



*Holy Family Church
Nutley-Belleville*



Our Journey Continues...



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1911-1938

December 9, 2012

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MASSES

Saturday evening: 5:30 PM (English),
7:00 PM (Italian)

Neo-Catechumenate Liturgy: 8:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM,
12:00 Noon & 7:00 PM

Filipino Mass: 2nd Sunday of month, 5:00 PM

Daily: 7:00, 8:45 AM; Saturday 8:45 AM
5:30 PM (M - F during Lent)

OFFICE HOURS:

Daily: 8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon
1:00 - 4:00 PM
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

The Rectory is closed 12:00 - 1:00 PM and
4:00 - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

The office is closed on Sunday.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 1:00 PM

BAPTISM: Baptisms are scheduled once a month on Sunday afternoons except during Lent. Expectant parents are asked to contact the rectory to schedule an appointment at least three months before the desired date of Baptism. Parents must attend a special catechetical session prior to the Baptism.

MARRIAGE: Couples should contact the rectory one year in advance of the proposed wedding date in order to allow for the proper pre-marital preparation. At least one person must be a registered parishioner of Holy Family.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

This is a sacrament not only for those who are at the point of death. As soon as anyone begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, we encourage you to call for a priest in the rectory.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK:

The Eucharist will be brought to the homebound. Please contact the Rectory with the names and addresses of parishioners who are ill or homebound.

VOCATION:

Women and men who feel called to the religious life, and men called to Holy Orders, should contact the Vocations Office at 973-497-4365.

EMERGENCY CALLS:

In case of an accident or sudden illness, call the rectory at any hour or reach us through the beeper, 973-715-3108. The priest on duty will return your call.

SOCIAL SERVICE HOTLINE:

The Catholic Community Services is an office that serves all people in need. Please call 1-800-CCS-7413.

PARISH PAY:

Have your weekly donation sent directly to the Church! Visit www.paritypay.com or call 1-866-PARISH1

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28 Brookline Avenue
www.holyfamilynutley.org

Convent: 973-667-2050
60 Harrison Street

Rel. Education Office: 973-667-6018
Good Shepherd Academy: 973-667-2049
24 Brookline Avenue

Nursery: 973-235-1170
174 Franklin Avenue

MISSION STATEMENT

† Holy Family Catholic Church is a spiritually and socially active parish. Rooted in the Word of God and nourished by the Eucharist, we celebrate the life of our Lord Jesus Christ by proclaiming the Good News and providing spiritual growth, support and service with love. Founded by Italian immigrants a century ago, today our parish continues the tradition of extending a loving, caring and affirming welcome to all who join us as we Continue Our Journey of Faith.

† La Chiesa Cattolica Santa Famiglia e' una parrocchia socialmente e spiritualmente attiva. Radicata nella Parola di Dio e nutrita dall'eucarestia, celebriamo la vita del nostro Signore Gesu' Cristo proclamando la buona novella e provvedendo crescita spirituale, supporto e servizio con amore. Fondata un secolo fa' da immigranti italiani, oggi, la nostra parrocchia continua la tradizione di estendere un amorevole, caro e riconoscente benvenuto a tutti coloro che con noi continuano e condividono il nostro cammino di fede.

† Ang simbahang katoliko ng banal na pamilya ay isang masiglang parokya sa espirituwal at ugnayang panlipunan. Nakaugat sa salita ng diyos at pinalusog ng eukaristiya, ipanagdiriwant namin ang buhay ng ating panginoong hesukristo sa pagpapahayag ng mabuting balita at paguudulot ng paglago sa kabanalan, paggabay, at mapagmahal na paglilingkod. Itinatag ng mga dayuhang italiano may isang-daan taon na ang nakakalipas, ngayon ang aming parokya ay patuloy sa pag-ugit ng tradisyon ng mapag-aruga, mapagkalinga, at mapagkilang pagtanggap sa mga sumapi saamin habang patuloy sa paglalakbay sa panaampalataya.

HOLY FAMILY WELCOMES YOU

Welcome to Holy Family Parish! We hope you experience the warmth and hospitality for which Holy Family is noted. We would like our Worship Community to be the center of your spiritual and emotional journey with Jesus. Peace be with you.

