



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> 2018

Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY, December 22nd
8:30 A.M. + Simeon Stanley and Dolores S. Walker
4:30 P.M. + Edward Esposito
SUNDAY, December 23rd Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00 A.M. + Maxine Cuciti
10:30 A.M. People of the Parish and Special Intentions of Fr. Matthew Yatkauskas
MONDAY, December 24th
8:00 A.M. + Thomas Patella
Christmas Vigil
4:30 P.M. People of the Parish
10:00 P.M. People of the Parish
TUESDAY, December 25th Christmas Day
8:00 A.M. People of the Parish
10:30 A.M. People of the Parish
WEDNESDAY, December 26th
8:00 A.M. Dec'd Memebers of the Byrne Family
THURSDAY, December 27th
8:00 A.M. + Rose Capozzi
FRIDAY, December 28th
8:00 A.M. + Anthony Moriello
SATURDAY, December 29th
8:30 A.M. Dec'd Members of the Meyer and Dugan Families
4:30 P.M. + George Michael Horgan
SUNDAY, December 30th Holy Family
8:00 A.M. People of the Parish and Special Intentions of Father Matthew Yatkauskas
10:30 A.M. + DiGiorgio and Lombardi Families

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.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Mary DiVincenzo, Joe Dionesio, John Quicksell,, King Singh, Fran Burgess, Dan Dulion, Rose Compitello, Michael Lembo
If you know of someone in need of prayer - please let us know by calling the rectory.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF JANE FANTINI.



PLEASE PRAY FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS, MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN BOTH HERE AND ABROAD, LAW ENFORMENT AGENCIES AND FIRST RESPONDERS.

ST. CHARLES' ROSARY SOCIETY
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AFTER THE 8 AM MASS EVERY THURSDAY MORNING.

LECTORS

12/22 4:30 p.m Peter LeRose
12/23 8:00 a.m. Janet Betanzos
12/23 10:30 a.m. Lisa Betanzos
12/24 Christmas Eve 4:30 p.m. Peter LeRose
10:00 p.m. Need Volunteer
12/25 Christmas Day 8:00 a.m. Kathleen Fowler
10:30 a.m. Lori and Darius Youssefbaik
12/29 4:30 p.m. A. Gulbrandsen
12/30 8:00 a.m. M. Alonzo
12/30 10:30 p.m.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

12/22 4:30 p.m R Meyer, A. Gulbrandsen, M. Violante
12/23 8:00 a.m. M. Alonzo, K. Fowler, C. Naclerio
12/23 10:30 a.m. M. Regino, Need Volunteers
12/24 Christmas Eve 4:30 p.m. R. Meyer, P. LeRose
10:00 p.m. G. Gravatt, Need Volunteer
12/25 Christmas Day 8:00 a.m. C. Naclerio, E & G. Collins
10:30 a.m. A. Gulbrandsen, M. Regino, Need Volunteer
12/29 4:30 p.m. R. Meyer, P. LeRose, Need Volunteer
12/30 8:00 a.m. J. Betanzos, K. Fowler, G. Gravatt
12/30 10:30 p.m A. Heidecker, J. Hoyt, Need Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS

12/22 4:30 p.m Devin Egan
12/23 8:00 a.m. F. Seelman, J. Cook, T. Titmas
12/23 10:30 a.m R. Perillo, J. Timm
12/24 Christmas Eve 4:30 p.m. Need Volunteers
10:00 p.m. Need Volunteers
12/25 Christmas Day 8:00 a.m. Need Volunteers
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MEMORIALS: Bread & Wine, Sanctuary Candle, Sanctuary Flowers and Missal Donations

This week's Bread and Wine is given in memory of Charles Montrose Sr. by Ann & Rod Gulbrandsen. Arrangements for Memorials can be made in the rectory office. You may call or stop in.

ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION



December 15th & 16th Attendance 319 (266 Adults and 53 Children)
Regular Collection: \$3155.00 Parish Support: \$120.00
Retired Religious: \$110.00

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:
BEGINNING FEBRUARY THERE WILL NO MASS ON TUESDAYS.



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

Micah speaks of the ruler who will come from Bethlehem. He discusses how the people of Israel will be saved from corruption and live in peace.

### Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Paul describes to the Hebrews how Jesus came into the world and offered to do God's will. We were saved through his sacrifice, the only offering sufficient for the sins of the world.

### Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Mary paid a visit to Elizabeth, whose baby stirred in her womb upon hearing Mary's greeting. Elizabeth filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Elizabeth was deeply overjoyed that the words God had spoken to Mary had now been fulfilled.

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

**“When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby stirred in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, and cried out in a loud voice: ‘Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb. But who am I that the mother of my Lord should come to me?’... ‘Blessed is she who trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled.’”**

What a wonderful family reunion. Two expectant mothers meeting, greeting, celebrating imminent births. St. Luke points out the presence of the Holy Spirit, even before the Pentecost event. The question posed by Elizabeth ‘who am I?’...can be changed for us today.

