

Welcome to
Saints Peter & Paul
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 4, 2016
The Second Sunday
of Advent

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

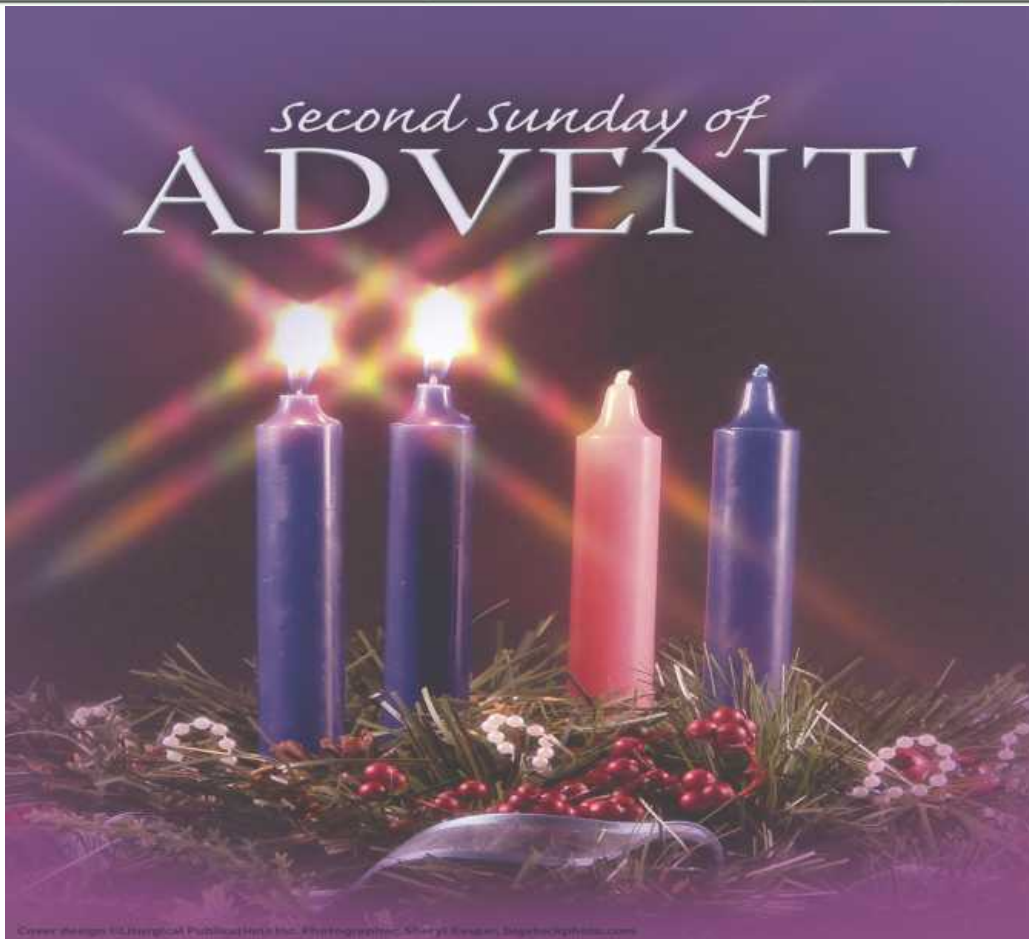
Sunday: 7:30, 9:15, 10:45 a.m., 12:15 and 5:00 p.m.

Holy Day Masses: 7:00, 9:00 a.m., 4:00 and 7:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses: Monday–Friday: 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Saturday Morning: 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 1:00-2:00 p.m or by appt.



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MISSION STATEMENT

SS. Peter & Paul Parish is a Eucharistic Community dedicated to Jesus Christ's gospel message. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we call forth the gifts and talents of our members to strengthen the universal Body of Christ through prayer, worship and service. We invite all to join us on this journey.

Welcome Visitors...

We are happy to have you with us at the parish of SS. Peter and Paul. Whether you are here for the first time or you visit periodically, you are most welcome.

If there is anything that we can do to make your visit more pleasant, please ask any of the ushers who will be glad to show you where things are.

We hope that you feel at home here and please come again!

