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Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00AM

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00PM

**SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM,
11:00AM, 5:30PM**



Eucharistic Adoration

**MONDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS:**
8:30AM - 9:00PM

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SUNDAY: CLOSED

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Offertory December 3, 2023

Regular weekly collection \$40,433.53

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, December 11, 2023

8:00am Ann & Emery Torok (*Family*)

6:30pm Advent Evening Prayer

Music -Prayer-Adoration-Confession (Fr. Liptak)

Tuesday, December 12, 2023

8:00am Draga Marusic (*Angie Ortenzi*)

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

8:00am Margaret & Mickey Jesse
(*Jim & Mary Ellen Simsak*)

Thursday, December 14, 2023

8:00am Living & Deceased Members of the
Szymanski & Pevac Families
(*Don & Dorothy Szymanski*)

Friday, December 15, 2023

8:00am Jennie & James Herynk (*Jeff Herynk*)

Saturday, December 16, 2023

2:00pm Wedding: Alex Hagenbuch-Allison Lebo
(Fr. Ryan Mann)

5:00pm Guiseppe Mileti (*Biagio & Maria Mileti*)
(*Fr. Liptak*)

Sunday, December 17, 2023

7:30am Parishioners of St. Basil (*Fr. Liptak*)

9:00am Bob Stachowicz, Jr. (*Dolores Stachowicz*)
(*Fr. Mann*)

11:00am Robert Woodside, Elyse Logan and
Emma Kretschmer (*Family*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

5:30pm Bob Barnett (*Family*) (*Fr. Mann*)



Readings to help us prepare for Mass:
Third Sunday of Advent
December 17, 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 61:1-12A, 10-11

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

Gospel: John 1: 6-8, 19-28

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet-
and a light unto my path" Psalm 119:105*



Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast—December 12

Under this title, Our Lady is the patron of Mexico, the United States, and all of the Americas, as well as the protector of unborn children. In 1531, she appeared in a vision to the peasant Juan Diego on Tepeyac Hill near Mexico City and charged him with asking the bishop to build a church on that spot. But the bishop demanded a sign, so Our Lady had Juan gather flowers in his cloak in December to take to the bishop. When Juan opened

his cloak, the colorful image of Guadalupe was emblazoned on the cactuscloth. That icon is preserved in the most famous shrine in the Western Hemisphere, and Our Lady of Guadalupe continues to inspire poor and oppressed people worldwide.

-USCCB

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose, make intercession for the Holy Church, protect the Sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke thee in their necessities, and since thou art the ever Virgin Mary, and Mother of the True God, obtain for us from thy most holy Son the grace of keeping our faith, of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, of burning charity, and the precious gift of final perseverance.
Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for Us!

Join us the Mondays of Advent for *Advent Evening Prayer*

Mondays:

Dec 11th

Dec 18th

(Family-Focused
with separate
Children's Activities)

**@ 6:30 p.m.
in the church**



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Fair Trade Fair

Thank you for your wonderful support of the Fair Trade Fair on November 12, 2023. Our vendors are always happy to be here.

Caruso's Coffee Roasters graciously donated the delicious fair-trade organic Peru coffee.

Also, thanks to Cheryl Strenk, her wonderful hospitality team, and to all the volunteers who helped make this Fair a remarkable success!

We are happy to say that the winner of the fair-trade basket, containing items from each vendor, was Tracy Pesho. Danielle Noles won the Laudate Si basket donated by Kate Valentine. Kathy Noles won the beautiful quilt donated by St. Matthias parishioner Karen Spirakus. Lauren Cummings won the Blessed Mother and Child Jesus Icon donated by Land of Peace and Bethlehem Christian Families. PJ Moory won the Equal Exchange basket of coffee, tea, cocoa, and olive oil.

We thank you for supporting Holy Family Parish by purchasing raffle tickets!! We will send \$2,210 to Sister Bridget, Caritas Jerusalem. Due to the destruction caused by the current war in Gaza, it is unlikely that Holy Family Parish will have a summer camp next year. We are sure though that Sister Bridget will use this donation to benefit the people of the Holy Land.

