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Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon,
7:00 PM

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

Office Hours

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 am to 11:30 am

Monday to Thursday afternoons
1:00 pm to 4:00pm

Monday & Wednesday Morning Closed
Friday closed

Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
6:30 to 8:30 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call Fr. Dan Callahan,
ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details

Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Development and Peace
www.devp.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers

3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

Sunday School (ages 3-6)

During 10:00 AM Mass

PARISH STAFF
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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers
Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:
Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir
Susan McElcheran
Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM

12:00 Noon Choir
Antoine Pellerin

Ushers:
Call the office

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please contact ext. 222, for
more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 11*Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalm 85**Luke 5:17-26*

8:30 am Galea Family

10:00 am Veronica & John Volk

12:00 pm The Parish 'Community

7:00 pm Alex McCloy +

Tuesday, December 12*Zechariah 2:10-13 Judith 13**Luke 1:39-47*

5:30 pm Patricia Wijesinghe+

Wednesday, December 13*Isaiah 40:25-31 Psalm 103**Matthew 11:28-30*

5:30 pm Unice Correia +

Thursday, December 14*Isaiah 41:13-20 Psalm 145**Matthew 11:11-15*

5:30 pm Int. of Sebastien & Joseph

Friday, December 15*Isaiah 48:17-19 Psalm 1**Matthew 11:16-19*

5:30 pm Joe & Lil Zerebeski +

Saturday, December 16*Sirach 48:1-4,9-11 Psalm 80**Matthew 17:10-13*

4:00 pm Advent Penance Service

5:30 pm Sebastien & Vincenzo Giulano

Sunday December 17*Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 Luke 1**1Thessal. 5:16-24 John 1:6-8,19-28*

8:30 am Annie Corneilius +

10:00 am Tony Tavares +

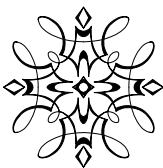
12:00 pm Moira Casey +

7:00 pm The Parish Community

Monthly Comparison for: August

Offertory	2016	2017
Envelopes	\$ 17,236	\$ 14,224
Loose	\$ 4,413	\$ 4,420
PAG	\$ 6,250	\$ 6,915
Total	\$ 27,899	\$ 25,559

Contributions for the Building
Maintenance Fund \$5 150

*THE PASTOR'S CORNER**Peace and Goodness to all!*

The Advent season brings us many blessings as we anticipate the Coming of the Lord. Tuesday evening, we were delighted by the beauty of Our annual Ecumenical evening of Lessons and Carols. Thank you to all the members of the two Choirs and their leaders, Michael Thibodeau, Antoine Pellerin and Susan McElcheran, and to all of the wonderful lectors who participated in this event. Patrick McElcheran the musical director of St. Luke's Episcopal and a woman from that church did a lovely duet with organ and French Horn. Cassandra and Jason Lobo from our parish played violins enhancing the music. It was altogether exquisite. It was a joy to see almost a full house gathered to enjoy this truly beautiful concert.

Bishop Marrocco Thomas Merton High School Faculty and Students were here on St. Nicolas Day to celebrate an Advent Christmas mass. The musicians and choir brought great beauty to this liturgical celebration. It is always a joy to see these fine young people gathered in worship and praise.

This afternoon the 10:00 Choir members will prepare the meal for Winter Welcome Table in our kitchen and deliver it for the Monday evening meal at St. Peter's. Thank you to Tim McElcheran for his leadership in the preparations. We are collecting wrapped gifts for the clients of Winter Welcome Table. Please label them for men or women and remember warm clothes like hats, gloves and socks are appreciated as well as toiletries. There are cards to label the gifts in the vestibule of the church.

We continue to collect toys in the sleigh for the St. Vincent DePaul Society. They will sort the gifts for the children and prepare bundles for the families. Thank you to all of you and to the members of the SVDP society for your generosity and care.

You may have noticed the large equipment around the Church. This is equipment to complete the building envelope study that is being sponsored by the building committee. This is to give us a clear idea of the conditions of our facility now that we are in our 50th year in this building it is good to know what might need reparation. Thank you to the members of this committee for their stewardship of the facilities, and to all of our generous parishioners who contribute to our building funds.

Little by little we are preparing for Christmas, and I want to thank all of you who whole heartedly participate in our celebrations. May the Lord bless us and inspire us as we attend to the Gospel mandate to prepare the way of the Lord in this season of Advent.

*In the love and joy of Christ Jesus,**Fr. Dan*

Please Pray for:

The Sick: John Sobie, Catherine Rodrigues
The Deceased: Cathi Johnson, Joe Corrigan and Linda Malfa

FRIARS STUDENT WRITING AWARD 2018

Students aged 14 to 18 are invited to write a 500 hundred word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2018. The theme this coming year is "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power" (cf. Exodus 15:6. See posters in the parish hall or vestibules of the church and chapel for more details.

2017 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

We welcome all Children who would like to be in the Children's Christmas pageant at the 5:30 mass on Christmas eve.

If you are interested, there will be a first rehearsal on Saturday, December 16 in the church at 1 pm. The second rehearsal will be on Saturday, December 23 at 1pm. These rehearsals will last approximately 2 hours. Please join us if you would like to participate.

ALTAR SERVERS.

The Parish is looking for Altar Servers for all masses. Women, Men, Boys and girls, we welcome you to consider this ministry. You will be fully trained. Please leave your name at the office in person or by phone if you are interested. Thank you so much.



Christmas Schedule



Advent Penance Service Saturday, December 16 4:00 pm
Christmas Eve 5:30 pm Christmas Liturgy with Pageant
9:30 pm Christmas Liturgy
12:00 am Christmas Liturgy

Christmas Day 10:00 am Christmas Liturgy
12:00 pm Christmas Liturgy

December 26 No Mass

Sunday, December 31 8:30 am Feast of the Holy Family
10:00 am Feast of the Holy Family
12:00 pm Feast of the Holy Family
7:00 pm Feast of the Holy Family

January 1 10:00 am Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
12:00 pm Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

January 2 No Mass

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

1:30 PM Pageant Rehearsal

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

4:30 pm Youth Group

7:00 pm SVDP

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

7:30 pm Ministry Committee

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 13

4:30 pm Religious Education

7:30 pm RCIA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

10:00 am SVDP

1:00 pm First Pageant Rehearsal In the Church

4:00 pm Advent Penance Service

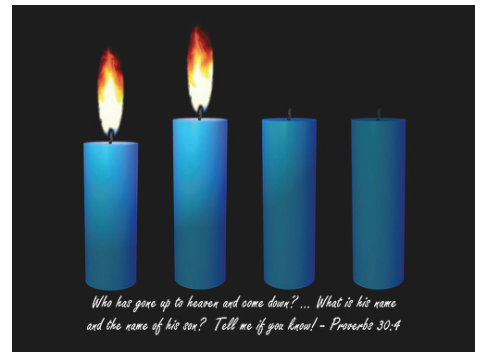
FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

SUNDAY DECEMBER 23

1:00 pm Pageant Rehearsal

UN HUMAN RIGHTS DAY –

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights is turning 70 (1948). This vital Declaration establishes the equal dignity and worth of every person. See more info in the hall today after all the morning Masses



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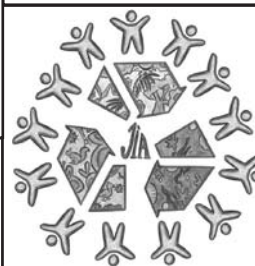


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