Office Hours:

Secretary Available:

Monday—Friday, 9:00 am—12:00pm
& 12:30—4:00 pm
(716) 649-2765

Mass Cards Only:

Monday—Friday, 9:00 am—8:00pm

No office hours Saturday or Sunday.
For an appointment with clergy,
please call for time & date.

Vision Statement

***Our vision that our ministries
look to follow***

*“From SS. Peter & Paul Parish’s
humble beginnings in 1844, our
family in faith continues to preserve
and honor the past, value the present
and shape young disciples for a
vibrant future for our community. We
strive to evangelize and strengthen
the universal Body of Christ through
worship, prayer and service so that
one day we will be joined together
forever in God’s Heavenly Kingdom.”*

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Parish News...

Calendar of Events:

December 5th—December 11th

Monday, December 5th

10:00-7:00 Christmas Bazaar Basket Raffle Pick-up
(Parish Mtg Rm)

2:30-4:00 School Play Rehearsal (Social Center/Gym)

4:00-8:30 Basketball/Students (Social Center/Gym)

7:00-9:00 Men's Ministry (Rectory Dining & Living Rm)

7:00-8:30 St. Vincent de Paul (Rectory Conf Rm)

7:00-8:30 Faith Formation Gr. 6-8 (School)

Tuesday, December 6th

9:30-10:00 Lectio Divina Prayer Group (Chapel)

2:20-3:00 School Christmas Concert Practice (Church)

4:00-8:30 Basketball/Students (Social Center/Gym)

7:00-9:00 Buffalo Choral Arts Rehearsal (Church)

7:00-8:30 RCIA (Parish Mtg Rm)

7:00-9:00 Contemporary Ensemble (School Music Rm)

Wednesday, December 7th

10:00-11:30 Prayer Shawl (Parish Mtg Rm)

12:30 School Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal
(Church)

6:00-8:00 School Christmas Concert (Church)

7:00-8:00 Cub Scouts (School Cafeteria)

7:00-9:00 Women's Group (Rectory Conf Rm)

7:00-7:30 Rosary (Chapel)

7:30-9:00 Charismatic Prayer Group (Chapel)

Thursday, December 8th

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation - Masses 7am, 9am, 4pm, 7pm

Blood Pressure Reading

Before & After Morning Masses (Church)

9:00 School Mass (Church)

2:30-4:00 School Play Rehearsal (Social Center/Gym)

4:00-8:30 Basketball/Students (Social Center/Gym)

6:45-8:30 Boy Scouts (School Cafeteria)

8:00-9:00 Parish Choir (Church)

Friday, December 9th

9:30-6:00 Adoration & Vespers (Chapel)

2:30-4:00 School Play Rehearsal (Social Center/Gym)

4:00-8:30 Basketball/Students (Social Center/Gym)

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Saturday, December 10th

9:00-11:00 Faith Formation Gr. 1-5 (School)

11:30-4:00 Basketball/Students (Social Center/Gym)

2:00-3:30 Three Kings Pageant Rehearsal (Church)

Ornament Sales After 4:00 pm Mass

7:30-9:30 Buffalo Choral Arts Society Concert (Church)

Sunday, December 11th

Ornament Sales After All Masses

Coffee Social After 9:15 am Mass
(Social Center Hallway)

10:15-12:00 Faith Formation Gr. 1-5 (School)

3:30-4:45 Youth Ensemble Rehearsal (Church)

7:00-8:30 Faith Formation Gr. 6-10 (School)

Today, Sunday December 4th

Nativity Scene Dedication

Led by local teenagers

7 pm in Memorial Park

Located on Lake St. in the Village of Hamburg

Refreshments will be served after

All are Welcome!

Advent Confessions

There will be additional opportunities for Confessions during Advent here at Saint Peter & Paul on Wednesdays, December 14th and 21st from 6 pm-7 pm in the Church. These are in addition to our Advent Penance Service that will be held on Monday, December 19th at 7 pm.

Creek Bend Residents

The monthly Communion Service will be celebrated at 4 PM in the dining room on Monday, December 5th!

Daily Prayer Schedule in Church:

(Monday—Saturday)

7:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet

8:00am Rosary

8:30am Liturgy of the Hours

Learning Our Faith at Ss. Peter and Paul...

Our Catholic School...

