

Third Sunday of Advent

Advent



Dear Parishioners,

“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice! The Lord is near.” These words, from Philippians 4: 4-5, form the entrance antiphon at Mass this weekend, the Third Sunday of Advent.

Traditionally, this Sunday is called Gaudate Sunday (“Gaudate” is the Latin word for “rejoice” that is used in the antiphon). When we light the third candle on the Advent wreath, it is rose colored, so are the vestments worn by the priest at Mass. What does all this mean? Is the change in color just a signal that Christmas is fast approaching and we are running out of time to shop? Hopefully, it means much more than that.

The season of Advent is a time of expectation, anticipation and preparation. We are called to turn away from sin and to prepare our hearts for the long awaited Messiah. This Sunday helps us to remember that our preparation is not for an event to be feared, but for one that is the source of our joy. All too often, we can lose sight of this and our “holiday season” is anything but joyous. Let us all remember that the time of the Lord’s arrival is near; and, as people who are prepared to receive Him, let us rejoice and show the world what the real joy of the season is. **“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice! The Lord is near.”**

If we have let the first weeks of Advent pass us by without taking the time to be renewed and strengthened in spirit, to truly prepare for the celebration of the Lord’s birth, it is not too late. Perhaps this week we can all set aside a few extra minutes each day for prayer. If we haven’t celebrated the Sacrament of Penance to prepare our hearts to receive Christ, maybe we can take the time this week.

On Monday evening (December 16th) the Diocese of Syracuse will be participating in the Light Is On For You Campaign. Priests will be hearing confessions in churches throughout the diocese from 4-7 PM. I will be hearing confessions at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter. Confessions are also scheduled Tuesday-Friday, December 17-20 from 4 -5:30 PM at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter. Let us all take time to be reconciled to the Lord and to each other as we prepare to celebrate the dawn of our Salvation.

Thank you to all who worked so hard to make our parish Christmas party a great success and I hope all those who attended had a wonderful time. I know I did!!

Please know that you are in my prayers during these holy days of Advent; please keep me in yours.

In Christ’s peace,
Fr. Caruso



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Vigil– Tuesday, December 24

4:00 pm– Children’s Liturgy at
Our Lady of Pompei/ St. Peter
4:00 pm- Christmas Vigil Mass at
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity
7:00 pm – Vietnamese Carols at
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
8:00 pm – Mass in Vietnamese at
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
9:00 pm - Christmas Vigil Mass at
St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity
11:30 pm – Service of Carols at
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
Midnight Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25

8:45 am –Christmas Mass in Vietnamese at
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
9:00 am - Christmas Mass at
St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity
11:00 am– Christmas Mass at
Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

New Year’s Eve-Tuesday, December 31

4:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

New Year’s Day-Wednesday, January 1

8:45 am Vietnamese Mass
at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
9:00 am Mass at St. John The Baptist / Holy Trinity
11:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

May God Bless You on your Birthday

Happy Belated Birthday to Antoinette Pascarella, who was 95 years young on December 12th. Also a very happy birthday to our own DJ Scarfino who will be celebrating on December 19th. Best wishes from your fellow parishioners!!

THANK YOU

Thank you to the Thomas J. Pirro, Jr. Funeral Home for their generous donation of our parish calendars for 2020 and also for their continued support of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church. Please take only one per family so there will be enough for all to enjoy. Thank you.

This Week We Remember...

Monday: December 16

9:00 am Communion Service at the Convent

Tuesday: December 17

9:00 am Mass at the Convent

Alex J. Cimino, Sr., Ann/Wife, Michelle, Nicole, A.J.
and Michael

Yolanda Rosati, Ann/Daughter, Margaret

Wednesday: December 18

9:00 am Mass at the Convent

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter
and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

