Infant Jesus Parish



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 20, 2015 ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 19

4:00 PM Paul & Carmella Paviglianiti & Bill & Wanda Roswell req. by Bill, Kathi & family

6:00 PM Millie Moraca req. by Anthony & Phyllis Emanuele

Sunday, December 20

8:30 AM Vincent & Linda Morelli req. by daughter & sister, Cindy Morelli

10:00 AM Carol DeMatteo req. by Donna Godfrey

11:30 AM People of the Parish

4:00 PM Henry Chudzinski req. by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Bangle

Monday, December 21

6:45 AM Frank & Marie Worstall req. by Peggy, Dave & Allie

8:30 AM James Moss req. by his wife, Helen

Tuesday, December 22

6:45 AM Cindy Moffett req. by her mother & sons **8:30 AM** Mary & Harry Chuba req. by Donna, Karen, Michael & Nadine

Wednesday, December 23

6:45 AM Frank & Marie Worstall req. by Peggy, Dave & Allie

8:30 AM Michael Boczar req. by his wife

Thursday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

8:30 AM Sandy Lento reg. by Rachel Rice

4:00 PM (St. Margaret Church) - Children's Liturgy

4:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church)

6:00 PM & 12 Midnight (St. Margaret Church)

Friday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS

10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church)

11:30 AM (St. John Vianney Church)

Saturday, December 26

8:30 AM Men & Women in the Military

4:00 PM George Cavallo req. by his wife

6:00 PM Domenick & Madaline Maccariella req. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Maccariella

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Nicola Luciano req. by her family

10:00 AM Kass Philbin req. by Val & Jim Philbin & family

11:30 AM John Welsh, Jr. req. by his mother, Mary

4:00 PM People of the Parish

PLEAST NOTE: ALL MASSES ON CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY ARE FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve

Thursday, December 24th, 2015

4:00 PM (St. Margaret Church) – Children's Liturgy 4:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church) 6:00 PM (St. Margaret Church) Midnight (St. Margaret Church)

Christmas Day

Friday, December 25th, 2015

10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church) 11:30 AM (St. John Vianney Church)

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

Thursday, December 31, 2015

7:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church)

Thursday, January 1, 2016

10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church)

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary lamp at St. John Vianney Church is burning in loving memory of

Bud McDonough

req. by his wife, Jane.

The Sanctuary lamp at St. Margaret Church is burning in loving memory of *Michael Boczar* reg. by his wife.

COME LET US ADORE HIM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel until 6:00 PM. Adorers are needed for First Fridays when the Blessed Sacrament is

adored after 8:30 AM morning Mass until Saturday morning continuously. We currently have only one person or couple committed to most hours presenting a great need when someone goes on vacation or is otherwise unable to fulfill their time slot. Would you possibly consider being placed on a substitute list for vacancies between 1:00am -7:00am? If you would like to come to adoration, please sign in (guests as well as scheduled adorers). If you are scheduled for adoration and cannot attend, please try to get a replacement, or contact Jody Ilisco at 848-3239 or the rectory 856-848-0047.

Dear Friends in Christ,

From the Pastor

This weekend, our parish, dedicated to the Infant Jesus, invites you to bring the baby Jesus figurines from your nativity sets to church for us to bless. The Holy Father blesses the "Bambinelli",

"Infants", on Gaudete Sunday at his recitation of the Angelus. We are all called to "try to live in the everyday reality of what Christ's Nativity represents, which is the love of Christ, his humility and his poverty." The little figurines we will bring to Mass are made of porcelain, clay, wood or resin. They warm our hearts as we gaze upon them after placing them in our nativity structures, but we must never forget that He is flesh and blood, now glorified at the right hand of the Heavenly Father. How He craves for our love now as He did when He was a baby! His little arms reach out to be loved not only by Our Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph, but He desires our embrace. He wants us to wrap our arms around Him in living His Word, shunning the sins that pull us from Him and living the Gospel in our own little way. This means doing good to others, smiling rather than whining and to be sharers of His love and mercy. So bring your baby Jesus images to church today and after Holy Communion, we will bless them to return home and to place in your nativity sets. Saint Padre Pio said, "Would you not have preferred to have been in the dark stable, filled with the cries of the little Child, rather than to have been with the shepherds, beside yourself with joy over those sweet melodies from heaven and the beauties of this wonderful splendor?" Yes, Lord, transport our hearts to that little stable, where the King of Kings' voice was the cry of a baby! We long to collect You in our arms and to never let You go!