On November 27 we began the season of Advent. We are reminded of God's faithfulness and of how deeply committed He is to us. Advent is a time filled with God's grace when we are invited to reflect deeply on His love for us and on His presence to us. May we find many opportunities during the next four weeks to grow in our relationship with God. During these weeks many things like candles, lights, trees, decorations, cards, and gifts remind us of the secular aspects of Christmas. We are challenged to center our lives and hearts on Jesus, the reason for our celebrations.

The National Junior Honor Society is collecting small toiletries to for the Perry Housing Project until December 8. We thank the students in this society, as well as their advisors Mrs. Jurkowski and Ms. McClenathan for their involvement in this service project. The students are encouraged to do good deeds during Advent. The "Year of Mercy" will continue to be emphasized during religion classes as well as discussions on the season of Advent.

Report cards for the first trimester will be sent home for students in grades kindergarten through eight on December 6 or 7. Parent Teacher conferences take place on December 9. There are no classes for the students on December 9

Students and faculty will be attending the 9:00a.m. Mass on December 8 as we celebrate the Holy Day of Obligation, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. We celebrate God's grace and mercy toward Mary who is such an important role model for us as we grow in faith and love.

The Christmas concert takes place in the Church at 7:00p.m. on December 7. Please come and join us and see our children perform. Our students will remind us of the spirit of Advent and Christmas. If it is too late for you to come at night, you are welcome to come to our dress rehearsal/practice on Dec. 7 at 12:30p.m. in Church.

God bless you during this Advent season. May Jesus be born in your hearts!

Sister Marilyn Ann.

Faith Formation...

Information on Advent Penances:

- Saturday Dec. 10th @ 9:15 am in the gym for Saturday and Sunday elementary students (grades 3-5).
- Sunday Dec. 11th @ 7 pm in the church for Sunday evening students grades 6-10.
- Monday Dec. 19th @ 7 pm Parish Penance in the church for Home School students, grades 4-9 and for Monday evening students grades 6-8.

The Christmas Pageant is coming! This year it's a Three Kings Pageant, on Three Kings Day, Sunday January 8th. After the pageant there will be a cookies and hot cocoa reception. There are lots of roles for students and parents too. Parents are invited to help with rehearsals and to provide cookies for the reception afterward.

Sunday elementary students please remember to return Christmas caroling permission slips. Students without permission slips will not be able to participate.

Faith Formation Class Schedule:

Grades 1-5 Saturday Dec 10 class grades 1-5 **AND** Penance grades 3-5 in Chapel. Sunday students attend this Saturday Penance or Parish Penance on Monday Dec. 19. Saturday Dec 10 Three Kings Pageant rehearsal afternoon @ 2 pm. Saturday Dec 17 Three Kings Pageant rehearsal afternoon @ 2 pm.

Grades 1-5 Sunday Dec 11 class grades 1-5 @ 10:15 am – noon. Christmas caroling @ 11 am at Creek Bend Heights for Sunday elementary classes. Sunday Dec 18 class grades 1-5 @ 10:15 am – noon.

Grades 6-9 Sunday Dec 11 class grades 6-10 **AND** Penance grades 6-10 @ 7 pm – 8:30 pm. Sunday Dec 18 class grades 6-9 @ 7 pm – 8:30 pm.

Grade 10: Sunday Dec 11 Confirmation **BOTH PETER & PAUL** with Adoration Chapel in Gym after Penance. **Sunday Dec 18 NO CLASS only FOR CONFIRMATION (grades 6-9 have class as usual).**

Grades 6-8 Monday Dec 5 class grades 6-8 @ 7 pm – 8:30 pm. Monday Dec 12 class grades 6-8 @ 7 pm – 8:30 pm. Monday Dec 19 class grades 6-8 @ 7 pm – 8:30 pm **AND** Penance grades 6-8 @ 7 pm. Home School families and students attend this Penance.

Please contact Sarah Sutcliff, DRE, with questions at 649-0231, ext. 1 or faith-formation@ssp-phamburg.org.

Ministry...

Youth Ministry...

Unless otherwise specified, contact Jeremy, jdolph@ssp-phamburg.org, for more information. **Subscribe** to the Youth Ministry Newsletter at www.ssppy.com to receive updates on upcoming service, social, prayer and play opportunities!

F.I.R.S.T. Certificates make great gifts and are available in rectory and school offices. Cost is \$10 and proceeds support Youth Ministry activities.