Thursday: December 19

9:00 am Mass at the Convent

Santina Sindoni/Family

Friday: December 20

9:00 am Mass at the Convent

Joe Antelmi/M/M Anthony Lamanna

Saturday: December 21

4:00 pm

Frank Pascarella, Ann/Henry and Esther Pagano

Joanne Merluzzi/Anthony Merluzzi & Debra Wade

Anthony Scro (B)/M/M Tino Porrino

Antoinette Silvaggio (B)/Tony, Nick and Joe

Anthony "Midnite" Silvaggio/Nick and Joe

Angie Cacciotti/Mary Prince

Rose Peverly/Pat and Alex

Delores Antonacci/Family

Benny and Terry Cimino/Son, Joseph

Frank & Christine Chiodo/The Chiodo & Fennelly
Families

Francis & Betty Fennelly/The Fennelly & Chiodo
Families

Robert Sawmiller/Anthony & Susie Angotti & Family

Molly Werpachowski/Carmela White

Rita and Phil Capozzi, Sr./Son

Sunday: December 22

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 am

Jacqueline Farone Price, Ann./Family

Joe Lore/Wife, Josie and Family

Anne and Alfonso Carfagno/Frank and Mary Anne

Eugene Penizotto/Family

Cathy DiBello (B)/Family

Santina Sindoni/Family

Rose Duchessi/Children

Tex Simlone/Wife, Joanne

Luke, Joseph and Rose Oscuro/Estate

Mary Ann Labeff/Liz Morgan

8:45 am Mass in Vietnamese

Continued

11:00 am

Mary, Philip, Anthony and Sharon Catalino/Family

Merino Merola, Jr., Ann/JoAnne and Family

Notcher, Caracci & Roffo Families/Fran and JoAnne

Rosaria and Eustachio Cannizzaro/John & Margherita

Enza and Nino Mule'/Margherita and John

Curley Paris, Ann/Family

Pasqualina Ianno/Grandchildren

Patricia and Joseph Panto/Maryann and Alahna

Thomas J. Barbato, Jr. (B)/JoAnne Merola

Carmen Emmi, Sr./Rosemarie and Children

Ann and Gus Mancuso/Daughter, Rosemarie and

Grandchildren

Samuel Grosso/Daughter, Karen

Weekend Masses at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity:

5:30 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday as well as 9:00 am

Mass on Sunday.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Income shown is for the week of December 8th.

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions
about our parish finances.

OLP/St. Peter Collection

December 8, 2019

Regular \$5,926.00

Loose 324.00

Total \$6,250.00



Bread and Wine

For Masses Celebrated During The Week

In Loving Memory Of

Antoinette Silvaggio (B)

Requested By

Tony, Nick and Joe



Eucharistic Angels In Loving Memory of

Frank Albanese, Anniversary

Requested By

Virginia and Family

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

Monday: December 16
4-7 pm The Light Is On For You
Confessions at OLP/St. Peter

Tuesday-Friday December 17-20
4-5:30 pm Confessions at OLP/St. Peter

Thursday: December 19
6:30 pm Choir

Saturday: December 21
 NO Vietnamese Language Class

Sunday: December 22
 No Religious Education

Mon., December 23 through Mon., January 6
There is no school,

Tues., December 24 through Thurs. January 2
The Parish Office is closed.

Please check the Christmas Mass Schedule on Page One of the bulletin.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS
Weekend of December 21-22


Lectors:

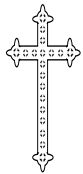
4:00 pm P. Turkett, J. Taft
 7:30 am M. Iannettone
 11:00 am L. Morgan, R. Morris

Eucharistic Ministers:

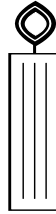
4:00 pm P. Marco, D. Galvagno,
 T. Pappalardo
 7:30 am S. & F. Mirarche, M. Meade
 11:00 am J. & M. Merola, G. Sisera

Servers:

4:00 pm J. Fabrizi
 7:30 am Jean Paul, Jean Claude
 11:00 am A. & K. Mathewson

BEREAVEMENT

Please remember in your prayers,
 Rosemary Campbell, who passed this
 week. Our deepest sympathy to their
 families. *May she rest in peace.*

Padre Pio

Devotional Candle Burning for
 Frances Vigliotti Vick
 Requested By
 Antimo and Maryann Vigliotti
 and Family



*This Week's Sanctuary Lamps Are Burning
 In Loving Memory Of
 Frances Vigliotti Vick
 Requested By
 Antimo & Maryann Vigliotti & Family*

CONGRATULATIONS

On Saturday, December 14th the following
 children will have received the Sacrament of
 Reconciliation for the first time. Please keep them
 in your prayers.

