



Mass Intentions

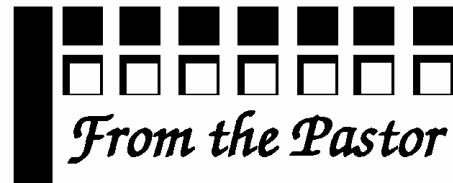
**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> AND NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**

- MONDAY**  
9:00 AM Tina Wood Dailey – The Seery Family  
9:00 AM Sally Montesano – Eleanor Franza
- TUESDAY**  
9:00 AM Anthony Caliguire – His Family  
9:00 AM Henry Miller – Mary & Steve Hanchar
- WEDNESDAY**  
9:00 AM Martin Leonard, Jr. – The Conway Family  
9:00 AM John Bandon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary – His Family
- THURSDAY**  
9:00 AM Beatrice Miller – The Conway Family  
9:00 AM Leon Miron – The Koubek & Nolan Families  
7:00 PM For the People of the Parish  
7:00 PM Mary Baker – Barbara & Anton Salecker
- FRIDAY**  
9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Casabella Family – Lou & Rosalie Pitnell  
9:00 AM Francis Zeno – Mike Zurlo & Ollie Autry
- SATURDAY**  
4:30 PM Joseph Scensny – Dick, Wanda & Tom Brady  
4:30 PM Kathryn M. & Anthony P. Miller – Kay A. Bargy
- SUNDAY**  
7:45 AM Carol Zurlo – Ann & Gil Meyer  
7:45 AM Michael F. Sommo – His sister, Louise Sommo  
9:00 AM John F. Thompson – Lou & Linda Margitan  
9:00 AM Ed O’Connor – The Ellis Family  
10:30 AM Agnes C. Shea – Her Family  
10:30 AM Celeste Joncas Clemens - Family  
12:00 PM Benjamin Vallefuoco – Geoff & Lauri Morrissey  
12:00 PM For the People of the Parish

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS  
DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> & 11<sup>TH</sup>**

MASS	LECTOR	ALTAR SERVER
4:30 PM	Joe Berger Julianne Gamino	Chris Davis John Gamino
7:45 AM	Tom Bell Kathleen Sacks	Michael Hammond Mac Colvin
9:00 AM	Ed Smith Diane Goetke	Christopher Howard Courtney Howard
10:30 AM	Jeanne Craig Ed Craig	Jonathan Caruso Justin Caruso
12:00 PM	Henry McArdle Joanne Yarsevich	Nick Karpovich D.J. Nolan

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>:**  
Is 61:1-2a,10-11; 1 Thes 5: 16-24; Jn 1: 6-8, 19-28



*From the Pastor*

The **CHURCH SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of **P.J. O’DONNELL** at the request of Sheila and Lou DeMola.

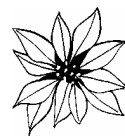
The **CHAPEL SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of **JULIUS KLINKBEIL** at the request of Jeanne and Michele.

**HOLY DAY SCHEDULE**

December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses on that day will be at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM. There will be no Vigil Mass on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**

Our Advent Penance Service is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. This service will offer members of the parish an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to Christmas. If you are unable to attend the Penance Service you may contact one of the priests to arrange for a mutually agreeable time to celebrate the Sacrament. Please note: There are no individual confessions scheduled for Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.



**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATION**

A special “CHRISTMAS FLOWER” envelope is included in your set of December/January church envelopes. Please use this envelope if you wish to make a donation toward the cost of flowers and wreaths for Christmas. If you are making a donation in memory of someone, please make sure you include the intention with the offering. Please print the information and be as brief as possible. Intentions will be published as an insert to the Christmas bulletin. This means that the information must reach us by Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. If you do not have the Christmas envelope, place your donation and intention in a plain white envelope and mark “FLOWERS” on the front. Intentions may be dropped in the Sunday collection or mailed to the parish. So you don’t miss the December 20<sup>th</sup> deadline, why don’t you tend to this matter while it’s fresh on your mind.

We have placed a **JESSE TREE** in the Chapel. Biblical persons associated with the coming of the Messiah are represented by the Advent tradition of the Jesse Tree (named after the father of King David). Symbols are gradually added to the branches of the tree. The symbols represent ancestors of Jesus either in faith or in the bloodline, such as Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Jesse, David, Solomon, Joseph and Mary. You are welcome to stop in the Chapel and view the Jesse Tree.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING AND STEWARDSHIP REPORT:**

The collection for Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> was \$13,019.50. Thank you for your continued support of the parish.



