

December 13, 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

St. Columbanus Parish

122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567

JOY

A stylized illustration of a nativity scene. The background is a dark blue night sky filled with numerous small, bright stars. A large, brilliant star with a long vertical beam of light shines from the upper right. In the foreground, the silhouettes of a shepherd with a staff and a woman riding a donkey are visible against a lighter, hazy horizon. To the left, a silhouette of a city or castle is built on a hillside. The overall color palette is dominated by shades of blue, purple, and white.

**“Make your hearts firm, because
the coming of the Lord is at hand.”**
Letter of Saint James 5:7-10

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY ~ December 13

8:00 a.m. Mary Gillick
10:00 a.m. Diane Lee Sierzega
12:00 noon Domenica Pacio

MONDAY ~ December 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
9:00 a.m. Deacon John & Margaret Coppola,
Mary Coppola

TUESDAY ~ December 15

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Knights of
Columbus Council # 14991

WEDNESDAY ~ December 16

9:00 a.m. The Fleming Family and Loved Ones
(living & deceased)

THURSDAY ~ December 17

9:00 a.m. Mary Gillick

FRIDAY ~ December 18

9:00 a.m. John P. Bowdren

SATURDAY ~ December 19

8:30 a.m. Gerald Kile
5:00 p.m. The Davoren Family (living)

Reminder: the 7:30 a.m. mass is private (priest only).
Any previously arranged intentions for said at the mass.



SUNDAY'S READINGS



1st Reading: *I rejoice heartily in the Lord.*
(Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11)

Psalm: *My soul rejoices in my God.*
(Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54)

2nd Reading: *May you entirely, spirit, soul and body, be
preserved blameless for the coming of our
Lord Jesus Christ.*
(Thessalonians 5:16-24)

Alleluia: *The Spirit of the Lord us upon me, be
cause he has anointed me to bring glad
tidings to the poor.*

Gospel: *There is one among you whom you do not
recognize.*
(John 1:6-8, 19-28)

December 8, 2019 \$5,512.70

December 6, 2020 \$



Thank you to those who are able
to continue to support our parish
during this Pandemic.
God Bless you.



Pray for children hidden from sight,
but not from God.

WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE



A donation of \$25 will provide for the weeklong burning of the tabernacle candle in memory of loved ones. A like donation for the hosts and wine offered at Mass may be given as a memorial as well. Please call or stop by the rectory if you would like to honor your loved ones in this holy manner.



Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.



Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Thelma Doebbler, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele, Richard Funari, Matthew Hempel, Alex Hetsko, Tom Kemple, Colleen Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Vivian Pabon, Doreen Robinson, Jake Reyes, Patricia Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Pete Samoylo, Joan Schneider, Gertrude Selleck, Aurea Simbulan, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, Deborah Zolluccio
And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

The Hymns for Sunday's 12:00 Noon Mass
Advent Week 3

Entrance

Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for our salvation slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ the Lord returns to reign.

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the power and glory:
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign and thou alone.

Responsorial Psalm

My soul rejoices in my God

ST. COLUMBANUS SCHOOL RAFFLE

Enter to win a Playstation 5! The winner will be randomly chosen on 12/21/20, in time for Christmas! Go to:
tickettailor.com

***Communion***

Come, O Radiant Dawn,
splendor of the morning light.
Come, Sun of Justice,
turn away the power of night.

Refrain: Christ, circle 'round us.
Christ, may your light surround us.
Shine in our living.
Fill our hearts with great thanksgiving.

Come, O Flower of Love,
Holy Branch of Jesse's tree.
Come Bough of Blessing,
bloom for all the world to see.

Come, O Gate of Hope,
holy door to heaven's throne.
Come, Key of David,
open wide the pathway home

Recessional

People, look east. The time is near
Of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Guest, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
Him, who brings new life to earth,
Set every peak and valley humming
With the word, "The Lord is coming."
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the Lord, is on the way.

FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND MASS

Watch mass on TV, pray with your family (rosary), read the scriptures and make an act of spiritual communion:

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

~PASTOR'S NOTES~

December 13, 2020



Giovanni Battista Tiepolo (1696-1770)
John the Baptist Preaching

It is hard to believe that there is less than two weeks before Christmas.

One of the hymns we sing before Christmas is O Come, O Come, Emmanuel. Each verse invokes a title given to our Lord, e.g., Wisdom, Lord, Rod of Jesse, etc. The hymn actually comes from the Magnificat (Canticle of Mary) Antiphons said by priests and religious at Vespers (Evening Prayer) beginning December 17. They are called the “O” antiphons because each one begins with the exclamatory word, “O.” In The Latin, the titles of our Lord are: Sapientia (Wisdom), Adonai (Lord), Radix Jesse (Root of Jesse), Clavis David (Key of David), Oriens (Day Spring), Rex Gentium (King of the Nations), and Emmanuel (God with us). If you start at the last antiphon and go forward, taking the first letter of each antiphon (I underlined them) it spells ERO CRAS. In Latin this means, “I will be (born) tomorrow.”

Today priests have the option of wearing rose-colored vestments symbolizing the joy we should begin to feel as we draw closer to the birth of the Messiah, our Lord and

Savior Jesus Christ. This Sunday is called “Gaudete Sunday” from the first word of the entrance antiphon taken from St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians where he writes, “Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say rejoice...” He goes on to say that our modesty should be known to all men and that the Lord is near. Only by leading modest lives in accordance with the precepts of God and the teachings of His Son, Jesus, can we have hope during the troubling times we find ourselves in. Our Lord is always near and so we must live with joy in remembering His great love and mercy for us.

As we draw closer to celebrating the birth of our Messiah and Savior, let us continue to prepare for His coming by turning away from sin, and by our prayers and good works.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Frank Samoylo

Christmas Mass Schedule 2020

Confessions (St. Columbanus)

Saturday December 19th ~ 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Monday, December 21st ~ 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday December 24th ~ 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Masses

St. Columbanus

Thursday, December 24th ~ Christmas Eve
2 p.m. and 4p.m. vigil, Midnight Concelebrated
Friday December 25th ~ Christmas Day
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. (Latin Mass), 12:00 Noon
No evening Mass Christmas Day

North American Martyrs

Thursday, December 24th: 10:00 p.m.
Friday, December 25th: 11:00 a.m.
No evening Mass Christmas Day

Mass for New Years Day ~ Mary, the Holy Mother of God

St. Columbanus

Thursday, December 31st: 4:00 p.m.
Friday, January 1st: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. (Latin Mass), 12 Noon

North American Martyrs

Friday, January 1st: 11 a.m.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Monday ~ Adoration 7:00 p.m.
~ Prayer Night 7:00 p.m., running concurrent
with Adoration (sponsored by the Knights of
Columbus # 14991)

Saturday ~ Confession 4:00—4:45 p.m.

SECOND COLLECTION

Today’s second collection is for our Retired Religious.

Please be as generous as your means allow.

BAPTISM

Please welcome Asher Herlandy
Vallejo, who was baptized into the
Catholic faith on November 29th.
May the Lord watch over Asher all
the days of her life.

