

# Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

## December 28, 2008

### *Vigil: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

		4:30 p.m.	Mary Lynch	Jen Stanulwich & Family
		5:30 p.m.	Peg Alyea	Margaret M. Tighe
Sun.	Dec. 28		<b><i>Holy Family of Jesus, Mary &amp; Joseph</i></b>	
		7:30 a.m.	Patrick Lahey	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lyons
		9:00 a.m.	Dennis Walden	Mary DiGiovanni
		10:30 a.m.	James Rogers	His wife, Rose
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Raymond Matias	Ladies of the Sacred Heart Society
		12:00 p.m.	Zdzislaw "Jeff" Dubiel	The Family
		6:00 p.m.	Rosa & Pedro Bello & Manuel & Josephine Lema	The Family
Mon.	Dec. 29		<b>Fifth Day, Octave of Christmas</b>	
		7:00 a.m.	Andrew Pavelock	Barbara Scoba
		8:00 a.m.	Brenda Barlow McHugh	Husband, Richard
Tues.	Dec. 30		<b>Sixth Day, Octave of Christmas</b>	
		7:00 a.m.	Walter Hordechuck	Olga Mihanowich
		8:00 a.m.	Jennie Moscato	The Family
Wed.	Dec. 31		<b>Seventh Day, Octave of Christmas</b>	
		7:00 a.m.	Andrew Pavelock	Mr. & Mrs. James McDowell
		8:00 a.m.	Larry Daddario	Barbara Daddario
		4:30 p.m.	Ave Wolfe	Nit & Virginia Norman
			<b>Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God</b>	
Thurs.	Jan. 1	7:00 a.m.	Lucy Orsini	Her Family
		8:00 a.m.	Margaret C. & Joseph Tighe	Margaret M. Tighe
		noon	Richard Stanuwich	Jean, Terry, Kim & Family
	Spanish	noon	Special Intention	
Fri.	Jan. 2		<b>Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops, Doctors</b>	
		7:00 a.m.	Andrew Pavelock	Gene Larkin
		8:00 a.m.	Francis Romanelli	Ralph & Mary Collins
Sat.	Jan. 3		<b>Christmas Weekday</b>	
		8:00 a.m.	Isabella Talbot	Maria Saenz
		9:00 a.m.	Barbara Pomarico	Dominick Moscato Family
			<b><i>Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord</i></b>	
		4:30 p.m.	Edward Bednarz, Sr.	Henry Trofinoff
		5:30 p.m.	Deceased Members of Madura --	St. Vincent de Paul Society
			<b><i>Epiphany of the Lord</i></b>	
Sun.	Jan. 4	7:30 a.m.	Billy Simpson	John Simpson
		9:00 a.m.	Ave Wolfe	Johanne Milkovich
		10:30 a.m.	Peg Alyea	John & Ann Forman
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Juan Gatón, Miquel Tavares, Roberto Hernandez	Aquiles Hernandez
		12:00 p.m.	Paul Banick, Jr.	Kevin, Pat, Teri, Lori, Jeremy, & Quinn
		6:00 p.m.	Barbara Pomarico	Ada & Albert Fonteneou

### **Sacramentals**

**Sanctuary Lamp: St. Joachim's** – Joseph Kochay, Casimir & Karol Dokurno

**Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's** – Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek, Anthony Melfi, Richard Pendleton, Deceased members of the Gallo Family

**Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's** – Lucy & Mike Orsini

**Bread & Wine: St. John's** – Royal Mailer

**Altar Candles: St. Joachim's** – Anna Opielinska

**Altar Candles: St. John's** – Joseph Romanelli

**Rose for Life: St. Joachim's** –

**Rose for Life: St. John's** –

### **Parish Mission**

To expand and improve our Catholic faith community by responding with compassion and understanding to the spiritual and corporal needs of our parishioners and neighbors in the name of Jesus Christ.

