

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**NOVEMBER 29, 2015**



*Mass Intentions for the Week*  
*November 29 – December 6*

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| SAT:  | 5:30pm  | Anthony Lubrano                                   |
| Sun:  | 7:00am  | All Parishoners Living & Deceased                 |
|       | 9:00am  | Raffaele & Giuseppina Elia<br>Catherine G. Peluse |
|       | 11:30am | Domenico & Grazia Cosco                           |
| MON:  | 7:30am  | Andrea Caruso                                     |
|       | 12:10pm | Frank White                                       |
| TUE:  | 7:30am  | Heida Thora Williams                              |
|       | 12:10pm | Antonietta Gesualdo                               |
| WED:  | 7:30am  | Anthony Sorrentino                                |
|       | 12:10pm | Demetrio Petrizzo                                 |
| THUR: | 7:30am  | Bela Gesztesi, Sr.                                |
|       | 12:10pm | Luigi Fratto                                      |
| FRI:  | 7:30am  | Pietro & Clementina Catizone                      |
|       | 12:10pm | Shelagh De Voe                                    |
| SAT:  | 8:00am  | Alberto & Maria Casillo                           |
|       | 5:30pm  | Alice Le Clair                                    |
| SUN:  | 7:00am  | All Parishoners Living & Deceased                 |
|       | 9:00am  | Teresa De Maria<br>Connie & William Vogt          |
|       | 11:30am | Antonio Loguercio                                 |
|       | 1:00pm  | Maria de la Cruz Tavaras<br>Angelina M. Contreras |



**PRAY FOR**  
 Concetta Rollo

*Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10 mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested.*

**PRAYER FOR ADVENT**

God of Life,  
 We rejoice in the promise of your coming.

You have sent your Son, born in Bethlehem.  
 He is the Prince of Peace, and  
 The one in whose name all oppression shall cease.

May we welcome His coming each day  
 And prepare for His coming at the end of time.  
 We build a culture that welcomes Him  
 By welcoming every child, born and unborn.

We pray through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

As the Church starts a new Liturgical year we have an opportunity for a new beginning. It's a new start to deepen our faith and to walk closer to Jesus than we ever have before. One of the best ways to do this is to commit to an hour of adoration of Our Lord each week. As you come before Jesus each week He will bless you and change you into the person you were meant to be. Become a Guardian of the Eucharist. Call Marty/Clarice 692-4510.

**Monday 3-4AM**  
**Tuesday 1-2AM**  
**Tuesday 4-5AM**  
**Wednesday 3-4AM**

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**

Today, Sunday November 29, 2015 is Hospitality Sunday. After the 9:00am Mass please join us for a little reception in the Parish Center Gymnasium. This is a great opportunity to socialize and get to meet new friends. Please come and join us.

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH CALENDARS**

Church calendars for the year 2016 were provided to the parish through the generosity of Morse Funeral Home, Inc. They are at the doors of the church. Make sure you take one home.

## APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

Parishes of the Orange County Vicariate are uniting in prayer each day throughout the year for the members of our beloved clergy. Please remember:

November 29	Cardinal Dolan Auxiliary Bishops
November 30	Rev. Paul Dmoch Rev. Kenneth Nielson
December 1	Most Rev. Peter Byrne Deacon John Sadowski
December 2	Rev. Joseph Doran, SDB Rev. Francis Amodio, O.Carm
December 3	Rev. Jaime Bono Deacon Jack Seymour
December 4	Rev. Vincent Odikanoro Rev. Timothy Ennis, O.Carm
December 5	Deceased priests and deacons

## ST. JOSEPH'S GIFT & BOOK STORE

St. Joseph's Gift & Book Store is open on Sunday's from 9am-1pm. We are need of volunteers. If interested please call the rectory at 343-6013.

## SHORTER NOTICES

†**GOSHEN HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR** – Saturday, December 5 from 1-6pm throughout Goshen and surrounding area. Registration opens at 12:00 noon at Lakeville House, 100 Fletcher St.-next to John S. Burke High School. Hosted by Catholic Charities of Orange County. For info call Sheila 294-5124 Ext 308

†**ST. THERESE LEARNING CENTER** will be selling Christmas wreaths after all the masses on the weekend of December 5 & 6. Order forms are inserted in the bulletin for your convenience. For more information call 986-4423.