Checks to support Holy Family Church may be written to EOHSJ. The check should be marked "Holy Land Gaza" and should be sent to: Anna Montes, 212 Maplewood Rd, Riverside, Ill, 60546. Blessings.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Bambinelli Sunday

December 17th at 9:00AM Mass

Children are invited to bring baby Jesus from their nativity for a special blessing



Coffee & Donuts

Join us for Coffee & Donuts
Sunday, December 17th
in the Parish Center after the
7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday masses.

Connect with friends and
meet new friends!



Retreat - Save the Date

WOMEN'S WEEKEND: 2/17-2/18

MEN'S WEEKEND: 2/24-2/25



Senior Christmas

LUNCH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20 AT 11:30 AM
PARISH CENTER

Buffet Lunch by Creekside
Honey Pecan Chicken, Roast Beef,
Mash Potatoes, Salad and Dessert.
\$13.00 pp

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Reservations due by Dec. 13 .



CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Our Cancer Support Group welcomes all who have been touched by cancer in some way. Patients, survivors, loved ones, caregivers-whatever your journey. This group is formed to give those in need the support, strength, faith and hope to move forward together, rather than on your own.

What: Cancer Support Group

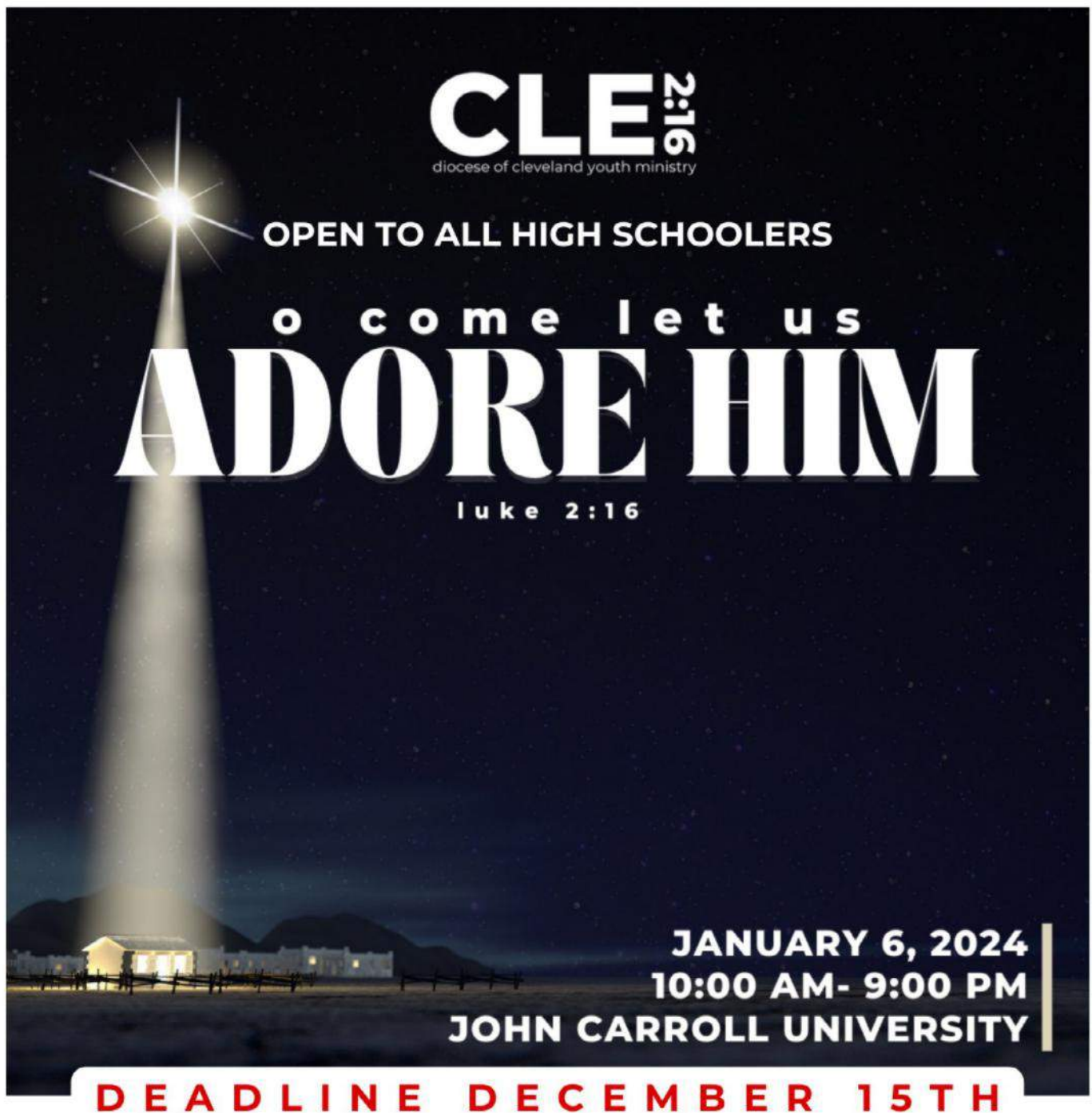
When: Third Thursday of each month
6:30 pm

