



Our parish family warmly welcomes new members. You may register by coming to the rectory office or completing the form on the front cover of the bulletin. Registration is necessary for Sacramental participation and Religious Education. For letters of eligibility, you must be registered in the parish and actively participating in our parish.

SATURDAY, December 23rd	
8:30 A.M.	People of the Parish
4:30 P.M.	+ Burke, Meyer & Dugan Families Req. by Renna Meyer
SUNDAY, December 24th Fourth Sunday of Advent	
8:00 A.M.	+ Burke, Meyer & Dugan Families Req. by Renna Meyer
10:30 A.M.	+ Archie Reid Req. by his Parents
<u>CHRISTMAS VIGIL</u>	
4:30 P.M.	People of the Parish
10:00 P.M.	People of the Parish
MONDAY, December 25th CHRISTMAS DAY	
8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish
10:30 A.M.	People of the Parish
TUESDAY, December 26th	
8:00 A.M.	+ Ed Byrne Req. by the Fricker Family
WEDNESDAY, December 27th	
8:00 A.M.	+ Mary Roche Req. by the Fowler Family
THURSDAY, December 28th	
8:00 A.M.	+ Sally Fricker Req. by Paul & Gertrude Vinett
FRIDAY, December 29th	
8:00 A.M.	+ Peggy Napolitano Req. by Len & Bev Tantillo
SATURDAY, December 30th	
8:30 A.M.	+ Margaret (Peggy) Napolitano Req. by Rosemarie Schwede
4:30 P.M.	+ Nicola DeStefano Req. by Giovannina DeStefano and Family
SUNDAY, December 31st Holy Family	
8:00 A.M.	People of the Parish
10:30 A.M.	+ Verna & Charles Esposito Req. by Marguerite Violante

IF YOU HAVE ARRANGED FOR A MASS TO BE SAID, WE REMIND YOU THAT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS- PLEASE SEE THE USHERS BEFORE MASS BEGINS. THANK YOU.



PLEASE PRAY FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

MaryAnn Herzog, Stewart Glenn, Gloria Sorrentino, Frank Alonzo, Richard Continanzi, Mary Verdi, Rich Carlson, Andrew Avellino, Nancy Bedard, Gil Senescu, Carmen Esposito, Judy & Jim Callahan, Mary DiVincenzo, John Laskowsky, Michael Croce, Kathy Witheral, John Grote, Anna Denton, Angela Pagano, Tiffany Connolly, Fay Carfizzi, Eva Gangemi, Tessie Feminella, Janet Reid, Paul Vinett, Linda Webb, John Lodato, Aurelia Montrose, Dorothy O'Hagan, Maureen St. John, Stephanie Fisher, Jessie, Grace Pantano, Dan Tucker, George Wheeler

If you know of someone in need of prayer - please let us know by calling the rectory.

MEMORIALS

This week's Bread & Wine are given in loving memory of Continanzi, Tresaloni and Tkacs Families by Ann & Rod Gulbrandsen.

This week's Sanctuary Candle was given in loving memory of Maxine Cuciti by her husband.

Arrangements for Memorials can be made in the rectory office. You may call or stop in.

LECTORS

12/23	4:30 p.m.	Peter LeRose
12/24	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Fowler
12/24	10:30 a.m.	Lisa Betanzos
CHRISTMAS VIGIL		
12/24	4:30 p.m.	Peter LeRose
12/24	10:00 p.m.	Need Volunteer
CHRISTMAS DAY		
12/25	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Fowler
12/25	10:30 a.m.	Ann Gulbrandsen
12/30	4:30 p.m.	Ann Gulbrandsen
12/31	8:00 a.m.	Lori Youssefbaik
12/31	10:30 a.m.	Marguerite Violante
01/01	9:00 a.m.	Lori Youssefbaik

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

12/23	4:30 p.m.	R. Meyer, Need Volunteers
12/24	8:00 a.m.	M. Alonzo, C. Naclerio, J. Betanzos
12/24	10:30 a.m.	A. Heidecker, J. Hoyt, Need Volunteer
CHRISTMAS VIGIL		
12/24	4:30 p.m.	R. Meyer, P. LeRose, Need Volunteer
12/24	10:00 p.m.	Need Volunteers
CHRISTMAS DAY		
12/25	8:00 a.m.	E & G Collins, Cathy Naclerio
12/25	10:30 a.m.	Need Volunteers
12/30	4:30 p.m.	R. Meyer, M. Violante Peter LeRose
12/31	8:00 a.m.	K. Fowler, M. Alonzo, G. Gravatt
12/31	10:30 a.m.	A. Heidecker, E. Mele
01/01	9:00 a.m.	M. Regino, C. Naclerio

ALTAR SERVERS

12/23	4:30 p.m.	D & J. Reynolds
12/24	8:00 a.m.	F. Seelmann, J. Cook, T. Titmas
12/24	10:30 a.m.	R. Perillo, O. Lowery, J. Timm
CHRISTMAS VIGIL		
12/24	4:30 p.m.	Need Volunteers
12/24	10:00 p.m.	D. Rubino, Need Volunteer
CHRISTMAS DAY		
12/25	8:00 a.m.	Frank Seelmann
12/25	10:30 a.m.	Need Volunteers
12/30	4:30 p.m.	Devin Egan
12/31	8:00 a.m.	D. Youssefbaik, F. Seelmann
12/31	10:30 a.m.	J. Timm, Need Volunteers
01/01	9:00 a.m.	Need Volunteers

ST. CHARLES FOUR SEASON CLUB

Tenth Week's Winner: Will be posted next weekend



ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION -

Will be posted in next week's bulletin.



