

JANUARY 3, 2016
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Monday, January 4, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Tuesday, January 5, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Thursday, January 7, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Friday, January 8, 7:30 am

People Of The Parish

Saturday, January 9

5:00 pm Gloria & Joe Lattuca

Sunday, January 10

7:30 am John Pascale

9:00 am People Of The Parish

10:30 am Jack Cavanaugh

12:00 pm Patrick O'Callaghan

Celebrant Schedule – January 9-10

5:00 pm Fr. Peter

7:30 am Fr. Peter

9:00 am Fr. Peter

10:30 am Fr. Mark

12:00 pm Fr. Mark

SHARING OF OUR TREASURE

Thank you for your support and generosity!

The Christmas collection, December 27th and January 3rd collections will be posted in the January 10th bulletin.

This is due to a reduced holiday printing schedule by Bon Venture Bulletin Company.

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All contributions for the year 2015 must be received by
Thursday, December 31, 2015
for the amount to be included in your Income Tax Statement.

Heartfelt Thanks to:

*Condurso's Garden Center and
Gardens of The World
for the beautiful Christmas decorations.
May God continue to bless you.*

2016 Calendars

Donated by:

*Parsippany Funeral Service, Lake Hiawatha;
Keri Memorial Funeral Home, Lincoln Park;
Available in the vestibule of the Church*

MINISTRY NEWS

ROSARY SOCIETY

Please join us on **January 6th at 1 pm** at the Ministry House for a regular meeting. Please join us on Sunday mornings after the 9:00 am Mass in the Cry Room to pray the Rosary. For more information on the Rosary Society please call Stephanie Travers at 973-227-4197.

CARING CRAFTERS

The next meeting of the knitters and crocheters will be held on **Tuesday, January 5th at 9:00 am** at the Ministry House. What do we do? We use our talents primarily to craft hats and scarves to provide comfort and support to chemotherapy patients. We also assist and donate to other charitable causes and their needs. For more information, call Barbara Sanders at 973-334-6884.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Next Meeting – Monday, January 4th at 8:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus Room. Visit our website at: <http://StPiusxKofC.org/>.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Ron Owens, Bereavement Facilitator. **Bereavement Meeting Wednesday, January 20th, 7-9 pm, Ministry House.** For special requests, please call 973-335-2894, Ext. 123.

PRAYER GROUP

St. Pius X Spirit of Love Prayer Group meets semi-monthly on the **second and fourth Wednesdays of the month at 12:45 pm in the Chapel at the Ministry House.** What do we do? We offer prayers for our parish family including those listed in the bulletin and for the petitions written in the Book of Intentions in the Deacon David Library.

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for Bible Study on **Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm** at the Ministry House. Our topic will be The Acts of the Apostles. All are invited to attend!

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the process the Roman Catholic Church has for the introduction of the faith and the formation of new adult members. During the year process, the candidates will learn about their spiritual path in Christ culminating at the Easter Vigil. If you are an adult seeking Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist, please contact Peter O'Brien at the Ministry House.

Prayer Memorials 2016 Mass Book

The 2016 Mass Book is available. The Graces of the Mass and the Blessings of Prayer are infinite. The Eucharist is offered for ALL of the faithful departed at each celebration. A memorial gift or offering allows a special acknowledgment which goes to God's work on earth as we honor those now with the Lord.

Christmas Wish List

There is only one thing I'm hoping for Christmas. That is someone or a group of people from our parish family would be interested in memorializing a tapestry as seen below. This will be on the large wall in the Narthex and enhance our space with the imagery of the Last Supper. The cost is \$7,500 and there are 5 individual panels. If anyone is interested in fulfilling this Christmas Wish List, please call the Ministry House or see me personally.

*Peace & Blessings,
Fr. Mark*



A Prayer For The Year Of Mercy

*Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us
to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees God.
show us your face and we will be saved.
you are the visible face of the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests his power
above all by forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your visible face in the world.
Send your Spirit and consecrate
every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy
may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your church, with renewed enthusiasm,
may bring good news to the poor,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind. Amen.*

The Epiphany Of The Lord

*“May the God of hope fill you with all
joy and peace in believing, so that
you may abound in hope by the
power of the Holy Spirit.”*

Romans 15:13

Choosing To Live In Hope

By Henri Nouwen

I have found it very important to try to let go of my wishes and instead to live in hope. When I choose to let go of my sometimes petty and superficial wishes and trust that my life is precious and meaningful in the eyes of God, something really new, something beyond my own expectations begins to happen for me.

To wait with openness and trust is an enormously radical attitude toward life. It is choosing to hope that something is happening for us that is far beyond our own imaginings. It is giving up control over our future and letting God define our life. It is living with the conviction that God molds us in love, holds us in tenderness, and moves us away from the sources of our fear.