Next meeting: December 21, 2023

Where: Parish Office- Pieta Room

For additional info please contact:

*Betsy Glosik-440-476-6269 or
Nancy Farinacci - 440-488-9284*



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CLE 2:16 is a day sponsored by the Office of Youth Ministry of the Diocese of Cleveland to ignite teens in their faith and gather in fellowship as a young Church. Exploring Luke 2:16, CLE 2:16 will help lead teens to adore Jesus in the manger, the incarnation, who still lives with us, fully present as the Source and Summit of our faith in the Eucharist

COST: \$40

CARS LEAVE ST. BASIL @8:15AM

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Thanksgiving Thank You!

Food Drive



“For I Was Hungry
& You Gave
Me Food”
-Matthew




Please Join Us
For an evening with Sir Jeffrey Abood
Palestinians - Christians & Muslims - in
the Holy Land

*Who Are They?
How Are They Living?
What Can We Do To Help?*

6:45 PM, Wednesday, December 13th in
the Parish Center

Sir Jeffrey is an expert on the Holy Land. The Vatican has knighted him into the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulcher of Jerusalem. He has written about and lectured on the topic of Catholics in the Holy Land.



Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry is **December 17, 2023**

***Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag in the Church vestibules.



***Checks should be made out to **St. Basil the Great**

Don't forget our fur babies!

Dog and cat food is also needed and appreciated.

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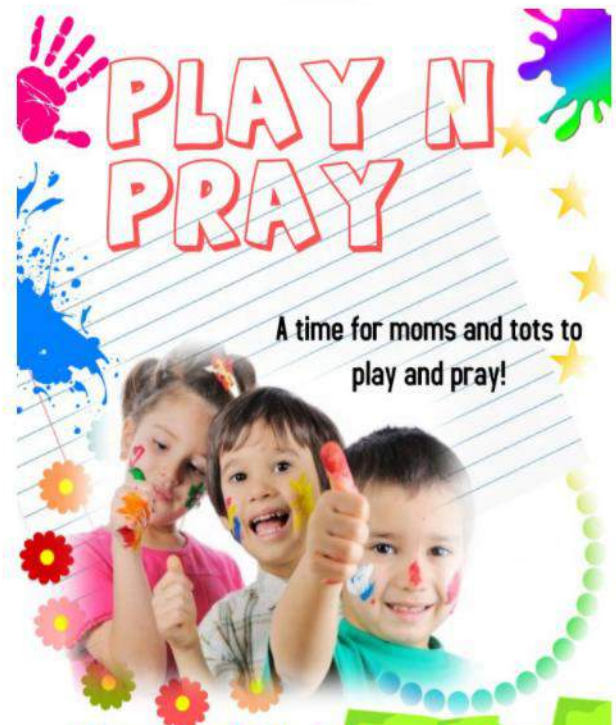


**St. Basil SVDP Thanks You
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The St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Basil is grateful to you for your generous donations that helped us serve more than 2000 people in need during 2023! Parishioners and people in surrounding areas called us for help because they know SVDP members listen when they express their hardships and provide caring support without judgment. Our St. Basil conference is able to do what we do because of all of your donations.