Ever in the Infant Jesus, Father Szolack

Family Prayer Crucifix for Vocations

Each week we will see a family receive a Crucifix to take home for the week to pray for vocations to the Holy Priesthood and Religious Life. It is contained in a beautiful handcrafted box which also serves as a stand for the Crucifix. Prayers to be used by the host family are on a laminated program in the box. Every weekend the host family will return the Crucifix in procession. A new host family will receive it at the end of Mass. Let us pray for holy vocations to religious life from our parish. If you are praying over a possible calling, please speak to Father Szolack.

December 19 - 26: the McGuinness family
December 26 - January 2: the Morrison family
January 2 - 9: The Wolstenholme family
Please contact Mrs. Denise Dietrich 215-901-3199 if
you would like your family to receive the crucifix at St.
John Vianney Church. Thank you.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 8 - \$2,720.00

Due to an early publishing deadline, the offertory collection for December 13th will be in next week's bulletin. Thank you.

Thank you for your continuing support. Please make your checks payable to: "*Infant Jesus Parish*".

Religious give thanks. "We cannot begin to repay all who contribute," writes a Catholic sister. "So we pray to God, who is never outdone in generosity, to reward you." Heartfelt thanks for your donation to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. May God bless you for your goodness!



Please pray for our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing home or who are homebound: *Dolores Alba, Chip Alberta, Mary Spence-Archer, Marge Aregood, Joe Avallone, Anthony Baccari, Dorothy Bennis, Chloe Bruce, Rose Bruno, Bill*

Cassidy, Lisa Cavalier, Wendy Cerminara, Mary Chambers, Frank Clayton, Barbara Costroff, Mitchell Czoch, Lindsey D., Kathleen David, Baby Anthony Dellaratta III, Ed Densten, Roseanne Dillenschneider, Gerry Donnelly, Maribeth Ellenberg, Gerri Foster, Nancy Gibson, Tom Girgenti, Audrey Greco, Christine, Christine and Elizabeth Hastings, Peter Hodson, Carmel Hopkins, Deacon Brian Kearney, Deacon Bob Kenney, Kathy King, Teresita Macandile, Amy Magazu, Melba Manzano, Baby Lendri Marks, Molly Marsteller, Robert McGinley, Marie McGuire, Elizabeth McHenry, Ray and Midge McMullen, Joe and Karen Metallo, Rita Milano, Pat Miller, Rocky Moraca, Ray Myers, Lucille Nelson, Carmela Paladino, Eugene Pappert, Angelo Perna, Phil Perna, Carmella (Mel) Popjoy, Katie Power, Stella Pronesti, Patricia Prosser, Delores Rebyak, Gerald Ryan, Ken Spadafora, Ron Vukicevich, Coreen Welch, Baby Jaxon Wickkiser, Sandra Wilson, Bernadette Young, Grace Zaccaria, Lorraine Zold.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

God bless our men and women who put their lives on the line to preserve freedom around the world. We thank God for our good fortune to be citizens of the USA. We continue to pray for our men and women overseas especially, Justin Gousha, Shawn Jarrell, Becky & Nick Johnson, Brian Simmons, Rob Solome, Sarah Turse, Charity Winkler and Brian Schwartz If someone has returned home, we ask that you let us know. Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our time of need. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen 🕈 🕈 🕈

Religious Education

Upcoming Important Dates

Level/Grade 7 Retreat - Saturday, January 9th **or** Saturday, January 30th at the Vianney Center - 3:00 PM through 6:00 PM Mass.