- Worship with us
- Embrace our fellowship
- Learn about our ministries
- Come join us
- Offer your talents
- Make new friends
- Experience the warmth and hospitality of Holy Family



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Welcome to Our Parish

Benvenuti, Maligayang pagdating, Bienvenido, Chao mung, Witamy
Walk With Jesus Daily



Dear Parishioners:

In today's Gospel passage, St. Luke places John the Baptist in the midst of a world of strong and powerful political influences. He appears to be the lone and powerless voice, "crying in the wilderness," urging those who would listen to reform their lives, challenging them to "make the crooked ways straight, the rough ways smooth, to level the mountains and hills," of their indifference, prejudice and sinfulness, so that all may see, "the revelation of their Savior."

Sometimes we might feel like John the Baptist, a lone and powerless voice in the midst of a world of indifference, power and values contrary to the Gospel but, as he possessed a power far more powerful than those strong leaders of his time, so do we. St. Paul reminds us that, "God's weakness is stronger than human strength and God's foolishness is more powerful than human wisdom."

During this Advent season, let us remain faithful to that call to imitate the example of John the Baptist and be "counter cultural."

Peace,
Msgr. Paul

ADVENT

Copies of The Word Among Us, are available to our parishioners, both in the Church and Mother Cabrini Chapel. Suggested offering is \$5.

December 7 through 17 - Visits and Caroling to the Homebound of the Parish. The priests, sisters and children from GSA and the Religious Education program will visit our homebound parishioners presenting them with a small gift and singing carols.

Friday, December 14, 7:00 PM: "An Evening with St. Thérèse, Little Flower," will include a concert by Marty Rotello and a lecture by Fr. Eugene Bettinger, O. Carm., in the Mother Cabrini Chapel.

N.B. The monthly Devotees of Maria SS. Addolorata Mass will be celebrated in Church this evening.

Monday, December 17, 7:45 PM: Parish Communal Advent Penance Service, followed by individual confessions, will be celebrated in Church

Confessions: Friday, December 21, 7:00 - 8:30 P.M.
Saturday, December 22, 1:00 - 2:00 PM

There are no Confessions on Christmas Eve, December 24



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Second Sunday of Advent

God has commanded
that every lofty mountain be made low.
— Baruch 5:7

Saturday, December 8

5:30 PM David Jacobs...Kathy Vecchio & Family
7:00 PM Domenick & Frances Maccarone...Nancy Cascarano

Sunday, December 9

8:00 AM People of the Parish
10:00 AM Alex Lepore...Luisa Lepore & Family
12:00 PM Rose & Joseph Servidio...Daughter, Donna
2:30 PM Wedding: Joel Valvano & Nancy Almeida
7:00 PM Clara Perna...Luisa & Chris Wiltshire

Monday, December 10

7:00 AM Florence Kovac...Susan & Joe Ziliotto
8:45 AM Special Intention...Joy Aiello

Tuesday, December 11 - St. Damasus I

7:00 AM Marta Barroso...Tina Cucchisi
8:45 AM Giambattista Cioni...Children

Wednesday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00 AM Lucy Rovetto...Rose & Val Frattaroli
8:45 AM Joseph Forgione...Josephine Russo

Thursday, December 13 - St. Lucy

7:00 AM Phyllis Frye...Philomena McGuire
8:45 AM Anna Ba...Lananh

Friday, December 14 - St. John of the Cross

7:00 AM Emilia Maselli..Angela, Eleonora & Domenico Maselli
8:45 AM Edward Losi...Daughter, JoAnn Losi
7:00 PM Devotees of Maria SS. Addolorata



Francesco Amato
Pasqualino Armenti
Gennaro Cifelli
Angelo & Amelia D'Uva
Giuseppe D'Uva
Gaetano & Antonietta D'Uva
Amalio & Vincenza Farro
Addolorata Lombardi
Nicola Trama
Health of Frank Vacca

Saturday, December 15

8:45 AM Special Remembrance Mass
Addolorato & Almerinda Arcaro
John & Eleanor Arthur
Nicolina Busanich
Geraldine DeJackmo
Margaret Delbianco
David Ervolino
Enrico & Giuseppe Tamburri
William P. Vindici
Elmer & Hattie Walsh
Roger Wood

3rd Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 15

5:30 PM Sonny Spiezio...Grappone & Kordas Families
7:00 PM Hugo F. Poiani...Daughter, Eileen

Sunday, December 16

8:00 AM Margaret Olivo...The Goitiandia Family
10:00 AM Theresa DiMeo...Barletto Family
12:00 PM Joyce Marino...Rose Marino
7:00 PM People of the Parish

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." (Philippians 1:9-10)

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God.

