

Infant Jesus Parish – Woodbury Hts., NJ



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 22, 2019**

Saturday, December 21

- 4:00 PM** James Moss req. by his wife, Helen
- 6:00 PM** Dominick & Madaline Maccariella req. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Maccariella

Sunday, December 22

- 8:30 AM** Intentions of Fr. Joseph Szolack req. by Dianne Dunleavy
- 10:00 AM** Helen Pidliskey req. by her daughter, Patricia
- 11:30 AM** Phil Perna req. by Lisa & Bill McCausland & family
- 4:00 PM** Joseph Sweeney req. by John & Lorraine Kuropatwa

Monday, December 23

NO 6:45 AM Mass

- 8:30 AM** The Pallante family req. by Regina Underwood

Tuesday, December 24-CHRISTMAS EVE

- 8:30 AM** Mary & Harry Chuba & deceased relatives req. by Donna, Karen, Michael & Nadine
- 4:00 PM (SM)** Children of the Parish
- 4:00 PM (SJV)** Children of the Parish
- 6:00 PM (SM)** Well being of the Elderly, Sick & Homebound of the Parish
- 12 Midnight (SM)** Well being of the Elderly, Sick & Homebound of the Parish

Wednesday, December 25-CHRISTMAS

- 8:30 AM (SM)**
- 10:00 AM (SM)** *All Masses are for the People of the Parish*
- 11:30 AM (SJV)** *the Parish*
- 12 Noon (SM)**

Thursday, December 26

- 8:30 AM** Elizabeth Piccorossi req. by Louise & Joe Avallone

Friday, December 27

- 8:30 AM** Nicholas Luciano req. by his family

Saturday, December 28

- 8:30 AM** Diane Durr req. by Nick & Sharon Sandone
- 4:00 PM** John W. Underwood req. by Regina, children & grandchildren
- 6:00 PM** Joseph A. Campbell req. by Nick & Sharon Sandone

Sunday, December 29

- 8:30 AM** Earl Fleming req. by Al & Vanessa Messina
- 10:00 AM** John McGuinness req. by Diane Mendel
- 11:30 AM** John O'Connor req. by Ralph & Eileen Santaniello
- 4:00 PM** Kevin John Archer req. by Lasecki & McGuinness families



**Christmas Masses 2019
Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24th, 2019**

- *4:00 PM (St. Margaret Church) – Children’s Liturgy – Vigil
- *4:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church) – Vigil
- *6:00 PM (St. Margaret Church) – Vigil
- Midnight (St. Margaret Church)

**Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25th, 2019**

- 8:30 AM (St. Margaret Church)
- 10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church)
- 11:30 AM (St. John Vianney Church)
- 12:00 PM NOON (St. Margaret Church)

New Year Masses 2020

Tuesday, December 31, 2019

- 4:00 PM (St. Margaret Church)
- 6:00 PM (St. John Vianney Church)

Wednesday, January 1, 2019

- 8:30 AM (St. Margaret Church)
- 10:00 AM (St. Margaret Church)
- 11:30 AM (St. John Vianney Church)

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary lamp at St. Margaret Church is burning in loving memory of
Bryce Hansen & Anthony Petito
req. by Loretta Petito.



OFFICE STAFF

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Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every Friday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel until **5:00 PM**. On First Fridays, the Blessed Sacrament is adored after 8:30AM Mass until Saturday morning continuously. 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 call the rectory 856-848-0047.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS/ EVENING PRAYER

Deacon Joe Farro will lead an Evening Prayer and teach the Liturgy of the Hours at St. Margaret Church in the Chapel **twice a Month from 6:30 P.M. – 7:15 P.M.** All are invited to pray Evening Prayer and to learn about the Liturgy of the Hours. Save this upcoming date for this year: **December 27th**. **2020 dates to be announced.**

For more information, please contact Deacon Joe at DeaconJosephFarro@icloud.com or call (856) 848-0047.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!



We continue to pray for our men & women overseas especially:

Johanny DelOrbe, Megan Dolan, Justin Gousha, Shawn Jarrell, Becky & Nick Johnson, Rob Solome, Sarah Turse, Joseph Raab and Charles LaGrossa.

If someone has returned home, please 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.