Who am I that my Lord and Savior should come to me? A loving Father saw our need, and in concern for us, sent, not the mother or our Savior, but the saving Lord Himself. How frequently we pray the words of Luke in the Hail Mary. As we complete our advent may the question of Elizabeth, and my question be answered.

As we approach the feast of the birth of Christ this week, may we live the visitation event, greeting others in the name of the Lord, recognizing His presence among us in our needy world. The two holy women rejoiced in Christ's presence, and so do we. Reflect for a few moments on the biblical basis of the Hail Mary.



**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.**



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

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

Dear Parishioners,

***In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. John 1:1-2.***

We celebrate December 25<sup>th</sup> as Christmas Day, a day of joy and feasting with family and friends gathered together, sharing a festive meal, exchanging gifts amid lights and decorations, perhaps a yule log glowing in the fireplace.

It is a day; a celebration that should be joyful, for it is the feast of the ***Incarnation. And the Word was made flesh and made his dwelling among us.*** God became human, became one with us, one of us in a child, the Son of God born in Bethlehem. And He continues to live among us in the sacraments we celebrate, receive and share, most especially the Eucharist, His true presence among us. God has already given us the greatest gift possible, His Only Begotten Son who died and rose for our salvation. Receive the gift, celebrate the gift, and share the gift with great joy, not only at Christmas but every day.

May the Peace of the Lord, The Christ Child of Bethlehem be with you always.

**Fr. Matthew**



**Solemnity of Mary**  
Holy day of obligation

**Vigil Mass will be at 5:30 pm on  
December 31st  
January 1st Solemnity of Mary  
Mass will be at 9 am only**



**Please help us by taking books from our library and pass along to your friends. They do NOT need to be returned. The Library has some new and gently used books FREE for the taking that can be used for Christmas gifts.** Enjoy browsing and choosing books for everyone on your list. Blessings of the season to you.

## COOKIE WALK and CHRISTMAS FAIR THANK YOU:

We wish to thank all the parishioners who baked cookies for our cookie walk this year. We made a total of \$1878. We would like to thank Pete at Ireland Corners Store for donating the sausage and rolls for our kitchen. We would also like to thank Ann Gulbrandsen for preparing all the food for breakfast and lunch. Thanks also go to all the vendors who set up with their wonderful crafts. God Bless all of you for making this cookie walk a success.

Pete and Jean LeRose



### KNIGHTS CORNER

Next meeting will be held on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the parish hall.

New members are always welcome. Call Bill Freymann at 883-0138.



### 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.**

### CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES If you

have not yet picked up your box set of envelopes, please pick them up from the vestibule. If you do not see your envelopes or are a new parishioner, please call the rectory. Thank you.



Please return your parish survey by NEXT weekend. Surveys may be placed in the basket in the vestibule, in the collection basket or to the rectory. A report will be compiled with your ideas on how to improve the parish.



A woman's ring was found in the Church vestibule. Please call the rectory if you lost a ring,



NOTE!  
ADDRESS CHANGE

Former pastor Fr. Robert M. Panek has moved. His new address is:

Rev. Robert M. Panek  
c/o Montrose VA Hospital  
2090 Albany Post Road

Montrose NY 10548

**KNOW SOMEONE WHO COULD USE A STAIR CHAIR LIFT?** Please contact Mario at 883-0905.



**WE THANK ALL WHO SUPPORT OUR PARISH BY VOLUNTEERING THEIR TIME/TALENTS, DONATIONS OR ATTENDING OUR PARISH EVENTS AND FUNDRAISERS.** You are truly a

blessing to our parish.

**WE THANK MICHAEL TORSONE MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME** FOR THEIR GENEROUS DONATION OF OUR CHURCH CALENDARS.

**WE THANK PETE PATEL OF IRELAND CORNERS GENERAL STORE** FOR HIS NUMEROUS DONATIONS TO OUR FOOD CONCESSION THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

Adoration  
of the  
Blessed Sacrament



**January 4<sup>th</sup>**

Come for some quiet time with the Lord. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 8 am Mass on January 4<sup>th</sup> until 4 pm Benediction.

**Newburgh Bus to the Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, March for Life in Washington, DC**

Pray with us on January 18<sup>th</sup> for human life to be respected in our society, and come with us for the March for Life. The bus will leave at 4 a.m. from Our Lady of the Lake Church, Route 52, Orange Lake, and after a breakfast stop will arrive at the 10:30am Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Church, 619 10th St. NW, Washington D.C., a short walk from the Rally and March for Life. The bus returns to Orange Lake at about 10:30 p.m. Bus riders pay \$50/seat; \$35 youth (sponsorships available for those needing help paying). Make checks payable to "St. Patrick/St Mary's Church." For questions, reservations or donations please contact Howard & Beth Spear

(howard.jp.spear@gmail.com or 845- 564-5257), or St. Patrick/St. Mary's Rectory (561-0885).