#### **Revenue Sharing Program**

**Winner:** Dec. 21 – Stanley Tatur

#### **Collection Report**

**Dec. 21, 2008**                      **Dec. 23, 2007**

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#### **Attendance**

**Dec. 21, 2008**                      **Dec. 23, 2007**

#### **This Week's Events**

**Sunday**

**No Religious Ed**

**Monday**

**No Religious Ed**

**Thursday**

**Parish Office Closed**

**Happy New Year**

**Friday**

**First Friday adoration, 8:30 am to 7 pm**

#### **Mass Schedule for New Year's Day, This is the Feast of Mary, Mother of God And is a Holy Day of Obligation**

New Year's Eve – 4:30 at St. Joachim's

New Year's Day –

7:00 am at St. Joachim's

8:00 am at St. John's

noon at St. John's in Spanish

noon at St. Joachim's in English

#### **Family Potluck Dinner**

Come join in a family potluck dinner on **Saturday, January 31, 2009**, after the 5:30pm Children's Mass. The dinner will be held in St. John's Hall. It will be a chance for parish families to get together and to share their favorite family recipes! Contact Alison Lewis, 440-0554 for more information and about whether you are bringing a dessert or main dish. Come, join the fun!

#### **Christmas Caroling**

Thanks to all those who graciously gave of their time to go Christmas Caroling last week. You brightened the day for a number of people.

#### **Military Support Group**

The next meeting will be held Sunday, January 4, 2009 immediately after the 6:00 mass at St John. If you have any questions, call Diane Antalek at 297-5564.

#### **Vandalism at Our Cemetery**

Significant damage was done at the old cemetery on Tuesday evening, December 3. Three teenagers were apprehended by the Beacon Police Department. They are being charged with criminal mischief and desecration of a cemetery. We are in the process of determining the value of the damage. We will do whatever we can to correct the damage and restore the cemetery in a timely manner.

#### **Fr. Charles Will be Leaving**

We are sorry to announce that Fr. Charles will be returning home to Nigeria at the end of January. We will celebrate the noon Mass at St. Joachim's on January 25 as a "Nigerian" Mass in his honor. Refreshments will follow in the gym. All are invited to attend to help thank Fr. Charles for the wonderful service he has provided to our parish during his stay with us.

#### **Broadway Musical, "West Side Story"**

Our parish has purchased tickets to attend this play on Sunday, May 31, 2009. Dinner will be at Rosie O'Grady's. Price will include bus, show and dinner. Details to follow. If interested, please call Marianne Dahl at 831-5406 for reservations.

#### **Valentine's Day Dinner**

Watch the bulletin for information on this annual affair.

#### **Oberammergau Passion Play 2010**

OUR PARISH IS SPONSORING A 10-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO "THE BEST OF AUSTRIA AND GERMANY" FEATURING THE FAMOUS PASSION PLAY – AUGUST 8 –17, 2010  
Call Marianne Dahl, 831-5406 for more information.

**To server your needs better, Fr. Nolan would like to know:**

- Of any parishioner who is hospitalized
- Of anyone in need of prayer
- Of anyone who would like a pastoral visit

Our parish priests and the Special Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Eucharist to our ill parishioners. The Sacraments of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available from our priests on their visits. If you or someone you know is in need of the Sacraments, please call the parish office.

**Through the Outreach Program** – Parish Volunteers provide supportive and practical services for seniors and other persons who are in need. These include friendly visiting, telephone reassurance, shopping, and local medical transportation/escort. *Drivers are needed for the Outreach Program for doctor's appointments. If you are able to help please call the parish office.*

**Pray for the Sick and Homebound:**

Emily Adams, Mino Aibara, Lorraine Barnett, Deborah Bonnell, Kevin Bradley, Howard Brink, Victoria Burke, Bill Coatney, Christine Connelly, Ramona Concessao, Noah Corey, Cornelius D'Aprile, Gilda D'Aprile, Christina DeDonato, Jack DiSimone, Hilda D'Silva, Jeffrey Dolan, Michael Enson, Christine Ferguson, Valarian Fernandes, Russell Fullen, Marie Ann Gama, Antonina Giavatto, Tomasso Giavatto, Angelina Gromkowski, Donna Juliano, Jim Killeen, Eileen Malik, Ruth Matthews, Venita Martis, Bridget McGrath, Dominick Moscato, Jim O'Donnell, Loretta Oppitz, Diane Pavelock, Ann Petix, Jean Pettorossi, Paulette Pettorossi, Mark Riccardi, Malcolm Rodriques, Johanna Romanelli, James Schettino, Kitty Smith, Lawrence Solomon, Teresa Solomon, Nick Steffanci, Dorethea Tompson, Jean Torrie, Carla Tranberg, Thomas Trochan, Jr., Patricia Tribble, Stephen Vitek, Bill Wassweiler, Stephen Wiercinski, Joseph Wasnorowicz, and Taylor Weiss.