Take a pilgrimage to Washington DC!

March For Life // January 26-28 // Washington, DC

The March for Life is an annual pro-life rally protesting abortion, held in Washington, DC. The pilgrimage includes sightseeing around the city, including historical sites and museums. On Thurs. Jan. 27th, the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, there is a huge youth rally and mass before we march with 300,000 other pilgrims, beginning at the mall to the Supreme Court, passing the Capitol Building. I have been twice and it is the most peaceful and inspiring thing I have ever seen. Open to High School Students (grades 9-12). Contact Jeremy for details and to sign up!

POPE TWEET:

"Advent is a time when we journey towards Jesus and his Kingdom of justice and peace." —Pope Francis (@pontifex)

Follow SS. Peter & Paul Youth Ministry on Twitter and Instagram (@ssppym)!



Parish Council

The minutes from the Parish Council Meeting of October 17th are now available on the Parish Website at www.sspeterandpaulhamburg.org.

LET'S GET TOGETHER

Please join us after the 9:15am Mass On Sunday, December 11th, 2016 for a Coffee Social in the Social Center Hallway, Sponsored by Altar & Rosary Society Come and enjoy the fellowship of our SS. Peter and Paul parish community!

Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious
Your donation works for aging religious. "I read that roughly 95 percent of donations to the Retirement fund for Religious aid senior religious," a donor writes. "That's wonderful when we truly want our donations to work." Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.

Church Cleaning & Decorating

The Christmas *cleaning* of the Church will be done Tuesday, December 20th at 6 pm. Please bring buckets and rags, soap will be provided.
Decorating of the Church will be done at 6 pm on Friday, December 23rd.
Please join us as we prepare for the coming of our Lord.

Pass The Chalice

This chalice pass is an awesome way to bring families together for prayer and at the same time bring an awareness of the need of vocations to the priesthood. Those families wishing to share in this great experience may **sign up at the table in Church** with your first & last name for the week you will be receiving the Chalice. The case with the Chalice in it will be in the Sacristy for the weekend Masses. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact David & Margaret Alexander at 648-3842.

Dec 4—Dec 10

D. Schweizer

Dec 11—Dec 17

Sr. Dolores Ryan



Ministry...

Parish Outreach

The Outreach office is closed from 12:00-12:30 for lunch

- 1) Food Pantry Needs:** canned yams, canned pineapple, cake mix, brownie mix
- 2) Thanksgiving Donors:** thanks to all for your generous donations of food, money and time in support of our Thanksgiving grocery distribution, which provided 108 dinners for families in need. Although we receive food from the Food Bank of WNY, we would not have been able to serve all of our families without your help. A special note of gratitude to our wonderful volunteers for their ongoing dedication and service.
- 3) The barrels at the Church entrances** are now designated for Friends of Night People for donations of gloves, hats, new socks and underwear. We are also collecting sleeping bags and blankets (please bring these items to the Outreach office). One barrel will remain at the Main Street entrance to receive general/holiday food donations.
- 4) The Angel Tree:** We will need all Angel Tree gifts returned to the tree or the Outreach office by the weekend of December 10-11th. We also have baskets by the tree to receive new toiletries for adults and teens.
- 5) We are not able to accept donations between the hours of 2-3pm.**

Eucharistic Minister Training

A one day training class will be held at Christ the King Seminary, East Aurora, January 14, 2017 from 9:30 am - 2:00 pm. If you are interested in serving as a Eucharistic Minister at Church, Elderwood at Hamburg, or to homebound parishioners, call Parish Outreach at 648-1725 for an application.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS

November 20, 2016

SUNDAY	\$ 18,864.55
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 2,442.00
MONTHLY	\$ 95.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 251.00
TOTAL	\$ 21,652.55
POOR BOXES (SVDP)	\$ 248.50

ADVENT

Preparing, Quieting, and Disciplining Our Hearts for the Full Joy of Christmas

In the Penitential Act at the beginning of Mass, we recognize our sinfulness and confess the mystery of Christ's love. On the four Sundays of Advent, we will recite the general confession that invokes the support of the communion of saints and community gathered for the Eucharist:

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

The text of this prayer is printed in our hymnals on the insert adhered to the inside front cover.