Weekly Collection Goals Required Solely To Meet Operating Expenses (Not Even to Reduce Debt): \$14,300.00

For Sunday, December 2, 2012,

the actual collection was \$11,684.00;

\$1,290.00 of which came from Parish Pay.

The monthly Archdiocesan Assessment collection was \$3,207.00; \$379.00 of which came from Parish Pay.

Mass Attendance was: 1,625.

Resultant Weekly Deficit for Parish's Operating Budget:

\$2,616.00

Resultant Monthly Deficit for the Archdiocesan Assessment:

\$3,340.00

God Bless You For Your Continued Generosity!

For Sunday, December 4, 2011,

the actual collection was \$11,550.00;

\$1,365.00 of which came from Parish Pay.

The monthly Archdiocesan Assessment collection was \$2,810.00; \$434.00 of which came from Parish Pay.

Mass Attendance was: 2,140.

Resultant Weekly Deficit for Parish's Operating Budget:

\$2,750.00.

Resultant Monthly Deficit for the Archdiocesan Assessment:

\$3,590.00.

Memorials for the Week of December 9, 2012

Church Sanctuary Lamp

Elizabeth Martin...Jenny

Mother Cabrini Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

& Altar Candles

A Special Intention...Joy Aiello

Altar Bread & Altar Wine

Catherine DePrizio...Cifelli Family

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church, Chapel, Convent and Rectory, Altar Candles, Altar Bread, & Altar Wine, as well as Altar Flowers are our weekly memorials. The donation for each Sanctuary Lamp and Altar Candles are \$10. The donation for Altar Bread or Altar Wine is \$15. The donation for Flowers on the Altar of the Blessed Virgin or Saint Joseph is \$45.

Please stop by the rectory to reserve any of the above.

Please Pray for Those Who Are Sick...

Jake Maggio, Sal Mastroeni, Frances Mogielnicki, Daniella Serafino, Nunzio Vacca - the entire sick list is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

Please Pray for Those Who Have Died...

Charles Cerami, Rocco J. Cerami

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME

After All Weekend Masses: Neo-Catechumenal Christmas Boutique in the Church vestibule.

Sunday, December 9

- 8:30 AM Religious Education - GSA
- 9-4:00 PM Volunteer "elves" needed to help at Santa Luncheon: crafts, serving, clean up - GSA Gym
- 10:00 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - Church
- 11:30 AM Santa Luncheon - GSA Gym
- 2:45 PM Fatima Prayer Group - MCC
- 6:00 PM Youth Group - SJC

Monday, December 10

- 3:30 PM Caroling to Homebound
- 7:00 PM Novena - MCC
- 7:00 PM Youth Bible Study - RB
- 7-9:00 PM Choir Practice
- 7:30 PM Men's 4th Day - PP
- 8:00 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. - SA



Tuesday, December 11

- 12:30 PM Adult Education - SJC
- 3:30 PM First Penance - Church
- 7:00 PM Mom's - Sister Eileen's
- 7:00 PM Stewardship Meeting - SA
- 7:30 PM Social Concerns - SJC
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #3 - SLR

Wednesday, December 12

- 10:00 AM Italian Class - SA
- 7:00 PM Bereavement - PP
- 7:45 PM Praise & Worship - MCC
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #1 - MDL
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #2 - SJC
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #4 - SLR

Thursday, December 13

- 1:00 PM A & E/Church Cleaning
- 3:30 PM Caroling to Homebound
- 3:30 PM First Penance - Church
- 7:00 PM Padre Pio Prayer Group - MCC
- 7:30 PM Bible Study - SJC
- 7:30 PM Filipino Choir SLR



Friday, December 14

- 6:00 AM Men's Prayer Group - SJC
- 2:00 PM Mamre Set-Up - SJC
- 6:00 PM Special Daisy Scout Meeting - SA
- 7:00 PM Devotees of Maria SS. Addolorata Italian Mass - CHURCH
- 7:00 PM Talk on Saint Thérèse, Fr. Eugene Bettinger - MCC
- 7:30 PM Mamre - SJC

Saturday, December 15

- 8:45 AM Cursillo Team - SJC
- 1:00 PM Confessions - Church
- 6:30 PM GSA Alumni Gathering - GSA Gym
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #1 - MCC
- 8:30 PM Neo-Catechumenate #2,3,4 - SJC

Sunday, December 16

- 8:30 AM Religious Education - GSA
- 10:00 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word - Church
- 12:00 PM Confirmation Enrollment at Mass
- 1:00 PM Bereavement - Sr. Eileen's Home
- 1:30 PM Stewardship Meeting - SA
- 2:45 PM Fatima Prayer Group - MCC
- 5:00 PM Filipino Community Mass - Church/Fellowship - GSA
- 6:00 PM Youth Group - SJC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26
- Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
- Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
- Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

From Social Concerns...

The Giving Tree will be in the vestibule of the Church until **Tuesday, December 11.**



- If you took a tag, return the gift by the **deadline - Tuesday, December 11.**
 - This deadline is set in order to arrange for pick up and distribution **before** Christmas. If you wait too long to return your gift, it probably won't get to the person wishing for it. (If you're dropping a gift off on Christmas Eve, it's too late for this year.)
 - Some folks like to leave "extra" gifts under the tree without a particular gift tag. We welcome these gifts but please identify what's inside the box. Tell us if it's a toy or clothing, for a boy or girl, man or woman, size or age, and item. We hate to unwrap a pretty box just to confirm who should receive the gift inside.
 - No need to put bows or ribbons on the gifts. Just attach the gift tag from the tree (or a description on your own tags) so we know who should receive the gift.
 - If you are fulfilling a request for a gift card, stamps or some other small item, **box or bag the gift** as envelopes are too easily mislaid.
 - Spend only what your means allow, but no more than \$25 should be spent on any gift.
- Holy Family parishioners are always so generous and loving when it comes to the Giving Tree. Thank you for everything you do to make Christmas happy for others.



TEACHING THE GOOD NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (CCD)

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL: 973-667-6018

Sunday: Grades K-4, 8:30 AM-9:45 AM

Tuesday: Grades 1-6, 3:30-4:45 PM ~ Classes for Spring Garden, Lincoln and Yanticaw Schools

Thursday: Grades 1-6; 3:30-4:45 PM ~ Classes for Belleville #5, Washington & Radcliff Schools

REMINDER:

2013 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Next Sunday, December 16, we will celebrate your Confirmation Enrollment Mass at 12:00 Noon. Be sure you are in attendance.



STEWARDSHIP
A Word of Gratitude

- Again, our gratitude must be expressed to our Stewardship Council, especially to Philip Hui and Frank Russo and our Music Director, Susan Loricchio, for all their hard work in preparing for the Danny Byram concert last Sunday. A special word of thanks to our generous donors whose Stewardship of Treasure made the concert possible by underwriting the cost of sponsoring the concert and the sound technicians. We estimate the profit at about \$1,500. Anyone who attended the concert certainly walked away knowing how wonderful the event was.
- To all our parishioners who supported our Youth Group's Christmas ornament sale. The profits will enable them to assist at least two needy families this Christmas.



EXCLUSIVE OFFER ENDS DECEMBER 31, 2012!

Make a gift to Holy Family & ParishPay will make a gift to you!

Make a recurring gift with ParishPay today for a chance to win one of 50 iPad 3s or choose a \$500 donation made to Catholic Charities USA in your name.

All recurring donations made through ParishPay between **October 1 and December 31, 2012**, are eligible.

2 WAYS TO ENROLL:

1. Visit www.ParishPay.com - or -
2. Call 1-866-PARISH-1



Holy Family accepts donations via all major credit and debit cards as well as eChecks
No purchase necessary to enter. Void where prohibited. Fifty (50) winners selected at random.

Offer expires 11:59 pm EST December 31, 2012.

See www.ParishPay.com/giveback for more information and terms and conditions.

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NEW ENERGIES

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Our Advent Penance Service, at Holy Family:

Monday, December 17, 7:45 P.M.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:

Wednesday, December 19, 7 P.M.

St. Mary's:

Friday, December 21, 7 P.M.



CHURCH DECORATING TEAM NEEDED!

Since Christmas is so early in the week this year, we must begin decorating earlier than usual. On Saturday, December 15, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., we need to completely clear the altar and put the trees in place. Men needed with chain saws to cut the trees. We also have artificial trees which will need to be placed and "fluffed." On Thursday and Friday, December 20/21, from 10:00AM - 9:00 PM, we need help cleaning and decorating. If you would consider lending a hand, please call Patricia Little, 973-985-5303 or call the rectory and leave your name and number.



MAMRE MEETING



All Married Couples are invited to join the members of MAMRE on the 2nd Friday of each month. We greet old friends and look forward to making new friends! We always have a lively, topical discussion, good food and a lot of fun. Call Pam at 973-698-

4551, if you have any questions: Check out our upcoming calendar:

December 14: Christmas Concert with dessert following;
January: "Ask A Priest" night, and catered Italian food;
February: "The Great Expectations and The Reality of Marriage," with a Greek menu; March: "Approaching Lent," Pot Luck Supper.

RICHES

Riches are the instrument of all vices, because they render us capable of putting even our worst desires into execution.

—St. Ambrose

Advent Blessings to All, from Sister Eileen...

The Sunday Religious Education catechists extend a thank-you to the Neo-Catechumenal community for their generous help in setting up the St. Joseph Center in preparation for the Advent wreath-making class which we had on Sunday, December 2nd. Thank you to the parents on the "evergreen clean-up crew" and to Monsignor Paul for blessing each family's wreath. That, indeed, was a special moment for all the children.



Please note the change for Adult Education: **Monday, December 17, 12:30 P.M.** No Adult Education on Tuesday, December 18.

ENRICHMENT OF YOUR PRAYER LIFE



If you have you ever wondered about the Liturgy of the Hours or, perhaps, the book you see many priests carrying, here is your opportunity to learn about "The Beauty of the Breviary."

As we enter the Advent Season, we invite you to join in this prayer initiative...

- We began on Saturday, December 8, 8:00 am, in the Parish Chapel.
- Our next gathering is Tuesday, December 11, 7:00 pm, also in the Parish Chapel, where we will pray Evening Prayer together.
- We will continue to pray together and experience the breviary every Saturday and Tuesday until Christmas.

Come and join us, you will experience an enrichment to your prayer life. Our church truly has a gift to share with you this Advent.

NETWORK OF PRAYERS



On November 25, the Feast of Christ the King, a poster of the "Network of Prayers" was placed on the right wall of the main entrance to the Church. Those who don't remember their time of personal prayer to Jesus can find their name and time on this poster. During the upcoming period of Advent, we wish to renew our faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and

our commitment to send our love to Him who is present in our Church day and night, for US. For any questions, please call Val Frattaroli at 973-759-4811 or Sal Bongiovanni at 973-751-4366.



NEO CATECHUMENAL YOUTH GROUP

The Neo-Catechumens are selling scarves in the vestibule today to offset the cost of their youth attending the "World Youth Day" in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The events are scheduled to be held July 23-28, 2013. The scarves are hand made and make great Christmas gifts!

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Give to Those Who Have Given a Lifetime

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests worked for many years for little, if any, pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate savings for retirement. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.



Danny Byram Music CDs

available at the rectory for a limited time.

1/\$15; 2/\$25; 3 or more /\$11 each

Calling Alumni

GSA, Holy Family & St. Mary's School

You Are Invited to a Wine and Cheese Party Saturday, December 15, 6:30 PM, GSA gym.

Kindly RSVP...

Contact: Sr Jane Feltz, 973-667-2049 x-101

Email: principal@GSA nutley.org

Visit: www.gsanutley.org

The theme is: A Call to Unity. Our hope is to have all Holy Family, St. Mary and GSA alums come together to share their stories from the past with an eye on the future endeavors of Good Shepherd Academy.

The new GSA website will have an Alumni registration form which has a comment/question box and can be used to RSVP for the reunion.

We ask our parishioners from Holy Family, and those of St. Mary's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel, to help spread the word about the Alumni Wine and Cheese. Thank you!

GOOD SHEPHERD ACADEMY NEWS!

Box Tops for Education - The school is able to receive money when they turn in the General Mills box tops! Please save them and drop them off in the special box which is located in the vestibule of Church.



Used Cell Phones & Toners - The school collects used cell phones so if you upgrade yours, please do not discard the old one. The school also accepts toners from computers to be recycled. All can be dropped off in the GSA box located in the vestibule of the Church.



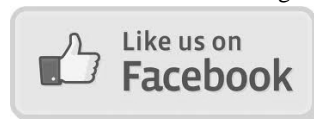
WE HAVE KIDSTUFF ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS!!

GSA has a great fundraiser going on! For \$25, this 2012-2013 entertainment book has coupons for Shop-Rite, Stop & Shop, Sports Authority, Macy's, McDonald's and lots more! These are great Christmas gifts! Please call Mrs. Leo 973-667-2049 x-100 to purchase an edition



Have You Seen Our Website?

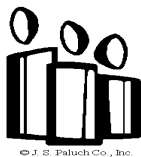
Mike Ramos has put it out there on Facebook! Please take a few minutes to view. Visit: www.holyfamilynutley.org. If you'd like to drop Mike a line, his email is: somarmedia@gmail.com.



DONATION ENVELOPES



Please be sure to enter the amount of your donation on your envelope in order for you to receive proper credit. If you do not presently use donation envelopes and would like to, please stop by the rectory office to complete a parishioner registration form. Parish Pay, another very convenient way to donate, is available and information is on the cover of this bulletin.



MARIA SS. ADDOLORATA CHAPEL MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Chapel of Our Lady of Sorrows is a beautiful way to memorialize a loved one. If you are interested in memorializing someone with a candle in the Maria SS Addolorata Chapel, please fill out this form and return it with a check, made payable to HOLY FAMILY, in the amount of \$100 to the rectory. You may request a beautiful card featuring the statue of Our Lady of Sorrows taken in our Maria SS. Addolorata Chapel.
 Inscription on the candle: (Limit 20 characters per line; limit 2 lines)

Name(s) on Memorial Candle: _____

- This is a new candle Please renew this candle

Your Name: _____ Address: _____

Town: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____



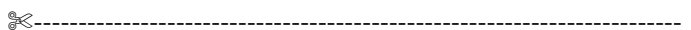
NOMINATION FOR STEWARD OF THE MONTH

When deciding to nominate a person for the Steward of the Month Award, we should consider the following: The TIME that this person dedicates to parish activities, community events, personal time with others

in need of assistance, spiritual aid and/or companionship. The TALENT that this person offers to the parish and community, willingly and lovingly. The TREASURE this person offers to the parish and community. Has he or she accepted the divine call to extend God's blessings on those less fortunate through personal sacrificial giving?

These are important factors to consider when proposing a person for nomination. Often a prayer to the Holy Spirit is helpful, too, in discerning the name for nomination.

Please fill out the nomination form and return it in an envelope marked "Stewardship Committee" to nominate a parishioner as Steward of the Month.



NOMINATION AS STEWARD OF THE MONTH

Nominated Parishioner: _____

Submitted by: _____

Evening Phone No.: _____

Reasons for the nomination (specifically and detailed as possible, use extra paper, if necessary):

MEN'S PRAYER GROUP PRAYER INTENTIONS



MPG would like to pray for your intentions. The prayers will be offered on Friday of that week at our gathering. Kindly place this intention request in the Sunday Collection or return it to the rectory.

Please list your intentions:

If you would like a prayer card sent as an acknowledgment of your prayer intentions, please include your name and address.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS WORLDWIDE CANDLE LIGHTING TONIGHT!



By Senate resolution and a bill introduced to Congress, the second Sunday in December has been set aside as National Children's Memorial Day and Annual Worldwide Candle Lighting. The **Sixteenth Annual Candle Lighting** will take place this year on December 9th. At 7:00 pm in every time zone, candles will be lighted in memory of all children who have died, creating a wave of light that will encircle the earth and create a virtual 24-hour memorial. The memorial candles are inexpensive and can be obtained locally. Please observe safety precautions for the lighting of candles in the home.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREATS for Post Abortion Healing

January 18-20, 2013 and March 8-10, 2013

Friday, 6:30 pm - Sunday, 5:00 pm

Sponsored by: Respect Life Office, Archdiocese of Newark \$100 (includes all retreat materials, room, meals and registration) Financial Assistance Available

For more information or if you have any questions, contact: The Respect Life Office, Mon-Fri, 732-388-8211



RACHEL'S
VINEYARD
MINISTRIES

Things to Bring: Comfortable clothes, all bed linens, towels, toiletries, pillow and blanket.

RETREAT AND REGISTRATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL!

Fill out the form below or send your confidential info in to Michelle at

arnewrespect@sanj.net. You will be contacted via phone to confirm registration.

RACHEL VINEYARD REGISTRATION 2013

Yes, I would like to register for the retreat date _____.

Enclosed, please find my check or money order of \$100.

I would like to register for the retreat but need financial assistance

Name: _____ Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____ Phone: _____

Make check payable to: The Respect Life Office

Mail to: 1805 Penbrook Terr., Linden, NJ 07036



**St. Dominic Academy, Jersey City
Christmas Concert**

The Saint Dominic Academy Glee Club's annual Christmas Concert will be held at St. Aloysius Church on Sunday, December 16 at 4:00 p.m. The concert will conclude with an audience Christmas Carol sing-along and an invitation to all Saint Dominic Academy alumnae to join the Glee Club in singing the Alma Mater. Saint Dominic Academy is an independent, Catholic, college preparatory high school for girls, which has been empowering women for leadership in a global society for over 130 years. Sponsored by the Sisters of Saint Dominic of Caldwell, Saint Dominic Academy is rooted in Christian values and embraces its richly diverse community of learners. It is located in an historic building at 2572 Kennedy Boulevard in Jersey City and on the internet at www.stdominicacad.com.



**CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**

Annual Christmas Bazaar
TODAY! Sunday, December 9,
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Food, Fun, Prizes

Shop for Christmas Gifts and Stocking Stuffers from Local Merchants, Vendors, and Community Members.

30 North Fullerton Avenue
Montclair, New Jersey

Please help to support our parish and community



**Lacordaire Academy presents a
Christmas Festival**

Lacordaire Academy will present a Christmas Festival December 13, 7:00 p.m., in the school gymnasium located at 155 Lorraine Avenue, Upper Montclair. The Academy's 1st and 2nd graders will perform a magical evening of Christmas carols and dance. The 5th and 6th graders will perform the legendary classic, A Christmas Carol, bringing to life, Charles Dickens's familiar characters in this "ghostly tale." Scrooge, Marley, The Ghosts of Past, Present and Future, Cratchit, and Tiny Tim will delight and entertain. "I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. I will live in the Past, the Present, and the Future. The Spirits of all Three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lessons that they teach. Oh, tell me I may sponge away the writing on this stone!" said Scrooge. Admission is free. For information please contact Debby Irwin at (973)744-1156 or email dirwin@lacordaire.net.

History of the Candy Cane

In the late 1800s, a candy maker in Indiana wanted to express the meaning of Christmas through a symbol made of candy. He came up with the idea of bending one of his white candy sticks into the shape of a cane and incorporating several symbols of Christ's love and sacrifice. First, he used a plain white peppermint stick. The color white symbolizes the purity and sinless nature of Jesus. Next, he added three small stripes to symbolize the pain inflicted upon Jesus before His death on the cross. He added a bold stripe to represent the blood Jesus shed for humanity. When looked at with the crook on top, it looks like a shepherd's staff, because Jesus is the Shepherd of man. If you turn it upside down, it becomes the letter "J," symbolizing the first letter in the name "Jesus." The candy cane serves as a lasting reminder of what Christmas is really all about.