**And also our friends in McClelland's, Elant at Fishkill, Wingate at Beacon, Forrestal Heights, Hamilton Fish, and Meadow Ridge II.**

**Recently Deceased:**

We pray for the people who have recently died and ask God to grant their families and loved ones the strength to carry on until we all join God in the Resurrection: Joseph Pavelock, Florence Sensel

**Hospital Visits**

For everyone's information, the priests of the parish go to the hospitals regularly when they know parishioners are hospitalized. In addition, Fr. Irenaeus visits the local hospitals every Thursday afternoon. If you have a loved one who is in the hospital, please be sure to inform us at the Parish Office.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

**THE HOLY FAMILY  
DECEMBER 28, 2008**

"Because you are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another; forgive whatever grievances you have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you. Over all these virtues put on love which binds the rest together and makes them perfect...." "The child grew in size and strength, filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him."

Three days remain in the current year. How many times will people hear discussions about 'new year's resolutions. Some are serious about change; others will forget pledges and promises within a few days. As we approach a new year let's create a plan.

Because of the richness of St. Paul's letter today, why not revisit the gifts and virtues which he wished others to have, and search out whether they are found in our own lives. I wonder if they are Christmas gifts we forgot to open.

On this family day please reflect for a moment. Of the seven virtues mentioned above, who in my family seems to have mercy or kindness? Who is it that possesses patience and meekness?

Where is humility or forgiveness found? These are essential elements in family life. How blessed I am to find them manifest in others.

The next questions may be more difficult. Of the seven virtues mentioned which ones do I reflect in my dealings with others? Do I see that I can heal through mercy, bring others together through kindness, lead by being a person of the beatitudes, and share serenity and tranquility through my patience. Before the year runs out, at least in my prayer, who do I wish to forgive or from whom to seek forgiveness. Am I ready to build 2009 based on these virtues and the love which is the mortar to unite these bricks as one?

As I consider my family and family relationships I too, like the Christ child, -the gift - will grow in strength, wisdom and grace. Thanks be to God for the graces of 2008. Lord I ask your abundant life in 2009.

**Three Kings Celebration**

Sunday, January 4, we will celebrate the Feast of the Three Kings. Our Hispanic Community with the Comite de mi Gente will have a party at St. Joachim's gym at 1:00 pm. There will be a reading of the significance of the Feast (bilingual), music, food, and gifts for children under 10 years. All are invited!

## January 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1 Holy Day Masses,</b> 7 am @ St. Joachim, 8 am at St. John, noon in English at St. Joachim, noon in Spanish at St. John	<b>2 First Friday Adoration,</b> St. John's 8:30 am til 7 pm	<b>3 Cursillistas,</b> 7-8pm, St. John's Hall
<b>4 Youth Groups</b> <b>3 Kings Celebration,</b> gym, 1pm <b>Military Support Group,</b> after 6 pm Mass, St. John's	<b>5 Cemetery Board,</b> 4pm, Office  <b>Women's Club,</b> St. John's hall, 7 pm	6	7	8	9	10
11 <b>Cursillistas,</b> 10-11:30, Convent Basement  <b>Youth Groups,</b> gym	12	13 <b>6 Pastoral Council,</b> 7pm, St. John's hall	14	15	<b>16 Senior Citizen's Club,</b> St. John's, 1 pm	<b>17 Cursillistas,</b> 7-8pm, St. John's Hall
<b>18 Youth Groups,</b> gym	19	20	<b>21 Buildings &amp; Grounds,</b> 7pm, Parish Office	22	23	24
<b>25 Celebration Mass for Fr. Charles,</b> noon, St. Joachim's  <b>Cursillistas,</b> 10-11:30 <b>Youth Groups,</b> gym	26	27	28	29	30	<b>31 Family Potluck Dinner</b> after 5:30 Mass, St. John's Hall