We will then acclaim the Lord and implore his mercy as we sing the ancient invocation *Kyrie, eleison*. Adapted by the Roman Church from the Greek liturgies, it may be used in English or in the original Greek. It follows the prayer of absolution by the priest and is sung in dialogue by the entire liturgical assembly with the choir or cantor.

Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.
Christe, eleison.	Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie, eleison.	Lord, have mercy.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS

November 27, 2016

SUNDAY	\$ 17,834.58
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 2,004.00
MONTHLY	\$ 240.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 311.00
TOTAL	\$ 20,389.58
POOR BOXES (SVDP)	\$ 221.50

Ministry ...

This Advent...



SSPP will have Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration during each Friday in Advent beginning Friday, December 2nd in the St. Francis Chapel.

Come join us to spend time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 9:30 am and continuing to 6 pm. Stop by and pray at any time!

Vespers (Evening Prayer/Liturgy of the Hours) will be prayed at the closing of each Friday adoration at 5:45 pm. **Please note: On Friday, December 23rd, we will have a solemn Advent Vespers Service (evening prayer) beginning at 5:30 with procession from the Chapel and concluding at 6 pm in the Church.**



Hope you can join your fellow parishioners in prayer during this beautiful time of the year.

Elizabeth Ministry

ALL our Ladies are invited to our annual Advent Prayer Luncheon Monday, December 12 at 10:00 am. Beginning in the St. Francis Chapel, lunch to follow in the Parish Meeting Room. Please RSVP to Susan: 648-9744, Ann: 649-3994 or Mary Ann: 992-2714. Come and enjoy each other!

Holy Land Pilgrimage Travelogue!

Join Hamburg Public Library staff members, Jack Edson and Jacob Rachwal at the **Hamburg Public Library on Monday, December 19 at 3 pm** for an inspiring travelogue of their recent pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Art and other members of the SSP&P community. This pilgrimage brought us to many of the places where Our Lord lived; Bethlehem, Nazareth, the Old City of Jerusalem, the River Jordan, the Via Dolorosa and the Holy Sepulcher. We will be sharing our photographs and stories about this trip, so please join us and see the beauty of the Holy Land! Free and open to the public.

SS. Peter & Paul Presents The third ornament in our Stained Glass Window Series: *Ascension Window*



Cost: \$25 - includes tax

Where to purchase:

Ornaments are available for purchase in the Rectory from 9-4 p.m., Monday- Friday., at

Expressions Floral & Gift Shoppe at 59 Main Street in Hamburg OR after select Masses.

MASSES:

Saturday, Dec. 10th after 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 11th after 7:30 a.m., 9:15 a.m.,

10:45 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 5 p.m.

Limited Quantities Available for Purchase from Previous Ornaments in our Series Call the Rectory for availability 649-2765.



Ministry ...



Buffalo Choral Arts Society presents
All on a Starry Night
Saints Peter & Paul Roman Catholic Church
Saturday, December 10th 7:30PM

The Buffalo Choral Arts Society, a 110-voice community chorus under the direction of Marcia A. Giambrone; John A. Mitton, accompanist, celebrates this most glorious time of year with its annual Holiday Concert, entitled ***All on a Starry Night***.

"For a great many Western New Yorkers, the Holiday Season doesn't begin until they've heard the Buffalo Choral Arts Society's Christmas Concert," said Kevin Phalen, BCAS President. "The trademark of BCAS is its diversity, and nowhere is this more evident than in our annual Holiday program," he concluded.

This year brings jaunty arrangements of *Jingle Bells* and *Ding, Dong Merrily on High*, juxtaposed with the serenity of *Carols of the Night*, which features a breathtaking arrangement of *O Holy Night* and *Silent Night* by composer Craig Courtney. In addition, BCAS will present selections from John Rutter, Handel's *Messiah* and much, much more. The Concert will be approximately 80 minutes in length and will be performed without an intermission.

Find out why the Buffalo Choral Arts Society, a proud member of Chorus America, was voted Best Vocal Ensemble in Buffalo in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 by ARTVOICE and its readers!

Tickets to ***All on a Starry Night*** are \$15 each and are on sale now. Group rates are available. Order by phone at **(716) 775-SONG (7664)** or online at **www.BuffaloChoralArts.org**.

Prayer ...

