



**Saturday November 23**  
 5:30 pm Edward Keller, Jr., Patrick DiMartino, and Dr. Edwin Valdepenas

**Sunday November 24** *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*  
 7:30 am Marie Dambach and Joan H. Connolly  
 9:30 am Margaret Gurba and Eugene Caulfield  
 11:30 am Carmine Terrazzino and Rosemary Cusano

**Monday November 25**  
 6:45 am Joseph Arcoleo  
 12:00 pm Kelly Costa McNiff

**Tuesday November 26**  
 6:45 am Grace Lasalandra  
 12:00 pm William and Josephine Cappadora

**Wednesday November 27**  
 6:45 am Kimberly Burdorf  
 12:00 pm Paul Schmidt and Robert Leavy

**Thursday November 28** *Thanksgiving*  
 9:00 am Daniel McManus, Philip Clark, Les DiVite and Hector Vella

**Friday November 29**  
 6:45 am Mildred Buydos  
 12:00 pm Frances Daubert

**Saturday November 30** *St. Andrew, Apostle*  
 8:00 am Harry Betzig  
 5:30 pm Ann Badalamenti and Irmgard Pfreundschuh

**Sunday December 1** *First Sunday of Advent*  
 7:30 am Michael Grivalsky and Our Parishioners  
 9:30 am Trude Collins and Gloria McGrath  
 11:30 am Josephine Lonison and Ann Becker

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Christa Fairclough, Ann Gerhardt, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Rachel Agzigian, Terry Chavelez, Tracy Tovo, Gary Marcello, Gerald Hoy, Barbara Dietrick, Kelly Ramirez, Peggy Hoff, Christian Ramirez, Thomas John, Lorraine Alicia, Mark Gerard, Dorothy McCoy, Robert Plucinsky, Sr., Kathy Covert, Alexander Scherman, Joyce Huebsch, Sr. Joan Phillips, Gus, Stephen and Peggy Mitchell, Ed Waite, Amber Tosh, Bill Traeger and Sally O'Brien.

**There will be a second collection next weekend for the Diocesan Assessment**

**STEWARDSHIP**

November 17, 2019	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 10,206
ParishPay	1,510
<b>Weekly total</b>	<b>\$ 11,716</b>
MASS ATTENDANCE 819	



**There will be one Mass on Thanksgiving at 9:00 am**

**Scripture Readings**

**December 1, 2019 First Sunday of Advent**

**First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5**

The words of Isaiah urge all people to forsake war and to live in peace forever. The tone reaches a climax in the words, "One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again."

**Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14**

Paul invites us to put away all the things of darkness and sin and to prepare for the coming of Christ.

**Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44**

A comparison is made between the destruction caused by the flood in Noah's time and the need to be prepared for the second coming of Christ. "You must be prepared in the same way. The Son of Man is coming at the time you least expect."

**The offices will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for Thanksgiving**

**November 30/December 1 Celebrant Schedule**

5:30 pm	Fr. Michal Rybinski
7:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski
9:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski
11:30 am	Fr. Jim Termyna

**Daily Meditation booklets for Advent, The Word Among Us, are available in the vestibule**

**THANKSGIVING DAY**

All parishioners, families and friends are invited to a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving Day. You are invited to write petitions of thanksgiving which will be read at the Mass. **Please email your petitions to [parishoffice@stcatherine-mi.org](mailto:parishoffice@stcatherine-mi.org)** or tear off the slip below and return by dropping in the basket in the vestibule. **Petitions must be received by noon Monday, November 25 to be included in the Mass.**

I give thanks to God for *(please print neatly or email)*

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*From the Desk of Fr. Jared*

**Thanksgiving Day Mass**

As always, I invite all of our parishioners to come together to celebrate Eucharist on Thanksgiving morning at 9am. It is a wonderful opportunity for our parish family, made up of so many different families, to come together as a parish family. "Thank you" is a simple yet very important prayer to say. The term "eucharist" means thanksgiving. Before we gather with family and friends later in the day around a table filled with so many blessings and love, we gather around THE table, the altar to give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow.

