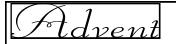
Fourth Sunday of Advent





Dear Parishioners,

As we gather this weekend, we observe the Fourth (and last) Sunday of Advent. Christmas is just a few days away. If you listen carefully, you will notice that the emphasis of our prayer has shifted from looking forward to the Second Coming of Christ at the end of time to preparing to celebrate His Holy Birth in Bethlehem. While we are all busy with the last minute physical preparations for Christmas, we should all take a step back to see if we are spiritually prepared.

If we have let the first three 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 over the next few days we can all set aside a few extra minutes each day for prayer.

On behalf of the staff (including Mary & Petey, the Wonderpuppies), Fr. John, Fr. Major and myself, I would like to wish you all a Blessed Christmas. I pray that the love of God will fill all of our hearts this Christmas and that the true peace of the season will be with each of us.

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

> In Christ's Peace, Fr. Caruso

CHRISTMAS LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Lectors:

4:00 pm	J. Gillette, A. Mastrobattista,
-	J. Magnarelli
Midnight	R. & P. Scalzo, F. Brice, J. Nicoletti
11:00 am	A. Petragnani, M. Etheredge, J. Taft
Eucharist	ic Ministers:
4:00 pm	S. Spadaro, P. Turkett
Midnight	P. & R. Scalzo, J. Nicoletti,
	R. Larca, A. Townley,
	M. Etheredge, D. Berthoff
11:00 am	J. & M. Merola, J. Taft,
	M. Etheredge
Servers:	-
4:00 pm	A., J. & L. Fabrizi, J. Scarfino
Midnight	A. Mathewson, C. Musumeci
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More Great Information and Wonderful Reviews on Chanticleer ...please check it out!!!

Much has been written the last few months about the incredible concert coming our way on **February 25th**, but we don't think many have truly grasped the gem that we are so fortunate to be hosting.

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.

Marking their 42nd season, the celebrated a cappella men's chorus, **Chanticleer**, will be presenting **"Trade Winds"**, a sultry and seductive musical journey celebrating ocean voyaging and exotic locations, from Madrigals to sea shanties, Monteverdi to Rogers and Hammerstein.

Called the "world's reigning male chorus" by the New Yorker, the GRAMMY award- winning ensemble is based in San Francisco, where the Chronicle praises their "tonal luxuriance and crispy etched clarity." Known around the world as "An orchestra of Voices", the group seamlessly blends twelve male singers from soprano to bass, in original interpretations of vocal literature from Renaissance to jazz, gospel, and adventurous new music.

The New York Times says..." These men are phenomenal: as fresh as a blade of grass, tightly focused and keenly expressive."

and... *The Boston Globe*: The singing of Chanticleer is breathtaking in its accuracy of intonation, purity of blend, variety of color, and swagger of style."

We will be celebrating Carnavale (the evening before Ash Wednesday) with this remarkable group's concert at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, February 25th 2020!!!

Tickets are on sale at the Our Lady of Pompei/ St Peters Parish Offices, in the back of church after all Masses or by calling 315-422-7163!!!! There are \$50.00, \$45.00 and \$35.00 levels (\$50.00 seats are sold out). What a fantastic Christmas gift this would be for yourself or others!! We hope you will consider joining us for what is sure to be a memorable evening!!!





Monday: **December 23** St. John Kanty There is NO 9:00 am Communion Service For Tuesday, December 24 and Wednesday, December 25, See Mass Schedule on page 3 Thursday: **December 26**

St Stephen 9:00 am Mass at the Convent Larry DeSantis (B)/Sandy, Dan and Danny December 27

Friday:

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist 9:00 am Mass at the Convent

Pasquale and Giovannina Geremia/Gilda Carmen Angotti/Annette and Rosita Simiele

December 28 <u>Saturday:</u> 4:00 pm

Anthony Felicia (B), 10 Yr.Ann/Wife, Maryann & Family Anna and Frank Pascarella/Esther and Henry Pagano Concetta Aloi, Ann/Niece, Jo Benny and Terry Cimino/Son, Joseph John Dippold (B)/Wife, Carol, Children & Grandchildren Virginia Lanza/Husband, Tony Lucille Testone (B)/Mick and Debbie Bernie and Joanne Cencia/Cheryl and Greg Lee Vecchiarelli/Theresa Santillo Ciro "Butch" Frontale/John and Barbara Kopf Libby Scalzo (B)/The St. Therese Society Josephine Crisalli/Jessie Frank Giannantonio/Frank and Sue DeLorio Julio DeLorio/Frank and Sue DeLorio

December 29 Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph 7:30 am

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

8:45 am Mass in Vietnamese

11:00 am

Mary Ann LaBeff (B)/Joe & Chris Vieau & Family Joseph Manfredi, Ann/Daughter, Rose Catherine and Theodore Barbuto/Daughter-in-law, Rose Connie Pallotta/John Sunser Rosemarie Andaloro, Ann/Angelo and Rosita Angela Mondo/Brother, Giuseppe and Family

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.

