

DECEMBER 24, 2017
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
A SOLEMN JUBILEE PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST



The twenty-fifth of December.
In the year 5199 since the creation of the world,
When God made heaven and earth;
In the year 2957 since the flood;
In the year 1510 since Abraham's birth;
In the year 1510 since the exodus of the people of
Israel from Egypt under the guidance of Moses:
In the year 1032 since David was anointed king;
In the 65th week of years according to Daniel's prophecy;
In the 194th Olympiad, in the year 752 after the building of Rome;
In the 42nd year of the reign of Octavian Augustus,
When there was peace in the whole world;
In the 6th era of the world's history;
Jesus Christ, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father,
Desired to sanctify the world by His gracious coming.
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and now
After nine months since His conception
He is born at Bethlehem in the tribe of Judah
As man from the Virgin Mary.
The nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.
From the Rome Martyrology of the Church

God bless & Merry Christmas,
Fr. Herb

WORDS OF TITHING:

WORDS OF TITHING FROM THE PEWS:

From the Pastor: At Christmas, I rejoice to serve here with you our wonderful parishioners who so generously contribute your financial support and your Time and Talent for our parish ministry. God blesses me and all of us with loving, hardworking priests, deacons and parish staff who care so much for all of us. We are striving more and more to put God first in our lives. May Jesus Christ give you the gift of His special presence for your Christmas and 2018.

Words on tithing from the Pews: "I know I will be blessed and so will the people who tithe. Everything is now in God's hands."

<u>Monthly Collection Report</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4 Weekend Collections (Nov. 2017)	\$ 71,603
Monthly Collection Budget	\$ 80,333
Year to Date Weekend Total	\$391,897
Year-to-Date Weekend Budget	\$401,667
Weekend Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 9,770)

Saint Peter's is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners with gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure. THANK YOU for all that you do for our parish.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass attendance December 16.17: 1598

OUR CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS MASSES BEGIN ON
SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Our Christmas Eve Masses

4:00 PM (3:45 PM Children's Choir Music)

7:00 PM – Spanish

10:00 PM (9:30 PM Adult Choir Music)

Our Christmas Day Masses

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

12:00 Noon

There will be no evening Mass on Christmas Day.

MASSES FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY

Sunday December 31 – 5:30 PM

THERE WILL BE NO 7 PM MASS THIS EVENING

Monday, January 1, 2018

9:00 AM

11:00 AM

New Year's Day is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

SCRIPTURE READINGS DECEMBER 25-31

MONDAY	Isaiah 9: 1-6 Titan 2: 11-14 Gospel: Luke 2: 1-14
TUESDAY	Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59 Gospel: Matthew 10: 17-22
WEDNESDAY	1 John 1: 1-4 Gospel: John 20: 1a, 2-8
THURSDAY	1 John 1: 5; 2: 2 Gospel: Matthew 2: 13-18
FRIDAY	1 John 2: 3-11 Gospel: Luke 2: 22-35
SATURDAY	1 John 2: 12-17 Gospel: Luke 2: 36-40
SUNDAY	Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14 Colossians 3: 12-21 Gospel: Luke 2: 22-40

SANCTUARY LAMPS & FLOWERS



You may have the Sanctuary Candles in the Church, Chapel or Adoration Chapel burn in memory of a loved one (\$10.00 donation), roses at the Tabernacle (\$10.00 donation), or flowers at the altar (\$50.00 Donation). Please call or stop into the rectory office.

December 24-30, 2017

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church is for Ted Geene

Sanctuary Lamp in Mary's Daily Chapel is for Betty Birilli

Sanctuary Lamps in the Adoration Chapel are for Beaver Family, Bernie Benjamin, Janice Chismar

Tabernacle Roses are for Edward Tuite

Altar Flowers are for:

ALTAR SERVERS DECEMBER 30/31, 2017



5:30PM - Marinelli, Go, Sevilla

7:30AM - Torres

9:00AM - Anzalone, Anzalone, Terhune

10:30AM - Bubay, Bubay, Bubay

12:00PM - Paraan, Abrenica, Manapurram

7:00PM - NO 7:00 PM Mass this evening

THANKS FOR THE NOVEMBER #GIVECATHOLIC!

