

**MASS INTENTIONS
DECEMBER 10 –DECEMBER 18, 2016**



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10
VIGIL OF THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

5:30 PM +James J. Beagin
+Mary Iozzio
+Josephine Szczomak
+George & Nell Sadlock
+Edward Pospiech & Nancy
+Marie & Stanley Doviak
+Claire & Eleanor Chidiac

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

7:30 +Susan, Mario & Myrtle Nocera
+Pauline & Charles Giamonco
+Isolina Garzona
+Carmen Scorzo
9:30 +Leo Cullen
+Angiolina Tollis
+Helen Young
+William J. Heina
11:30 +Joseph Torres
+Carol Ann Bushey Lucas
+Delia Stampone
+Antonina Carnemolla
5:30PM For the Parishioners

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12
FEAST OF OUR LADY OF QUADALUPE**

11:30 Franciscan Mass League
7 PM **Spanish**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

11:30 +Fr. John Piccione, O.F.M.
+Anthony Tudda, Jr.
+Claire Chidiac
7 PM +Fr. Leo Ferrary, O.F.M.
+James Egan
+Beatrice Brophy

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

11:30AM +Souls in Purgatory
+Mary Nugent
+Frances & Louis Eswood



FLOWER DONATIONS

If you are interested in making a donation of a floral arrangement for the Church in memory of a loved one, please call the Parish Office. We will discuss with you what would be a suitable occasion and then we will make the arrangements. We will also put a notice in the bulletin acknowledging your donation if you would like.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

11:30+Ernestine & William Colella
+Margaret Patterson
+Ron Rist
+John Ciborski

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

11:30 +Josephine & Madeline Panetta
+Raffaella Cirillo
+Carmella Zappala

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

1130 +Myrtle Evans
+The Healy Family
Souls in Purgatory
+Ariosto Tontodonati

VIGIL OF THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5:30 PM For the Parishioners

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

7:30 +M. V. Horia, Bruno, Andy & Perry Stillo
+Francis Shea
+Lucille Walsh
+Ray Beesley
9:30 +Anthony & Lena Colella
+Joseph Trawinski
+Frank, Giovanna & Rosario DeRosa
+Joseph Emmolo
+Ed Castaro
11:30 +Stephen Guarino
+Anthony Tudda, Jr.
+Patty & Sam Calafiore
+Eneida & Franco Juan Sigismondi
+Anne Sikorski Craffen
5:30PM +Dorys Espejo



*EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS of
Bread & Wine are offered this
week in Memory of/ Los dones
Eucarísticos se ofrecerán
en memoria de
Margaret Patterson*



*SANCTUARY LAMP will burn this
week in Memory of / La Vela del
Santuario permanecerá
encendida en memoria de
Margaret Patterson*

✠ pray for the deceased ✠

Raymond J. Beesley +1950

Ray was born in Paterson and resided there all his life. He was a Sheet Metal Worker for Local Union No. 137 for many years. He was a parishioner, Eucharistic Minister and choir musician at St. Bonaventure. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, he played a professional Santa Clause for over 21 years winning the Best Santa Competition for over 15 years in a row. He will be remembered for his charity work, gathering donations, visiting various hospitals, shelters, children's centers and nursing homes. It was his personal mission to bring joy and ease pain in the lives of those less fortunate. He is survived by his wife Patricia, six children, five grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

MAY HE REST PEACEFULLY IN THE LORD!