**¡BIENVENIDOS!  
LA SAGRADA FAMILIA.**

**LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:**

**1 Lectura: Eclo 3,2-6.12.14:** Quien teme al Señor honra a sus padres

**2 Lectura: Col 3,12-21:** La vida de familia vivida en el Señor

**Evangelio: Lc 2,22-40:** El niño crecía y se llenaba de sabiduría

**«Llevaron a Jesús a Jerusalén para presentarle al Señor»**



Hoy, celebramos la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia. Nuestra mirada se desplaza del centro de belén - Jesús- para contemplar cerca de Él a María y José. El Hijo eterno del Padre pasa de la familia eterna, que es la Santísima Trinidad, a la familia terrenal formada por María y José. ¡Qué importante ha de ser la familia a los ojos de Dios cuando lo primero que procura para su Hijo es una familia!

Juan Pablo II, en su Carta apostólica *El Rosario de la Virgen María*, ha vuelto a destacar la importancia capital que tiene la familia como fundamento de la Iglesia y de la sociedad humana, y nos ha pedido que recemos por la familia y que recemos en familia con el Santo Rosario para revitalizar esta institución. Si la familia va bien, la sociedad y la Iglesia irán bien. El Evangelio nos dice que el Niño crecía y se fortalecía, llenándose de sabiduría. Jesús encontró el calor de una familia que se iba construyendo a través de sus recíprocas relaciones de amor. ¡Qué bonito y provechoso sería si nos esforzáramos más y más en construir nuestra familia!: con espíritu de servicio y de oración, con amor mutuo, con una gran capacidad de comprender y de perdonar. ¡Gustaríamos como en el hogar de Nazaret el cielo y la tierra! Construir la familia es hoy una

de las tareas más urgentes. Los padres, juegan ahí un papel insustituible: «Es deber de los padres crear un ambiente de familia animado por el amor, por la piedad hacia Dios y hacia los hombres, y que favorezca la educación íntegra personal y social de los hijos». En la familia se aprende lo más importante: a ser personas. Finalmente, hablar de familia para los cristianos es hablar de la Iglesia. El evangelista san Lucas nos dice que los padres de Jesús lo llevaron a Jerusalén para presentarlo al Señor. Aquella ofrenda era figura de la ofrenda sacrificial de Jesús al Padre, fruto de la cual hemos nacido los cristianos. Considerar esta gozosa realidad nos abrirá a una mayor fraternidad y nos llevará a amar más a la Iglesia.

Oración: *Señor Jesús que quisiste comenzar tu vida como todo ser humano, en el seno de una familia, necesitado del calor, el alimento y el apoyo de los más cercanos; comenzando a aprender a caminar... Danos apreciar las virtudes domésticas y el valor de autenticidad que da el compromiso en el día-a-día humilde y oculto. Por Jesucristo Nuestro Señor. Amen.*

**ANUNCIOS**

**MISAS PARA FIN DE AÑO**

**DIC 31:** 4:30: San Joaquín

**ENERO 1:** 7:00 a.m San Joaquín, 8:00 a.m San Juan, 12:00 p.m San Joaquín y **12:00 p.m San Juan en Español.**

**MISA DE LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR**

El próximo domingo **4 de Enero 2009** será la celebración de la Epifanía del señor, invitamos a toda la comunidad a celebrar la Santa Misa en la Iglesia San Juan. También invitamos a toda la comunidad a celebrar este gran día con las tradiciones latinoamericanas y la navidad de nuestros pueblos - la celebración de los reyes magos en el Gimnasio de san Joaquín (60 Liberty Street) después de la misa. Este evento esta organizado en compañía de el comité mi Gente, y el Hudson River Healthcare. Venga y acompañenos, tendremos la visita de los reyes Magos, Música, Bailes folclóricos tradicionales, Comida latinoamericana, actividades para niños y además regalos para los niños menores de 10 años. Toda la comunidad es bienvenida. Esperamos su asistencia.