



**MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:**

On June 24th, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist. What this means is that in a few short months we will be celebrating the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ. The month of July prepares us for that celebration. Is it any wonder that we hear commercials about Christmas in July?

The focus of the Holy Church during this month is the **Most Precious Blood** of our Lord Jesus Christ. He was born to shed His Blood; and St. Peter speaking to the faithful of Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia and Bithynia, and by extension to all the people of the world, exhorts us to conduct ourselves with reverence during our earthly sojourn, “realizing that you were ransomed from your futile conduct, handed on by your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver and gold **but with the precious blood of Christ** as of a spotless unblemished lamb” 1 Peter 1:18-19.

This precious Blood – the price of our redemption we are given when we receive Holy Communion – the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. So, every day we can receive our Christmas gift! And here at Mary Queen of the Universe, we administer this **gift**, nicely packaged in our solemn liturgies and in an environment that speaks of the majesty of a Divine Savior who humbled Himself to share in our humanity. We can only echo St. Paul’s words in 2 Corinthians 9:15: **Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!**

And of course, we give thanks to God for the gift that you are to us. Your presence inspires us to continue our ministry to all pilgrims who come to this Shrine. May you continue to experience the closeness of Mary our Mother who never fails to lead us to her Son.

YOURS IN JESUS AND MARY,

*Fr. Anthony Aarons*

**MASS TIMES**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY**

MASSES: 9:00AM | NOON

CONFESSIONS: 10 AM-11:30AM | 2PM-4PM

**SATURDAYS**

MASSES: NOON | 6PM (CHOIR)

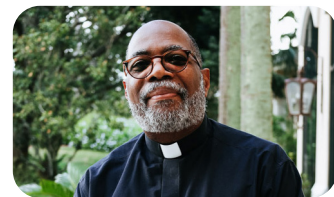
CONFESSIONS: 10AM-4PM

**SUNDAYS**

MASSES: 8 AM | 10AM (CHOIR) | NOON (CHOIR)

CONFESSIONS: 9AM- NOON

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SATURDAYS: 11:30AM-7PM

SUNDAYS: 8 AM-2PM

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## THURSDAY, JULY 4

MASS  
9 AM  
NO CONFESSIONS  
BASILICA WILL BE CLOSED AFTER MASS

## FRIDAY, JULY 5

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET  
7 PM

## SATURDAY, JULY 6

FIRST SATURDAY WITH  
THE BLESSED MOTHER  
9 AM - 1 PM

## SUNDAY, JULY 28

OUR LADY OF ANTIPOLLO  
2 PM - 6:30 PM



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