**Oremos por los enfermos,
especialmente**

Pray For The Sick

Teresa Apolei, Juan Arias, John Barcewski, Robert Barone, Laurie Barone, Michele Bender, Jean Berdan, Sr. Anne Elizabeth Bolte, Tom Brown, Garret Buys, Phillippe Carino, Debbie Caruso, Anthony Cinderella, Maria Colatarci, Jean Colletti, Vincent Colucci, Genevieve DeChellis, Susanna DeNude, Richard DiMauro, Susie & Frank DeVito, Angela Di Pasquale, Steven Domalewski, Ann Dorning, Cesarina Earl, Eileen Egan, Wendy Estrada, Vincent William Gaffney, Giovanna Gatti, Joseph Gilmore, Adele Ginnotti, Antonio Giudice, Salvatore Giudice, John Grectin, Ray Gulbin, Steve Hermann, Maryann Hughes, Jay Intili, Alke M. Laffey, Irene Lester, Dean Patrick Lewis, Addison Mary Lewis, Mary MacDonald, Caden Many, Ed Marrone, Sandra Mas, Andrew Maye, Patricia McGovern, Kenneth McGraw, Rosemary McGraw, Mario Menjincello, Stan Michunovich, Cindy Orchowski, Lois Orlando, Gemma Nacleria, Eileen Primavera, Luisa Rendenna, Eliane Rocca, Diana Romeo, John Ruff, John Saputo, Gloria Russo, Shirley G. Salavarría, Debbie Sherwood, Jean Smith, Annette Streicher, Philip Treanor, Joan Trecartin, John Trommelen, Patricia Tucher, Barbara Urgovitch, Jayne Vandorsten, Ray Veltri and Philip Zipoy

BULLETIN DEADLINES

Articles for the December 18th bulletin should be in the Parish Office no later than Tuesday, December 12th.

Articles for the December 25th bulletin Should be in the Parish Office no later than Friday, December 16th.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Scripture Readings for This Week

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11
Monday Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Tuesday Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30
Friday Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36
Saturday Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

COLLECTION

December 4.....3,304.00

**Second Collection
Religious Retirement....\$1,306.00**

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you for supporting senior religious. A sister from Indiana writes, "Because of your kindness, our elderly sisters will have the comfort, security, and joy of living out their remaining years here in their home. You truly honor them and their many years of service by your generosity." Religious across the United States offer sincere thanks for your generosity to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

**Sr. Anne Elizabeth Bolte
will be turning 90 Monday, December 11th!
Below is her address for anyone who would
like to send her a card on this special
occasion.**

**McAuley Hall Health Care Center
1633 Rt. 22 – Rm 108
Watchung, N.J. 07069**

OFFERING ENVELOPE BOOKLETS
will be in the back of the church
for you to pick up at your convenience.



ST. ANTHONY CHRISTMAS NOVENA
Week 8 of our Christmas Novena
at the 11:30 AM and 7:00 PM Masses.

**St. Bonaventure's Religious Formation -
Winter Coat and Accessory Drive**



*Won't you help someone stay warm this winter? If you have gently used coats, scarves, hats and gloves you are no longer using; please share them with your brothers and sisters of the community. We are taking all sizes. Please drop off your donated items after Mass at Bishop Manning Hall. We will accept donations **throughout November until December, 11, 2016.***

**Class Cancellation for
Sunday, December 18, 2016**

We are cancelling class on Sunday, December 18th, because there are enough instructional hours in for the first part of the year due to no prior class cancellations. Progress Reports will be sent home on December 11, 2016 and must be returned on January 8, 2017.

Have a blessed Christmas and joyous New Year!



Religious Formation Classes Begin

December 11 - 10:30 AM All Grades
**Penance Service for Grade 3
Confirmation II**

December 25 - **No Classes Christmas
The Nativity of the Lord**

January 1 - **No Classes
Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the
Mother of God**



GIVING TREE

Each year the Ministry of Social Concerns Committee has an activity called the Giving Tree. The goal of this activity is to collect gifts and clothing for children from infant to eighteen years of age for Christmas. A tree is set up in the back of church and decorated with tags. Each tag has a child's name, age, and information about a particular gift that they could use. If you take a tag, please return your gift by **Sunday, December 11th**, to ensure that every child will receive a gift. If you do not have the time to purchase a gift, you can leave a monetary offering at the Parish Office.

Our tree will be up on **Saturday, November 19th through Sunday, December 11th**.

Thank you.