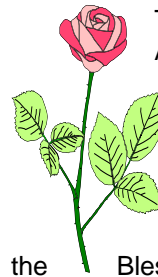
†**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SCHOOL** invites you to attend their Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, from 9am-4pm and Sunday, December 6<sup>th</sup> from 9am-2pm at the school located at 205 Wawayanda Ave., Middletown. Over 60 vendors, photos with Santa, raffles and holiday café. For more information, call 845-343-8836.

†**ADOPTION:** Children in China need homes. More boys available than girls. Older parents and single women welcome. Call Barbara at 845-623-5277.

## ST. JOSEPH'S 50/50 CASH CALENDARS

St. Joseph Cash Calendar Sweepstakes are back! Calendars cost \$10.00 each. There will be a cash prize awarded each day starting January 1 – June 30, 2015. Prizes range from \$10.00 - \$500.00. Every ticket is entered in all drawings. That means you can win more than once. Calendars are available at the Parish Office and Religious Education Office. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 343-6013.

## MONTHLY ROSARY CRUSADE



This month the Rosary Crusade to end Abortion will be held on Sunday December 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-5:00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. You are invited to come to the holy hour that includes special Prayers for the Unborn, the Rosary of Our Lady, and the Divine Chaplet and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## FIRST FRIDAY/FIRST SATURDAY

On December 4th, the First Friday Masses will be 7:30am and 12:10pm. There will be a Holy Hour at 8:00pm.

Confessions will be heard on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:15-5:00pm. First Saturday devotions follow the 8:00am mass on December 6th.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

**All second grade and Special Sacrament 2 parents:** There will be a meeting on **Tuesday, December 1, 2015**. We will be having two sessions in the school cafeteria: one at 6:00pm in English and the second one at 7:00pm in Spanish. The information presented at these meetings will be the same except for the language.

**REMINDER:** Wednesday classes resume December 2; Thursday classes resume December 3 and Saturday classes resume December 5.



## ADOPT A CHILD

An Advent Wreath has been placed on Joseph's Altar on the First Sunday of Advent, **November 28<sup>h</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>** containing candles whether a boy or girl and the age of the child. If you are able, please take a candle and purchase a toy for that boy or girl. Please attach the candle on the **unwrapped** gift and return to the boxes in the church on the weekend of December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. You can also drop them off at the rectory Monday – Friday from 10:00am – 3:00.

## FR. ROMANE ST. VIL

We welcome Fr. Romane St. Vil, MM who will speak at all the Masses. The Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers minister in 26 countries in Asia, Central and South America and Africa. Maryknoll's task is to share God's Word throughout the world, especially to the Least of our Brothers and Sisters. Maryknollers share the Gospel through evangelization and through the actions of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

Envelops will be distributed **TODAY** for the Annual Christmas Flower Collection. Envelopes can be put in the collection basket or in the box at Our Lady's Altar. On the envelope you can put the names of the deceased relatives and friends that you wish to have remembered at the Christmas Masses this year. Please help support this worthwhile project that the Altar Rosary Society has been conducting for many years.



### A READING OF

**"T'WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS"  
BY SANTA**

**DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2015**

**TIME: 2:30PM**

**PLACE: ST. JOSEPH'S MEETING ROOM/GYM  
FREE ADMISSION**

**COME AND ENJOY COOKIES AND HOT  
CHOCOLATE WITH SANTA**

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### First Reading: Jeremiah 33: 14-16

The Lord tells of fulfilling the promise he had made to Israel. He will send a replacement for David, someone who "shall do what is right and just in the land," believed by most to mean Jesus.

### Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be ready for the coming of the Lord. He explains that although they are conducting themselves in a way that would please God, they should always strive to do even better.

### Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus warns his followers to be prepared for the end of the world. He reminds them not to be preoccupied with unimportant events, or they will be caught unaware rather than being on watch as they should.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2;  
Lk 21:25-28; 34-36

### Monday

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

### 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