



*Mass Intentions*

**SATURDAY, November 29, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **Jennifer Ricchiuti (Living)**, Req. Ann Ricchiuti
- + **Kitty Feehan**, Req. Family
- 5:00 pm + **Irene Chopyk**, Req. Chopyk Family
- + **Charles DeFazio**, Req. Coffey Family

**SUNDAY, November 30, 2014 - First Sunday of Advent**

- 7:30 am + **Raymond Ottinger**, Req. Martha Ottinger
- 9:00 am + **George Valania Sr.**, Req. Pete & Maureen DelPopolo
- + **Michael Mastrolia**, Req. Frank & Gloria Rotella & Family
- 11:00 am + **Richard Bryson**, Req. Ahfeld Family
- + **Joseph Buffa**, Req. Buffa Family
- 5:00 pm + **Patrick J. Devlin**
- + **Elinor Tetro**, Req. Tetro Family

**MONDAY, December 1, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **Purgatorial Society**
- + **Nellie Desmond**, Req. Tom & Joe

**TUESDAY, December 2, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **People of the Parish**

**WEDNESDAY, December 3, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **People of the Parish**

**THURSDAY, December 4, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **Jeremiah O'Sullivan**, Req. Curry Family
- + **Mary Dilius**, Req. Daughter Maureen

**FRIDAY, December 5, 2014**

- 8:00 am + **People of the Parish**

**SATURDAY, December 6, 2014**

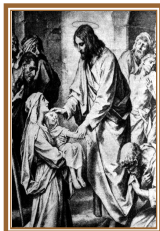
- 8:00 am + **People of the Parish**
- 5:00 pm + **Robert Kimble**, Req. Patrick & Theresa Ries
- + **Hank & Helen Kiley**, Req. Jim & Pat Dericks

**SUNDAY, December 7, 2014**

- 7:30 am + **Rocco Morea**, Req. Rich & MaryJean Normile & Family
- 9:00 am + **Jean Rahm**, Req. Facendo Family
- + **Martin Murphy**, Req. Marge Gross
- 11:00 am + **John J. Hrabosky Sr.**, Req. Family
- + **Lydia Medina**, Req. Friend
- 5:00 pm + **Genevieve Devlin**

***Please Remember to Pray for the Sick***

RoseAnne Chranowski, Joe Greene, Robert Ciecierski Sr., Larry Poland, Ruth Vignapiano, Karl Spangler, Veronica Grutkowski, Donna Murray, The Watson & Whittaker Families, Dominic Genovese, Michael Mazzaro, Margaret Beckman, **RECENTLY ILL:** Dana Bonano, Dinah Lucino, and Bernard Fahey Sr., Michelle Jacob, Peggy Witzig, Eileen Cisneros, Sarah McHugh, Robert Crane, Jean Marie Brady, Josephine Farley, Fran Strano.



**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.



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**First Sunday of Advent**

**Sunday**

Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

**Monday**

Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday**

Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

**Wednesday**

Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday**

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**First Friday**

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

**First Saturday**

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Tabernacle Light Memorial**



**Main Church**

***Richard Bryson***



**Holy Family Parish Ministries**

**Holy Family Parish welcomes you to our parish community! If you are new to Holy Family, we invite you to join the parish and become involved in one of our many ministries. Parish Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. If you have any questions, please call us at 732-264-1484 or log onto [www.holyfamily.us](http://www.holyfamily.us). Thank you for worshipping with us!**

**P.R.E.P.**

Our Parish Religious Education Program or P.R.E.P. educates over 500 students in grades 1 through 8<sup>th</sup> annually. Classes run from September to the end of May. Contact Patricia McCarthy, Director, or Eileen Pacifico, Secretary, during office hours at 732-264-7043 or email at [hfrelioused@verizon.net](mailto:hfrelioused@verizon.net). Office Hours (while class in session): Mon. & Thurs. 9:30 am to 2:30 pm; Tues. & Wed. 12:30 pm to 5:30 p.m. [hfrelioused@verizon.net](mailto:hfrelioused@verizon.net).

