



OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART

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Preparation
means to
'get ready'.
"Help us to be
ready to
welcome
YOU, O GOD!"

Luke 3:4-6

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Second Sunday of Advent December 6, 2015

Masses of the Week

Saturday , December 5
5:00 PM Donny & Emily Farrell / Vincent Bucci
Sunday, December 6: Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Anne McGillicuddy
10:30 AM Anna Nuovo
12 Noon Deceased Members of the Zuccaro Family
Monday, December 7: Feast of St. Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
8:00 AM Teresa Davey
12:30 PM Filomena and Sal Mazzella
7:30 PM People of the Parish
Tuesday, December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
8:00 AM People of the Parish
12:30 PM People of the Parish
7:30 PM People of the Parish
Wednesday, December 9: Feast of St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin
8:00 AM Deceased Members of the McGarry Family/ Edward Burden 4th. Anniversary
12:30 PM M. and D. DeGrego Family
Thursday, December 10
8:00 AM Francis Donnelly and Romeo Landry
12:30 PM A. Costanzo Family
Friday, December 11: Feast of St. Damascus I, Pope
8:00 AM James Hauberger
12:30 PM Manuel and deLeon Families / Fr. John Moriarty
Saturday, December 12: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
9:00 AM Gertrude Bisso
5:00 PM Soto Family
5:00 PM (chapel) Thomas and Linda Kilgannon
Sunday, December 13: Third Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Jeffrey Joseph (living)
10:30 AM Kris Nelson/Joseph A. Meschino
12 Noon Josie and Sal Lacalamita

From the Pastor:

With the parties, planning, and expectation, Advent can get lost. Don't let it! This is a sacred, blessed time for preparation. Will our hearts be ready for Christmas?

This is adapted from the Roman Missal through the years during Advent:

Stir up our hearts, O God: teach us to prepare the way for your only Son; and through the mystery of His coming, make us serve you with renewed spirit.

O Lord Jesus, in your first coming in the humble state of human nature, you fulfilled the ancient promise and opened the way to eternal salvation. Grant that when you come again in the splendor of your glory we may at last obtain, in the fullness of light, the promised salvation that now we only dare hope for in watchful expectation.

Make Sunday Mass a part of your daily life.

If you can, come to Mass one or more days during the week – we're always here!

And consider making this prayer above a meditation this week, so that Christmas lights are more than decorations. Our very lives should testify to the light of faith in Jesus Christ this Christmas!

With love and prayers,

Fr. Francis

Please join us in prayer for :

Marie Brady, Mary Burns, Agnes Cacciola, Richard Carney, James Cody, Theresa Colorel, Francis Conka Sr., Maria Conka, Austin DeGiorgio, Agnes DeJoa, Derek Delima, Fran Dicostanza, Baby Edward Dolan, Dennis Downing, John Duffy, Rena Duran, Anna Evangelist, John Ferri, Sr., Sharon Foley, Shaun Green, Donald Higgins, Guen Incigeri, Robert Incognito, Daniel Keywork, Matthew Kozak, Eileen Kunkel, Grace Leon, Rachel Lerch, Bernadette Lopez, Teresa Lynch, Catherine Mackenzie, Isabella Malick, Brother Robert McGovern, William McGuire, Liam McGuire, Patrick McKenna, Gerry McKeon, Kevin McSweeney, Dawn Mennillo, Daniella Murphy, Susan Niero, Iluminada Pagayunan, Toddler Christian Perez, Marie Piazza, Gloria Santiago, Joseph Scanlon, Theresa Schrettnner, Joseph Smith, Dawn Taggart, Bill Tobin, William Urban, Mildred Vero.



Upcoming Events

- ◇ **Lottery calendars :** Lottery calendars for 2016 will be available in the church vestibule after all Masses 12/5-6; 12/12-13; 12/19-20. The donation is \$25. Questions? Call Fran Dillon 845-359-3984
- ◇ **300 Club:** The annual 300 Club Cocktail Party for all members will be on **Sunday, Dec. 6**, 2—4 PM in the Parish Hall.
- ◇ **Parish Christmas Pageant:** All parishioners are invited to attend this beautiful annual event where our children share the story of Christmas with us. **Thursday, Dec. 10, 7 PM** in the Parish Hall. Don't miss it!
- ◇ **Rosary Altar Society Christmas Raffle:** Chances will be sold after all Masses on the weekends of Dec. 5/6 and Dec. 12/13
- ◇ **Rosary Altar Society:** Meeting/ Christmas Party Dec. 14 following 7:30 PM Mass.
- ◇ **Mass Book is Open for January, February and March 2016:** If you would like a Mass on a specific date, please make your reservation as soon as possible.

