

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 3, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 2, 2017
8:15 AM Eileen Schumacker
5:00 PM Joseph Frank, George Wilson
Sunday December 3, 2017
7:30 AM Deceased Parishioners
9:00 AM Eugene Carfora
11:00 AM Leah Cummings, Raymond Cullari
Monday December 4, 2017
8:15AM Barbara Osterman
Tuesday December 5, 2017
8:15 AM Dr. Salvatore A. Certo
Wednesday December 6, 2017
8:15 AM Conor Spillane (Sp. Int.)
Thursday December 7, 2017
8:15 AM Anthony Egan
Friday December 8, 2017
8:15 AM Mary Weinberg
7:30 PM Donna Doremus
Saturday December 9, 2017
8:15 AM Robert S. Ryan
5:00 PM Mary Katherine Manley, Anahi Ruiz
Sunday December 10, 2017
7:30 AM Charles Bloodgood
9:00 AM Margaret Cornwell
11:00 AM Eugene Carfora, Bill Cannon

CELEBRANTS FOR DECEMBER 9TH & DECEMBER 10TH

5:00 PM Rev. Henry Schreitmueller
7:30 AM Msgr. John J. Carroll
9:00 AM Rev Edward G. Lambro
11:00 AM Rev. Lukasz Iwanczuk

PROCLAIMER OF THE WORD

Saturday December 9, 2017
5:00 PM Peg Markert, Marilyn Koziol
Sunday December 10, 2017
7:30 AM Peggy Tana
9:00 AM CCD Class
11:00 AM Brian McMurray, Molly Gregoire

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday December 9, 2017
5:00 PM Bonnie Bona, Debbie Boniface, George & Kelly Casagrand, Susan Pontidis, Sue Urban
Sunday December 10, 2017
7:30 AM Bob Moris
9:00 AM Patricia Koziol, Kim Mazurkiewicz, Bill O'Brien, Jennifer Portman, JoAnn Richardi, Stephanie Schuckalo
11:00 AM Joseph Coralluzzo, Maryann Hobbie, Mary Jane Hojell, Gail Pisarcik, Bobbie Prescott, Pamela Smith

2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

In Giving, We Receive. As you plan to celebrate the joy of the Christmas season by giving gifts to your friends and loved ones, there is one gift that you can give to tens of thousands of people. It does not require ten thousand names tags or ten thousand bows. All that's needed is a completed pledge card to the Bishop's Annual Appeal or an on-line gift at www.2017appeal.org. Say "Merry Christmas" to so many of your brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Paterson who need some hope and joy in their lives by participating in the Bishop's Annual Appeal today. May God bless you for your generosity!

GIVING TREE GIFT TAGS

Thank you for taking the gift tags! **REMINDER - UNWRAPPED gifts, INCLUDING TAG, are due back DEC. 10TH.**

CATHOLIC CALENDARS

Once again Morrison's Funeral Home has donated Catholic Calendars, enough for one per family. They are on a table in both the Chapel and the Church so please take one. Thank you, Lisa Morrison!

DO IT FOR JESUS

Last Week at Mass: \$14,828
Automatic Contribution: \$ 3,380 (Auto-Contribution Families - 75)
Last Week Total Giving: **\$18,202**
Last Year: \$14,882

AUTO CONTRIBUTION

Please sign-up for automatic giving, visit our website at www.olmchurch.org/automatic-contributions

Pastor's Gratitude: "Thank you for supporting the #givecatholic with your donations to support our OLM Youth Ministry."

Parishioner's Response: "The tags on the giving tree are going so fast, I hope there will be more!" (140 more were added!)

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

This weekend, December 2nd & 3rd, our very own Sister Ellen will speak on behalf of the Retirement Fund for Religious for Priests, Brothers, and Sisters. The fund helps provide nursing care, medication and other necessities. **The collection is on Dec. 9th & 10th.** Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

DECK THE HALLS

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church. Below are the days and times we can use some help, so if you have some time we would greatly appreciate it. Also, this is a great way for confirmation students to earn service hours.

Wednesday, 12/13 - 7:00pm - decorating church
Tuesday, 12/19 - morning - crèche and narthex trees
Friday, 12/22 - 8:00am - poinsettia delivery & decorating

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, Dec. 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses are at 8:15am in the Chapel and 7:30pm in Church. There will be no Vigil Mass.

