

CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 23-24

5:00pm

*J. O'DONNELL
L. PAPPAS(C)
C. SHAY(T)

9:00AM

*L. MICIELI
E. PICKARD(C)
A. DILLON (T)

4:00 PM

*B FEENEY
S. TINAJ(T)

LECTORS

5:00PM B. DILLON
7:30AM T. DOUGHERTY
9:00AM F. PIGNATELLI
11:15AM K. HUTCHISON

4:00PM R. ANGNER 12/24

8:00PM J. MAC KENZIE 12/24

CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25

9:00 AM

*A. BONNER
A. DILLON
J. SAVINO

LECTORS

9:00AM E. SCHNEIDER
11:15AM R. SZAREJKO

7:30AM

*P. FIORITO
P. LUBY(C)
J. MACKEY(T)

11:15AM

*L. DUNMYER
B. EMMERICH(C)
C. LANZISERA(T)

8:00PM

*M. WALSH
J. COREY(T)

MASS INTENTIONS
OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2017

5:00PM TONY KOTARSKI
(ARKADIA KOTARSKI)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017

7:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
9:00 AM MARY BARAGONA
(ANITA DILLON)
11:15 AM GEORGE E. NEDER
(CAROLYN NEDER)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2017

9:00 AM MARGARET NOLAN
(MATTHEW NOLAN)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2017

9:00 AM EUGENE KOLODIJ
(ARKADIA KOTARSKI)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2017

9:00 AM RAYMOND VANDERHOOF
(DIANE VANDERHOOF)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2017

9:00 AM DENIS O'CONNOR
(O'CONNOR FAMILY)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2017

9:00 AM THE WALSH FAMILY
(MARIE WALSH)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2017

9:00 AM PETER PAUL DEMPSEY
(MICHAEL DEMPSEY)
5:00PM GENE SECOLA
(IRWIN FAMILY)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017

7:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
9:00 AM JUSTIN PICKARD
(ELIZABETH PICKARD)
11:15 AM JOSEPH DEL VECCHIO
(JAN & CHILDREN)

Christmas Eve

4:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
8:00 PM THOMAS O'CONNOR
(O'CONNOR FAMILY)

Christmas Day

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2017

9:00 AM CHRISTMAS NOVENA
11:15 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

King David plans to build a temple to honor God. But God tells Nathan the Prophet that instead he will give David rest from his enemies, and ensure that both his house and community will be protected forever.

Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27

In this letter of Paul to the Romans, he explains that the gospel reveals the mystery that had been hidden for many ages. Now it has been made known to all, so that they may believe, obey, and give glory through Jesus Christ forever.

Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

The Virgin Mary is approached by the angel Gabriel, who tells her that she has been chosen to bear the Son of God. Mary is first afraid, yet shows her unquestioning faith when she simply says, "Let it be done to me as you say."

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING WE ARE A TITHING PARISH	
Immaculate Conception Dec.8	\$ 1,193.00
December 9-10, 2017	\$ 9,622.16
Christmas Flowers	\$ 1,903.00

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:

Wayne Dreitlein, Colleen Rutzler, Eileen Murphy,
Gregory Fredericks, Fr. Michael Burke,
Catherine Dougherty, Michael and Reid LoSapio,
Mary Franzese, Chuck Cogswell,
Marissa Cashin, Audrey Riccioli, Miriam O'Neill,
Martha Armenti, John Dougherty,
Kvetuse Dema, Barbara Keefe,
Sheila & Joe Lally, Pauline Greene, Sofia Orr,
Most Rev. Frank J. Rodimer, Marge Dolby,
Jake Grimes, Cecilia Malizzi, Martene Errico,
Patricia Pongracz, Matthew Adonis, Lucy Black,
Elizabeth Flinn, Delia Frank.

Please Note: We retain names on the Prayer List for six weeks. If you wish to have them continued after that period please call the office and let us know.

