

**MASS INTENTIONS
DECEMBER 17 –DECEMBER 25, 2016**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17
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

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19

11:30 Franciscan Mass League

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

11:30 +Salvatore & Giuseppina Turdo

+Michael & Maria Volpe

+Margaret & Michael Turdo

+Frank, Sara & John Bartman

+Maria Licciardi & Phil Zufolo

7 PM +Francis Shea

+Souls in Purgatory

+James Egan

+Beatrice Brophy

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

11:30AM +William, Ernestine & Anthony John Colella

+Ferrary Family

+Nicholas Choiuk



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 22

11:30+Deceased Members of the John &

Angela Scalzitti Family

+Guarino & Zampella Family

+Kaufmann Family

+Ray Beesley

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

11:30 +George E. Healy

+Theresa Brunner

+Filomena DiVirgilio

+William T. Walsh

+Anne Sikorski Craffen

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

1130 +Don Hayden

+Rose Sturno

+Maribelle & Francis Tomedy

+Carmine Buglione

**VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY
OF THE LORD**

Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24th

Carols (English) 5:00 PM

Vigil Mass (English) 5:30 PM

Lessons & Carols (English) 9:30 PM

Mass at Night (English) 10:00 PM

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY
SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

Mass at Dawn (English) 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Mass During the Day (Spanish) 1:30 PM



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



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

✠ pray for the deceased ✠

DECEASED FRANCISCAN FRIARS



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,
Phillipe 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 January 1st bulletin
should be in the Parish Office **no later than**
Tuesday, December 27th.



Scripture Readings for This Week Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24
Monday Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45
Thursday 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
Friday Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66
Saturday Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;
Lk 1:67-79

COLLECTION

December 11.....\$3,002.00

Thank you for your continued support.

OFFERING ENVELOPE BOOKLETS

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



ST. ANTHONY CHRISTMAS NOVENA

Week 9 of our Christmas Novena
at the 11:30 AM and 7:00 PM Masses.

Class Cancellation for today, 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!





*Through the waters of
Baptism, we welcome into
our Parish Family
Sofia Lorella Gloor
Gerard Garcia Valik*



Religious Formation Classes Begin

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

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

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

Wednesday, December 21
Friday, December 23
from 7 to 9 PM in the church.
Practice is for Christmas Eve and
Christmas Day Masses.



PARKING AT CHRISTMAS MASSES

As we all know, our Christmas Masses will be filled with many visitors. Please welcome them and encourage them to return in the New Year! Parking may present a bit of a problem. Several infirmed people on wheelchairs may arrive just before the Masses. I ask you – please keep the front of the church clear, from the curb all the way to the front door of the church. This will facilitate the drop-off and pick-up of those joining us who need the assistance of a wheelchair.

Orange cones will be placed at the front curb. If you are driving someone who needs walking and/or wheelchair assistance, have someone remove the cones for the time you need. Then have them return the cones to the place where you found them. This will keep that space open and secure for the next delivery! Thank you for showing this courtesy to our guests!

Fr. Stephen, O.F.M.



SAINT PAUL'S ABBEY
297 Route 206 South
Newton, N.J.

St. Paul's Abbey has thousands of Christmas trees ready to choose 'n' cut 7 days a week from now until December 23, 9 AM to 4 PM. They also have an Abbey Gift Shop with many items that make ideal Christmas gifts, including books, statues, jewelry and more.





*Congratulations & Best Wishes to
Edward Eid
&
Megan Maute*

December 17, 2016

**VIGIL OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE MOTHER OF GOD**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31ST (ENGLISH) 5:30 PM

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

SUNDAY, January 1st – Holy Day of Obligation
Mass of the Day (English) 9:30 & 11:30 AM
(Spanish) 1:30 PM

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Vigil Mass, Saturday, January 7 (English) 5:30 PM

Masses of the Day, Sunday, January 8
(English) 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM
(Spanish) 5:30 PM

**"At times our own light goes out and is
rekindled by a spark from another person.
Each of us has cause to think with deep
gratitude of those who have lighted the
flame within us." Albert Schweitzer**



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14
Ahaz receives from Isaiah a prophecy that he will be successful in war and is urged to ask for a sign that the prophecy is true. The sign is "The virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel."

Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7
Paul greets the Romans by pointing out that Jesus is the Christ who was promised to them in Scripture. He, Paul, is the apostle favored with the task of spreading the name of Christ to all.

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24
In a brief, straightforward, simple narrative, Matthew recounts the events leading to Jesus' birth. He details the appearance of the angel in a dream to Joseph and stresses that "All this happened to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophets."

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.