At that liturgy we will read the petitions of thanksgiving which have been provided by parishioners. Each year, listening to those petitions makes me aware of how uniquely blessed we all are. It also makes me aware of how faith plays such an important part in our lives. In the face of struggles it is sometimes easy to overlook our blessings. Each year however, I hear of how thankful individuals are even in the face of sickness and difficult circumstances. I invite you to bring an item that you will partake in at your meal. As a parish family, we will invoke God's blessing upon those items which we will share with our family and friends.

I am continually thankful for your kindness, faithfulness, and joy. I am blessed to be a part of this community. May we all be truly thankful for all that God has given us!

**Advent begins next weekend!**

This Sunday, the Solemnity of Christ the King is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. That means next Sunday begins a new liturgical year. Yes, next Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent! We begin "Year A" of the three-year cycle of Lectionary readings (designated A, B and C) for Sunday Mass. The primary evangelist for Year C is St. Mark, so we'll be hearing a great deal of St. Mark's Gospel on the Sundays of this year. In the week ahead, think about how you and your family will observe Advent. Advent, like Lent, is a time for us to strengthen our relationship with Jesus. How can we accomplish this during Advent?

**Celebrating the Joy & Blessings of the Season**

The thought of Christmas sounds a long way off. However, I'd like you to save the date for our fifth *Celebrating the Joy & Blessings of the Season*. Since 2015 we have presented an annual Christmas concert, featuring artists such as Ronan Tynan, Anthony Rodriguez, Imperial Brass Orchestra, and Will & Anthony. Each year it is a wonderful evening of entertainment and socialization. ***It is a great opportunity to relax in the midst of the December busyness, build community with fellow parishioners and others from outside, and to support the parish.*** This year, the concert will be on Saturday, December 7

at 8 pm. Once again, we bring to St. Catherine's high caliber talent. This year we welcome **Chanticleer**. Tickets will be \$50 with open seating and a wine and cheese reception to follow.

Check out the website at [www.chanticleer.org](http://www.chanticleer.org) for more information about them, including pictures and sound clips. Save the date! **Saturday, December 7 at 8 pm.** Tickets are on sale now and available after Masses and in the parish and religious education offices.

**Campaign Secretary Position**

We are seeking to fill a temporary secretarial position to assist with the capital fundraising campaign. The position will run from February to June, approximately 15 hours per week. Duties include assisting with campaign communications; organizing various meetings and events; tracking enlistment and solicitation assignments and results, campaign commitments, income and expenses; maintenance of campaign records and files; and production of various reports. Qualified candidates must be computer savvy and have working knowledge of Microsoft Office Products (Word, Excel, Access and Publisher), a pleasing and positive personality, excellent communication skills, and should be willing to work a flexible schedule with some evening and weekend work required. Qualified candidates should send a cover letter and/or resume to Fr. Jared at [jbrogan@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:jbrogan@stcatherine-ml.org) by December 16. Compensation will be commensurate with experience.

Peace,  
Fr. Jared

**Save the date: Women's Annual Benediction and Ornament Exchange Thursday, December 12**

**ADVENT / CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

Each year we are filled with a spirit of joy during the Advent/Christmas season. Part of that joy is experienced through the visual beauty of the environment both inside and outside of the church. Those interested in memorializing any of the **wreaths, candles or lights**, please submit the form below with the offering to the parish office by November 29. ***This form is for the Advent wreath, Advent candles, Christmas wreaths, and Christmas lights only.*** There are limited opportunities for wreaths and candles.

Your name:

In memory of:

I would like to memorialize:

- Advent Wreath: \$75
- Large Wreaths: \$75 ea. (Parish Center and Sanctuary Wall)
- Christmas Lights: \$10 ea. (Outside Church and Rectory)



**NEWS FROM  
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

**UPCOMING DATES:**

**November 27**– No Religious Education classes.

Happy Thanksgiving!