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY**

All high school teens are invited to become a part of our high school youth ministry. Teens gather in fellowship, perform service, fundraisers, trips, and more. For more information contact Youth Minister Adele Wright at 732- 721-5558

**Children's Choir**

If your child loves to sing, have them come and join the children's choir! For grades 2 thru 8 the children's choir practice at 8:30 a.m. each scheduled week with Brother James and Miss Stephanie in the choir loft. (Community Service hours apply for grades 6 thru 8<sup>th</sup>.)

**Adult Choir**

Music Director Brother James Furlong invites you to become a part of the adult choir. Practice is held Wednesday evenings in the choir loft beginning at 7:30 p.m. The adult choir sings Sunday at the 11 a.m. Mass.

**Altar & Rosary Society**

All women of the parish 18 and older are invited to join the Altar & Rosary Society. Monthly meeting fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Communion Sunday first Sunday of the month at 9 a.m. Mass. President Kathy Duffy 732-335-4668.

**Golden Age Group**

Anyone age 55 and older is invited to join the Golden Age Group. Meetings are held twice monthly in Memorial Hall beginning at 10 a.m. Call President Marlene Kelly for more information 732-739-0146.

**Reader/Lector Minister**

Parishioners who have received Confirmation on up through adulthood are invited to participate in the Reader Minister. Call Pastoral Assistant Jane Shaheen at 732-264-1484 ext. 19.

**R.C.I.A**

If you or someone you know has not received the Sacraments of initiation, i.e., Baptism, Communion, or Confirmation, and would like more information on any of these sacraments, please contact the Pastoral Minister Jane Shaheen at 732-264-1484 ext. 19.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Our St. Vincent de Paul ministry is operated by many volunteers who assist those in need in our area. Volunteers assist in the thrift shop, food pantry, answering phone calls, making house visits, and more. Meetings are held the second Saturday of every month at the Thrift Shop at 9 a.m.

**Communion to the Homebound/Tarascisius**

Parishioners who can no longer attend Mass receive Communion through the generosity of Eucharistic Ministers who share their time and bring Jesus in the Eucharist to the homebound of our parish keeping them in touch with our parish community as well as to those in the hospital and nursing homes.

**Usher Ministry**

If you enjoy meeting and greeting people, come and join our usher ministry. These men and women are the welcoming parishioners of our parish who assist in greeting, seating, taking the collections, and more. Contact Craig Tonks for more information or to volunteer at 732-290-1329.

**Altar Server Ministry**

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

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH CHAPEL – EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Holy Family Parish welcomes you to come and spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday any time from 8:30 a.m. until 3p.m.



**Ministry Schedule Weekend of December 6 & 7 & Feast of the Immaculate Conception Monday, Dec. 8**

**Serving at the Altar**

5:00 p.m.	7:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.
Timothy Connell Michaela McCarthy Jeremy Ramos	Emily Godkin Jillian Johnson Charles Penszynski	Robert Fischer Daniel Wagner Philip Walsh
11:00 a.m.	5:00 p.m.	7 p.m. Dec. 8
Vincent Mangano Kyle Mulvey Aiden Mulvey	Angelina Christ Faith Reash Eddie Reash	Jenna Polaco Luke Quinn Gabriella Raad

**Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

5:00 p.m.	A. Mocarski	M. Christopher, S. Donnelly
7:30 a.m.	L. White	B. Aldrich, A. Gallo
9:00 a.m.	J. Cantwell	G. DeCaprio, M. Oquendo
11:00 a.m.	R. Janasz-Nagle	M. DelPopolo, G. Rotella
5:00 p.m.	T. Mathias	L. Lonnay, J. Reash
12/8 @ 8am	E. Cassidy	F. Cozzati, J. Stragella
12/8 @ 12 noon	F. Mazzaro	J. Breen, M. Oquendo
12/8 @ 7 pm	F. Verbovsky	R. Aagre, S. Quinn

**P.R.E.P.  
NEWS**

**CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT SALE  
NOVEMBER 29 & 30**

On Saturday and Sunday, November 29th/30th our P.R.E.P. will be hosting a "Christmas Ornament Sale" after all Masses in Memorial Hall.