Pray FOR THE SICK

Please pray for our parishioners who are in the hospital, nursing home or who are homebound: *Chip Alberta, Anthony & Rose Apicella, Joe & Louise Avallone, Charles J. Badie, Julie Barbetto, John Bertagnolli, Samantha Boulden, Baby Mary Blocklinger, Jack Bachman, Richard Thomas Carey, Madeline (Tina) Carrero, Bill Cassidy, Mark Cesarano, Heather Ruple Chiaradonna, Mridul Chowdhury, Donna Chuba, Ed Conway, Lisa McMichael Costa, Nicole Cowgill, Robert DiStefano, Jerry Donnelly, Baby Emil, Anthony Falance, Fran Ferry, Chuck Fitzgerald, Dorothy Pennewell-Foster, Gerri Foster, Donna Franks, Michael Geden, Annemarie Gendron, Agnes George, Tom Giglio, Chris Ginchereau, Audrey Greco Georgeann Greco, Katie Hartey, Christine Hastings, Carmel Hopkins, Joyce Howe, Christine & Zachariah Huber, Patti Infanti, Baby Jake, Jean, Russell Kahny, IV, Cathy King, Robert Kirkbride, Joe & Mary Lapetina, Michele Lott, Jennifer McGlinchey, Megan McMichael, Midge McMullen, Karen & Joseph Medallo, Joseph Micklasavage, Donna Mimplitsch, Margaret O'Donnell, Ron Orrick, Nico Osso, Lorraine & John Panepinto, Angela Paul, Susan Paul, Baby Nicholas Pizzuti, Carmela Popjoy, Melony Popjoy, Martin Przywara, Sam Puglia, Alec Quantavalle, Sharon Quintieri, Chuck Rabb, Kyle Riepen, Joel Rivera, Nora Joan Rush, Maria S., Marissa Schidel, Karen Schoch, Stephanie Selah, Gary Shephard, Betty Spera, David Sullivan, Dominic Talorico, Susan Underwood, Richard Underwood, Dylan Vitucci, Coreen Welch, Jim Welch, Paula Wiest, Joan Williams, Louise Wilusz, Helen Convery Witcraft, Baby Mark Zimmerman, Richard Zuber.* †††

“.....and heaven and nature sing!”
It's never too late to be part of something wonderful!



Singers, Instrumentalists, and Accompanists of every kind....Join the Music Ministry today!

Adult Choir for the 10 AM Mass practices every Sunday at 9 AM in the chapel. Wednesday Practice will be December 18 at 6 PM in the main church.

House of Charity

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We are looking for at least four volunteers to assist with our House of Charity Campaign. It would be very helpful to our staff to have a team in place to help with the coordination of this campaign in order to ensure we are as successful as possible. please note that volunteering does not include gift solicitations. We truly appreciate your consideration.

If you are interested please contact the parish office.

We are looking for volunteers who are:
Respectful of confidentiality

Detail oriented

Comfortable making phone calls

Available to assist with coordination of in-pew weekend

TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY



#2. Saves Souls

This is what life on earth is all about and it has its basis in the Letter of James, chapter 5, verse 19: “Brothers, if anyone among you should stray from the truth and someone bring him back, he should know that who ever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.”

Therefore, if you help to bring back a fallen away Catholic, or bring a convert into the Catholic religion – if you are God’s instrument to do that – the Bible says that you will cover a multitude of sins and save your own soul from death as well. The Legion, with its program of works which includes the friendly encouraging of the lapsed to live again their Catholic Faith ensures its members of this future blessing.

The Legion of Mary meets Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM in the Ministry Center.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



May the Infant Jesus pour out His blessings of Peace, Joy, and Health upon your families during this Holy Season!

After weeks of anticipation, we will soon come together to celebrate Christmas as one family in one spirit of love. From the beginning, by his unconditional love and infinite mercy, God reached out to humanity through a very humble way by becoming one like us except sin. By his unconditional love, Jesus lowered himself lying in a manger for us to see, to feel, to touch, and to be united with the Divine. Why did you do that Jesus? “Because I am love, love is my nature”. A true love has no boundary, no condition, no separation, and no discrimination. True love reaches out to everyone and everywhere. It permeates every heart, every depth and height, it shines through darkness, it strips off jealousy, hatred, resentment, bitterness of the heart, it heals the wounds of hurt, pain, and brokenness. True love is not afraid of humility, suffering or self-sacrifice; rather it uses humility to shame the pride, suffering to manifest its steadfast love, and sacrifice to exchange for things eternal. The Good News for us at Christmas is the Emanuel, God-with-us, the “True Love”. Even the heavenly hosts cried out for joy when the “true love” was born for humanity: “Glory to God in the highest and peace for His people of good will”. Let us come to receive the Good News of Christmas in the manger. Let us share the Good News of Christmas with our loved ones and others by speaking the language of the Emanuel, the language of unconditional and sacrificial love. This language is not easy to speak, but when it is spoken, it would become a miraculous gift of Christmas for both the giver and the receiver.

