Holy Family Parish Union Beach, NJ

### Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, December 17, 2011

8:00 am + Charles L. Barnickel, Req. Wife Mary

5:30 pm + Patsy Pagano, Req. DeSimone Family

### SUNDAY, December 18, 2011

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 am + Katherine A. Schmittler, Reg. Niece

9:00 am + Gross & Starrs Family, Req. Marge Gross

10:30 am + Edward Zurawski, Req. Wanda Stypul

12:00 pm + John Russell Payne, Req. Family

5:30 pm + People of the Parish

MONDAY, December 19, 2011

8:00 am + Purgatorial Society

TUESDAY, December 20, 2011

8:00 am + Katherine Ann Schmittler, Req. Niece

WEDNESDAY, December 21, 2011

8:00 am + Hank & Thomas Kiley, Req. Gene & Sue Kiley

THURSDAY, December 22, 2011

8:00 am + Rev. Joseph G. Fox,

Pastor Holy Family Church 1955-1979

FRIDAY, December 23, 2011

8:00 am + Mr. & Mrs. Frank Aprile, Req. Grandchildren

SATURDAY, December 24, 2011

8:00 am + In Thanksgiving

### **VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS**

4:00 pm + Stout & Brady Family, Req. Jean Marie Brady

6:30 pm + Deceased Members Salvoski Family

Midnight + Gus Young, Req. Family

Elinor Tetro, Req. Diane & Benn Ciardi

#### SUNDAY, December 25, 2011

#### NATIVITY OF THE LORD - CHRISTMAS DAY

7:30 am + Christmas Flower Memorials

9:00 am + Matthew Dioria, Req. Mary Dioria

**10:30 am** + Eugene Brown, Req. Mary

12:00 pm + Mary D. Coffey, Req. Son John

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED John P. Alexander

John P. Alexander Juanita Doucett

### **ADORATION - EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Come and visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday in the Chapel from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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## Please Remember to Pray for the Sick

Margaret Sutter, Helen Kiley, Caeden Stoll, Olivia Bobber, Karl Spangler, Jack Wegman. **RECENTLY ILL:** Rosemarie Sacharanski and son Robert, Nicholas Schulmeister, Karen Stralkus.



### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Tues. and Wed. (Grades 1-5) 4:30 to 5:45 PM. Wed. (Grades 6-8) 7:00 to 8:15 PM. Classes from September to May. Contact Patricia McCarthy, CRE, at 732-264-7043. Office hours during classes: 930 -2:30 pm Mon. & Thurs., 12:30 -5:30 pm Tues. & Wed. Website: <a href="www.holyfamily.us">www.holyfamily.us</a>. E-mail: <a href="hfteligioused@comcast.net">hfteligioused@comcast.net</a>. Fax: 732-335-9605.

### ALTAR AND ROSARY SOCIETY

Monthly meeting is the fourth Thursday of the month Sept. - June at 7:00 PM in Memorial Hall. All women of the parish are welcome to attend. Communion Sunday is the first Sunday of the month at 9:00 AM. Questions contact President Marianne Bennett at 732-335-9301

### **HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Monthly meeting is the second Thursday of the month at 8 PM in Memorial Hall. All men of the parish are invited to attend. Communion Sunday is the Sunday following the Holy Name meeting. Questions contact President Sam Fortino at 732-739-2442.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

All high school teens are invited to join the youth ministry. Meetings are held Sunday evenings from Sept. thru June from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Activities include: Mass, service to the poor, youth conference, fundraising, and much more! Contact Adele Wright for more information at 732-721-5558.

#### **READERS**

Parishioners who have received Confirmation are invited to participate in the reader ministry. Please contact Pastoral Associate Sr. Gloria Jean Bateman at 732-264-1484.

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Any child third grade or older is welcome to become an altar server. Please contact the parish office at 732-264-1484.

### **USHER MINISTRY**

For more information on the usher ministry, please contact Craig Tonks at 732-290-1329.

### **GOLDEN AGE GROUP**

Meeting every Monday in Memorial Hall 10 A.M. to 2 PM. Questions please contact Richard Bryson at 732-264-0008.

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Parishioners who have received Confirmation are invited to participate in becoming extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Please contact Pastoral Associate Sr. Gloria Jean Bateman at 732-264-1484 ext. 22 or at 732-739-3065 (convent). There is a two-year commissioning commitment.

#### 2011 NJ RIGHT TO LIFE RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you again for your tremendous support of the New Jersey Right to Life 2011 Respect Life Raffle.

