December 16, 2024

Dear Parishioner,

Thanks so much to our Knights of Columbus and Women's Guild for the reception they hosted after the noon Mass for my retirement! I appreciate the many cards and gifts so much. I was blessed to have four of my cousins and their spouses present for the event (along with my younger brother, his wife and youngest son). It was also an honor to have Mayor Trantalis join us for Mass.

Schools close for Christmas vacation this Friday afternoon. I'm sure the students are excited for the break (but not half as much as their teachers!). Any time that we get to spend some extra time with family and other loved ones is a true blessing! Make the most of that time!

Christmas will be here before we know it. To make the most of it, I suggest we all start slowing down a bit. Enjoy and make the most of the time you have to share with others. Who cares if everything isn't "perfect?" Certainly not I! Is that one relative (we all have at least one!) going to say or do something to annoy you? Probably. But again, who cares? If we make it a point to be KIND to everyone we encounter this Christmas season, everything WILL be "perfect!" Each of us has that kind of power! How cool is that?

Keep safe.

Devotedly, Fr. Michael Grady