



Monday, December 16th

6:30AM John Volpe
8:30AM Helen Korzik

Tuesday, December 17th

6:30AM William Van Horn
8:30AM Bill & Catherine Towlson

Wednesday, December 18th

6:30AM Sr. Rose Marietta, I.H.M.
8:30AM John McGowan

Thursday, December 19th

6:30AM Thomas J. McFadden
8:30AM John McGowan

Friday, December 20th

6:30AM Fusco & Tucker Families
8:30AM John Flanagan

Saturday, December 21st

8:30AM John Flanagan
5:00PM Saturday Evening Vigil

Sunday, December 22nd

Sunday Masses: 6:30, 9:30 and 11:30AM

Saturday, December 21st and Sunday, December 22nd

5:00PM Msgr. Flanigan *Unitas Group*
6:30AM Msgr. Vogan
9:30AM Fr. Mullan
11:30AM Msgr. Vogan



Please remember in your prayers all our sick:

Brian Allison, Dakota Almeiva, Leon Arnold, Jim Bakey, Bob Belczyk, Marie Biddle, Bernice Bonsmann, Jack Boyette, Theresa Bucella, Paul Bufano, Sophia Bufano, Virginia Burbage, Dennis Burns, Greyson Burke, Cathy Carrol, Susan Crowley, Anne Davis, Barbara DeLeon, Anthony DiBlasio, Thomas Duggan, Amanda Durkholder, Kelly Eberz, George Edelmann, Joseph Eichinger, Sharon Feist, , Janice Ford, Laurie Frost, Kim Fry, Daniel Garvin, Krysten Gentile, Joe Glowacki, Karen Gormley, Anne Hagg, Margaret Hardy, Robert Harron, Helena Hart, Conall Harvey, Ilene Haschak, Charles Hee, Tony Iacone, Sylvester Jenifer, John Johnson, Rosemarie Johnson, Regina Johnson, Jennifer Kelly, Lizzy Kelly, Shyla Kelly, Donald Kester, Karen Kester, Josephine Klecko, Ralph King, Danielle Lever, Audris Lichota, Thomas Luke, Debra Mallon, Bob Magolon, Brenda Magolon, Barbara Magozzi, Margaret Mahoney, Robert Malin, Ann Manco, Patricia Marconi, Tom Marley, Thomas Marshall, Mary Mascioli, Deacon Paul McBlain, Cameron McCarthy, Megan McDevitt, Nan McGroary, Dan McKenna, Joey McLaughlin, Ceasar Montalvo, James Moran, Susan Mullen, Phyllis Myers, Christina Nesmith, Julia Newell, Anthony Oswald, Louisa Pacubas, Jacqueline Panco, Thom Parker, Charles Piecara, Jr., Edward Piecara, Sr., Eileen Posner, Claire Powers, Ann Pyne, Helen Raftovich, Loretta Ricciardi, Paul Riggs, Bill Robb, Joseph Romasko, Jr. Anita Rossi, Sharon Rowles, Claire Salvi, Christine Samuels, Candy Santos, Patricia Schmidt, Diane Shaefer, Kathy Shiels, John Smith, Rosemary Smith, Thomas Smith, Kathleen Stacklass, Jerry Sullivan, Kayla Taylor, Robert Taylor, Jose Tavarez, Lauren Thomas, Virginia Tracy, John Tully, Mary Walls, Diane Weverling, Nancy Williams, Hana Yago, Michelle & Robert Yanuzzi, Angie Zuccarino

Please pray for our beloved deceased especially:

Msgr. Joseph Anderlonis - Albert Baldwin - Patrick Delaney
Joseph DiCamillo - Lillian Nowaczyk

Calendar of Events

Monday, December 16th

10:00AM - Marion Movement of Priests - Mary's Chapel
2:30PM - HFR School Musical Rehearsal - Hall
6:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall
6:30PM - VIRTUS Class - Cabrini Room

Tuesday, December 17th

7:45AM - HFRS K Christmas Pageant - Donnelly Hall
9:00AM -5:00PM - Adoration - Mary's Chapel
10:00AM - Flame of Love - Mary's Chapel
1:00PM - Holy Hour of Reparation - Mary's Chapel
2:00PM - Divine Mercy Cenacle - Mary's Chapel
4:00PM - PREP - School/Donnelly Hall
7:00PM - Simbang Gabi Mass - Church
8:00PM - Simbang Gabi Reception - Church