COME AFTER MASS - OLM CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Please join us in the Ryan Rm. immediately following the Friday, Dec. 8th, 7:30pm Mass, for a Christmas Wine and Cheese Party sponsored by the Ladies Guild. **All are welcome to attend!**

ADVENT

This Sunday marks the beginning of the Church's New Year. The Advent Wreath represents the four weekends before Christmas and the theme of the season is "be prepared". Listen to the Scripture Readings.

GIVE YOURSELF A SPECIAL GIFT THIS YEAR!

This Advent season, Reconciliation is available every Monday evening until December 18th from 7:30 - 8:30pm and Saturdays, 4 - 4:45 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to re-connect with Christ and His Church. Don't be afraid! Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God!

CHRISTMAS GIVING

A SPECIAL Christmas fund is established to assist parishioners who do not have the discretionary income to purchase gifts for their children at Christmas. Anyone who might like to contribute any amount to this fund should make out their checks payable to OLM and note "Christmas Fund". Before Christmas, either send them or give them to Msgr. Carroll. This fund is in addition to the gifts on the giving tree and that which is collected by the ministry of the caring. Thank you.

Pray for the Sick

We pray especially for our parishioners, relatives and friends.

Al Alvino	Jeanne Bessis
Andy Borinski	Betty Ann Bowlby
Hannah Cerullo	James Commarato
Kevin Duffy	Michael Fitzpatrick
Rosemarie Geraghty	Joseph Maher
Greg Meehan, Jr.	Bill Myers
Nicholas Neill	Karen Pinoci
Chris Powers	Ken Reisch
Cathy Rodriguez	Jesus Serrano
Terry Wickham	Ryan Yanoshak
Bernie Zoch	

Faith Formation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

ARTISTS NEEDED

We are looking for 2-3 teenage artists who would be able to paint biblical story murals on walls. It's a time commitment but with flexible hours to complete this large project. If you are interested please contact Mary Ramsden at DRE@olmchurch.org.

DECEMBER CLASS SCHEDULE

	Sunday	Monday
Grades 1-5	Dec. 3 rd and 10 th	Dec. 4 th and 11 th
Grades 6-8	Dec. 3 rd and 10 th	Dec. 4 th and 11 th

FIRST EUCHARIST PARENTS' MEETING

Parents of children receiving 1st Eucharist – You may attend the meeting on either Wed. Jan. 3rd or Thurs. Jan. 4th at 7pm in the church. One parent needs to attend.

SAVE THE DATE: R.I.S.E. SELLING COOKIE KITS



The teens of R.I.S.E. will be selling Holiday Mason Jar Cookie Kits during the weekends of Dec. 9/10th & Dec. 16/17th in TWO yummy choices: Chocolate Chip and M&M Sugar Cookies. These seasonally decorated, quart-size mason jars make the perfect holiday gift for anyone ~ grandparents, co-workers, neighbors, hairdressers, teachers, etc.! Easy step-by-step directions included. Mason Jar Cookie Kits will be available after the 5pm, 9am, and 11am Masses at the incredible price of only \$10 per jar. All proceeds go toward travel costs for this year's 2018 R.I.S.E. summer mission trip. Come check out this delicious offer! If you're unavailable or would like to purchase in advance, please contact Patrice Leavenworth at: pleavenworth@shsd.org

FIRE AT FR. ENGLISH CENTER - PATERSON

On Nov. 2nd there was a fire at the Fr. English Center in Paterson. Thanks to help from various sources, there are temporary freezers, a food pantry and storage for clothing at the same location. On a table in the narthex, there are flyers asking for financial assistance. All donations may be sent to: Catholic Family and Community Services, Attn: Food Pantry Appeal, 24 DeGrasse St., Paterson, NJ 07505.

SPECIAL NEED AT FR. ENGLISH FOOD PANTRY

The Fr. English Food Pantry is grateful to OLM parishioners for the donations of non-perishable food. We are still in special need of tomato sauce, rice and juice. **Donations will be accepted anytime this month to help replenish food destroyed by the fire.**

CONFIRMATION

NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS THIS WEEKEND!

Session is Sunday 12/3/17 - 10:40AM drop off, and 1:30PM pickup at the school.

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday, Dec. 9th FRESHMAN ALPHA RETREAT
Sunday, Dec. 17th SOPHOMORE SERVICE SUNDAY

YOUTH MINISTRY

THE ADVENT CHALLENGE

Okay, there are four weeks in Advent to prepare for the coming of Christ, but we all get so caught up with rushing around, last minute purchases, juggling exams and sports practices, that we never S.L.O.W. D.O.W.N. I invite you to join a simple 4-week challenge. Each week, just try it as we all get ready for Christmas.

