6:00pm Intentions of Presiding Priest

31 SATURDAY

- 8:30am** *Thanksgiving for all blessings by Sikora Family, & †Bob Stott and Marzan Stott Nonan by Family
4:00pm Book of the Dead
5:30pm †Pacienza, Rosato and Wilkens Families by Christine and John, & †Jose Rafael Flores by Estebania Brea

1 SUNDAY

- 7:30am** *Thanksgiving for Haiti by Cassagnol Family, & †Frank Balogh by Bob and Laura Szabo Family
9:00am †Michael Fishetti by Carol Schwab, & †Joseph Bilotta by Bilotta Family
10:00am Children's Mass (No mass this week)
10:30am Parishioners & Benefactors
12:00pm †Mario Taccariello by Jean and Nunzio, & †Vladimir and Lucia Pesa by Berta Pesa
6:00pm †Rae Baldino by Sandra Camhi, & †Ferdinand D'Cruz by Hermoine D'Cruz

UNSCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS

†Barbara Rosacker	by Husband Arthur
†Whitney Houston	by -----
†Whitney Houston	by -----
†Whitney Houston	by -----
†Kobe Bryant	by -----
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†Kobe Bryant	by -----
†Marge Pastore	by Mamie & Frank Eardley

FLOWERS & LIGHTS FOR THE ALTAR

ALTAR FLOWERS

For †Warren Gilbert by Kathy Scaman

VIGIL LIGHTS

For Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

SHRINE FLOWERS

For Intentions of Emmanuel Catholic Church

CLERGY SCHEDULE

26 Monday

7:30am	Fr. Zamora
8:30am	Fr. Papes

27 Tuesday

7:30am	Fr. Theo
8:30am	Fr. Papes

28 Wednesday

7:30am	Fr. Theo
8:30am	Fr. Canaan

29 Thursday

7:30am	Fr. Zamora
8:30am	Fr. Zamora

30 Friday

7:30am	Fr. Theo
8:30am	Fr. Canaan
6:00pm	Fr. Zamora

31 Saturday

8:30am	Fr. Carr
4:00pm	Fr. Canaan
5:30pm	Fr. Canaan

1 Sunday

7:30am	Fr. Zamora
9:00am	Fr. Leone
10:30am	Fr. Carr
12:00pm	Fr. Carr
6:00pm	Fr. Zamora

PRAYER LIST

T.J. Genzale
Michael Manuele
Rosemary Anne Perkins
Sister Frances Vass OSC
Hunter Sharp
Maggie Dolan
Lisa Rossi Howland
Brian Howland
Anna Vitale
Wayne Nilson
Mark Sinobio
Joanne Bonomolo
Eugeina Szabo
Barbara Palladino
Frank Palladino
Joseph Falcone
Connie Panepinto
Loraine Dazzo
Charles Hughes
Madison Koenig
Jill Bauman
Louise Don

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

December 11, 2022

Offertory Collection:	\$10,691.50
Second Collection:	\$1,051.00
Online:	\$1,134.80
Children's Mass:	\$253.00
Immaculate Conception:	\$2,762.00
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Total:	\$15,892.30

DIOCESAN SERVICE APPEAL



Goal: \$150,000
Amount Made: \$134,680.61
Remaining: \$15,319.39



PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

O Lord, I believe and profess that you are truly Christ, Son of the living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as a partaker of your mystical supper O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord, be not for

judgement or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body & Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.



George Moore passed away at 11:00am on Tuesday, December 13, the memorial of St. Lucy, surrounded by his wife Betty and children in Fort Myers, Florida. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Financial Council and Head Ushers now known as the ministry of Hospitality.

George was 91 years old.

May he rest in peace.

Please pray for his soul and his family

PRAYER FOR THE PAVILION PROJECT

Loving Father, creator of all things, we come to you asking your blessing on the construction of our pavilion. We pray for all involved in this project from donors to those who will bring it to completion. We dedicate this endeavor through the intercession of St. Joseph the worker. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY
AND THEIR FAMILIES**



