



### 3rd Sunday in Advent

December 15, 2019

#### Masses for the Week

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| Saturday  | Deceased Members of LaFera Family | 5:00pm  |
| Sunday    | People of the Parish              | 8:00am  |
| Sunday    | Bill Welsek                       | 10:00am |
| Monday    | Gerard Blenkle                    | 5:30pm  |
| Tuesday   | Harold Bailey                     | 8:00am  |
| Wednesday | Bowen Family                      | 5:15pm  |
| Thursday  | Thomas Merck                      | 8:00am  |
| Friday    | Mary Carona                       | 5:30pm  |
| Saturday  | William & Elizabeth Zentner       | 5:00pm  |

#### Please Pray for Our Sick

Fanny Bonventre, Lorraine DeFelicis, Sr. Maureen Jerkowski, Fred Kimlin, Maureen Krom, Lynne Lazzaro, Mary McNamara, Frank Merrill, Lucy Padilla, Tony Peralta, Joe Petras, Betty Schilt, Wm. Schlosser, Alice Theiss, Thomas Vavrinec, Luisa Walsh, Amelia Zak

#### Please Pray for Our Deceased

Anthony Secreto & Alphose Guida

**Tithing \$3,442.00**

**Religious Retirement \$1,683**



#### Holiday Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Christmas Eve 4:00pm

Wednesday, Christmas Day  
8am & 10am

Tuesday, New Year's Eve 5:00pm

Wednesday, New Year's Day 10am

#### Christmas Gifts and Food

All Food and gift items are due back today, Sunday, December 15th

#### Find Peace Through Forgiveness Reconciliation Monday

Monday, December 16th, we will celebrate our Advent Reconciliation Monday. The time will be from 4-8pm in the confessionals in the rear of the Church.

#### **Keeping Christ in Christmas**

The Mother of the house lights the pink candle bringing forth the presence of Our Blessed Mother Mary, ..

Quietly and gently praying: The Sign of the Cross.. followed by this little prayer. or one of your own.

Hail Mary full of grace, Bless my home with your love and peace.

Bless my husband and my children , As we Open our hearts to love and Keep our ways holy in all that we do, in the holy name of Jesus. Amen. Please remember **Sat. Dec. 28th at NOON Feast of the Holy Innocents** Here at St. Peters, Rosendale...before our Nativity, A Rosary Prayer service for the unborn, families and Peace in the world.. Please come.

#### **Christmas Pageant - December 15th**

Ever see a donkey walk across the stage or maybe an angel or two spread their wings? Come and join us December 15<sup>th</sup> in Mulry Hall following the 10am Mass. Our Religious Ed students will show us the true meaning of Christmas. You don't want to miss this! Refreshments will follow.

**ADVENT HOLY HOUR-** Every Friday at 7:00 P.M. during the season of Advent, St. Joseph Church in New Paltz will have an Advent Holy Hour to help us prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Along with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, we will join our voices in Evening Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours, listen to the Word of God and then hear a reflection. Quiet prayer will follow.

#### **Flower Memorial Fund**

Envelopes for Christmas memorials are in the rear of the church. Just fill in the envelope and place it in any first collection basket. We are indebted to our parishioners who choose to remember their deceased loved ones by contributing to this fund. It is the primary means we have for funding the decoration of the sanctuary.



**LAS POSADAS-** Come and join us at St. Joseph Church in New Paltz (34 South Chestnut St.) on Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 for "Las Posadas". This is a tradition that has long been celebrated in Mexico and Central America. It commemorates the difficult journey that Mary and Joseph undertook from Nazareth to Bethlehem looking for a warm and safe place to spend the night and to prepare for the birth of

Jesus. It can help us to remember and be in solidarity with the many families around the world that are also seeking shelter and refuge.

Our “Las Posadas” will a reenactment of that journey and will be a warm and joyful gathering with many different Latin-American traditional foods and beverages and games for children. This event is sponsored by our Brazos Abiertos ministry and all are welcome.



Sign up at [DynamicCatholic.com/SignUp](http://DynamicCatholic.com/SignUp)

**SHOEBOX THANK YOU!  
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For whatever part you played to fill a shoebox and put a smile on the face of a child, showing them Jesus’ Love, THANK YOU!!

Through our overwhelming generosity this year, in filling a box, donating items to fill other boxes, donating the funds to purchase those items and covering the shipping costs.....if there was a way, to Thank You, individually, I surely would. You know who you are, and we THANK YOU, for putting smiles on 234 children's faces. As you smile and open a Christmas gift, think of that child, who is opening your box, with a smile on his/her face. THANKS

**Year of St. John  
Feast of St. John House Concert &  
Party**

Saturday, December 28th  
6:00PM - Mass (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)  
7:00PM - Party  
8:00PM - Concert

St. Kateri Catholic Center  
24 Sloane Road  
Newburgh, NY 12550

Join us for our Feast of St. John House Concert & Party! We are blessed to have Fr. Chris Argano, Vocations Director for the Archdiocese of New York celebrating Mass for us and we are doubly blessed to have as our featured performer, Taylor Tripodi, a Catholic Underground North alumni and a blessed and gifted musician and artist! You can check out more about her at: [www.TaylorTripodi.com](http://www.TaylorTripodi.com).

**CONFESSIONS WILL BE OFFERED PRIOR TO MASS.**

RSVPs are critical though not mandatory as it will help us gauge how much food and drinks to provide. We will be providing some appetizers and dinner foods following

For more info/RSVP:

Luigi.Manente@archny.org or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/)

***Best Advent Ever***

Christmas is a time of hope, but during the busy holiday, it’s easy to get overwhelmed and lose sight of the reason for the season. This Advent, take an incredible journey to rediscover the gift of hope.

Join us for Best Advent Ever! Every day during Advent beginning December 3<sup>rd</sup>, you’ll receive short inspirational videos, practical tips, or real-life stories that will help you experience a Christmas full of hope. Are you ready for your best Advent—and Christmas—ever?

***Remember Christ this Christmas***

Shop until you drop! Buying, having, possessing and allowing your possessions to possess you! Sad to say, this has all become the modern immediate preparation for Christmas. Moreover, in many places even the word “Christmas” has been forbidden from modern vocabulary.



*Jesus is the reason for the season.* The whole focus of Advent which culminates in the Solemnity of Christmas is a *person!* That person is Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Jesus is the true reason for the entire season. Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary in the humble, poor stable of Bethlehem. The name “Jesus” means Savior. He came to open up the gates of heaven, to save us from slavery to sin, the devil, and eternal damnation. This Christmas let us contemplate the Person of Jesus and the purpose of His mission. Let our hearts overflow in humble praise and thanksgiving. St. Ignatius of Loyola accentuates the fact that Jesus did all of this not simply for humanity as a whole but for you and I, individually. Jesus was born, suffered, died and rose from the dead for me, as if I were the only person in the universe. How important I am for God! How important Christmas—the birth of Jesus—should be for me.

Fr. Ed Broom, OMV

**Rosary Altar Society**

Next weekend team *three* is scheduled.