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH LISTED HERE AND THOSE LISTED IN OUR PARISH BOOK OF INTENSIONS LOCATED IN THE CHURCH:

Alice Pratt, Michael Dommer, Bradley Szal, Patrick Stanton, Arthur Hess, Barbara Sorrentino



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:

Anna Mattioli, Norman Masse, Martha Drzewucki, William F. Schupp

Prayer for Vocations

O God, who chose the apostles
to make disciples of all nations,
and who by baptism and confirmation
has called us to build up your Holy Church,
we implore you to choose among us,
Your children, many priests and religious
who will love you with their whole hearts
and will gladly spend their lives
making you known and loved by all.
Through Christ our Lord.

A Vocation View

We are urged to "prepare the way of the Lord!" God has called some men and women to show His children how to do this through their leadership as priests, and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website—
www.buffalovocations.org!

CHURCH TOWER BELLS

The Church Bells will ring the week of
December 4th—December 10th

In Memory of Emily Quinn

By Mike & Nancy Quinn

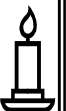


SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will burn the week of
December 4th—December 10th

In Memory of Bo & Edie Ogdon & Family

By Jean LaRusch



Events...

Timon To Hold Christmas Movie Night To Benefit St.

Jude Children's Hospital: On Saturday December 10, Bishop Timon – St. Jude High School's St. Jude Society will be hosting a Family Christmas Movie Night to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital. We will be showing the holiday favorite "Elf" starring Will Ferrell in the school's auditorium. Pizza, popcorn and soft drinks will be available for purchase. A 50/50 raffle, as well as appearances by Santa and his elf will make this a fun night out for the whole family! Doors open at 6pm with the movie beginning at 7pm. The cost is only \$1 for children and \$3 for adults. Join us for a memorable event while helping out a great cause. All proceeds will go to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital in their fight against childhood cancers. For additional info contact the school at 826-3610. Hope to see you there!

Monday Night BINGO @ 7:30 pm

Hamburg Knights of Columbus - 36 Pierce Ave. Increased prizes including Share-The-Wealth, Progressive game and new Bonus Ball game. All are welcome! More info call 649-4340.

St. Francis of Assisi Altar & Rosary is sponsoring the 3rd *Annual Christmas Cookie Walk*. A variety of homemade cookies will be available to purchase on Saturday December 10th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM and from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM and Sunday December 11th from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM in our church social center. The donation is \$5.00 per dozen. Come join in on the fun of choosing from an assortment of homemade Christmas cookies!

St. Padre Pio Healing Mass at **St. John the Baptist Church**, 6895 Boston Cross Road, Boston, NY. Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 pm.

St. Francis High School: **Vocal Concert** featuring Chorus Classes, Men's Choir and Senior Schola on Thursday, Dec. 15th at 7 pm in Alumni Hall Theatre. **Instrumental Concert** featuring Concert Band, Jazz Messengers and Percussion Ensemble on Tuesday, Dec. 20th at 7 pm in Alumni Hall Theatre.

Greccio "Living Nativity" beginning at 7 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 14th in Friars' Hall Chapel.

A Service of Lessons and Carols Sunday, Dec. 18th at 4 pm in the Friars' Hall Chapel.

Sacraments

Baptisms: Congratulations on the birth of your baby! The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated each Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

Pre-Baptismal instruction for parents is conducted on the 4th Monday of every month at 7:00p.m. in the St. Francis Chapel. Attendance at the Pre-Baptismal class is mandatory for first time parents. Contact the Rectory for an appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please inform the parish priests about parishioners confined to their homes, hospitals, or nursing facilities. The Sacraments of Anointing of the Sick and the Eucharist are meant for the healing and comfort of those who are ill.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday: 1:00-2:00p.m. (During summer months 1:00-1:45 **sharp** due to weddings beginning at 2 pm) Confessions are also heard by appointment, in the Rectory. Please call and ask when a priest is available.

Sacrament of Marriage: Congratulations on your engagement! Engaged couples should contact one of the parish priests before making other wedding arrangements. You must be an active parishioner for at least 6 months prior to setting a date. Couples are required to attend a Pre-Cana Conference, or equivalent pre-marital preparation program. Please call the rectory to schedule arrangements with one of the priests.