An Epiphany Prayer

By Frank Colquhoun

*Lord Jesus,
may your light shine our way,
as once it guided the steps of the Magi:
that we too may be led into your presence
and worship you,
the Child of Mary,
the Word of the Father,
the King of Nations,
the Saviour of mankind;
to whom be glory for ever.*



Youth Ministry
Christmas Wreath Sale & Santa Breakfast

Thank you to Roe Brush for her continued service in making our Annual Advent Wreath Sale such a success! Thank you also to all those who served at the Santa Breakfast!

January

3 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class
8 – Eric Johnson House
10 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class
12 – Homeless Solutions
17 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class
24 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class
31 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class

February

7 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class
9 – Homeless Solutions
12 – Eric Johnson House
21 – 9th Grade Confirmation Class
26-27 – Antioch
28 – 10th Grade Confirmation Class

Religious Formation

Schedule of Classes for January 10, 2016

Praise Middle School –

Grades 6, 7, 8 – 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 – 9:30 am

Praise Elementary School –

Grades 1, 4, 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 – 11:00 am
Grades 2 & 3 – 10:30 am Mass; Class 11:30 -12:30 pm

Confirmation –

Grade 10 – 12:00 pm Mass; Class 1-2:00 pm

Schedule of Classes for January 17, 2016

Glory Middle School –

Grades 6, 7, 8 – 7:30 am Mass; Class 8:15 – 9:30 am

Glory Elementary School –

Grades 1 – 5 – 9:00 am Mass; Class 10:00 – 11:00 am

Confirmation –

Grade 9D, 9E, 9F – 12:00 pm Mass; Class 1-2:00 pm
Grade 9A, 9B, 9C – 9 am Retreat Parish Center

All Second Grade Parents & Teachers

First Eucharist Retreat—Weekend of March 5th & 6th Please send permission forms to the Ministry House.

First Eucharist Parent Meetings

Praise, Sunday, January 10th, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Glory, Sunday, January 17th, 10-11:00 am

Knights of Columbus Room

The purpose of this meeting is instruction, education and spiritual renewal. *Parents must attend one of these meetings.*

All 9th Grade Students, Parents & Teachers

9th Grade Retreat—Sunday, January 17th, for classes 9A, 9B, 9C. Sunday, January 31st, for classes 9D, 9E, 9F. The retreat will begin in the Parish Center at 9 am and conclude in Church with the 12 pm Mass. Please return permission forms to the Ministry House.

Nothing relieves and ventilates the mind like a resolution.

John Burroughs

Saint Pius X School
Moving Along

STEM science projects are growing and filling the rooms. Right now the sixth graders have displayed the mythical constellations each student created. The displays and write ups were both interesting and exciting.

Sixth graders finished creating their “mythical constellations.” Each student wrote a story and created their own constellation which will be displayed in the Saint Pius X sky. The seventh graders are in the process of developing their own “superhero” element.

We are continuing to learn more about the Periodic Table. And the eighth graders are researching different scientists and creating an information Facebook page for each. Also, recently the middle school students completed a STEM challenge, the shipping survival to create a package to transport and ship live flowers for 24 hours using everyday materials. All the students created different packaging devices, and “most” were successful. The children are always looking for the next challenge.

The fifth graders just completed their “Rock Cycle Stories” books. Students studied the cycle in which rocks are created and cleverly wrote fictional stories in which their rocks traveled through an adventure. So proud of them!



Praying for fellow parishioners who are sick is an important component to our Faith. Due to privacy issues, however, people do not always appreciate their names being published. Requests for published names will only be taken from a family member accompanied by a phone number.

Alvira Conduro, John Farkas, Lilliana Elyse Mahan, Dawn Pandorf, Leslie Kondek, Corey Forlenza, Frank J. Somsy, Pattie Prezioso, Marie Cavallero, Eileen Scharwath, Marilyn DeSantis, Ann Dimaira, Victor Marmo, Jason McGaha, Marilyn Geffken, Tom Clayton, Barbara Capsouras, Elizabeth Krone, Christine Paglia, Ragan Kilkell, Adrian Simone, Paul Perrone, Janet Babbitt, Bruno Stillo, Michael Mascari, Marjorie McArthur, Charlie Auskings, Eileen Kapotes, Stephen Kocz, William Schicke, Remedios Gatuz, Annarita Gardinella, Linda Bitetto, David Tafe, Gregory Sugra, Jose Nunez, Kevin Deege, Pasquale Amoresano, Jason Fass, Nikki Basil, Terry Cox, Al Beatrice, Daniel DePaul, Giovanna Mele, Pasquale Mastriani, Christina Adamski, Dolores Patisso, Gary Nagurka, Tina Kenning, Francoise Wagener, Brooklyn Auskings, Raymond Ervey, Paul DiPiazza, Sam Sessa and Edward Strasser.

Please remember to notify the office when your family member has recovered.



A Toast To The New Year 2016

May you have:

Enough success to keep you eager,
Enough failure to keep you humble,
Enough joy to share with others,
Enough trials to keep you strong,
Enough hope to keep you happy,
Enough faith to banish depression,
Enough friends to give you comfort,
Enough determination to make each day better than yesterday.