#### **Congratulations to winners:**

- 1st Prize 2012 XC60 Volvo SUV: #06908,
  - J. Ventura of Atlantic County
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$1,000 Shoprite Gift Card: #11936, G. Porto of Hunterdon County
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$750 Shoprite Gift Card: #30486,
   C. Biasiello of Cape May County
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Prize \$500 Shoprite Gift Card: #05491,
    - D. Meigs of Monmouth County

Though many still perish through the horror of abortion, many are saved through your generosity.

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Dear Parishioners,

The liturgical year (Church calendar) is as different from the calendar year as the fiscal year is for most people. The Church calendar begins on a different day than the civil year, but it still contains the same 12

months and 365 days. The liturgical year begins on the first Sunday of Advent, which is four Sundays before Christmas. The last Sunday of the year, the feast of Christ the King, is the Sunday before the first Sunday of Advent.

To help the faithful with their public worship, the Church uses a seasonal year and calendar that go back two millennia --- back to the time when most of the world was agrarian (farming). Farmers were very dependent on the seasons of the year to plant, tend, and harvest. Pagans as well as Jewish, Christian, Muslim, and Mormon religions recognize the impact of the seasons of the year on people; they tied feasts and celebrations to the growing and cultivating of crops and livestock.

The Catholic liturgical year revolves around two feasts: Christmas and Easter. They're high holy days because they commemorate the birth and Resurrection of the Church's founder, Jesus Christ. The first half of the liturgical year focuses on the theme "Christ Our Light," and it's epitomized by Christmas. The second half focuses on the theme "Christ Our Life," epitomized by Easter.

Fr. Mark

### Altar & Rosary Society Memorial Poinsettia Plants



The Altar & Rosary Society is sponsoring a program whereby families may purchase a Poinsettia plant to be placed on the Altar in memory of a loved one during the Christmas Season. *The Christmas Day 7:30 a.m. Mass* 

will be offered for those remembered in this special way. Envelopes can be found in the December envelope mailing or at any of the church entrances. The donation is \$10.00. Please drop the completed form in the offertory basket or at the parish office.

### CALLING ALL MATER DEI ALUMNI CLASS OF '72!

Mark your 2012 Calendars now for our 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion on Saturday, April 28 at the Sheraton Eatontown. For further information, please contact Ellen Poole, eppoole@comcast.net or Mike Colman, michaelfcoleman@gmail.com. Updates will be posted on the high school website and sent to alumni with current address information, so spread the good news to classmates who may be out of touch. Cheers!

### **LOST AND FOUND**

If you think you may have left something behind, please contact the parish office lost and found at 732-264-1484.

### **CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2011**



CONFESSIONS
Saturday December 17
3:45 - 4:45 P.M.
Saturday December 24
11:00 - 12 Noon
Saturday December 31
3:45 - 4:45 P.M.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES** 

Christmas Vigil – Saturday December 24 4:00 P.M. Children's Mass 6:30 P.M. Mass 11:30 P.M. Choir Presentation followed by Midnight Mass

Christmas Day – Sunday December 25 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m., & 12 noon (There will be no 5:30 p.m. Mass.)

<u>NEW YEAR'S MASSES</u> Saturday, December 31 – 5:30 P.M.

Sunday, January 1, 2012 OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 A.M. (There will be no 5:30 P.M. Mass.)

### REVISED WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE and CONFESSIONS FOR 2012

The revised weekend Mass schedule for 2012 will be Saturday 5:00 p.m., and Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.m. Confession will be Saturday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and by appointment with the priest.

### SCOUTING FOR FOOD - THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who contributed to our recent food drive. Everyone pitching in does make a difference & your generosity enabled us to collect 4,293 grocery items, plus cash and gift cards. Special blessings to our Scouting families, former Scouts, and Scouters and parishioners who gave up their time to assist with sorting and stacking the collected items. We couldn't have gotten it done with out your help! Be assured your time was well spent and greatly appreciated. The Scouts of Pack and Troop 134

### ST. JOHN VIANNEY HIGH SCHOOL 2012 SUPER BOWL XLVI RAFFLE

Donation \$10 to benefit St. John Vianney High School. Package for two includes: round-trip air from NY/NJ, four nights first class hotel accommodations, rental car for entire stay, Sat. evening elaborate cocktail and dinner hosted by a football celebrity, round trip private motor coach transportation to the game. Sun. game brunch, ticket to Super Bowl, Souvenir Super Bowl bag, Super Bowl game program and all hotel taxes. Trip value \$12,000. Drawing Thurs., Jan. 5, 2012, 8 p.m. For tickets call Julie Pasquale 732-739-0800 ext. 121.