Letter of Recommendation—IMPORTANT:

Recommendations to act as Sponsors of Baptism or Confirmation are issued to registered parishioners who are attending Mass and received Holy Communion regularly, have their children attending a Catholic school or Religious Education class, if married, have entered a ceremony performed in conformity with the regulations of the Catholic Church. Church Law requires that a Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation be Confirmed and we are not permitted to make exceptions to this rule.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 4th, 2016—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 7:30 Nancy & George Eberle by Karl & Debi Stadler
9:15 Eleanor Nowakowski by Family
10:45 Kyle Reid by Family
12:15 Mae & Ed Scahill by Kathy & Greg Ferrand
5:00 Ray Weaver by Evelyn Bakowski

Monday, December 5th, 2016—Advent Weekday

- 7:00 Mary Ward by Tom & Mary Collins
9:00 William & Elizabeth Mc Andrews by Children

Tuesday, December 6th, 2016—Advent Weekday

St. Nicholas, bishop

- 7:00 Timothy Flanagan by Family
9:00 William Galligan by Family

Wednesday, December 7th, 2016—*St. Ambrose, bishop and doctor of the Church memorial*

- 7:00 Spence & Kathleen Ferris by Doyka & Forth Families
9:00 Carmen Felice by Family

Thursday, December 8th, 2016—*IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*

(Patronal feastday of the USA) solemnity, holy day of obligation

- 7:00 Arlene Mastrangelo by Family
9:00 Rev. Msgr. Gerard Leo Green by Estate
4:00 Rose Winter by Rose & Ron Goetz
7:00 John Sebbens by Rev. John Adams

Friday, December 9th, 2016—Advent Weekday *St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin*

- 7:00 Melvin & Dolores Lange by Family
9:00 Mary Czosnyka by Leo Michalek Jr. Family

Saturday, December 10th, 2016—Advent Weekday

- 9:00 Margaret Ruszczuk by Carm & Lisa
4:00 Andrew & Casimira Kasprzak by Dorothy Kasprzak

Sunday, December 11th, 2016—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 7:30 Ricky Courier by Mr. & Mrs. Norbert Prieschel
9:15 Dr. Leo Michalek Sr. by Leo Michalek Jr. Family
10:45 Justin Kohn by Donald Meyer Family
12:15 Living & Deceased Member of the Atkinson Family by Mom & Family
5:00 Dr. Paul Kreuz by Family

Liturgical Ministers...

December 10th—December 11th

4:00 p.m. Lector—Mark Jones

Altar Servers—Natalie Muka, Madeline Muka, Gianna Muriel, Emma Moscato

Eucharistic Ministers—Peg Domres, Marlene Zawierucha, Lee Kerwin, Joanne O'Brien, John Banas, Susan Banas, Robert Sarrasin, Gary Lederman

7:30 a.m. Lector—Stan Moore

Altar Servers—Gavin Calkins, Mia Insera, Sam Ruffino, Margaret Ruffino

Eucharistic Ministers—Greg Klubek, Brianna Klubek, Paula Simon, Sylvia Tamol, Mary Krajcer, Martin Moot, Stacey Danner, Nancy Gier

9:15 a.m. Lector—Dave Alexander, Margaret Alexander

Altar Servers—Julia Wisinski, Sarah Wisinski, Isabella Giardina, Shannon Dienes

Eucharistic Ministers—Kathleen Seitz, Gabriella Carducci, Shirley Nicaise, Lois Hammell, Kathy Northway, Maria Brokx

10:45 a.m. Lector—Joanne Zabielski, Maureen Snyder

Altar Servers—Anna Hayes, Lauren Gaume, Stephanie Gaume

Eucharistic Ministers—Joseph Herrmann, Michael DeLellis, Sandy Bloom, Virginia Leyh

12:15 p.m. Lector—Joe Gray & Steven Gray

Altar Servers—Georgia Horschel, Hanna Barrett, Isabelle Weller

Eucharistic Minister—Margaret Pagliacci, Jane Larcom, Shirley Lauria

5:00 p.m. Lector—Janet Griffin

Altar Servers—Nicholle Ebner, Hannah Johnston, Teagan Johnston

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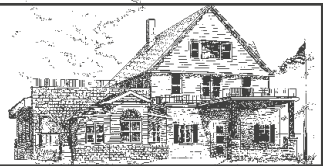
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