PARISH CALENDAR

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JANUARY 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
01 	02 Office & Gift Shop Closed	03 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 6:30pm- Ladies Guild meeting	04 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Feed the Poor Ministry 4:00pm- SoulCore	05 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	06 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am-5:50pm: First Friday Adoration	07
08 9:00am- Ladies Guild Mass 10:00am- Children's Mass CCD All grades	09 6:30am - Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movies	10 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing	11 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Feed the Poor Ministry 4:00pm- SoulCore	12 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	13 6:30am- Adoration 6:30pm- Taizé Holy Hour Church	14
15	16 6:30am - Adoration Office & Gift Shop Closed	17 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing	18 6:30am - Adoration 4:00pm- SoulCore	19 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	20 6:30am- Adoration 6:30pm- Taizé Holy Hour Church	21
22 10:00am- Children's Mass CCD grades K-5	23 6:30am - Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movies:	24 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing 7:00pm- Knights of Columbus Officers Meeting	25 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Feed the Poor Ministry 4:00pm- SoulCore	26 6:30am - Adoration 9:00am- Anointing of the Sick 3:00pm- Holy Hour for Vocations/Mission	27 6:30am- Adoration 6:30pm- Taizé Holy Hour Church	28
29 10:00am- Children's Mass 12:00pm- Ladies Guild Mass	30 6:30am - Adoration 1:00pm- Monday at the Movies:	31 6:30am - Adoration 10:00am- Faith Sharing				



Beloved Parishioners,

The clergy, staff, the Pastoral council and finance council wish everyone a happy and blessed Christmas. Verbo Caro factum est et habitavit in nobis, (The word was made flesh and

dwelt among us) Jesus pitched his tent among us. God has a new address: Here with us! He is Emmanuel.

Because Jesus is Emmanuel, "God -with-us." God's place is our place no matter where we come from, God's time is our time no matter when we are living, and God's life is our life no matter who we are. Save sin, in the person of Jesus, God takes on our identity. He came to share in our humanity so that we may come to share in His divinity.

Our God came to us in humility and poverty and simplicity. He showed us, by sharing in our life, that there is good in the world he created, goodness in the life he gave us, goodness in all of us and that we are worth saving and dying for.

Things can be different and our hope can have substance if we welcome Jesus in our hearts fully and radically. Instead of saying, "There is no more room at the inn", let us tell Jesus, "There may be no more room in the inn, but come, we will clean up the inn and make room for You." Instead of driving Him away from our inn, let us give Him the whole inn. Instead of not welcoming Him, let us throw our selves like little children into His loving embrace. Christmas is not us giving Jesus gifts. Christmas is God giving Jesus to us as a gift.

St. Augustine very well said, "Since God became human, we can be sure that in everything human we can find something of the divine." Holding on to this truth gives us the reason to hope in the midst of evil, the reason to trust that someday things will be better, the reason to accept that the mistakes and hurts of the past are important for us to learn something we need to understand now in the present, the reason to search in the darkness of the present. The light for our future, the reason to love even when it hurts, the reason to serve even when misunderstood, the reason to lead even when ridiculed, the reason to be grateful even to the ungrateful, the reason to redeem even the unwilling, the reason to forgive even the unforgivable, the reason to be the best we can be. Even with the worst we have been, the reason to be Jesus, only Jesus, always Jesus. You are worth Christmas. You are worth Jesus. You are worth loving more than you know.

I would like to thank all of you for all your cooperation, dedication and support to all our spiritual and social activities in the church, your support to our weekly offertory, donations to our pavilion project and diocesan needs, Special thank you to all the different committees and ministries of our Pastoral council and Finance council. You worked so hard for the good of our people and their pastoral needs.

Merry Christmas is just another way of saying: God loves us.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Fr. Gaudioso Zamora
Pastor



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Christmas 2022 Schedule

Christmas Vigil Masses
Saturday, December 24
4:00pm, 5:30pm, 10:00pm

Christmas Day Masses
Sunday, December 25
7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm



New Year 2023 Schedule

NEW YEAR VIGIL MASS
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31
4:00PM AND 5:30PM

NEW YEAR 'S DAY MASS
SUNDAY, JANUARY 1
7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00PM, 6:00PM

VIGIL MASSES FOR FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023
4:00PM AND 5:30PM

DAY MASSES FOR FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY
SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023
7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00PM, 6:00PM



JANUARY RESPECT LIFE

Dedicated to St. Joseph

Two events to pray for the sanctity of life.

Friday, January 20th

11am - 1pm

Rosary

for the unborn with

Most Reverend
Gerald M. Barbarito

The Historic Courthouse

300 N. Dixie Hwy.

West Palm Beach, FL 33401

For more information contact:

Respect Life Ministry

561-360-3330

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FACEBOOK: @respectlifepb

Saturday, January 21st

10am - 11am

Mass & Procession

for the unborn with

Most Reverend
Gerald M. Barbarito

Mary Immaculate Catholic Church

390 South Sequoia Drive

West Palm Beach, FL 33333

Eucharistic Procession following Holy Mass

Saturday, January 21st

11am - 12pm

Miracle House

3115 45th Street

West Palm Beach, FL 33407



Rosary hosted by:



CARDINAL NEWMAN



Mass & Procession hosted by:



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc.