WE DID VERY WELL

It is my great pleasure to say, "Thank You" to everyone who participated in our first #GiveCatholic Campaign on Giving Tuesday, November 28. Thank you for your generous donations. We asked, and over 50 donors reached out to help us. We raised \$3,455. Our parish Music Ministry is getting its sound equipment to enhance the words of God through song. We are reviewing 3 proposals to improve the lighting at our outside church entrance area.

You will be proud to know that our parish had one of the top responses in the diocese. Thank you for everything you do for our parish community.

OUTREACH CORNER

A parishioner needs a ride to his doctor. Please call the Rectory at 973-334-2090 if you can help.

WELCOME TO SAINT PETER'S

Help us welcome the following families to our parish family: Francisco & Ana Alvarado & Family, Adam & Lisa Freitag & Family, Vishal Gade & Sindhura Mekala, Andres & Guadalupe Osorio & Family and Monika Ziolkowski

MASS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 25-31

MONDAY, December 25 – Nativity of the Lord - Christmas

8:00AM – People of the Parish

10:00AM – People of the Parish

12:00PM – People of the Parish

TUESDAY, December 26-St. Stephen, The First Martyr

9:00AM – Roy Miller

9:00AM – Ted Geene

WEDNESDAY, December 27-St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

6:45AM – Gregory Loff, Richard Locilento, Charles Hathaway

8:00AM – Connie Uricoli, Al Uricoli, Michael A. Franchino & Family

THURSDAY, December 28-The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

6:45AM – Deceased Priests & Deacons of our Parish

8:00AM – Mary T. Cicero (1st Anniv.), Lucille Ronca

FRIDAY, December 29-5th Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

6:45AM – Virginia & Edwin Cornell, Jr.

8:00AM – Matilda Frankowski, Charles A. McNally, Jr.

SATURDAY, December 30-6th Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

8:00AM – Stephen S., Arthur S., Florentino S., & Hamplish D. Mercado

5:30PM – Gladys Moran, Ercolo Paglia, Pasquale Serapione

7:00PM – Jose Claro Alvarez, Olivia Giraldo DeGiraldo

SUNDAY, December 31-The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:30AM – Special Intention for Robert Bonfanti

9:00AM – James Cipolla

10:30 AM – Kevin Lenahan, Marge & Joseph Beckvermit, Carol Ann Dragone & Patricia Abrantes, Marie Goworek (1st Anniv.)

12:00PM – Mark & Frank Caputo

5:30PM – Agripina & Julian Montilla

MONDAY, JANUARY 1 – Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God

9:00 AM – Gregory Loff, Charles Hathaway, Carmen Pasquale, Sr., Edward G. Mulder, Connie & Al Uricoli

11:00 AM – Richard Locilento, Carmen Pasquale, Sr., Gregory Loff, Lucille Ronca, Michael A. Franchino & Family

ELECTRONIC GIVING WITH FAITH DIRECT

LET'S SAVE TREES AND POSTAGE



We invite you to join **Faith Direct**, our parish's electronic giving program. Our to-do-lists get long during this season, but **Faith Direct's** eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week – no more searching for your envelopes before Mass.

Signing up for Faith Direct is very easy.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ745 to sign up

OR - call 866-507-8757 to sign up.

Thank you for continuing to support our parish ministries with your Prayers and your Presence, with your Time and Talents, and your material Treasure as well!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH DECEMBER 24-30, 2017

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017

Mass Schedule: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon
There is no 7:00 PM Mass For Sunday.
Christmas Eve Mass Schedule: 4:00 PM, 7:00 PM – Spanish and 10:00 PM

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2017 - CHRISTMAS

Mass Schedule: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 Noon
No Evening Mass today.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2017

9:00AM – CYO Basketball – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2017

9:00AM – CYO Basketball – Parish Center

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2017

9:00AM – CYO Basketball-Parish Center
8:30PM – Sr. Men's Basketball – Parish Center

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2017

9:00AM – CYO Basketball – Parish Center
7:00PM – Spanish Prayer Group – Chapel
7:00PM – Spanish Choir - Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2017

9:00AM – CYO Basketball – Parish Center
4:00-5:00PM – Confessions - Church
5:30PM – Spanish RCIA - Convent
7:00PM – Indian Sports-Gym
7:30PM – AA – Church Hall

Youth News

Please visit www.facebook.com/spayouthministry

MARTHA MINISTRY- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22- TEAM 1

Jo Byrne, Millie Smith, Carol Patterson, Maria Cruz

SAVE THE DATE – MAY 25TH, 2018



We will be celebrating Fr. Herb's 50th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Priest on Friday, May 25th, 2018, so please save the date.