Wednesday, December 18th

2:30PM - HFRS Band Practice - Hall
8:00AM - HFRS Pre-K Christmas Pageant - Hall
3:00PM - HFRS Musical Rehearsal - Hall
4:00PM - Confession - Mary's Chapel
4:00PM - PREP - School/Donnelly Hall
6:00PM - PREP - School/Donnelly Hall
7:00PM - Confession - Mary's Chapel

Thursday, December 19th

1:00PM - Marion Movement of Priests - Mary's Chapel
1:30PM - Divine Mercy Cenacle - Mary's Chapel
6:00PM - Music Ministry - Church
6:30PM - Scouts - Hall
7:30PM - Choir Practice - Church

Friday, December 20th

9:30AM - HFRS Mass - Church
6:00PM - Music Ministry - Church
6:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall

Saturday, December 21st

9:00AM - CYO Basketball - Hall

Sunday, December 22nd

10:30AM - Parish Registrations - Neumann Room
2:00PM - CYO Basketball - Hall
7:00PM - Scouts Religious - Cabrini Room

SUNDAY COLLECTION

The collection for Sunday, December 8th amounted to \$16,940.

Thank you
FOR YOUR SUPPORT



COMEDY NIGHT!
Saturday, February 15th



Family ADVENT Wreath

Advent and Christmas time are wonderful weeks in a family's life, but our focus on the coming of Jesus can get lost beneath the surface glitter of the holiday season.

The Lighting of the Advent wreath before the family meal is a way to focus on the Nativity of Our Lord and not just the coming of the Christmas holiday.

This year make the Advent Wreath a family tradition in your home. As you gather together for your family meal, light the first, second and third candles and pray: *"God of Wisdom, You are the source of all truth. Help us remember to always turn to you first when we are looking for answers. Help us to follow the way of Christ, whose coming we await. Amen"*



PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

The four seats for the Parish Pastoral Council have been decided and we congratulate our new Council Members: *Angela Culloty, Bill Delaney, Tracey DiSerafino, Sharon McDermond, Mary Jane Przwitowski and Jerry Wilkins.*

We also thank **Bill Masterson (Chair), Chris Backer, Pat Bakey and Laura Weatherly** whose terms have come to an end for their time and dedication to the council.

We thank all those who accepted the nomination to run for council and for everyone who took the time to vote!



Anyone requesting the transportation services of H.O.P.E. Monday, December 16th through Friday, December 20th should call the following team captain: Team 6: Donna Covell 610-497-1834 or Lynne Harrison 610-494-4699.

The above phone number is for THIS WEEK ONLY.

Please give 24-48 hour notice! ONE ride per week.



The Music Ministry NEEDS YOU!

All parishioners are invited to come check out our Music Ministry! Choir rehearsal is Thursdays at 7:30PM in the church. Please join us! No experience need and commitment is flexible. For more information, please contact Karen Thorpe at karenrose313@gmail.com.



Here is a reflection from one of our fantastic Music Ministry members: *"I have found friendship and joy since joining the choir. I have gotten more than just the joy of singing!"*



ADULT ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

We are looking for ADULT volunteers who would be free to serve weekday/weekend funerals at the parish. Serving availability is flexible to your schedule. Training will be provided. Interested? Please call the rectory.



CARING FOR FRIENDS

CARING for FRIENDS meals can be placed in the freezers in the lower church kitchen, mark meal with # 42. Supplies are next to the freezer. If anyone knows someone they think could use this service, please contact Ralph at 610-494-4428. Thank you for all you do!



Today's readings on this Gaudete ("Rejoice") Sunday are filled with reminders of God's final victory over suffering and injustice, and encouragement to remain steadfast in our mission to live as faith-filled disciples.

Such a day almost seems too good to be true, especially when we look around at the dire circumstances we face in our world at present. But by faith we know this day is coming. Lest we grow weary as we await the glorious day of Christ's return, St. James, in our second reading, offers wise counsel. "Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord... Make your hearts firm... Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged."

This is excellent advice for us Christian stewards as we face the challenges of everyday life in our broken world, especially in the hectic days that precede Christmas, when stress can make us and those around us less than our best selves.

In other words, we can be good stewards of our attitude, "making our hearts firm" by practicing patience with others and refusing to give in to the temptation to complain.

sure we are indeed making of ourselves a gift fitting for Him.

We can choose to see and rejoice in God's presence with us, no matter the circumstances surrounding us.