Introducing the First Penance Class

Nancy Bui	John Herron
Nicolas Butera	Emilia Maestri
Maria Ciereck	Francois Niyosaba
Molly Clonan	Jimmy Nguyen
Adriana Crowhurst	David Pham
Kevin Dinh	Tommie Racko
Steven Do	Joshua Royal
Drea Grotto	Philip Tran
Giavana Herron	Jayden Vu

Advent Candles

The St. Therese Society will be selling
 Advent Candles after each Mass in the
 Gathering Space. Candles are \$5.00 each.

To allow our parish staff some time for rest and to be with their families during the Christmas Season, the Parish Offices will be closed beginning Christmas Eve Day (Tuesday, December 24th) and we will reopen on Thursday, January 2nd.

Spaghetti Supper Aprons & T-shirts available for Christmas Gifts!!!



How about wrapping a spatula, whisk, wooden spoon and or rolling pin in the middle of an Our Lady of Pompei Spaghetti Supper Apron? Tie a pretty bow around it and wow...who wouldn't love the sentiment and usefulness of such a great gift!!!! T shirts available as well!!!!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the parishioners who so graciously gave the many bags of non-perishable food and monetary donations for the Thanksgiving Day Baskets. We in turn gave your donations to St. John The Baptist/Holy Trinity for their food pantry, "All Saints." As usual you gave in abundance for those in need. Thank you!

CHANTICLEER PROGRAM BOOKLET....

Interested in supporting our upcoming Chanticleer concert at a patron level? How about advertising or posting a message as a friend of Pompei/St. Peter or in honor or memory of someone dear? We hope you will kindly either look over the form inserted in last week's bulletin, pick one up in the back of Church or call the Parish Offices, 315-422-7163 to send one out. Thank you so much in advance...Your support is always greatly appreciated!!!!

2019-29 CAP Basketball Schedule

A Team: 12/8 - @ IC 1:00 pm
 12/15 - vs. St. Mary's 2:30 pm
 1/5 - vs. Blessed Sacrament 1:00 pm
 1/12 - @ Holy Cross TBA
 1/19 - @ Most Holy Rosary TBA
 1/26 - @ St. Rose 1:00 pm

B Team: 12/8 - vs. St. Rose 2:30 pm
 12/15 - vs. IC 1:00 pm
 1/5 - @ Most Holy Rosary TBA
 1/12 - vs. Blessed Sacrament 1:00 pm
 1/19 - @ St. Mary's TBA
 1/26 - BYE

** February schedule to follow next week.



Wedding Banns

3. Antonia Nicoletti-Eaton and Brion Hardink

**Nuptial Mass - December 21 at 11:00 am
 Antonia Nicoletti-Eaton and Brion Hardink**

LeMoyne's Concerts at Pompei/St Peters.... Spectacular!!!!

We have been blessed to have had two incredible concerts at our church in the last couple months! In October the wonderful Mr. Rogers Concert delighted every age group and touched a very special spot in all that attended hearts. Then last week the LeMoyne's fantastic 50 piece symphony teamed up with the oh so lively and talented LeMoyne Jazzuits to put on a Christmas concert that was next to none. It brought the Christmas Spirit into our church and parish family with the joy and love that Christ's Birth shares. Because of LeMoyne's generosity, our church and school received the free will donations from both concerts. Thank you LeMoyne...for the talents and friendship you bring to all of us!!!

On to Chanticleer...

In just 11 weeks our beautiful church will again be blessed with a concert beyond our imaginations!!! On **Tuesday, February 25th at 7:00pm** the incredible a cappella men's chorus, **Chanticleer** will be here from San Francisco to entertain the audience and celebrate Carnavalle, the beginning of the Lenten Season with us. Seats are still available in both the \$45.00 and \$35.00 levels (\$50.00 levels are sold out). We really hope you will join us at what reviews from around the world tell us is sure to be an absolutely magnificent show!!! We have gotten calls and inquiries from people who know of their superb talents and have either seen or heard of this fantastic group and are surprised and thrilled that they will have the opportunity to see them at our church.

Tickets and information is available after all Masses in the back of church, at the Parish Offices and by calling the parish office at 315 422 7163!!

Keep in mind of what a great Christmas Present this is for yourself and others!!!!
 (We even have cute gift boxes for ticket Christmas giving!)