### 2011 Christmas Eve and Day Schedule Serving at the Altar

4:00 PM	6:30 PM	12 Midnight	
Jillian Johnson	Faith Reash	Madison Seelinger	
Gabriella	Eddie Reash	Alexandra Sweeney	
Malinconico			
7:30 AM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	
Colin Mathias	Andrea Connors	Nicholas Gates	
Luke Quinn	Gabriella Raad	Sean Knoll	
12:00 PM			
Stephanie Abrams			
Lorenzo Valente			

# Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:00 PM	G. Cooper	B. Cooper, S. Cooper
6:30 PM	B. Picardi	J. Reash, J. Tonks
12 Midnight	R. Janasz-	F. Maysonet, B. Sweeney
	Nagle	
7:30 AM	T. Mathias	L. Lonnay, S. Quinn
9:00 AM	L. White	I. Hallard-Dickinson,
		P. McCarthy
10:30 AM	A. Leite	M. Bennett, M. Leite
12:00 PM	F. Verbovsky	T. Aiken, S. Ledden

### **OUR WEEKLY OFFERING**

### **Last Week – December 11**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly \$7726

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection - Retirement Fund for Religious \$2747

### This Week - December 18

1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Programs & Facilities

### Next Week - December 25

1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Programs & Facilities

### **RELIGIOUS GIVE THANKS!**

A Benedictine nun writes: "We ask God to bless the faithful who made contributions in order to help us in our retirement." Senior Catholic sister, brothers, and religious order priests offer their heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

### **RESPECT LIFE CONTEST - GR. K - 8TH**

### Respect Life Poster, Essay, and Video Contest

See insert in this week's bulletin. All entries are due back to the Rel. Ed. Office no later than Wednesday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>.

### **SELECTIVE SECONDS – SECOND HAND FURNITURE**

St. Rose Church announces that Selective Seconds, a non-profit, high quality second hand furniture & home décor store is opening its doors at a new location located at the Barn in the Belmar Plaza behind Brandl's Restaurant. Entrance to the store is located in the parking lot just off 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. in Belmar. Every purchase at Selective Seconds benefits the needy in our local community who too often go without life's basic necessities. Selective Seconds was voted one of the **BEST of Monmouth County** in the Asbury Park Press Readers Choice Contest for 2011! So, visit Selective Seconds and experience Fashionable Philanthropy for yourself! Hours are Thursdays & Fridays, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

### P.R.E.P. NEWS (PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM)

### CONFIRMATION

### **Prayer Guidance**

We would like to ask our parishioners to pick up a Prayer Dove from the board near the Holy Family Altar side of the church for the last time today with the name of one of our Confirmation students and have them pray for their spiritual guidance.

### R.E.P.O. CHRISTMAS PIE PICK-UP REMINDER

If you ordered any pies, please remember that they will be available for pick up in the school on Wednesday, December 21st from 4:00pm-7:00pm.

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Religious Education Office will be closed for the week of December 26th thru January 2, 2012. *Have a very Blessed Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year*.

### MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

### MTRS HAWKS BASKETBALL TEAMS

Good Luck to the MTRS Hawks basketball teams. Come watch the Hawks and the cheerleaders at our home games this season as they compete in the Northern Monmouth Parochial Basketball League. The hawks have home games on December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Check the school website, mtregional.com for a complete list of times and games.

### GiannaThe Catholic Healthcare Center for Women

St. Peter's University Hospital in New Brunswick, NJ is pleased to announce the opening of "Gianna-The Catholic Healthcare Center for Women. The Center is dedicated to offering truly prolife women's health care, including prenatal care and deliveries, infertility services, general gynecologic care, and more. All services are provided in accordance with the U.S. Catholic Bishops Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services. Please visit

http://www.saintpetershcs.com/GiannaCenter/ or contact us by phone (732) 565-5490 for more information.

### MEALS-ON-WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers with vehicles are needed to help with late morning delivery (approx. 11 a.m.) of Meals-on-Wheels to homebound seniors in the Keansburg and Keyport areas – one day a week, Monday through Friday. Pickup would be from the Bayshore Senior Day Center in Keansburg or from the Keyport Senior Center in Keyport. Routes generally have between six to eight seniors – who look forward to receiving a nutritious meal and seeing a familiar face.

If you can spare an hour once a week – or if you are willing to assist in the kitchen (particularly in Keansburg), please contact Diane at the Volunteer Unit of Interfaith neighbors – 732-775-5155, ext. 227. We provide training and ongoing support for volunteers.