Week 1: Time. Spend 10-15 minutes in quality conversation with someone in your family. Maybe it's your annoying younger sibling who is always wanting your attention, your parent who is always asking about your day or your cousin who you text but don't call. By this small selfless act, you'll make a difference in their lives. Time is priceless, yet it costs nothing. Give a gift to that family member this week and see what God can do with that conversation.

#givecatholic- THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in and donated funds through our parish website to the #givecatholic initiative. I am humbled and honored to announce that we made over \$1700 that will go directly towards youth ministry and our HS teens. Some folks have contacted me wondering if it's too late to give. If you'd like to donate to our youth ministry, you can do so by check made out to "OLM" with youth ministry in the memo. Again, thank you for your generosity, time, support and prayers - I'm overwhelmed. God bless all of you! Kim Oliveira

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SERVING OLM & OUR COMMUNITY

OLM
Ladies Guild

Congratulations to our November Raffle Winners!

- 1st Prize - \$400 – Bob & Karen Carroll
- 2nd Prize - \$300 – Ann Garcia
- 3rd Prize - \$200 – Cathy Bellman
- 4th Prize - \$100 – Andrea Dreyer

Thank you to all who purchased tickets!!

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO OUR

ANNUAL WINE & CHEESE CHRISTMAS PARTY
Friday, December 8, Ryan Room

(After the 7:30pm Immaculate Conception Mass in the Church)

Please join us for appetizers, desserts, wine, punch, coffee & tea. Come and celebrate the start of the Advent/Christmas Season! All parishioners are welcome!

Next Raffle Drawing Sat., Dec. 30th after 5pm Mass



THE KNIGHTS CORNER

Knights of Columbus



News:

Join the Knights and the Jolly Fellow in the red suit on Sunday December 10th for a wonderful Christmas breakfast and photos with Santa.

Exemplifications and new membership:

Mike D'Amelio, Grand Knight: 973-800-4915
Ray Duplain, Deputy Grand Knight: 201-741-4073

Calendar:

12/09: Santa Breakfast setup
12/10: Breakfast with Santa – ALL HANDS ON DECK
12/13: Officers, 7:15pm; Business Mtg. at 8pm - Ryan Rm
12/27: NO MEETING
01/10: Officers, 7:15pm; Business Mtg. at 8pm - Ryan Rm
01/24: Social Mtg. 8pm – Ryan Rm

“ARE YOU READY?”

Today is the 1st Sunday of Advent and the start of our Liturgical Year. The fact that our Church Year is out of sync with the Calendar Year reminds you that Jesus is your focus and your entire year should revolve around Him. The year starts with preparing to receive Him “Advent” and ends with His coming in Glory as Christ Our King. In today’s first reading, the Prophet Isaiah informs you that the Old Testament people lamented and longed for God’s attention and love. They recognize their unclean wretchedness and begged God to restore them to wholeness. Remembering, “O Lord you are our Father, we are the clay and you are the Potter, we are all the work of your hands”, therefore, form us for yourself. Like children, they called out for God’s help and God answered by sending His only Begotten Son, Jesus. How many times have you called out? How often has your Lord carried you through the dark night into the light? St. Paul, in our 2nd reading, tells you “God is Faithful and by Him you are called to fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ.” Are you strong in your fellowship with Christ? It takes daily communication for all relationships to be strong, alive and growing. Jesus begins today’s gospel message with “Be watchful, Be alert! for you do not know the time of His coming.” We do know that we will celebrate His Incarnation in just 22 days. Why not begin Advent preparation by going to Reconciliation, beginning a purposeful conversation of daily prayer and opening your heart wide for Christ to enter, **FOR EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE, WITH GOD’S GRACE, WHEN YOU BELIEVE! ARE YOU READY? Want to know more about RCIA and receiving your Sacraments or about becoming a team member and a part of this rewarding ministry? For information call Msgr. Carroll, 973-838-6838 x100 or Carol Mangani at 973-283-2218.**

Date	Topic	Presenter
Dec. 7	Liturgical Year, Catholic Beliefs, the Immaculate Conception	Sr. Ellen

PRO-LIFE CORNER

On this First Sunday of Advent, may we pray for a deeper personal encounter with Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. May we pray for the grace this week to prepare for the coming of the Lord into our hearts, minds and souls. May we beg our Gracious God for his Mercy upon our nation and for the protection of all human life. May we pray for all confused pregnant women to understand that their babies are made in His image and likeness and that He has given each child a soul, and life itself. May Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, gift them with great love to bring their children to birth, and to provide the understanding that only a mother’s heart can give. Amen.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7

In this straightforward psalm, the people acknowledge their sinful ways, yet plead that their Creator might reveal himself to them. They ask God to remember, not their sins, but that “We are all the work of your hands.”