WISHING YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Income shown is for the week of December 15th. Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

OLP/St. Peter Collection

December 15, 2019 Regular \$6,779.00 Loose 429.00 Total \$7,208.00



Bread and Wine For Masses Celebrated During The Week In Loving Memory Of Antoinette and Nicholas Silvaggio Requested By Tony, Nick and Joe



This Week's Sanctuary Lamps Are Burning In Loving Memory Of Anthony J. and Rose Duchessi **Requested By** Children



Eucharistic Angels In Loving Memory of Richard A. Tortora, Sr. **Requested** By Rita, Doug and Jeffrey Fox *a.N*D Larry DeSantis (B) **Requested** By Sandy, Dan and Danny

Mass Taping for Shut-Ins

The next taping for the Shut-In Masses will be January 13th & 14th. The Masses will be at 5:30, 6:15 and 7:00 pm each evening. What a great way to start the New Year by making every effort to attend. Thank you.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Schedule

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/Holv 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 Wednesday: December 25 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) 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

<u>New Year's Day-Wednesday, January 1</u> 8:45 am Vietnamese Mass

at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter 9:00 am Mass at St. John/Holy Trinity 11:00am Mass at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

LITURGICAL MINISTERS Weekend of December 28-29

Lectors:

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4:00 pm	R. & P. Scalzo
7:30 am	J. Nicoletti
11:00 am	C. Intaglietta, F. Brice
Eucharistic N	Ministers:
4:00 pm	M. Cariota, D. Berthoff,
-	M. Cutrone
7:30 am	M. Iannettone, T. Porrino,
	S. Spadaro
11:00 am	F. Grimaldi, G. Lostumbo,
	M. Scarfino
Servers:	
4:00 pm	J. Fabrizi
7:30 am	Jean Paul, Jean Claude
11:00 am	A. & K. Mathewson

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

CAP is closed from Monday, December 23 until Monday, January 6th

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.

Let us Pray

Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home bound.

Angelo Cannata, Lucy Copani, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Bernadette DelVecchio, Antoinette DiScenna, Josephine Indelicato, Mattia Kinslow, Madge Maffei, Pavia Children, Sandy Pisani, Leon Saya, Samuel and Sue Wilson.



BEREAVEMENT

 Please remember in your prayers,
Anthony and Zella Paone, Anna Marie Crisalli, Virginia Albanese and Jean Durkin, who passed this week.

Our deepest sympathy to their families. *May they rest in peace.*

Padre Pio

Devotional Candle Burning for Joanne Merluzzi Requested By Anthony Merluzzi and Debra Wade

<u>FAMILY PERSPECTIVE</u> (from the Office of Family Life Education)

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The child is born to Joseph and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." Every child is EMMANUEL, reminding us "God is with us." Children are signs of God's continuing presence in our lives.

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December 22, 2019

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* or *in honor or memory of* someone dear? Know anyone else that might be? Let us know! We hope you will pick up a form in the back of church and check it out, or call the Parish Offices, 315-422-7163, and we will be happy to send one out to you. It is a great way to advertise your business or relay a message to or in thought and memory of loved ones. Thank you so much in advance...Your support is always greatly appreciated!!!!



Dear Parishioners,

St. Therese Society is known for its great bake sales. This year, many parishioners helped St. Therese by bringing in their own baked goods. This made the baked sale even more successful. Also, did you know that St. Therese Society's Mission is to strengthen our Faith and

Community? Our meetings occur on the third Wednesday of every month and we usually have phenomenal gues speakers. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 15th at 1:30 pm at the Convent, Father John Rose will share information about the "Refugees in Syracuse." All parishioners are welcome!

Spaghetti Supper Aprons and 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 gift? T-shirts are still available as well!!!

Reminder: Last weekend for Advent Candles

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

GOOD NEWS AT C.A.P.

Christmas is a "Magical" time of year and our students are feeling some fabulous moments this December...

- Advent prayers along with wondrous spiritual stories are being shared everyday at breakfast prayer.
- Grades K-4 had the opportunity to go to the "Dasher" performance at the Civic Center. We arrived early and the students watched the show in the first few rows. Our students and staff watched with excitement and enjoyed every minute. They had an amazing time... thanks to Mrs. Paris and parishioners.
- On December 6th, we celebrated St. Nicholas Day and the 6th grade led the First Friday Mass. The students returned to school to find a pleasant surprise ... their shoes were filled with goodies from St. Nicholas himself. The excitement the students showed was wonderful to watch. Thanks Father Dan and his helpers. The students absolute loved it!!!
- On December 6th, we also took a visit to Sedgwick Heights, an assisted living facility, to deliver festive flamingos and placemats. Ms. Seymour, Ms. Debbie and three 6th grade girls went on the visit. It was a wonderful experience and we will be returning before Christmas to sing for the residents and give more Holiday items made by the students.
- The Christmas Concert was on December 10th and it was truly magical. Our music teacher, Mrs. Skowronski, Brother David, (Le Moyne Jesuit Volunteer) and the students worked hard to put together a wonderful performance. The concert not only included children singing but it contained percussionists and performers to act out the Nativity Story. A great deal of talent was displayed for sure.
- Breakfast with Santa was successful and the children loved it!
- December is not over but it has been a busy, fun month with more to come...

Thank you, Father Dan, parishioners and our community for all you do to help educate, inspire and support Catholic education at CAP!!!