**December 1**

No Class Attached to Mass

**December 4, 4:30 – 5:15 pm**

2<sup>nd</sup> grade Reconciliation practice. Meet in the church

**December 7, 11:00 am**

First Reconciliation

**December 16, 4-5:00 pm**

Christmas pageant practice

**December 17, 7:30 pm**

Christmas pageant

**December 22 and December 29**

No Class Attached to Mass

**January 5, 2020** – Religious Education classes resume



The Religious Education classes will be making **Christmas Goodie Bags** for the **Fr. English Community Center**. If you would like to donate items to fill the bags, suggested items are below.

Please drop off in the Religious Education office **before**

**December 5.**

**Suggested Christmas Themed Items:**

- \*Small stuffed animals (Dollar Tree usually has holiday)
- \*Candy (individually wrapped - no loose items)
- \*Small bags of snacks (chips, pretzels, cookies)
- \*Small crafts items
- \*Fruit snacks
- \*Small toys



**St. Catherine's Annual  
Christmas Pageant**

What better way for our children to learn the story of our Savior's birth than to be part of it?

This year's pageant will take place on **Tuesday, December 17 at 7:30 pm**. All 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to participate. Please contact the Religious Education Office to sign up. Children must attend the practice on Monday, December 16 from 4:00-5:00.



**CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP  
OIL CITY, PA \* JULY 19-25, 2020**

All 8th - 12th grade students are invited to join us on a week-long service trip this summer!

\$385 + transportation \*\* \$100 and deposit form  
DUE ASAP - Space is limited.

Registration forms are available in the religious education office and church vestibule.

Contact Gail at [youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org)

**ADVENT / CHRISTMAS 2019**

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass 5:30 pm  
Sunday Masses 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am  
Weekday Mass 6:45 am, 12 pm  
Saturday Morning Mass 8:00 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays 4:00 – 5:00 pm  
Mondays 7:00 – 8:00 pm

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Mondays 12:30 – 8:00 pm

**Immaculate Conception, Monday, December 9**

**6:45 am** Fr. Jared Brogan  
**12:00 pm** Fr. Michal Rybinski  
**6:00 pm** Fr. Michal Rybinski

**Christmas Eve Masses, Tuesday, December 24**

**4:00pm** Fr. Michal Rybinski  
*Children's Choir, Cantor, Instrumentalists*  
**6:00pm** Fr. Jared Brogan  
*Cantor, Instrumentalists*  
**10:00pm** Fr. Michal Rybinski  
*Cantor, Instrumentalists*

Christmas carols will be sung before each Mass.

**Christmas Day Masses, Wednesday, December 25**

**7:30am** Fr. Jared Brogan *Cantor, organist*  
**9:30am** Fr. Michal Rybinski *Cantor, organist*  
**11:30am** Fr. Jared Brogan *Cantor, organist*

**Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God**

Wednesday, January 1 11:00 am Fr. Jared Brogan

**GIVING TREE**

Once again, we are asking our parishioners to help make a child's Christmas a little brighter by donating toys for families in St. Agnes Parish in Paterson and St. Anthony Parish in Passaic. We ask that you spend no more than \$40 on a gift. This year, we are also helping the Holiday Angels Program at Straight & Narrow (drug and alcohol rehab program run by the Diocese.) Items are needed for adults in their residential treatment and out-patient programs.

**Please return your gifts NO LATER THAN DEC 7.**

**If you take a tag and cannot fulfill the request, it is important that you return the tag.** Please place items on the stage in the gym. Gifts for St. Anthony's and St. Agnes **should be wrapped** with the tag taped to it. Gifts for Straight & Narrow **should NOT** be wrapped, but please attach the tag.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Ho, ho, ho! "Breakfast with Santa" will be held at St. Catherine's on **Saturday, December 14 from 9:00 to 11:00 am**. If you would like to attend, please sign-up on the sheets in the Religious Education office or church vestibule.