Community:

- ◇ **Advent Sunday Solemn Evening Prayer:** The Dominican Sisters of Sparkill invite you to join them for evening prayer in the Chapel at the Dominican Convent (175 Rte. 340) at 4:45 PM on each Sunday of Advent.
- ◇ **Dominican College Christmas Concert:** Sun. Dec. 6, 3 PM. Hennessy Center. FMI and ticket prices visit dc.edu/events/Christmas-concert or call 845-848-7406.
- ◇ **Albertus Magnus Christmas Boutique:** Sat. Dec. 12, 10 AM—4:30 PM. Donation \$2. Childcare provided
- ◇ **Christmas with the National Catholic Choir & Orchestra** Tues., Dec 15. See pg. 4 of the Bulletin for details.
- ◇ **Bobby Byrnes Christmas Show:** Sponsored by St. Dominic's K of C, **Fri. Dec. 18, 7:30 PM**, \$55./pp. K of C Hall, 150 Erie St. All profits to benefit Wounded Warriors Project. FMI and tickets: John Clancy (845) 359-4896 or John Edwards (845) 419-2252

Christmas Gifts for the Retired Sisters of Blauvelt

Small tokens of remembrance and affection are so meaningful to these dedicated women who have served the Church for many, many years. Please take a gift request from the tree in the vestibule of the church and return it no later than noon on Sunday, December 20.



Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish family whose funerals were held in late October and November

- † Josefa Quintas
- † Helen Palumbo
- † Marie Helen Firestone
- † Philip Blose
- † Leonard Sullivan



OLSH Weekly Collection

November 22, 2015: \$6565.
November 23, 2014: \$7706.

Thank you for your continued generosity. Envelopes provide an easy way to keep track of your annual charitable contributions. If you do not use weekly envelopes and would like to begin, please contact the rectory.



Will You Have the Best Advent Ever???

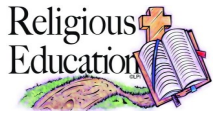
It is entirely up to you! Advent, at its heart, is about getting ready to encounter Jesus at Christmas. Opening your heart to Him. Getting to know Him. Becoming a better husband or wife, father or mother, son or daughter, friend, etc. **Best Advent Ever** is a tool to help you do that.

Although Advent is already underway you can begin today, the second Sunday of Advent. Continuing every day through December 23, Dynamic Catholic will email you simple yet powerful messages from Matthew Kelly, America's bestselling Catholic author, and other leading Catholic voices of our time that will help you encounter God's incredible mercy. An ideal response to Pope Francis' invitation to celebrate the **Year of Mercy**, **Best Advent Ever: Rediscover Mercy** can transform your life, relationships, work, and ability to genuinely embrace and experience life.

Visit this website to enroll:

<http://dynamiccatholic.com/year-of-mercy/best-advent-ever/>

—And have the best Advent ever!



◇ The Monthly Teaching Masses for December will be next weekend, Dec. 12/13
 ◇ **HELP WANTED! The Religious Ed program is in need of catechists for the 8th grade on Sunday at 9 AM, 3rd grade on Tuesday afternoon, 4:30-5:45 PM and 7th grade on Wednesday afternoon 4:30-5:45 PM, beginning immediately.** Training will be provided. Please contact the RE office **ASAP** if you are interested.

◇ **NOTE:** The Religious Education Office is now located in the Rectory. Office hours : 12 Noon-3, M-F

Christmas/New Year's Schedule 2015

Confessions: Mon. Dec. 14 (Reconciliation Monday):

4 PM-8PM followed by Healing Mass 7:30 PM

Sat. Dec. 19: 4 PM—5PM

Thurs. Dec. 24: 3 PM—4PM

Christmas Masses: **Christmas Eve** Thurs. Dec. 24

Family Mass: 4 PM

Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM

Midnight Mass: 12 AM

Christmas Day Fri. Dec. 25

8 AM, 10:30 AM and 12 Noon

Confessions: Thurs. Dec. 31: 4:30—5:00 PM

New Year's Masses:

New Year's Eve Thurs. Dec. 31: 5 PM

New Year's Day Fri. Jan. 1:

10:30 AM; 12 Noon and 7:30 PM (First Friday)

Celebrate the Christmas Season With The National Catholic Choir!

Join Saint Peter's University of Jersey City, NJ on Tuesday, December 15th, 2015, 7:30 PM at the Jersey City Fine Arts Center for their holiday spectacular concert, **Christmas with the National Catholic Choir & Orchestra.** Led by critically acclaimed conductor Frederick Golz, the performance will feature excerpts from the Baroque Masterpiece *Handel's Messiah*, alongside awe-inspiring acapella choral selections and thrilling Gospel arrangements. Ticket holders will be immersed in the magical sounds of Christmas and filled with the joyful wonder of the season's miracle. To reserve tickets, visit www.JCFineArts.org. A portion of the ticket sales will benefit OLSH. Enter code "**SACREDHEART**" at checkout for our parish's discounted ticket price of \$25. instead of the regular \$30.

Weekly quote from St. Philip Neri:

"We must seek Christ where Christ is not, that is, in crosses and tribulations, in which truly He is not now, but we shall find Him in glory by this road."

Liturgical Ministers for Dec. 12th & 13th

TIME	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
5:00 PM	J. Urban A. Knieriem (Chapel)	J. & K. Mastropolo, A. Swann, M. Burke (Chapel)	M. Tobin, D. Balce, S. S. & C. Stolarski
8:00 AM	T. Smith	C. Bryceland, T. Smith, B. O'Donnell	M. Majewski, A. Kugelman, M. Machado
10:30 AM	C. Brower	A. Bianco, F. Donnelly, J. Korn	A. & V. Tomasello, S. Wiese, M. Dixon
NOON	N. Geoglis	L. & M. Payne M. Ryan	C. Chang, C. Pniewski

Tabernacle Memorial



Candles

Church: Dec. 5-6
 Leonard Sullivan
 Chapel: Dec. 7-11
 Helen Palumbo