SIMBANG GABI MASS

Tuesday, December 17th at 7:00PM

Simbang Gabi is Filipino for "Night Mass" is a devotional nine-day series of Masses practiced by Roman Catholics in the Philippines in anticipation of Christmas and to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. The masses are celebrated every day from December 16th to the 24th at various parish churches. This Monday St. Joseph Parish will host the Sambang Gabi Mass for the Filipino Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. All are welcome to attend this beautiful mass.



In Mrs. Fratterelli's 2nd level class Tuesday 4:00 session, they were busy making beautiful Advent wreaths. They were gorgeous! In Mrs. Foy's 2nd level class Wednesday 4:00 session, they made the most wonderful Advent wreaths that were made from donuts!!!! In Mrs. Hunt's 2nd level class Wednesday 6:00 session, they learned about Saint Lucy, Saint Nicholas and Our Lady of Guadalupe! We were also excited for our Christmas Pageant our Christmas Service Project on the 17th and 18th.

"Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man." Pope Francis



A Thank You note from Msgr. Vogan

I would like to express my thanks to Joanne Misci, Sue Hunt and their committee members for the yearlong time and effort they put into making the Christmas Bazaar more successful and profitable year after year.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers who give of their time for the Bazaar and all who contributed in any way to its success. It is not just a financial success, but a true joy to see all the happy families enjoying the day as well.

Msgr. Vogan

**THIS CHRISTMAS:
GIVE GIFT CARDS!**



TARGET - WALMART - KOHLS



Shopping **ONLINE** you can use our gift card online tool



We have AMAZON GIFT CARDS!

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY – THURSDAY: 9:00AM until 7:00PM

FRIDAY: 9:00AM until 5:00PM

SATURDAY: 9:00AM until 6:00PM

SUNDAY: 8:30AM until 11:30AM



ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Advent Giving Tree will be in the gathering space after Mass beginning next weekend. Please take an ornament from the tree and purchase a gift card in any amount for the store listed. No donation is too small. Please return the gift card to the rectory by December 16th. If you know of a family that is need this Christmas, please contact the rectory. All calls will be kept confidential.

Please consider purchasing your gift card at the rectory.



MILITARY PRAYER TREE

The lower church tree will again feature “A Soldiers Prayer” ornaments with the names of loved ones presently serving for Our Country and Veterans who served our Country. The ornaments will be by the tree for you to fill out. The children of the school and PREP will remember these men and women in their daily prayers.



CHRISTMAS CONFESSION SCHEDULE

THIS Wednesday, DECEMBER 18TH

4:00 to 5:00PM and 7:00 to 8:00PM

Saturday, December 21ST

4:00 to 4:45PM

Mary’s Chapel

There are no confessions scheduled Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.



CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00, 6:00 & 8:00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY

7:00, 9:00 & 11:00AM



COACHES – VOLUNTEERS!

VIRTUS CLASS at St Joseph’s

Cabrini Room Lower Church

DECEMBER 16, 2019 6:30PM

Please register via <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus>



**Holy Family Regional Catholic School
THANK YOU to all who supported our WINTER BALL!**



RECTORY HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Monday, December 23rd 9:00AM to 7:00PM

Tuesday, December 24th

9:00AM to 12:00PM

**CHRISTMAS DAY – Rectory CLOSED
THURSDAY, December 26th - Rectory CLOSED**

Friday, December 28th

9:00AM – 3:00PM

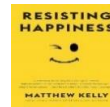
Saturday, December 29th 9:00AM to 6:00 PM

Sunday, December 30th 8:30AM to 11:30AM

Monday, December 30th & Tuesday, December 31st

9:00AM to 12:00Noon

NEW YEARS DAY - RECTORY CLOSED



RESISTING HAPPINESS

BOOK CLUB

Felling overwhelmed or

Sometimes feel like you are your own worst enemy or

Are ignoring your dreams or

Fell your life lacks meaning and purpose

THEN consider joining us on

TUESDAYS: JANUARY 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 7PM

Resisting Happiness, a deeply personal look at how and why we sabotage our own happiness and what to do about it so that we can become the person God created us to be!

Book will be provided – must register in advance!

NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL _____

Registration DEADLINE: January 2nd



ADULT VOLUNTEER SOCIAL

Saturday, January 11th after the 5:00PM Mass.

The Stewardship Committee invites all *adults* who have given their time and talents in any way throughout the year to a social event to **THANK YOU** for what you give to your parish. Please join us for an evening of good friends, food, music and fun!

If you plan on attending, **PLEASE RSVP** on the form below or email stjoseph256@comcast.net.

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRE TO ATTEND

To be make sure there is enough food for everyone. Thank you!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Sunday, January 5th

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____