Let us pray to the Christ Child for peace, to give hope to the poor and for those in crisis in our community and throughout the world. May the Lord bless you and your families and friends during the Christmas Season with love and joy. Please remember SVDP with your end-of-year giving to help us help the poor.

-St. Basil SVDP



A time for moms and tots to
play and pray!

Upcoming dates: 9:00 am in the
FLC gym

Friday: January 5, 2024

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Play N Pray*

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Lessons from Laudate Deum: ***Apostolic Exhortation to all people of good will on*** ***the climate crisis***

Technology and Human Power

"Without a doubt, the natural resources required by technology, such as lithium, silicon and so many others, are not unlimited, yet the greater problem is the ideology underlying an obsession: to increase human power beyond anything imaginable, before which nonhuman reality is a mere resource at its disposal. Everything that exists ceases to be a gift for which we should be thankful, esteem and cherish, and instead becomes a slave, prey to any whim of the human mind and its capacities.

We need to rethink among other things the question of human power, its meaning and its limits. For our power has frenetically increased in a few decades. We have made impressive and awesome technological advances, and we have not realized that at the same time we have turned into highly dangerous beings, capable of threatening the lives of many beings and our own survival... We need lucidity and honesty in order to recognize in time that our power and the progress we are producing are turning against us."

Laudate Deum

Reflection

Is technology a "god" in our lives? In what ways do we worship it at the expense of life on earth. How can we personally change.

Prayer

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we protect life and beauty not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Pope Francis



**OPLATKI IS AVAILABLE
IN THE PARISH OFFICE**

**Please stop by the parish office for
Oplatki, a Christmas Eve tradition
of many families.**

**A free-will offering of \$2.00 is suggested.
There will be Oplatki available in the Rectory
Lobby. Please put donation in the drop slot.**



St. Lucy is a virgin and martyr of Syracuse in Sicily, whose feast is celebrated on December 13th. According to tradition, Saint Lucy was born to rich and noble parents in the year 283. Her

father was of Roman origin, but his early death left her dependent upon her mother, whose name, Eutychia, seems to indicate that she was of Greek heritage. Her mother, Eutychia, arranged a marriage for her, but for three years she managed to postpone the marriage. Lucy prayed at the tomb of Saint Agatha to change her mother's mind about her faith. As a result, her mother's long haemorrhagic illness was cured, and she consented to Lucy's desire to live for God. Saint Lucy's rejected bridegroom, Paschasius, denounced Lucy as a Christian. The governor planned to force her into prostitution, but when guards went to fetch her, they could not move her even when they hitched her to a team of oxen. The governor ordered her to be killed instead. After a gruesome torture which included having her eyes torn out, she was surrounded by bundles of wood which were set afire, but the fire quickly died out. She prophesied against her persecutors, and was then executed by being stabbed to death with a dagger.

According to later accounts, Lucy warned Paschasius he would be punished. When the governor heard this he ordered the guards to gouge out her eyes; however, in another telling, it was Lucy who removed her eyes in an attempt to discourage a persistent suitor who greatly admired them. When her body was being prepared for burial, they discovered her eyes had been restored. This and the meaning of her name ("light" or "lucid") led to her patronage with eye problems.

"St. Lucy, patron saint for the blind and those with eye ailments, I come before you seeking prayers for (name) and all those with eye problems. Confident in your advocacy, I place them all at your feet so you can carry them to the throne of God and present them to Him for His blessing. " St. Lucy, Pray for us!"



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen*

In Loving Memory



VERNIE ZACH
Mother of Chris
November 27, 2023



QUENTIN J. SPITTLER
Husband of Geraldine
November 26, 2023



ERNEST E. HARGETT
Husband of Carol
December 1, 2023

May they and all our faithful departed rest in peace.

Widowers Meetings

Our next Breakfast Meeting will be December 16, 2023 at 9am at Lunas, Northfield Center Township, Rt. 82 an Old 8.

The next First Wednesday Dinner TBD.

All area widowers regardless of church affiliation, who might benefit from the support and fellowship provided by and with a group of men who have experienced a similar loss of spouse, are invited to attend the above activates.

Contact Joe Kocurkovic: 440-838-1184,
for more information or questions.