RESPECT LIFE

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

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SAINT STEPHEN' STORY

FEAST DAY: DECEMBER 26

"As the number of disciples continued to grow, the Greek-speaking Christians complained against the Hebrew-speaking Christians, saying that their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. So the Twelve called together the community of the disciples and said, 'It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. Brothers, select from among you seven reputable men, filled with the Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint to this task, whereas we shall devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.' The proposal was acceptable to the whole community, so they chose Stephen, a man filled with faith and the Holy Spirit..." (Acts 6:1-5).

Acts of the Apostles says that Stephen was a man filled with grace and power, who worked great wonders among the people. Certain Jews, members of the Synagogue of Roman Freedmen, debated with Stephen, but proved no match for the wisdom and spirit with which he spoke. They persuaded others to make the charge of blasphemy against him. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

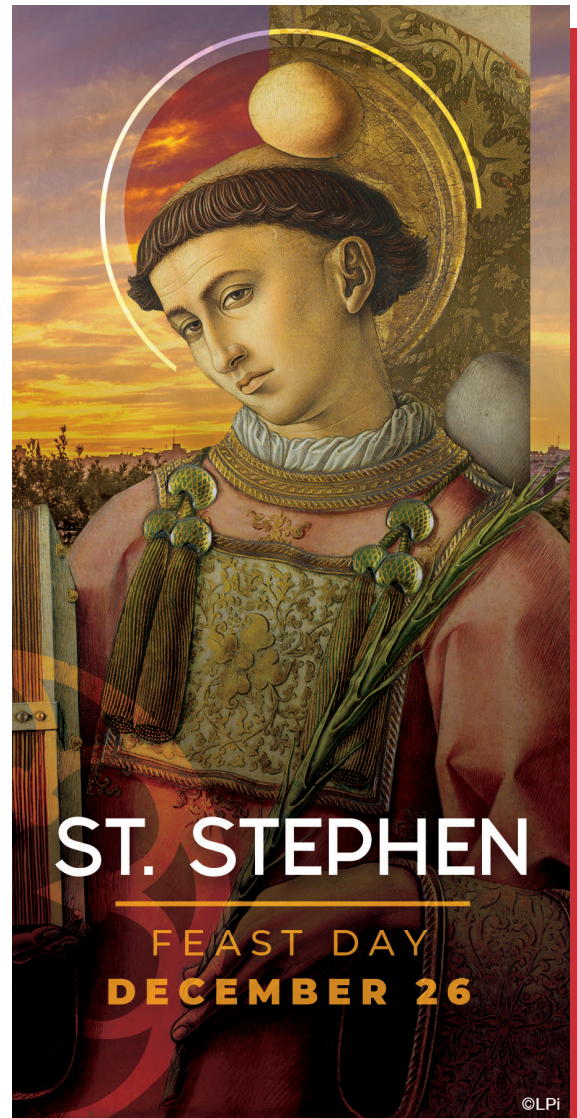
In his speech, Stephen recalled God's guidance through Israel's history, as well as Israel's idolatry and disobedience. He then claimed that his persecutors were showing this same spirit. "...you always oppose the holy Spirit; you are just like your ancestors" (Acts 7:51b). Stephen's speech brought anger from the crowd. "But he, filled with the holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and he said, 'Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' ...They threw him out of the city, and began to stone him. ...As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' ...'Lord, do not hold this sin against them'" (Acts 7:55-56, 58a, 59, 60b).

Reflection:

Stephen died as Jesus did: falsely accused, brought to unjust condemnation because he spoke the truth fearlessly. He died with his eyes trustfully fixed on God, and with a prayer of forgiveness on his lips. A "happy" death is one that finds us in the same spirit, whether our dying is as quiet as Joseph's or as violent as Stephen's: dying with courage, total trust and forgiving love.

Saint Stephen is a Patron Saint of:

Deacons



ST. STEPHEN

FEAST DAY
DECEMBER 26



Students from School of Nazareth and members of Jesus Youth did Christmas Caroling at Grand Villa East Assisted Living facility. Thank you to those who spread Christmas Cheer! Merry Christmas and have a very Happy New Year!

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST