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Paul explains to the Corinthians that they are specially favored by God who has sent his only Son to them. He reminds us all that it was through God’s grace that we have been called to kinship with Christ.

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Just as a servant watching over the master’s house does not know when he will return, we do not know the hour of the Second Coming. Mark reminds us of the warning from Jesus to always be on guard, for we know not the day nor the hour.

YOU ARE INVITED – December 9th

Come celebrate the **80th anniversary** of the Diocese. A special 9:30am Solemn Mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Serratelli, followed by breakfast at the Brownstone, Paterson at 11am. *All are invited to attend!* **Tickets are \$40 per person and are available online at www.rcdop.org/breakfast.**

THANK YOU FROM TURKEYS 4U

Turkeys 4U, a group of students from Kinnelon and surrounding areas, including a number of OLM parishioners, provided turkeys at Thanksgiving time to those in need. They raise money annually, including an appeal for donations at OLM to which parishioners respond generously. This year, on Sat., Nov. 18th, the group delivered 410 turkeys to the Father



English Food Pantry in Paterson — so those who have little could enjoy a nice Thanksgiving meal. Thank you, students and parishioners, for your generous charity.

IN & AROUND OUR PARISH

COULD YOU BE A CHRISTMAS ELF?



Thanksgiving and Christmas are extra busy times For Catholic Family & Community Services. The recent devastating fire in our **Food Pantry** has heightened the pressures. Food pantry staff and volunteers are stretched between **added pickups, sorting, packaging and distributing food.** In addition, we will begin **collecting, organizing and distributing thousands of gifts to the families, children and individuals who are in need.**

We are reaching out to **YOU** or anyone you know who could **volunteer** for a few hours, for part of a day or a day to help in the food pantry and with the Christmas gifts project.

Volunteers are needed Mondays - Fridays from 9-5 and Sat. from 10 to 4 from Nov. 27th until Dec. 20th. (If you are only coming for these projects, you can just sign in. You will not have to complete a full application and background check). The volunteer sites are all within one block of the Father English Food Pantry, 435 Main Street, Paterson. We need **College** students on a break; **HS** students who need community service hours; **Adults** who want to help and be in the spirit of Christmas giving.

For further information, volunteers can contact:

Maria Malave at 973-279-7100 x 2103, mdelapaz@catholiccharities.org or Sr. Maureen Sullivan at 973-279-7100 x 2203, msullivan@catholiccharities.org

VILLA WALSH ACADEMY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us on Dec. 10th at 3pm at the Mother Ninetta Aud., 455 Western Ave., Morristown, 973-538-3680, Donation \$10, www.villawalsh.org.

ST. PAUL’S ABBEY CHRISTMAS TREES

Choose and purchase a tree from the Benedictine Monks in Newton. NJ. We are on Rte. 206. 1 mile south of Newton - thousands of trees ready to choose and cut. 7 days a week from Nov. 24th to Dec. 23rd, 9am to 4pm. Visit our Abbey Gift Shop.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIGHT CONCERT

Sat., Dec 16th, 4pm Community Church of Smoke Rise Christmas Concert will be a time of fun to enjoy this beautiful season. Come ready to be moved and entertained.

HOLIDAY ON THE KINNELON BOROUGH GREEN

Join us on Fri., Dec. 1, 7pm at 130 Kinnelon Rd. to await the arrival of Santa on the Fire Truck. Come enjoy our Tree Lighting, Caroling by the Kinnelon HS Choir, munchkins & hot chocolate.

SHELTER OUR SOLDIERS

OLM Church and the Kinnelon HS Give Back Club have teamed up with SHELTER OUR SOLDIERS to make 100 care packages for homeless veterans

GOAL: 100 blankets & 100 winter hats by Dec. 3.

HOW: Drop new or slightly used blankets and hats in the **Shelter Our Soldiers** box in the narthex of the church.



FAMILY PHOTOS ❄️ FREE HOT BREAKFAST
SUN. DEC. 10TH

OLM AUDITORIUM
2 Miller Road, Kinnelon
9AM TO 1PM

❄️ PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL HELP ❄️
TO SUPPORT A LOCAL KINNELON FAMILY IN NEED



CHRISTMAS BEGINS

WITH *Christ*

GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT!

CONFESSIONS WILL BE

MONDAYS: 7 TO 8:30 PM

SATURDAYS: 4 TO 4:45 PM