Students are required to attend 1 of these dates as part of their Confirmation Requirements

** GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

INFANT JESUS PARISH COOKBOOKS

Cookbooks are \$10.00 each and are available at Infant Jesus Parish rectory.

Thank you for your recipes, ideas and support!

INFANT JESUS APPAREL



Don't forget to show your support for Infant Jesus Parish. *Sweatshirts, hats, aprons, blankets, tote bags and much more* are available with the Infant Jesus Parish logo!

Check out the apparel and other items located on our website at www.TheInfantJesusParish.org All items available now at the Rectory! Color and sizes may vary.



Remember Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

James Higgins (Sr. Dianna's father)
Patrick J. Mullarkey



Do you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments? If so, Father Chris Mann can answer their questions and help in either endeavor. Please call 856-848-0047 and ask for Father Chris! Anyone wanting to join the RCIA Team should contact Father Chris. There are many ways to serve in RCIA, so do not hesitate to inquire. Many hands make light work.

WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Super Bowl Weekend Bake Sale will be held the weekend of February 6th & 7th 2016.

HOLD THE DATE: Our **Annual Fashion Show will** be held on April 5, 2016.

In coordination with Pope Francis' Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, the Infant Jesus Parish Women's Club is coordinating a Spring Bus Trip to the Catholic Shrines of Philadelphia on Saturday, April 23, 2016. Buses will depart Infant Jesus Parish (St. Margaret's School Parking Lot) at 7:15 AM. This trip starts off with an 8:00 AM Mass at the National Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia; after Mass we will tour the National Shrine of St. John Neumann and the Central Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. We will have lunch at Kelly's Seafood Restaurant on Bustleton Avenue in Philadelphia (lunch includes soup, salad, entree, dessert, coffee/tea). After lunch there will be a guided tour of the St. Katherine Drexel National Shrine. We will arrive back at Infant Jesus Parish (St. Margaret's School Parking Lot) at approximately 5:00 PM. The cost for transportation and lunch will be \$70.00 and is due at time of reservation. Cost includes tours, lunch, motor coach and all taxes and gratuities. For reservations or info please email Neen Raspa at neenie@comcast.net or call her at 856-468-6430.

Consider giving this trip to a special someone on your Christmas List!!!!!

Don't delay --- There will be ONLY ONE BUS!!!!!



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Christmas Eve Thursday, December 24

4:00 PM (SM) Christina Lo Giudice,

Lorraine Panepinto, Richard Macdonald

4:00 PM (SJV) Evelyn Iacovone, Mary Feret,

Nancy Tomlinson

6:00 PM (SM) Kathryn Schmidt

Midnight (SM) Dianne Dunleavy

Christmas Friday, December 25

10:00 AM (SM) Joan Badie, Janet Puglia

Saturday, December 26

4:00 PM Regina Underwood, Joanne McConville,

Joan Rodgers, Janet Autodore

6:00 PM Vince Brndolini, Kelly Philbin,

Mary Feret

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Anne & Tom Heim, Vicky McWilliams,

Gabriella Nichols

10:00 AM Loretta Petito, Richard Macdonald,

Maria & Mike Frain

11:30 AM Ellie Kandle, Rich Whelan, Joe Scaruzzi

4:00 PM Dawn Capone, Kathy Smith,

Mary Sperling



Christmas Eve Thursday, December 24

4:00 PM (SM) Alex Rovello, Nicholas Cooper

4:00 PM (SJV) Bob Kinsella

6:00 PM (SM) Mary Sperling

Midnight (SM) Laura Bachman

Christmas Friday, December 25

10:00 AM (SM) Larry Benecke

11:30 AM (SJV) Cynthia Aragoncillo

Saturday, December 26

4:00 PM Bob Law

6:00 PM Teen Reader

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Jim Tessmer

10:00 AM Nick Guaglione

11:30 AM Maria Schiavo

4:00 PM John Power



ALTAR SERVERS Saturday, December 26

4:00 PM Team 17 **6:00 PM** Team 2

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Team 5

10:00 AM Team 8

11:30 AM Team 11

4:00 PM Team 14

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun., Dec. 20 Religious Education - 8:30 AM

Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Choir - 10:15 AM (SJV)

Festival of Caroles - 5:30 PM (refreshments following)

Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

Mon., Dec. 21 Religious Education - 4:30 & 6:45 PM

Prayer Group - 7:30 PM (MC)

Wed., Dec. 23 Legion of Mary - 7:00 PM (B)

RCIA - 7:00 PM (C & D)

Thurs., Dec. 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

NA - 8:00 PM (C)

Fri., Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS

Sat., Dec. 26 King's Men - 7:00 AM (B)

Sun., Dec. 27 NO Religious Education

NO Sunday School - 10:00 AM

Choir - 10:15 AM (SJV)

Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary meets every Wednesday at 7:00 PM in the Ministry Center. The Legion of Mary is a worldwide Catholic lay apostolate that fosters faith, prayer and evangelization under the mantel of Our Blessed Mother. For more information, call Kathy at 856-535-7617.

Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!

The Retrouvaille Marriage Program offers help for struggling marriages. If you are struggling in your marriage, attending a Retrouvaille program could be the best gift you give to your spouse, and family, this Christmas! Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. Retrouvaille is not just a social gathering or series of seminars, but rather a way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. The next program begins on the weekend of February 12 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information or to register for our upcoming weekend, call 1-800-470-2230 or visit our website www.HelpOurMarriage.com. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

COLLEGIUM CENTER FOR FAITH AND CULTURE

Located at 301 White Horse Pike, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035. (Yellow house on the corner of Garden Ave and White Horse Pike, 1 block East of Station Ave.)

<u>Tuesday, December 29, 7:00 PM</u> Christmas Party - Lots of Food and Fun!! RSVP: 856-534-0400 or Brenda@thecollegiumcenter.org

Friday, January 8, 7:00 PM Vocations – Fr. Mike Matveenko Where is God Leading You? and How can those of us who already know our vocation, encourage others to be open to wherever God is calling them?

Friday, January 15, 7:00 PM The Mass: A prayerful study of its antecedents and its development from the Last Supper until the present. – Fr. Frederick Link

<u>Friday, February 5, 7:00PM</u> Personal Testimony of Mercy – Fr. Joseph Pham You will not want to miss this compelling story of Fr. Pham's harrowing escape from Communism.

CCFC is an independent organization for evangelization and Catholic catechesis under the authority of Bishop Sullivan of the Diocese of Camden. It is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization that depends entirely on the support of its generous benefactors.

Holy Doors of the Diocese of Camden

To celebrate the beginning of the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door at Saint Peter's Basilica on December 8. Soon after, five Holy Doors will open throughout the Diocese of Camden welcoming pilgrims who wish to partake in this ancient ritual.

December 20

Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Mary Mother of Mercy Parish, Glassboro

Church of Saint Nicholas, Parish of Saint Monica, Atlantic City

Church of Saint Francis of Assisi, Divine Mercy Parish, Vineland

Church of our Lady Star of the Sea, Cape May

For more information on the Jubilee of Mercy go to camdendiocese.org/mercy.



Please consider volunteering to visit the sick and bring them Communion at Inspira Hospital, Woodbury. We are looking for volunteers for one or more days a month. For more information, please contact Anne Pirillo at Annemarie.Pirillo@camdendiocese.org or at (856)278-8866 for more information.

INFANT JESUS PARISHIONERS OVER 55! - Did you know we have a Social Club? We meet the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Ministry Center. We have lunch, socialize, play Bingo, take trips, have speakers who inform us on public matters, etc. Bring your spouse, friends or neighbor. Let's socialize and have FUN. For more info call Betty at 856-848-2222 or just come to the meeting.

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