Edna Sturno

GRIEVING & BEREAVEMENT

We seem to miss those who are not with us especially at this time of the year. Our parish Bereavement Ministry meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Friary Conference Room. We share our thoughts with others who have also lost a loved one. The next meeting is on **Monday, December 19th**, please come. Perhaps sharing your feelings with others will help you get through the holidays. All are welcome.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

**Thursday, December 15
Wednesday, December 21
Friday, December 23**

from 7 to 9 PM in the church.
Practice is for Christmas Eve and
Christmas Day Masses.

Liberty...

"What light is to the eyes - what air is to the lungs - what love is to the heart, liberty is to the soul of man."
Robert Green Ingersoll



FEEDING THE POOR AND HUNGRY

Once again, our St. Bonaventure's community generously supported the Father English Center food collection on Saturday, November 19th by contributing:

30 frozen dinners	3 frozen hams
55 bags of groceries	9 frozen turkeys
3 cartons of canned goods	1 frozen chicken
26 bags of used clothing	150 lbs. of rice

These totals include 22 bags of groceries, 2 hams and 1 turkey contributed by our Knights of Columbus Council #240. As well as 17 bags of groceries, 2 turkeys, 1 ham and 1 bag of used clothing donated by residents of Mountain Ridge Towers in West Paterson. Thanks to all who made this food donation possible and particularly to that parishioner who provided 9 frozen dinners with the help of neighbors and friends.

There are many in our own community who suffer from serious food insecurity. Please realize that in ministering to these people, who don't have enough to eat, we humbly follow in the footsteps of our beloved St. Anthony of Padua. So fervently did St. Anthony take it upon himself to alleviate the suffering of the destitute that he became known as the Patron Saint of the poor.

Please, as we go about our lives this month, continue to remember the poor and hungry in our midst and prepare for our next collection of groceries and frozen dinners on Saturday, December 17th.

Our Schedule for December is as follows:

FROZEN DINNER PANS

Saturday & Sunday, December 10/11

Available after all Masses in rear of church

FROZEN DINNER PICKUP

Saturday, December 17th – 8:30 to 9:30 AM

In front of Bishop Manning Hall

NON-PERISHABLE GROCERIES

May be dropped off at the same time or any time before December 17th in rear of church or Parish Office.

The convent of the Franciscan Sisters of Peekskill has four dead boilers and a chapel that needs major heating repairs. This is the order of Sisters who taught in St. Bonaventure schools for many years. Details of their dire situation can be found by accessing Youcaring.com and typing on the search bar Heat for the Sisters.

Donations can be made by credit card at that site or by sending your check to: Franciscan Sisters, Mount St. Francis, 250 South Street, Peekskill, NY 10566.

To the Community of St. Bonaventure's Parish,

Your warm welcome for Br. Bob & Br. Richard, as they came to preach about the Franciscan Challenge this past weekend, was truly an example of the wonderful Franciscan hospitality for which your community is known.

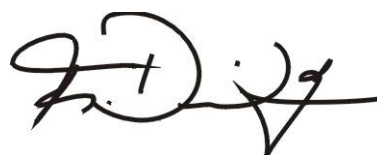
Your care and support of the Franciscan Friars who serve you now, and those to come in the future, is evidence of the love you have for those who have served you in the past.

Thank you for your participation in our annual Provincial fundraising event. Your gift ensures that the Franciscan spirit will endure in our world and in our church.

Thank you for being *the Body of Christ* to all the Friars and to the people we serve.

A very special thanks also to Fr. Stephen and Fr. Frank for welcoming Br. Bob and Br. Richard in such a wonderful, fraternal way.

Many blessings,



**Fr. David Convertino, OFM
Executive Director
Office of Development
The Franciscan Friars of Holy Name Province**

Please visit our website for more information or to donate to the Franciscan Challenge @ www.thefranciscanchallenge.org

END OF YEAR UPDATES

Have you moved, changed your phone number, have an email address, wish to use or not use weekly envelopes? Please let the Parish Office know.