With profound gratitude to all for your loving support and generous sacrifices in the past, I confidently continue counting on your generosity and good hearts in the coming New Year for the success of serving Jesus in all. *Fr. Joe Pham*

Merry Christmas and Blessed healthy New Year



In an effort to improve our worship and ministries, we are conducting a brief survey to get your input on what we could do better or differently at the parish. Please help us understand how we can better serve you, your family and our neighbors.

The survey can be accessed on the parish website at

www.TheInfantJesusParish.org

We realize that the needs and concerns of the faithful may be different for each age group so we encourage each member of your family to fill in a separate survey.

Paper copies of the survey are available at the rectory.

**Parish
Survey**



Thank you to the Phifer Family for the beautiful Christmas Tree and to those who helped put it up. Thank you to all those who bought ornaments in remembrance of a loved one or for personal intentions which adorn the tree. All will be remembered in prayers throughout the Christmas Season.



**YOU DID IT
FOR ME**



Lord, You have given us the gift of life and have woven the story of Your love into our hearts and minds and every part of our beings.

You have shown us how to live in Your love, and you taught us that whatever we do for the least of your sisters and brothers, we do unto You.

We ask that the work that we do in service to your least ones be our prayer. May it show our gratitude for all your gifts and express our love for You in return.

Help us to love ardently, share in Your suffering joyfully, and serve You wholeheartedly in our sisters and brothers, especially those most in need who are helped through the House of Charity. Amen.

Parish Goal - \$167,182.00
245 Gifts - \$91,250.00



OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Due to an early publishing deadline, the collection will appear in next week's bulletin. Thank you.

May God repay you for your sacrifices. Thank you for making your checks payable to:

“Infant Jesus Parish”

PLEASE NOTE

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23RD AND 24TH THIS WEEK FOR CHRISTMAS. WE WILL REOPEN ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26TH.

IJP Youth Ministry Faith on Fire

Sparks: grades 4-6

Meetings take place in the ministry center on one Wednesday of each month from 4:30-5:30 PM. Meeting dates are: 1/15, 2/19, 3/25, 4/22, and 5/20.

Ignite: Grades 7 & 8

Ignite meets on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month from October through June in the school gym. Meetings begin after the 4:00 PM Mass and runs from 5-7 PM.

Ablaze: grades 9-12

Ablaze meets regularly from 5-7pm in the school gym on the 2nd and 4th Sunday nights of the month after the 4:00 PM Mass.

For further information, call Sr. Dianna at 856-848-6049

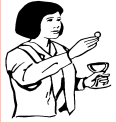
Or e-mail ijpyouthonfire@gmail.com

Good Counsel Home Buffet and Basket benefit is coming soon! February 22, 2020

If you would be interested in donating items to the basket portion, please contact Denise Dietrich at (215) 901-3199 or das6594@aol.com. Items requested include gift cards for various restaurants or services, bottles of wine or spirits, pledge for various international cuisine baskets (Chinese, Thai, Greek, Italian, Spanish, Mexican, etc.) personal items (men, women, children).

We appreciate any assistance that a ministry, work place, family, or individual can give us to make this event enjoyable for our community and a fundraising success for the Good Counsel Home South Jersey. Thank you!





EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, December 28

4:00 PM Bob Law, John Daly, Michelle Donnelly,
Christine LoGiudice

6:00 PM Ellie Kandle, Eileen Santaniello,
Terry Wolstenholme

Sunday, December 29

8:30 AM Janet Puglia, Michelle English,
Jim McHugh, Madeline Mills

10:00 AM Jody & Tony Ilisco, Bob & Julie Heenan

11:30 AM Evelyn Iacovone, Rich Whelan,
Nancy Tomlinson

4:00 PM Kevin & Lisa Rice, Jim Tessmer



Saturday, December 28

4:00 PM Judith Stanish

6:00 PM Joe Capone

Sunday, December 29

8:30 AM Kelly Puitz

10:00 AM Karen Schonewise, Delores Apriletti

11:30 AM Cynthia Aragoncillo

4:00 PM John Power



Christmas Eve, December 24

4 PM (SM) Noell & Paige Daly, Jack Brady

4 PM (SJV) Joey, John & Kara Philbin

6 PM (SJV) Jacob Luehmann

Midnight (SMC) Liam & Noah Ashenfelter,
Kevin & Nathan Schnell, Cayden Allen

Christmas Day, December 25

8:30 AM Need Servers

10 AM (SM) Emily Mikkelson, Jeffrey Walker

11:30 (SJV) Need Servers

12 Noon (SM) Need Servers



Saturday, December 28

4:00 PM James Boland, Makayla Kenney,
New Server

6:00 PM Joey & John Philbin, New Server

Sunday, December 29

8:30 AM Christopher Pietrowski, Zachary
Carter, New Server

10:00 AM Gareth Macdonald, Andrew Weyler,
New Server

11:30 AM Jayden Pronesti, Jacob Luehmann,
New Server

4:00 PM Danielle Smith, New Server



Sun., Dec. 22 Rel Ed Classes - 8:30 AM
Choir - 9:00 AM (Chapel)
Sunday School - 10:00 AM
Ablaze Youth Group - Gr 9 - 12 -
5:00 PM (gym)
Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