ADVENT PRAYER FOR THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



“O creator God, Our world is pregnant with the anticipation of the birth of your Son. We are bursting in our preparedness, for the feast of Christmas will soon be here. Everything seems to be in order: the plans are agreed to, the tree is decorated, most of the gifts are wrapped, and we think we are ready. However, Lord, as we pause to offer this prayer, we realize that some things have been rushed, and, in the process, some important things have been forgotten. In this brief moment of quiet, help us to be at least thankful. Help us to appreciate the Word that comes to dwell with us. Help us to hope in the promise of His way, truth and life. Help us to join with the angels who sing your praise. Grant us the lasting peace of this great season of joy. We pray in the name of our long-expected Lord. Amen.

For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...

*...a time to be born
Kaylee Neilsen*

...a time to die

*...a time to heal
Fr. Leo Carey, Noah Lorencovitz*

*...a time to love
“...and a time of peace.” Ecclesiastes 3:11*

**2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL
IN GIVING, WE RECEIVE**

As we plan to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season by giving gifts to our friends and loved ones, there is one gift that we can give to tens of thousands of people. It does not require ten thousand name tags or ten thousand bows. All that's needed is a completed pledge card to the Bishop's Annual Appeal or an on-line gift at www.2017appeal.org. Say “Merry Christmas” to so many of your brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Paterson who need some hope and joy in their lives by participating in the Bishop's Annual Appeal today. May God bless you for your generosity!

ADORATION CHAPEL

“Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us.” St. John Paul.
Please visit the Adoration Chapel and perhaps consider being a substitute or an adorer. Call Kim at 973-8860-6334.

COME JOIN US: SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH MINISTRY

Would you like to become a “Digital Missionary”? You only need a few clicks:

1. “Like” our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/SaintPetertheApostleParsippany
2. Share our posts often and tag a friend in the Comments.
3. Invite a friend from outside the church to one of our events.
4. Ask your family members to do the same.

This is the easiest way to get involved with our newest Parish Ministry. Questions? Contact Nicole C. Green at 973-650-4732 or use Facebook Messenger to send a message. Thank you!

MAKING AN IRA YEAR END GIFT TO OUR PARISH

If you have a traditional IRA and you are age 70-1/2 or older, you must make a taxable Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA each year to avoid a 50% penalty for not taking the RMD. Sometimes your RMD may also push you into a higher tax bracket, increasing your taxes.

In 2015, Congress passed a permanent rollover law allowing tax payers who have to withdraw money from their IRA's to make a gift directly to charity. Because such a gift counts against your Required Minimum Withdrawal (RMD), making a yearend IRA rollover gift to your parish could reduce both your income as well as your taxes. While you don't receive an income tax deduction for such a gift, you also won't pay any income tax on the income transfer to your parish. Please consider making a yearend IRA gift to our parish. The money must taken from the IRA account by December 31 and made directly payable to the parish to do this correctly. Please speak with your accountant or other tax preparer about this option and its potential advantages. Thank you so much for considering this special opportunity to help our parish.



ALL SAINT ACADEMY CORNER

Christmas Blessings from
All Saints Academy

The students and families and the faculty and staff of All Saints Academy wish our parishioners a very blessed and joyous Christmas. May the wondrous birth of Jesus, the Christ-Child, bring peace and love to all. We are blessed by your presence in the life of our school, and we continue to pray for a New Year filled with hope and joy. Find us on Facebook: www.allsaintspar.org.