**FIRST PENANCE/COMMUNION  
PARENT MEETING**



Please be advised that the MANDATORY First Penance and Communion MEETING, as listed on the Religious Education calendar will be held on Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:45 P.M. in the church. Only one parent needs to attend.

**The Giving Tree  
Beginning Nov. 22 & 23  
Gifts to be returned by Dec. 7**

*Please remember the elderly at area Nursing Homes this Christmas...*

Our Giving Tree Program has begun! The "Giving Tree" is an annual program which provides gifts to the sick & elderly in area nursing homes at Christmas. If you'd like to purchase a gift, please take a card. The card will list the name of the person in the nursing home as well as their wish gift. After wrapping the gift, be sure to put the card on the package. (This is the only way that the nursing homes know to whom the gift belongs.) **Please be sure to return the gift no later than Sat. & Sun. Dec. 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> to our Giving Tree** so that gifts can be distributed in time for Christmas. Thanks so much for your generosity!



**CUB SCOUT WREATH  
Pick Up Date November 29 & 30**

Wreaths will be available for pick up after all Masses the weekend of November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> downstairs in Memorial Hall.

**OUR WEEKLY OFFERING**

- Last Week – November 23**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly TBA  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Campaign for Human Development TBA
- This Week – November 30**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – St. Vincent de Paul
- Next Week – December 7**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection – Weekly  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Diocesan Assessment

**ALTAR & Rosary Society  
Memorial Poinsettia Plants - \$10**

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 10 o'clock Mass will be offered for those remembered in this special way. Envelopes can be found in the December envelop mailing or at any of the church entrances or you may use the form below and place in an envelope. The donation is \$10. Please drop off the completed form in the offertory basket or at the parish office.



**Altar & Rosary Society  
Memorial Poinsettia Plant  
Offering: \$10  
Please Print below**



In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & State: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please cut along dotted line, place in envelope & mark "Memorial Poinsettia Plant" and drop in the offertory basket or bring to the parish office. You may also mail Holy Family P.O. Box 56, Keyport, NJ 07735.

*Drive Through  
the  
Christmas Story*



Bible Stories of the Savior come to life as you drive through and experience them from the comfort of your car. See costumed live characters, animals, and unique scenes, while enjoying holiday music and related Scripture verses. Tens of Thousands have experienced the *Drive Through the Christmas Story*, and it has become an annual event for many in the area.

**November 28, 29, 30 December 5, 6, 7**  
Fridays Saturdays & Sundays  
7:30 pm - 9:30 pm 5:00 pm - 9:30 pm



**At Sayre Woods Bible Church**  
Route 9 South, 1/4 Mile North of Route 516  
(Across from ShopRite)  
2290 Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey 08857  
(732) 679-5989 www.sayrewoods.org

**COMPLETELY FREE**

Voluntary donations of canned food (no money) for the Bread of Life Ministry will be accepted.



## MOTHER TERESA REGIONAL SCHOOL NEWS

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



#### SUNDAY DECEMBER 7

Mother Teresa Regional School is holding their annual Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, Dec. 7th, from 9-3. We are looking for vendors and crafters to join us! If you are interested in signing up to be a vendor, please email [pta@mtregional.com](mailto:pta@mtregional.com) for more information and a registration form. Thank you.

#### FAITH, FAMILY, AND HOCKEY EVENT

The Mother Teresa Regional School Community has been given the unique opportunity to participate in a new program sponsored by the NJ Devils. The Faith, Family and Hockey Event will be held at the Prudential Center on Friday February 6th 2015 at 7:00 pm. The event includes discount tickets to the Devils game, a meeting with a Devils player and admission to the after game concert. Please see the flyer on the school's homepage for more information [www.MTRegional.com](http://www.MTRegional.com) or call 732-291-1050.



### Jersey Cares 19th Annual Coat Drive

Mother Teresa Regional School will be partnering with Jersey Cares in their effort to collect 60,000 winter coats. Students will be sorting and bundling the collected coats as part of their Faith in Action curriculum. Please check your closet and donate any used coats you may have. All sizes are being accepted. The collection will run until Dec. 5. Boxes can be found at church entrances beginning next weekend.

