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Remembering those who are ill and in need of our prayers at this time.....

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Helping those in need.

MANY THANKS to those of you who contributed to our outreach to those who needed help for Christmas. Gratitude, tears and hugs as they could now get a pair of shoes for a child in school and/or food for the Christmas dinner. In each case children were involved and we are grateful to those who made this possible.



MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Saturday

5 pm

Gary Oberschlake +  
George Vancore +

Sunday

8:30 am

Parishioners

10 am

Bill Serow +  
Dick Jugenheimer +

Monday

9 am

Dick Fulton +  
Vivencio Escueta +

Tuesday

9 am

Livy Amanze +  
Lillian Barnett +

Friday

9 am

Willie Stefanov +  
Edward Sibille +

Please Note Next Weekend

New Years Eve & Day

Saturday 5 pm in Church (Apalachicola)

Sunday 8:30 am St. George Island

10 am in Church (Apalachicola)

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**Food Pantry 192—14th Street Volunteers Needed!**

On **Monday** from **9:30 am** until noon (pack food) and **Tuesday** from **9 am** until noon (help take food to cars). The next dates are:

<u>December</u>	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tues</u>
	26	27

Your help is greatly appreciated!



Parish Registration may be done via our web page at

[Stpatricksmass.com](http://Stpatricksmass.com)

OR Registration can be done in the office.

**Reminder**

Soliciting is prohibited on **any** property of St. Patrick Catholic Church and at any event sponsored by St. Patrick Church without express written permission of the Pastor. Anything **approved** will be in the Bulletin and on the web site.



**A Christmas Creche**

Do you have a Christmas Creche?

St. Francis of Assisi is credited with fashioning the first Christmas Crèche to honor the birth of Christ.

Francis was visiting the mountainside town of Greccio, Italy and obtained permission from the pope to celebrate Christmas there in a special way.

The Franciscan hermitage chapel was too small for the congregation, so he set up the altar in a niche of rock near the town square. Francis then constructed a manger that included live animals. According to one story, a couple offered their newborn infant for the manger. Another account says that a soldier who had given up war to follow Christ had a vision of a radiant infant sleeping peacefully in the manger.

**A Prayer for Christmas**

Lord of light, shine on us; Lord of peace, dwell in us; Lord of Might, protect us;

Lord of love, enfold us; Lord of wisdom, enlighten us; Then Lord, let us go out as your witnesses, in obedience to your command; to share the good news of your mighty love for us in the gift of your son, our savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

—————*Eleventh Century Latin Hymn*