

Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

December 13, 2009

Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent

		4:30 p.m.	Mary Ann Davis	Hazel Antalek & Family
		5:30 p.m.	Dominic Bettina	Bettina/Sarich Families
Sun.	Dec. 13		Third Sunday of Advent	
		7:30 a.m.	Barbara Trochan	Roland & Marcia Santovenia
		9:00 a.m.	John Sullivan	Mary DiGiovanni
		10:30 a.m.	Lillian Alyea	Her Sisters
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Edith Sepulveda	Mario & Gloria Rega
		12:00 p.m.	Sharon Fredericks	Jeanne & Anne
		6:00 p.m.	Raymond Pitts	His Mother
Mon.	Dec. 14		St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor	
		7:00 a.m.	Mary Steffensen & Fred LaMere (for health)	Fred
		8:00 a.m.	John & Alice Hupcey	Janet
Tues.	Dec. 15		Advent Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Mary Orsini Hoyt	Her Family
		8:00 a.m.	Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek	Fred Antalek
Wed.	Dec. 16		Advent Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Wasył (Will) Choma	
		8:00 a.m.	Marie Papo	Paulette, Frank, Gina & Dana
Thurs.	Dec. 17		Late Advent Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Patrick A.. & Lillian Fredericks	
		8:00 a.m.	Joe & Chris McKenna	Dene
Fri.	Dec. 18		Late Advent Weekday	
		7:00 a.m.	Helen & Stephen Drusik	Jean, Terry, Kim & Family
		8:00 a.m.	Isabel Lamonica	Johanne Milkovich
Sat.	Dec. 19		Late Advent Weekday	
		8:00 a.m.	Debra Milkovich	Mom & Dad
		9:00 a.m.	Genevieve Dondero	Matt, Beth & Girls
			Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent	
		4:30 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Arquilla Family	The Family
		5:30 p.m.	Isabel LaMonica	Maryann Lapine
			Fourth Sunday of Advent	
Sun.	Dec. 20	7:30 a.m.	Margarite Petrocine	CSCA Local 1000, Unit 814
		9:00 a.m.	John Sullivan	John & Mary Goodall
		10:30 a.m.	Robert Horton	John & Suzanne McElduff
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Sixta Viera-Fontanez	Her Husband & Family
		12:00 p.m.	Brenda Barlow McHugh	Her Husband
		6:00 p.m.	Barbara Trochan	Alice Pavelock

Sacramentals

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

Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's – Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek, Richard Pendleton, Elizabeth & Joseph Maher

Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's –

Bread & Wine: St. John's – Lillian Alyea

Altar Candles: St. Joachim's –

Altar Candles: St. John's – Patrick Connelly

Rose for Life: St. Joachim's –Michael Scoba, Sr.

Rose for Life: St. John's – Joseph Romanelli, Rose & Francis Donnelly, Elizabeth & Joseph Maher, Robert Scofield, Evelyn Scofield Smith, & Anna Catherine Smith

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
Week 15: Harry Norman
Week 16: Mike Soltish

Attendance
Dec. 6, 2009 **Dec. 7, 2008**
921 **1,097**

Coming Events

Sunday
Religious Ed Program
Nutcracker Trip, 11:30 at St. John's
Youth Groups

Monday
Holy Hour for the Year for Priests,
St. John's, 7 to 8 pm.

Tuesday
Women's Club Christmas Party
6:30 Social, 7:00 Dinner
Bereavement Group, 7 pm,
St. Joachim's Hall

Wednesday
Christmas Caroling, 1pm,
St. Joachim's Parking Lot

Year for Priests

Remember our parish Holy Hour each Monday from 7 until 8 pm at St. John's as we celebrate the Year for Priests and pray for new vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Gloves, Hats & Scarves

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations of gloves, hats, and scarves in the rear of the churches. These items will be given to the area's needy adults and children.

Christmas Caroling

Do you like to sing? Would you like to have some fun doing it? Come Christmas caroling with us on Dec. 16. Please call Mary Madeline at 831-5122 to let her know if you can make it. We will meet at 1 pm at St. Joachim's parking lot to car pool to nursing homes and individual homes. See you then!