Advent 2023 Schedule

Beginning Sunday, December 3rd

Advent Evening Prayer with Adoration and Confession
(Nights begin at 6:30pm and end at 8:30pm in the Church)

December 11 Monday

December 18 Monday

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)
Schedule for Advent 2023

Mondays 6:30 - 8:30pm with Eucharistic Adoration
December 11 and 18

Saturdays 8:30-9:30am December 16 and 23
3:30 - 4:30pm (except 12/23)

Throughout the Advent and Christmas Seasons
our Weekend Mass Schedule remains the same:

Weekdays, 8:00am

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am, and 5:30pm

Saturday - December 23, 2023 -5:00pm Mass

Sunday- December 24, 2023 - 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am

Christmas 2023 Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve: Sunday, December 24:

4:00pm in Church (Children's Mass)
4:15pm in the Family Life Center
6:00pm in Church - Livestreamed
12 am - Midnight Mass in Church

Christmas Day: Monday, December 25:

8:00am, 10:00am, & Noon

Office Closed Monday 12/25 & Tuesday 12/26/23

Sunday 12/31 Normal Mass: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am

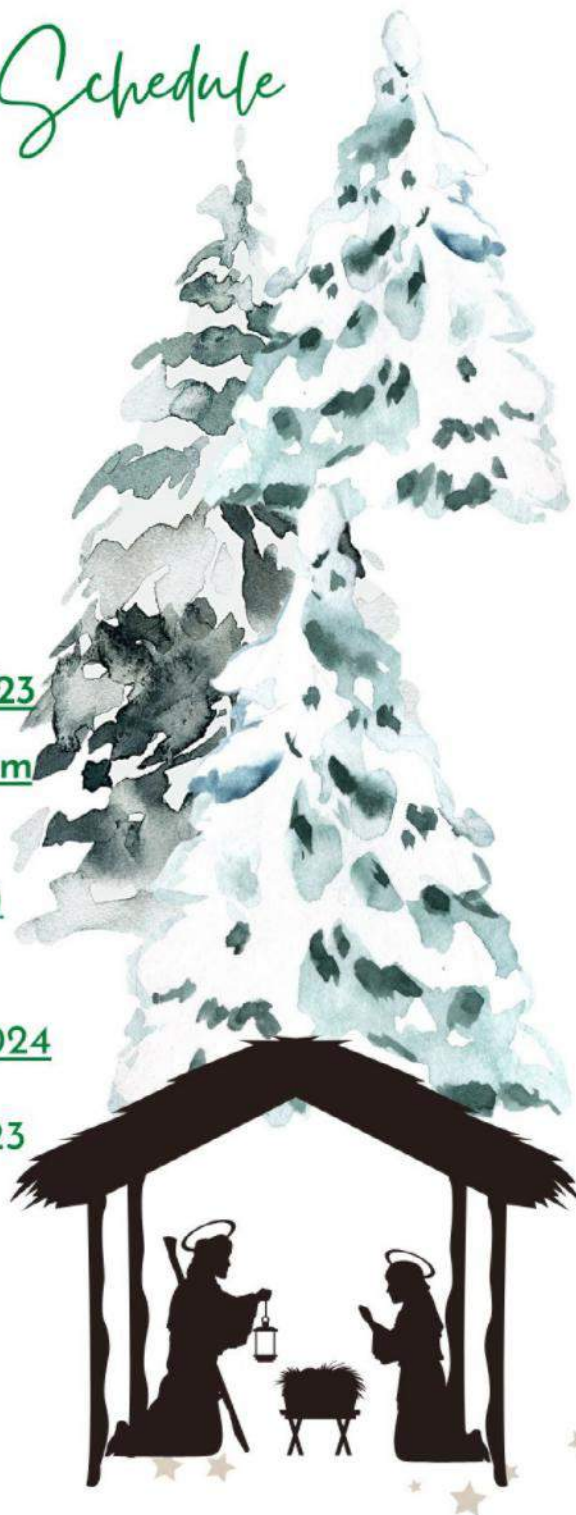
Mary, Mother of God: January 1, 2024
(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year).

Monday 1/1/2024 - 8:00am

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No LIFE TEEN Mass on December 31, 2023

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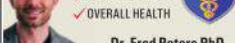
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