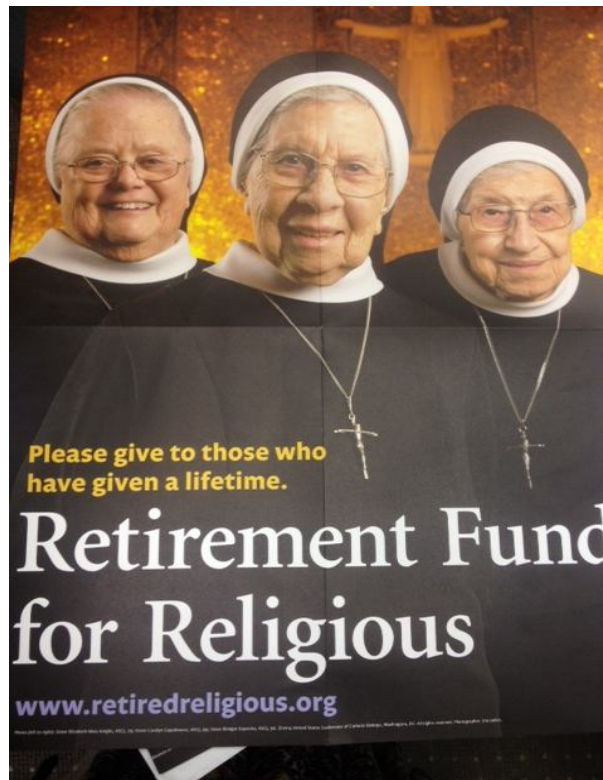
### St. Mary's Travel Group

ST. MARY'S TRAVEL GROUP invites you to join us in the COLORADO ROCKIES featuring Nat'l Parks and Trains!! May 29-June 6, 2015. Double \$2,679.00. Book now and save \$100! HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE: DENVER, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, GRAND JUNCTION, ARCHES NAT'L PARK, NATIONAL MONUMENT, DURANGO AND SILVERTON RAILROAD, MESA VERDE AND MUCH MUCH MORE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR SLIDESHOW PLEASE CONTACT FRANCESCA AT 732-539-4971 OR EMAIL [FRANKRICH3@GMAIL.COM](mailto:FRANKRICH3@GMAIL.COM)

#### LOST AND FOUND

If you think you may have left something behind, please feel free to contact the parish office at 732-264-1484.

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION DECEMBER 13-14



**Give thanks for Religious. A parishioner writes, "We thank God today and every day for every religious sister who taught us in school, not only our ABCs, but also to love God." Share your gratitude for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to the Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious on Dec. 13 & 14.**

### The CatholicTV Network

The CatholicTV Network, America's Catholic Television Network, is now available to cable and satellite providers in our area. Please help provide this upbeat, youthful and exciting Catholic network and a powerful resource to the people of our area and the entire nation.

To help, simply visit [GetCatholicTV.com](http://GetCatholicTV.com) as an easy way to petition your cable or satellite provider. If you are unable to access the internet please follow up with a postcard or letter to your provider.

Remember the address: [GetCatholicTV.com](http://GetCatholicTV.com)

### Craft Show – December 6 St. Clements Annual Craft Show

St. Clement's Annual Craft Show will be held Sat., Dec. 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Featuring wonderful hand-made items, 80+ vendors, 50/50s, Raffle Baskets, Food, Live Poinsettias. For more information call 732-970-6812.

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## Gospel Today

First Sunday of Advent | Mark 13:33-37

### BE AWARE & KEEP WATCH!

Always be ready for the day and hour when God comes again. No one knows when, not even Jesus or the Angels in Heaven.