**BAPTISMAL CLASS** will be held on Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. This class is for parents wishing to have their child baptized. Both parents are expected to attend this class. Please call the parish office at 371-7372 to register.

#### BAPTISMS

We welcome into our parish family **EVAN JOSEPH DUNN, FENWICK JOSEPH EGAN, ARCHIE DENIS FOWLER, RILEY MICHAEL FOWLER, OLIVIA GRACE MCQUADE, MORGAN HAILEY MORELLI, SARA LOUISE MOSHER, and JENNA MARY PACZKOWSKI** who were baptized on November 27, 2005.



**HOSANNA PRAYER GROUP:** Join us for charismatic prayer, worship and song every Thursday at 7:30PM in the parish classrooms. For more information call Don at 371-6843. All are welcome.

**ST. EDWARD'S MINISTERS OF PRAYER – PRAYER CHAIN:** For immediate requests for Prayer call Betsy 371-6494 or Dee 371-7956 to begin the Prayer Chain.

#### PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

In November 2004, Pope John Paul II blessed six monstrances which he wanted to be taken to each continent for people to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. From December 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> one of the monstrances will be in the Albany Diocese. A schedule for these days has been posted on the bulletin board in the gathering area. You are welcome to participate in any of these days of prayer.



#### WRAPPING THINGS UP

The "Christmas Gifts for the Elderly" program needs your help in wrapping gifts. Wrapping will take place in the Faith Formation wing of the church, on Thursday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:00 AM. Please bring your scissors and join us for this project. Call Cathy Lawrence, 383-5449, or Darryl Dillon, 371-4486, to volunteer (if you haven't already). The more the merrier!

St. Edward's 13<sup>th</sup> annual **BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICK** will be held on Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. This ALL YOU CAN EAT event will have pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea and juice for \$10/family. Please bring a breakfast item to share. Also, please bring a personal care item, for infants and toddlers, to donate to children in need. This breakfast will be hosted by the St. Edward's Parent/Toddler Group. Please RSVP to the Faith Formation Office, 371-7372, ext. 18 or 19.



#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

Parish Office Hours: 9AM – 4PM  
Jr/Sr High classes this week

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

Parish Office Hours: 9AM–4PM  
Knights of Columbus: 7:30PM  
Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation: 7-8PM, Social Hall

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>

Parish Office Hours: 9AM–4PM  
Chinese Class: 5:30-6:30PM  
St. Edward's Choir Rehearsal: 7 PM in Church

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

Parish Office Hours: 9AM-4PM  
Christmas Gifts for the Elderly, wrapping presents: 10AM  
Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation: 10-11AM, Social Hall  
Hosanna Prayer Group: 7:30PM  
Contemporary Ensemble Rehearsal: 7PM

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup>

Parish Office Hours: 9AM-12NOON

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>

Baptisms: 9AM  
Breakfast with St. Nick: 9AM – 12NOON  
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:30PM, Chapel  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Eucharist Enrollment Ceremony: 4:30PM Mass

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>

Hospitality: after the 7:45, 9, and 10:30AM Masses  
Children's Liturgy of the Word & Nursery: 9AM Mass  
Children's Liturgy of the Word: 10:30AM Mass  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Eucharist Enrollment Ceremony: 9 & 10:30AM Masses

Contemporary Ensemble: 10:30AM Mass

Afterglow of the Eucharist: after the 12 Noon Mass

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

The parent meeting to learn more about first Reconciliation will be held on both Tuesday evening December 6<sup>th</sup> at 7PM and Thursday morning, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 10AM. No RSVP is necessary; however, attendance at ONE of these meetings is required.

Reminder: The deadline for submitting the form with choices for sacramental dates is Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Forms may be returned to your child's catechist or the Faith Formation Office. If you need a form, they are available online and in the Faith Formation Office.

The First Eucharist Enrollment Ceremony for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be next Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> during the 4:30 PM liturgy and Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> during both the 9 AM and 10:30 AM liturgies. It is important that you attend ONE of these liturgies with your child. If you attend on Sunday, please do not let your 2<sup>nd</sup> graders go to the Children's Liturgy of the Word.