

**Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 31, 2017**



Masses for the Week

Saturday	Nelson Diordano	5:00pm
Sunday	People of the Parish	8:00am
Sunday	<i>The Holy Family</i>	10:00am
	<i>Vigil of Solemnity</i>	5:00pm
	<i>BVM</i>	
Monday	<i>The Solemnity BVM</i>	10:00am
Tuesday	<i>St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory</i>	8:00am
	Sue Durkin	
Wednesday	Tom Browne	5:15pm
Thursday	<i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</i>	8:00am
	Gail O' Kelly	
Friday	<i>St. John Neumann</i>	10:00am
	<i>Respect for Life</i>	
	FIO Berenice	5:30pm
Saturday	FitzGerald	
	World Peace	8:00am
	Regina Mihm	5:00pm

Please Pray for Our Sick

Fanny Bonventre, Herb Cahill, Billye Doria, Hal Holly, Fred Kimlin, Maureen Krom, Lynne Lazzaro, Mary McNamara, Grant Nicolson, Joseph Mongelluzzo, Tony Peralta, Joe & Virginia Petras, Daniel Sweeney, Alice Theiss, Thomas Vavrinec, Irene Waddell, Luisa Walsh, Denise Woltman, Amelia Zak


Please Pray for Our Deceased

Eulalia Priest, Peter Genero, Jack Walsh

Tithing \$3,466.00

Christmas Collection \$11,034.00

Christmas Thank You

 There are many people to thank for our Christmas celebration. First of all, the ladies of the Rosary Altar Society who decorated the church and the sanctuary so that it once again had the lovely and solemn look that we are accustomed to. Thanks also to all those who donated money for Poinsettias in memory of their loved ones. Thanks to our music ministry— Trish, Patty, our choir, and the volunteers. Also thanks to our lectors and

ministers of Holy Communion as well as our ushers, and our altar servers. We are grateful to everyone for the generosity of their time and talents. Special thanks also for the extra Christmas collection donations!

Combined COLLECTIONS

On the weekend of January 6th and 7th, a combined collection will be taken up. One segment will be taken up for the **Catholic Communications** Campaign and the second segment will be for The **Catholic University of America**. The Catholic Communications Campaign is the official Catholic presence in the media: In partnership with the diocesan communications offices, it has been our voice educating, entertaining, inspiring and informing the faithful about Gospel values. The second segment is for the Catholic University of America, unique among Catholic institutions of higher education in the United States. We encourage you parishioners to be generous in your contributions to the combined collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign and the Catholic University of America collection.

First Friday Adoration

This Friday we will have adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament from 10:30am (after the 10am Mass) until 5:00pm. It will take place in the sacristy chapel. We invite all of our parishioners to stop in the sacristy chapel during the day and spend some time.

First Saturday Mass

Every first Saturday of the month we have an 8am Mass followed by recitation of the rosary with the usual 5pm evening Mass

Christmas Baskets

Many thanks to all our parishioners who were so generous to this year's Christmas basket & toy drive. Through your generosity, we were able to distribute baskets of food for 22 families and gifts for the children. Thanks also to the Bloomington Fire Department for supplying many of the toys, and the Boy Scouts of Troop 17 for their meatloaves for the baskets. We finally thank the parishioners who tirelessly gave of their time shopping and assembling the baskets.

Christmas Calendar

Looking ahead into the Christmas season, these are the next few week's celebrations: Sunday, December 31st is the *Feast of the Holy Family*; January 1st will be the *Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God* the

following Sunday, January 7th, will be the *Feast of the Epiphany*; and the following Monday, January 8th will be the *Feast of the Baptism of the Lord*. That feast will mark the end of the Christmas season and Tuesday we return to Ordinary Time.

Religious Ed News

Religious Ed classes will resume on Wednesday, January 3rd.