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## FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

ARRIVAL OR COMING OF CHRIST

### BLESS THIS WREATH

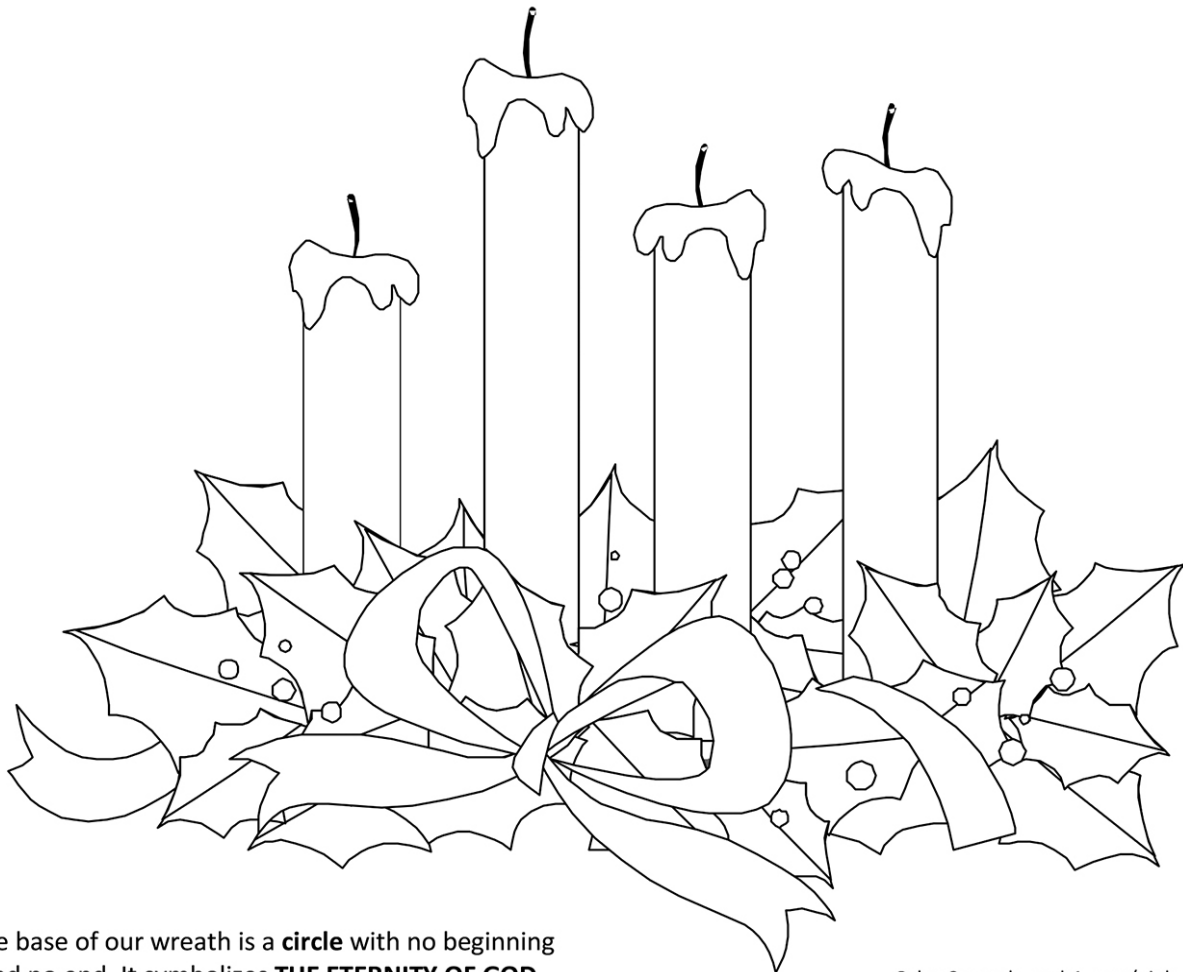
Prayer said by Father or head of household

“O God, by whose word all things are sanctified, pour forth Thy blessings upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive from Thee abundant graces. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.”

### WEEK 1, evening lighting prayer

Prayer said by Father or head of household

“O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come, that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance. Through Christ our Lord, Amen”. Youngest child lights 1 purple candle.



The base of our wreath is a **circle** with no beginning and no end. It symbolizes **THE ETERNITY OF GOD**.

We decorate the base with **EVERGREENS** which represent **CONTINUOUS LIFE**.

Color 3 purple and 1 rose/pink candle. Draw a flame on 1 purple candle and color the holly leaves green.