Mon., Dec. 23 Prayer Group - 7:30 PM (C)

Thurs., Dec. 26 NA - 8:00 PM

Fri., Dec. 27 Legion of Mary Jrs. - 4:45PM - (B)
Liturgy of the Hours - 6:30 PM -
(OLGC)

Sat., Dec. 28 Kings Men - 7:00 AM (B)

Sun., Dec. 29 Choir - 9:00 AM (Chapel)
Deeper Dimensions - 7:00 PM (MC)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider volunteering to visit the sick and bring them Holy Communion at Inspira Hospital, Woodbury. We are looking for volunteers for one or more days a month. You can contact (856)278-8866 for more information.



WOMEN'S CLUB

Announcing the Infant Jesus Parish Women's Club Lenten Shrine Trip - on Saturday, March 28, 2020 - we will travel to Saint John Paul II Shrine in Washington, DC

The bus will leave the St. Margaret's School parking lot at 8am and arrive at the Shrine at approximately 10:30am. We will visit the Museum, the Luminous Mysteries Chapel and venerate a first class relic of St. John Paul II. Confessions will be held prior to the noon Mass at the Redemptor Hominis Church, we will have a tour of the Shrine and lunch in the Cafe. Departing the Shrine at approximately 3pm and arriving back to St. Margaret's at 5:30pm

Cost \$75 due at time of reservation. Cost includes tours, lunch, motor coach and all taxes and gratuities. Please contact Neen Raspa at 856-468-6430 or at neenie@comcast.net

Blessed Mother Statue

Infant Jesus Parish parishioners are invited to schedule a visit to your home from our beautiful statue of Our Blessed Mother. The statue is protected by a hand-crafted wooden case and clear Plexiglas cover (designed and built by Tom Mullholland). The statue includes rosaries and a special prayer card.



To schedule a week with our Blessed Mother statue, contact Patti Graham at (856) 905-4646. The protective case is designed with a carry handle at the top, but it is a bit heavy to carry. If you need assistance loading the statue into your vehicle, or even delivering it to your home, please let us know and arrangements will be made to assist with the delivery and return to the Church.

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PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT GROUP

The Young Adult Priesthood Discernment Group is for Juniors or Seniors in high school, college students and men in the professional world (up to 39 years old). We invite you to the discernment meetings at Our Lady of Peace Parish Offices located at 32 Carol Avenue in Williamstown. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Adam Cichoski at this number 856-583-2864, or email:

adam.cichoski@camdendiocese.org.

These are the dates for the meetings: January 12, February 9, March 15, April 26, and May 17. Time 2:00 to 3:00 PM.

A Special Celebration

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



Tuesday, December 31, 2019
Holy Saviour Church, 50 Emerald Ave,
Haddon Township, NJ 08108
Eucharistic Adoration at 6 pm
Rosary at 6:30 pm
Vigil Holy Day Mass at 7pm
Presider: Fr. Yvans Jazon

Thank God for all the blessings of 2019.

Ask Mary, Mother of God, for her help in 2020.

Enjoy fellowship, sparkling wine and sweets.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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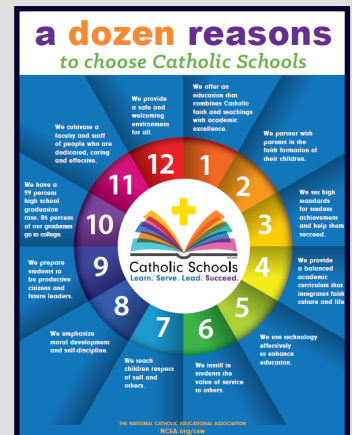
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New Jersey Independent Victims Compensation Program

The Diocese of Camden – along with the other Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey – has established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest of the Diocese.

The IVCP is independently administered by experienced victim compensation experts Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros.

The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution. The administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol. The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators. All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially.

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim.

Bishop Sullivan strongly encourages anyone who was sexually victimized by a priest of the Diocese to participate in the IVCP, and has asked that anyone who knows of someone who was abused to contact them so that they are aware of the IVCP and can participate in it.



Sunday – January 5, 2020



Contact: Kevin Rice

Phone: 856.686.0396

Date: Sunday, January 5, 2020

Time: 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Location: St. Margaret's Regional School Gym (McKeever Hall)

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