FUEL COLLECTION

We thank all who have already donated to our Fuel Collection. Donations towards our fuel cost are appreciated whenever you are able to contribute.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

King David plans to build a temple to honor God. But God tells Nathan the Prophet that instead he will give David rest from his enemies, and ensure that both his house and community will be protected forever.

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

In this letter of Paul to the Romans, he explains that the gospel reveals the mystery that had been hidden for many ages. Now it has been made known to all, so that they may believe, obey, and give glory through Jesus Christ forever.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The Virgin Mary is approached by the angel Gabriel, who tells her that she has been chosen to bear the Son of God. Mary is first afraid, yet shows her unquestioning faith when she simply says, "Let it be done to me as you say."

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Do not fear, Mary. You have found favor with God. You shall conceive and bear a son, and give Him the name Jesus. Great will be His dignity and He will be called Son of the Most High."

The great moment in the history of salvation, began with the visit of the angel Gabriel and the invitation to be the mother of Jesus. It is not surprising that Mary hesitated, questioned and then consented. Wouldn't you? Her response 'I am the maidservant of the Lord. Let it be done to me as you say' redirected the course of human history.

The celebration of the Bethlehem event tonight, allows us not just to recall what happened, but to imitate Mary and permit the Lord to touch our lives in a truly special way. Our traditions and customs are rich as we relive Jesus' entering our lives again. The Simbang Gabi celebration of Filipino Catholics or Las Posadas of Latin Catholics lead us to the stable cave to meet and adore the Lord of history, the Lord of today. We have been praying 'Come Lord Jesus' for the four weeks of advent. Today, we welcome Him with joy.

As we celebrate this special night, may we be ready to open our door not just to Joseph and Mary, but Christ who comes to us.



Let us not forget....

For Catholics, Mass attendance is a vital part of weekly life. It is the time to gather together in God's presence, to be nourished by God and by one another. We listen to the words of the Scripture, we pray together and we share the Body & Blood of Christ.



CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA

Enter that special someone in our St. Charles Four Season Club. Our next season will begin in January. Entry forms are available in the vestibules. Please return your entry form by January 1st so that you will be in the first drawing of the season. **Good Luck!**



Christmas Vigil Mass
Sunday, December 24, 2017
4:30 pm and 10 pm

Christmas Day Mass
Monday, December 25, 2017
8 am and 10:30 am



Monday, January 1, 2018
is not a holy day of obligation.
Mass will be held at 9am



The liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council called for the full participation of the laity in the celebration of the Mass. In doing so the Church Fathers turned to the practice of the early Church in which non-ordained men and women had a greater role in that celebration, principally as Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. Over the centuries those roles became the exclusive realm of the clergy.

We are very fortunate here at St. Charles to have dedicated parishioners serving in the roles of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Ushers/Greeters and Choir Members; and yet we could always use more.

We encourage those who may be interested in serving in one of these ministries, to call Father Matthew.

Please prayerfully consider serving your parish in this way.

**MARCH FOR LIFE
JANUARY 19TH 2018 - WASHINGTON DC**

If you are interested in joining Kingston Knights of Columbus, the Ulster County Deanery Respect Life Committee and the Ulster County Right to Life Committee as they march in Washington, please call Al Kafel at 338-1734 to reserve your seat.



NEW MISSALS

We thank all who have already donated towards the parishioners' copies of the missal.

Donations may be put in the collection basket, in a separate envelope marked "Donation for Missals". Cost: \$8.00 per missal. Please let us know the name you would like on the missal.

Now that we have new missals in the pews, we ask that parishioners take care in using them and not bend them backwards or keep them open in the holders in the pews. This will help to keep the missals from coming apart from the binding and possibly incurring any additional expense in replacing them before the liturgical year is complete. Thank you.



KNIGHTS CORNER

The Knights of Columbus at St Charles Borromeo have been active in 2017 in various functions, charities and plan additional events in 2018.

Veterans luncheon; Blood Drive- semi-annual; Rel. Ed breakfast; Chicken BBQ; Helping Hands Pantry; Soccer Challenge; Choir and Taise prayer service; Bus trips to Mohegan Sun; Ulster County Toys for Tots; Installed shelter for Air Condition units at the hall and new event display; and Cookie Walk.

Support Donations to: Helping Hands Pantry Thanksgiving and Christmas distribution; Catholic CCD religious Ed. Campaign; Sisters for Life Home for expectant mothers; Hudson Valley K of C fund raiser; Transportation for Veterans Hospital new bus campaign.

We are looking for men to join us and participate in Church and civil functions to benefit our Church and community. If you are interested please contact Bill Freymann 845 883-0138.

Have a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year 2018

Our next meeting will be Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7 pm in the Church hall

Kid's Korner