

Our Lady of Kibeho Parish
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Dear Friends,

Christmas 2022

A year ago at this time our parish consisted of three communities celebrating Christmas in each of our prospective legacy churches; wondering what the future would hold. Early in 2022 we found out we would be coming together at the former Holy Name of Mary site and that I had been given the honor of being our first pastor. On July 1st we began this journey together and, despite a few bumps in the road, I feel like we are coming together and forging a promising future. We know there will be challenges ahead, but we also know that as long as we keep Jesus at the forefront of all we do and pray to our blessed Mother, Our Lady of Kibeho, we will be able to accomplish great things. As we come together to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ for the first time as a unified community, I pray that the love of God will shine down on you and your family not just during the Christmas season but always. I ask for your prayers as well, as we are all on this journey together.

Enclosed is a schedule of our Masses and special services for the Holiday Season. We encourage you to participate in these services. Through this participation we give back to Almighty God a portion of the gifts he has given to us. If for one reason or another you have been away from Our Lady of Kibeho, we will be overjoyed to welcome you with open arms. If you come to Mass, we ask that you make sure to introduce yourself to someone you don't know and come with an open heart filled with joy.

Christmas is a time of giving, so we ask you to include Our Lady of Kibeho in your Christmas giving. This year, we are asking each family to contribute \$125.00 or more in the Special Christmas Collection. If you cannot share this amount, we understand you will do your best. If you are unable to attend Mass, you can mail your donation to the church or drop it off at the rectory. If you do drop it off, please ring the doorbell so we can give you a parish calendar. I thank you for your donation and want you to know that your generosity is greatly appreciated and vital to the continued health and growth of our parish community.

My Christmas wish and prayer for you is that you each receive the blessings of our newborn Lord and Savior. May He bring you peace, love, joy, happiness, and blessings now and always.

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Robert J. Gilbert

Our Lady of Kibeho Holiday Schedule

- Weekend mass: Saturday, December 17th 2022
4:00pm Mass
Sunday, December 18th 2022
10:00am Mass (also on Zoom and FB)
- Individual confessions: Saturday, December 24th 2022
3:00pm-4:00pm
- Christmas Eve: Saturday December 24th 2022
Christmas Caroling 6:45pm
Christmas Vigil Mass 7:00pm
- Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25th 2022
Christmas Mass 10:00am (also on Zoom and
FB)
- New Year's Eve: Saturday, December 31st 2022
4:00pm Mass
- New Year's Day: Sunday, January 1st 2023
10:00am Mass (also on Zoom and FB)