

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 24, 2011

8:00 am + Stout & Brady Family,
Req. Jean Marie Brady

VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

4:00 pm + In Thanksgiving
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

MONDAY, December 26, 2011

8:00 am + Purgatorial Society

TUESDAY, December 27, 2011

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

WEDNESDAY, December 28, 2011

8:00 am + Gabriel Santopietro, Req. Wife Lillian

THURSDAY, December 29, 2011

8:00 am + Louise, Ignatius & Nick, Req. Madeline

FRIDAY, December 30, 2011

8:00 am + Ann T. Greenley, Req. The Woodrow Family

SATURDAY, December 31, 2011

8:00 am + John Baldo Jr., Req. Family
5:30 pm + John Dilius, Req. Daughter Maureen

SUNDAY, January 1, 2012

**The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord
Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God**

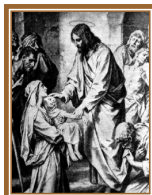
7:30 am + People of the Parish
+ Ann Kofoed, Req. Richard & Phyllis King
9:00 am + Harry Bateman, Req. Josephine Farley
+ Michael & Elizabeth Szotak,
Mr. & Mrs. William Westerfield
11:00 am + Frank, Clara, & Kenneth Slater
+ Elinor Tetro

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

James Groome

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: 9:30 -2:30 pm Mon. & Thurs., 12:30 -5:30 pm Tues. & Wed. Website: www.holyfamily.us. E-mail: hfreliouged@comcast.net. 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.

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.

Holiday Closing

The parish offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Monday December 26 and for the New Year's holiday on Monday, January 2, 2012.

LOST AND FOUND

If you lost jewelry in Memorial Hall, please contact the parish office lost and found and describe to claim at 732-264-1484.

Dear Parishioners & Visitors,



Usually, By December 25, we have been saturated with Christmas music, Christmas parties, and Christmas carols. In Catholic parishes, though, no Christmas hymns or music are sung or played until the Christmas Vigil Mass on December 24. Then they're sung all the way to New Year's Day, the

Epiphany, and ending on the Baptism of the Lord.

Christmas is the preeminent time of the year when Christian families gather to celebrate the birthday of our Savior. It is a time when churches are full to overflowing, at certain Masses and services, with both the faithful and observant as well as the many cultural and convenience-oriented Catholics and other nominal Christians. It is a time to take stock of our lives over the past year as well. If we have been more-often-than-not faithful worshippers at Sunday Masses and other holydays of obligation and have seriously taken the responsibilities to maintain the state of grace in our lives, i.e., being sure to be free or absolved sacramentally of serious sin or spiritual neglect, then we approach the sanctuary and its altar during Christmas Mass to receive the real gift: the gift of our Lord in the Eucharist, Holy Communion, in the right frame of mind, heart, and soul.

May the holy family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph be an inspiration and guide for not only the parents and children of our parish, but for all of us as sons and daughters of the same God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Merry Christmas!

Fr. Mark

RESPECT LIFE CONTEST - GR. K - 8TH

Respect Life Poster, Essay, and Video Contest

For a registration form & contest rules, please log on to our parish web site at holyfamily.us click on parish bulletins and download a registration form. All entries are due back to the Religious Education Office no later than January 25th.



HOLY FAMILY SINGLES DANCE

Join the Holy Family Singles for their January 14th dance with DJ at Holy Family Church, Memorial Hall, 727 Hwy. 36, Union Beach from 7:00 to 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$10.00. Light refreshments. Singles & Couples welcomed. Questions contact Gale 732-345-0212 or Joan 732-241-7159.



The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God WEEKEND OF DEC. 31 AND JAN. 1

Serving at the Altar

5:30 PM	7:30 AM	9:00 AM
Victoria Defabritis Kyle Mulvey	Sara Leary Charles Penszynski	Jillian Johnson Christopher Zeller
11:00 AM		
Theresa Costello Nicholas Gates	NO 5:00 P.M. MASS	<i>Christmas Blessings!</i>

Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:30 PM	M. Comeo	E. Keenan, J. Keenan
7:30 AM	P. Dannevig	S. Fortino, J. Fortino
9:00 AM	J. Cantwell	F. Byrne, O. Byrne
11:00 AM	W. Large	J. Breen, D. Javins

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

Last Week – December 18

- 1st Collection – Weekly \$8,130
- 2nd Collection – Programs & Facilities \$1,952

This Week – December 25

- 1st Collection – Christmas Collection
- 2nd Collection – Programs & Facilities

Next Week – January 1, 2012

- 1st Collection – Solemnity of Mary
- 2nd Collection - Weekly

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

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 5:00 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.

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

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.*

Thank You For Caring!

We would like to thank all of our parishioners, including our religious education families of our students, which so graciously donated all the outerwear for the "Homeless to Independence" campaign and the toys for the "Toys for Tots" campaign in December. God Bless you all for caring for the less fortunate.



**MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL
SCHOOL NEWS**

Polar Plunge

Don't forget to join us for the Polar Plunge on January 8th at Merri Makers in Sea Bright. Fr. Will has agreed to take the plunge if someone will donate \$5,000 to MTRS for the plunge. I sure would like to have Fr. Will join me and Bishop O'Connell. If you are interested in sponsoring Fr. Will's plunge, please contact the school.

Did You Know?

Did you know that Mother Teresa Regional School has a three and four year old preschool program. Through play and a variety of activities, the pre-kindergarten program at Mother Teresa Regional School is designed to equip each child with the necessary skills needed to excel in Kindergarten. Through exploration in the areas of Math, Science, Language Development and Religion, our children not only gain knowledge, but also a positive sense of well-being and accomplishment. The three year old program is offered five full or five half days as well as three half days. The four year old program is offered five full days a week.

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.

**Gianna-
The 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.

**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.

**THE HOLY FAMILY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
With Special Thanks and Gratitude!**

The Holy Family St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to extend it's thanks and gratitude to the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of Troop 134, the Holy Family Altar & Rosary Society, the Holy Name Society, the Holy Family High School Youth Ministry, and all our parishioners and friends who through their dedication and generosity helped make our Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for the needy an enormous success!

Your kindness and thoughtfulness is a reflection upon our parish, yourselves, and your families. We wish you a joyous and peaceful Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year!