Christmas Schedule

Reconciliation Service with Confessions,

Thurs. Dec. 21st, 7pm

Dec. 23rd, Confessions 4pm--Sunday Vigil Mass 5pm

Dec. 24th, Sunday Masses - 7:30am, 9am, 11:15am

Dec. 24th, Christmas Masses 4pm and 8pm

Dec. 25th, Christmas Masses 9am and 11:15am

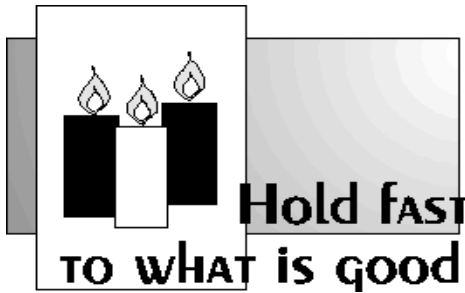
Dec. 30th, Saturday, 9am and 5:00pm

Dec. 31st, Sunday Masses at 7:30am, 9am, 11:15am.

***Jan. 1st, Mass at 9am. This is a Holy day,
but there is no Mass obligation.***

Third Sunday of Advent

December 16-17, 2017



“The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to captives, and release to prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord and a day of vindication by our God.”

Isaiah 61

Remember when Jesus read this passage in His synagogue in Nazareth? St. Luke tells us He said, ‘Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearings.’ We often associate this passage at the time of ordination or confirmation. Today it is directed to me and tells me what to expect when the longed for Savior comes. He was ‘anointed’, the name Christ means the anointed one. He had a mission, He was sent. He had a message ‘good news.’ He looked for the lowly, the hurting, those bound by addictions and desperation. He came to free and form missionary disciples.

The mission of Jesus is our mission, the mission of the entire church. We are comfortable, but consider fellow Christians throughout the world suffering from poverty, political oppression. Consider missionaries serving the most pitiable people, like Doctors with Borders, the Catholic Near East Welfare Society Workers, Medical Mission Sisters bringing Isaiah’s prompting to fulfillment.

Yes, the spirit of the Lord is upon all of us as we begin week three of Advent. Jesus has gifted us with His mission.

‘Come Lord Jesus.’

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

Religious Education



2nd GR. STUDENTS

The 2nd Grade students are collecting hats and scarves. There will be baskets for this collection in the Church.



The Students of Our Lady of the Lake Religious Education Program will be selling Christmas cactus \$6.00 each after all the Masses until they are gone.



Decorating of the Church for Christmas will take place on two separate days. The remaining decorations will be done on Sun., Dec. 24th following the 11:15am Mass.

Students making Confirmation can earn community service hours.

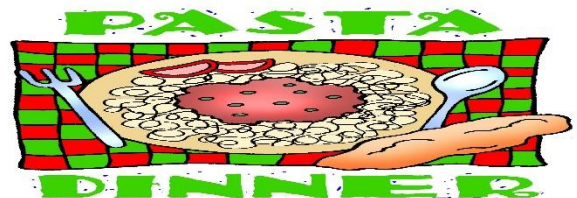
Any and all help will be greatly appreciated!

Family Mass - Sunday, December 17, 9am

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TOY DRIVE



Please bring toys to the Church to be distributed to needy children. The toys should not be wrapped. No toy guns please. The last day for collection of toys is Monday, Dec. 18th.



ANNUAL PASTA DINNER



Mark Your Calendar

**JANUARY 14TH
PARISH CENTER**

Pray the Rosary with us.
Wednesday Evening
7:00 pm



THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST ELIZABETH cordially invite you to join them for the Feast of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 6, 2018, at Holy Family Chapel, Convent Station, NJ at 11AM. A light lunch will follow in the study hall of the Academy of St. Elizabeth. The Heritage Room at the Motherhouse will be open for a display of Mother Seton memorabilia. For more information call 973-290-5470. In case of inclement weather call 973-290-5478.