VERITAS News – Yes, it’s cold outside, but you can never start too early thinking about summer camp! VERITAS registration will begin January 1, 2018! Sign up your teen (going into 7th grade (Fall 2018) to senior in High School) for Catholic sleep-away camp in Wurtsboro for the week of August 12 – 18, 2018. Sign-up soon, spots are going FAST! (www.campveritas.org) In 2017 Wurtsboro sold out in early February. You can also attend camp at Mount Saint Mary (Newburgh) July 22 – 28, 2018. Other camp locations – including Ireland and Florida (new for 2018) are listed. If you have questions about camp give Michelle a call at 331-3002. Thank you to all campers, volunteers, parents and donors that made the 2017 Camp Veritas year incredible! Lives changed, spirits lifted, souls healed because of the power of God!



**Mariapolis Luminosa,
Nativity Displays**

Most of you are probably familiar with Mariapolis Luminosa, one of the projects of the Focolare Movement. Every December, Luminosa displays over 200 Nativity scenes from over 50 countries the world at the Chiara Lubich Conference Center at 200 Cardinal Road, in Hyde Park. Many visitors come from neighboring communities to see this beautiful display. Suggested donation \$5. For more information call 845-229-2030 ext 127 or write to luminosa.office@gmail.com. Nativity Display. Dec 8, 2017 - Jan 7, 2018



Young Adult Employment Program

Are you between the ages of 16 and 24, out of school, and looking for a job or a career? Ulster County's Young Adult Employment Program can help you find a job, complete your high school equivalency or get training for the career of your dreams. Don't wait for

the career you've been dreaming of - start working on it today - call Ulster County's Young Adult Employment Program at 845-340-3170 or visit and leave us a message: Facebook.com/UCYAASYEP Or send a TEXT saying, I want info on work programs to: 845-594-6679

Prayer Vigil for Life

The Archdiocese of New York is hosting a prayer vigil for all parishes to come together to commemorate the 45th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade. St. John Paul II said that “prayer is the most powerful force in human history!” The prayer vigil will be at St. Patrick’s Cathedral on Sunday, January 21st. It will begin with Mass at 5:30pm, followed by Adoration with music by the Sisters of Life.



Christmas Flower Memorials

We wish to thank all who gave so generously to our Christmas Flower Memorial. Their gifts helped to make our church more beautiful this holy season. Please join our parish in remembering the following people in your prayers:

Acker Family, Bailey Family, Harold Bailey, John Becker, Bordenstein Family, Kay Bulla, Elise Burkard, Jim Campion, William & Marcella Cannon, Efrain Caro, Pasquale & Mary Cioffi, Emily Cordts Family, Antonio Costa, Coutant Family, Mary Craig, Hugh Crawford, Dalton Family, Davenport Family, DeFazio Family, Delaney Family, Ronald Diamond, Louise Deitz, Digrazia Family, Dmoch Family, Dolan Family, Patrick Dullahan, Earley Family, Anita Fischer, Gerald FitzGerald, FitzGerald Family, Peter & Alice Furey, John & Antoinette Goode, Loretta Goode, Anne & Don Gessner, Estelle Hafner, Annie Hartman, Harrington Family, Jasinski Family, Joe Kassouf, Bill & Meg Knott, Koonz Family, John & Mary Lamb, Lambertson Family, John & Josephine Laurito, Alex & Madeline Lengyel, Paul J. & Josephine Lendvay, Mary Lendvay, Charles & Julia Lewis, Mary & John Longendyke, Anthony LoSchiavo, Machovic Family, George & Rose Marino, Bill & Sarah Merrill, Tom & Jim Merck, Virginia Miglino, Robert & Helen Norton, Judy O’Sullivan, Prandoni Family, Ann & Al Rippe, Eugene & Sally Roosa, Stanley & Vanise Roosa, Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Satchwell, Peter Jon Salamone, Acida & Patsy Scelia, Jamie Shaw, Harry & Gloria Shaw, Mary & Tom Skidd, Alice Sheldon, Mazie Smith, Frankie & Gerald Smosarski, Jerome Vanyo, Mary Ann Vanyo, Waddell Family, Donald Wallace, Bill Welsek, Chris Westover, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Wiejaczka, E. Larry & Dorothy Wills

Rosary Altar Society

Next weekend team *one* is scheduled