## Spiritual, Service, & Social Opportunities

### Spiritual

**Scripture Study** - Mondays at 1:00 pm in the Parish Library

**Adoration** – Mondays from 12:30 pm – 8:00 pm

### Service

**Soup Kitchen** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. To volunteer, see front cover of bulletin for contact information.

**Fr. English Food Pantry** - Food collection every third weekend

### Social

**Moms & Tots** – Tuesdays from 9:30-11am in the gym

**After Mass Socials** – Following 7:30 am Mass every second Sunday. Following 9:30 Mass December 15.

**Chanticleer Joy & Blessings of the Season Concert** – Saturday, December 7 at 8:00 pm

**Women's Benediction and Ornament Exchange** – Thursday, December 12

**Breakfast with Santa** –

Saturday, December 14, 9:00-11:00 am



**Avidd Community Services**, a non-profit Denville organization that supports individuals with intellectual and developmental issues, is hosting a **Vendor and Craft Show** at Morris Catholic High School on Saturday, **November 30 from 9am - 3pm**. FREE ADMISSION. Questions, please call 973-664-1770 x16 or email [avidd@aviddnj.org](mailto:avidd@aviddnj.org).

**Morris Catholic Cheerleaders will be hosting a Craft / Vendor fair on Saturday, December 7, 9am - 3pm** at Morris Catholic High School, 200 Morris Ave. Denville. VENDORS and CRAFTERS are needed! For more information, please call Carol Lauch at 973-601-9858 or email [mcvendorsale@gmail.com](mailto:mcvendorsale@gmail.com)

## FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 8-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "*The Way of the Cross*" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. Rehearsals begin January 24 at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from late January through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at [973-876-3440](tel:973-876-3440) for more information and any questions regarding earning Confirmation hours. Please visit our Facebook page, Franciscan Mystery Players of Morris County.

## Calling all Singers and Musicians to join our Music Ministry

We are looking for teen and adult parishioners to join our Youth and Adult Chorales, as well as musicians to accompany our singers. Interested? Contact David de la Mora at [musicministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:musicministry@stcatherine-ml.org)

## YOUTH NIGHTS



All 9<sup>th</sup> through 12th graders are invited to bake cookies and sing Christmas carols

(Join us for 1 or both nights)

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5 at 7:30 PM**

Come bake cookies with your friends.  
MEET IN THE GYM AT ST. CATHERINE'S

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 at 6:15 PM**

Join us for Christmas caroling with the residents of Boonton Care Center.  
MEET AT BOONTON CARE CENTER  
(199 Powerville Rd, Boonton)

EMAIL Gail at [youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org) if interested. **Both nights earn service hours.**

## SAINT PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS EVENTS 205 Madison Ave, Madison

### Set Free: Journey of Recovery through Christian Virtues

Our addictions do not make us less loved by God. Jesus reminds us that with Him, we are capable of living in freedom. Join us for lecture and group discussion on **Tuesday, Nov. 27 from 7:30--9:00 pm**. Visit [www.insidethewalls.org/set-free](http://www.insidethewalls.org/set-free) to register.

### Noche de las Velitas

Join us on **Sunday, December 8 at 5 pm**, for a celebration in honor of the Immaculate Virgin. The night includes a candle lit Rosary procession around the grounds, wonderful music, and ends with hot chocolate, cookies and roasting marshmallows around the fire pit. To RSVP please go to [insidethewalls.org/dec8](http://insidethewalls.org/dec8)

### Diocese of Paterson's Women's Conference: Feminine, Faithful, Fearless

True Catholic womanhood is achieved by using our God-given gifts to faithfully and fearlessly fulfill our vocations. On **Saturday, December 7 from 9 – 1:00 pm**, join speakers Jean Pankow, Sr. Graciela Colon and Jennifer Hubbard, for a fabulous day of faith, Adoration, networking and so much more. It's a great way to kick off the Advent season! For more information and to buy tickets visit [insidethewalls.org/womens-conference](http://insidethewalls.org/womens-conference)