

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, December 24

4.00PM Kay Lang by Barbara & Vin Donnelly

Sunday, December 25, The Nativity of the Lord

9.00AM People of the Parish

11.15AM Mary & Evelyn Lucey by Jon & Barbara Todd

Monday, December 26, St. Stephen, the First Martyr

8.30AM Carmen LaGrutta & Mary Ingrisano by Al & Eleanor Stierheim

Tuesday, December 27, St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

8.30AM New Born Children

Wednesday, December 28, The Holy Innocents

8.30AM No Mass

Thursday, December 29, St. Thomas Becket, Bishop

8.30AM Rosemary Boffa by Andrew & Rae Ann Valenti

Friday, December 30, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8.30AM For All our Families

Saturday, December 31, St. Sylvester I, Pope

8.30AM No Mass

4.00PM Fr. George LaGrutta by Mary & Rob

Sunday, December 1, The Solemnity of Mary

9.00AM People of the Parish

11.15AM Albert J.H. Rein SR by Nancy & Jim Rizzi

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

4.00 PM Marsha sereno

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

9.00 AM Kathleen Johnson

11.15 AM Ed Kennedy

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

4.00 PM Kathleen Johnson

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

9.00 AM Nancy and Jim Rizzi

11.15 AM Joan Girardi

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
(CHRISTMAS)**

First Reading: Isaiah 52: 7-10

Isaiah rejoices that God is bringing his exiled people home to Jerusalem. He calls out to the people to be glad because God will restore Jerusalem.

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Paul explains to the Hebrews that although God had spoken through the prophets, people could not always completely understand the message. Now God has spoken to us by sending Jesus, the son, a reflection of God's glory and forgiver of our sins.

Gospel: John 1:1-18

John describes how the Word came into the world in the form of Jesus. All those who accept Jesus become children of God by sharing in Jesus' love. No one has seen God, but through Jesus, God was revealed to us.

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Mass Schedule for New Year

SATURDAY – 4.00 PM

SUNDAY – 9.00 AM & 11.15 AM

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection \$ 1368.00

Christmas Flowers \$ 519.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

CONGRATULATION

Our "200 Club" Winner for December 18

CURT SOMMERS

NEW WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

From January 1st 2017, we will be having regular mass from Monday to Saturday at 8.30 AM. And Weekend Mass Schedule will be as usual at 4.00 PM on Saturday and 9.00 AM & 11.15 AM on Sunday.

NEW SCHEDULE FOR ADORATION

From January 1st 2017, we will be having Adoration daily from Monday to Saturday at 7.30 AM to 8.30 AM & on all the Fridays from 7.30 AM to 8.30 AM & 9.00 AM to 10.00 AM.

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is always in need of food stuffs and/or monetary donations! Please be generous. Thank you for your increased giving to the food pantry.

Christmas Flower donations have been made in memory/honor of their loved ones by the following:

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Gubelli, Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Donnelly, Mr. & Mrs. Franklin Bartle, Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Meyer, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Byrne, Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Nied, Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Rowdycz, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Valenti, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Sherwood, Filomena Mahnkopf, Mr. John Giannotta, Mrs. Peter Bell, Mr. & Mrs. George Jerome, Mrs. Alberta Strecker, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Horecky, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Stierheim, Mrs. Paul Kieffer, Margie Granese, Mr. & Mrs. Fredrick Bosch, Mr. & Mrs. Russell Machechnie, Mrs. Jack Newman, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony LaRuffa, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Girardi, Mrs. Margaret Butler, Mr. Curt Sommers, Anna Rinarldi Keegan, Mr. & Mrs. John Donnadio...

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THANK YOU

A big Thanks to J.J. Hanson and family for donating 100 books, titled "Resisting Happiness" by Mathew Kelly. Please read and get inspired.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA'S ANGEL GIVING TREE

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generosity in making our St. Anthony of Padua's Angel Giving Tree a big success. We were able to help families with toys, clothing, and housewares. Special thanks to Nancy & Jim Rizzi and Margie Granese for all their hard work in organizing the program.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please Pray for Don Tedesco, Marilyn Pizzonia, Michael Dean, Kyle Graham, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, JJ Hanson, Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Anthony Giordano, Betty Fok, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Jane Schneider, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Michael Donnelly, Matthew Counts, Joseph Counts, Vaughn Schlott, Kevin Bozza, Kathleen Jaeger, Michael Walsh, and Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli.

NOTIFY US OF CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

MARCH FOR LIFE BUS

On January 27th Friday, March for Life bus trip is organized to go to Washington D.C. The bus will be leaving in front of St. Mary's Church in Port Jervis at 5 a.m. And there will be a Mass at 4.00 p.m. The cost would be \$40.00 per person and \$75.00 per family. Donations would be greatly appreciated if you cannot attend. Please contact Nancy Smith – 845-856-8212 or St. Mary's Church Office: Jenna – 845-856-4610.

Dear Parishioners,

I wish all of you a Blessed Christmas. Hope you are all tired of Christmas shopping, exchanging gifts, baking cakes and decorating the houses. Wow! What a relaxation! and what a great celebration! When I think of Christmas two things come to my mind. First, the love of God for His children, second, the reunion of our own families. No matter where we are, on Christmas day we all gather in one place as a family and thank the Lord for the beautiful gift of Himself first and the gift of all our family members. Now I hear some of our parishioners telling me, father we are going to my son's or daughter's house for this Christmas. I see great joy in their faces when they say this. What a great celebration that brings happiness in everyone's life. This is the third Christmas I am away from family. For the past two years I was in Staten Island and this year I am here with you. Even though I am away from my family, I never felt that I am alone because I always feel that I have a larger parish family here than at home. We all belong to one family of St. Anthony of Padua Parish and this is our family celebration. Come let us welcome the Baby Jesus into our hearts and homes. May the New Born Jesus Bless you!

Fr. Joselin Pens Berkman