OUR JUMBO JACKPOT WILL BE JANUARY 27TH



One raffle ticket costs \$100

This Week is the LAST CALL,
For Our Super Yearend Special
Buy 2 \$100 Tickets for \$200 and
You Get 2 Free \$100 Tickets as Well!!
Last Call - 4 Raffle Ticket for \$200

This Week Only until Next Sunday, December 31

Use the Raffle Order Form in today's Bulletin
Or
Come to the Rectory
Or

Visit our Parish Website: saintpetertheapostle.org.
Best of Luck to You!

As Of December 20th, the 1st Prize Winner Will
Receive \$14, 825.00

2nd Prize Winner Will
Receive \$3,706.25

3rd Prize Winner Will
Receive \$1,482.50

GOLDEN AGE – FEBRUARY 5-11:00 AM

Saint Peter's Golden Age will meet at the Community Center on **Monday, February 5, 2018** at 11:00 AM – All are welcome!

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS – JANUARY 11

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, January 11, 2018 at St. Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road (Rt. 202), Parsippany, at 7:30 PM in Room 101. Program: Learning to Cope in the New Year. For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER



Come, Lord Jesus, Light of the World, Prince of Peace and Beloved Savior; come into our hearts this Christmas and fill us with Your gifts of love and joy.

Thank You for "gifting" us with Your Presence among us. With Mary and Joseph, we rejoice and thank God for You. With Angels and saints in heaven we sing, Glory to God in the highest."

With the Magi and the shepherds we bow before You with hearts full of wonder.

Dear Jesus, help us to follow You faithfully and to share the good news of Your coming with everyone we meet.

Amen

SAINT PETER'S BOOK CLUB-JANUARY 22



Saint Peter's Book Club will meet on Monday, January 22, 2018 at 7:30 PM in the Church Hall. We will discuss the novel *The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant. Coffee and dessert will be served. All are welcome to join us.

TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATER – MARCH 20

Join St. Ann Parish on a bus trip to Sight and Sound Millennium Theater in Lancaster County, PA to see "Jesus" on March 20. Cost is \$135 which includes shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village and dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. For tickets, call Ginny at 973-884-1986. Deadline is February 1st.

TRAVEL TO ITALY – SEPTEMBER 20-29



Rev. Owen from St. Rose of Lima in East Hanover will lead a trip to San Giovanni Rotondo Avellino, Pompeii, Naples and Rome where there will be Papal Audience and attend an Ordination to the Diaconate. If interested, please contact Tanya D'Souza at tdsuza@saintroseoflimachurch.org or at 973-599-2944. Limited spot available!

Hablando español en San Pedro Apóstol

domingo, 24 de diciembre de 2017

Cuarto Domingo de Adviento



Horario de las Misas:

lunes a viernes: 6:45 am y 8:00 am
sábado: 8:00 am, 5:30 pm y 7:00pm
domingo: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12m y 7:00pm

Confesiones:

sábados: 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Intenciones de las Misas: Por favor, notifique a la oficina parroquial (973-334-2090) o al sacerdote (Padre Yojan) con una semana de anticipación. El donativo para las intenciones es de \$10.00.

Mensaje del párroco:

La solemne proclamación del nacimiento de nuestro Señor y Salvador Jesucristo

El veinticinco de diciembre
En el año 5199 desde la creación del mundo,
Cuando Dios creó el cielo y la tierra;
En el año 2957 desde la inundación;
En el año 2015 desde el nacimiento de Abraham
En el año 1510 desde el éxodo a Egipto del pueblo de
Israel bajo la guía de Moisés;
En el año 1032 desde que David fue ungido rey;
En la 65^a semana de los años de acuerdo a la profecía de Daniel;
En la Olimpiada 194^a, en el año 752 después de la construcción de Roma;
En el año 42 del reinado de Octavio Augusto,
Cuando había paz en todo el mundo;
En la 6ta era de la historia del mundo;
Jesucristo, eterno Dios e hijo del eterno Padre,
Deseado para santificar el mundo por Su amable venida.
Fue concebido por el Espíritu Santo, y ahora
Después de su concepción hace nueve meses
Nace como hombre en Belén, en la tribu de Judea
De la Virgen María.
La natividad de nuestro Señor Jesucristo de acuerdo a su carne.

Del Martirologio Romano de la Iglesia

Dios lo bendiga y Feliz Navidad,

Padre Herb

Reserved for children's page

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