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Req by: Staff of S.E.S.

Wednesday January 11th 9am: William McCormack (D)

Req by: Bill & Marg Cyr

Thursday January 12th 9am: Tina Dialina (D)

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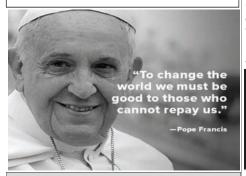
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BAPTISM



Parents looking for the sacrament of baptism for their child please speak with Fr. Roy after mass.



Alcoholic Anonymous meet every Saturday at 8pm Knights of Columbus room.

The Christmas season may seem like an odd time to reflect upon the summer gardens or more specifically my patio planters, or maybe with the unsettled and unpredictable weather, it is exactly Now the rectory decorations are not the needed diversion. extensive. There is a nice three foot artificial tree adorned with red and white decorations and of course the mandatory "Peanuts Gang" tree ornaments. The dining room table is draped in a sprawling Christmas tablecloth. The window sill is lined with a menagerie of lights and trinkets, and the side board is laden with trees and candles. It all looks very magical at night and when the Christmas music softly wafts through the air, there is a great sense of peace and serenity. It is a bit of an anomaly to figure out when the Christmas season ends and when it is time to take down the trees and store the decorations. So the song tells us that there are twelve days of Christmas which usually takes us to Epiphany. But the Western Church celebrates two epiphanies, the arrival of the magi and the second one the baptism of the Lord which is celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany, thereby extending it beyond the twelve days. Then when Christmas falls on a Sunday, it would be too long an extension so the Baptism of the Lord falls on the Monday directly after Epiphany. Now just because Valentine's cards line the card stores, and Valentine's candies fill the shelves, Christmas goes on. So I am of the mindset of keeping the spirit alive until forty days after Christmas which is the feast of the Presentation, the last vestige of the yuletide season. That is why the Church lights will be on until then. But I digress. How does this relate to a summer garden? Well, it was a long growing but the time came to close the patio. Most of the plants were discarded, but on the advice of someone, I had purchased a standard gardenia plant on sale mid-season. It did okay but the promised of a tree full of aromatic blossoms never came to pass. I have never really succeeded in over-wintering plants, but I decided to bring it in and see what happened. It was hidden into a corner in the dining room and someone made sure it was watered. As I was preparing the dining room for Christmas dinner, setting out the plates, mom's Old Country Rose China, I noticed that there were several buds, more than I had all summer, so it was rather exciting. With the flurry of the Christmas celebrations, I forgot about the gardenia in the corner. When we sat down to the turkey dinner



(my brother had switched the menu from roast beef) there was a beautiful aroma. As I glanced into the corner, I spied a beautiful full white blossom a Christmas gardenia. What a divine surprise – and more to come. Merry Christmas.

Fr. Roy

Announcements and Events...



Our annual Membership Tea is fast approaching! We welcome all ladies of the parish to join us on Sunday, January 22nd at 2pm for a wonderful afternoon of fellowship in Seton Hall. A tasty selection of sandwiches and desserts will be available, with tea served in fine china cups. We will also be accepting annual membership dues. Please join us as we continue to become the "Living Expression of God's Love"!

All Ladies of the Parish are invited to attend the next General meeting of the CWG, to be held on Tuesday, January 10th, commencing with Celebration of the Eucharist at We will then gather in Seton Hall at approximately 7.30 p.m. for fellowship and refreshments prior to the meeting. This will be a good opportunity to meet the newly elected Executive as they start their two year term of office.

New & Used Christmas Card Donations



charities including Southlake Regional Health Centre. If you have Christmas Cards you are going to throw out or no longer need please bring them and place them in the Box that is in the church fover until the end of February 2017.

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The Newmarket Food Pantry is always in need. If you can please place nonperishable food items in our food box FEED THE cated in the toyer we can co HUNGRY those in need. Thank you. cated in the foyer we can continue to feed

Baptismal Preparation January 19th at 7pm

These sessions are for parents. We ask that you make arrangements for your child/ children as they cannot be accommodated during this program. Parents looking for the sacrament of baptism for their child please speak with Fr. Roy after mass.

Sacraments of Initiation.....

First Communion Parent Catechesis Meeting Monday, January 23rd 7-8:30 pm

This is a very IMPORTANT meeting for parents (only). Please mark your calendars and attend!

Much information to share, sign up for retreat and First Communion Mass, receive Eucharistic Workbook, etc.

Confirmation

Parents & Candidate Meeting Monday, February 6th at 7pm

This is a very **IMPORTANT** meeting for both parents & candidates to attend! Meet your group leaders and the youth in your small groups, find out about the Spring Retreat, when is your Confirmation mass and so much more...)

Registration begins January 9,

YCDSB Kindergarten Registration

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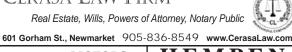
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