Food Pantry

Many thanks to all of our faithful parishioners who continually donate non-perishable foods to our food pantry in Beacon. We ask that you please continue your faith-filled generosity, especially in this time of need. The food pantry is currently looking for donations of Christmas giving types of food such as: stuffing mix, canned cranberries, yams, and other such non-perishable foods in order to make "Christmas Baskets" for the needy families here in Beacon. If you are thinking of donating a turkey this year, please think about a gift card as the amount of freezer space is limited, but frozen turkeys will still be greatly appreciated. Please call the Parish Office at 838-0915 if you need someone to pick up a donation. Thank you.

Bereavement Support

The overall purpose of our bereavement support group is to provide support to those who have experienced the loss of a love one, to afford an environment where the bereaved can help each other through their pain and sorrow, and to see each other emerge from the experience able to survive and become stronger.

The group is facilitated by Deacon Marty Mayeski. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, December 15 at 7 pm in St. Joachim's hall. For more information, please call the Parish Office. Thank You.

Youth Groups

Young parishioners are invited to come to our Youth Group gatherings each Sunday. Grades 3-5 meet from 3:00 to 4:45, Grades 6-8 from 5:00 to 6:45 pm and grades 9-12 from 7:00 to 9:00pm. All meetings are held in the gym at St. Joachim's.

Broadway Musical - Billy Elliot

The Parish has purchased 55 tickets to the hit Broadway musical "Billy Elliot" for Sunday, April 25, 2010. Price of ticket will include dinner and transportation. More details to follow. For reservations, please call Marianne Dahl 831-5406.

To serve 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, Minoo Aibara, Maria Arango, Lorraine Barnett, Dominic Bettina, Deborah Bonnell, Joseph Bradford, Howard Brink, Joan Brophy, Victoria Burke, Lucinda Campagna, John Christian, Bill Coatney, Christine Connelly, Michael Connelly, Ramona Concessao, Noah Corey, Cornelius D'Aprile, Gilda D'Aprile, Christina DeDonato, Eileen Deighan, Mary DiGiovanni, Maria del Rosario, Jack DiSimone, Hilda D'Silva, Jeffrey Dolan, Fran Dyckman, Lou Fastoso, Christine Ferguson, Valarian Fernandes, Anne Marie Flynn, Richard Flynn, Russell Fullen, Marie Ann Gama, Antonina Giavatto, Tomasso Giavatto, John Goodall, Angelina Gromkowski, Richard Hearney, Jeannette Hecht, Donna Juliano, Jim Killeen, Eileen Malik, Venita Martis, Bridget McGrath, Larry Natoli, Loretta Oppitz, Jean Pettorossi, Lawrence Plimley, Jr., John Pomarico, Lena Prestianni, Ivette Ramos, Mark Riccardi, Mary Rivera, James Schettino, Kitty Smith, Lawrence Solomon, Teresa Solomon, Nick Steffanci, Maggie Sullivan, Dorethea Tompson, Jean Torrie, Patricia Tribble, Joseph Wasnorowicz, Taylor Weiss, and Stephen Wiercinski.

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: Joe Garo

Marriage Encounter

"Then the peace of God that surpassed all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help your marriage remain Christ-centered. The next Encounter weekend is February 12-14, 2010. Contact Marty or Flo at 845/635-8566.

Please Pray for Priests

Dear Lord, we pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5). May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen. St. John Vianney, pray for us.

New Year's Eve Party

At the Knights of Columbus. Bring your friends and come join us to bring in 2010 on Thursday, December 31st from 7:00pm - 1:00am. The evening will offer a buffet dinner provided by *Catering by Papa Joes*, DJ music by Lou West, open bar (no shots or cordials), champagne toast and a pastry table after midnight. Tickets are \$40 per person. Tickets and table reservations are available at the bar. Contact Council Hall with questions.

Special Journeys for Spiritual Seekers in Their 20s and 30s

Wouldn't be caught dead on a religious pilgrimage? Neither would most readers of BustedHalo.com, an innovative website run by the Paulist Fathers addressing concerns and topics of interest to Catholics in their late teens to 40s. This spring, Paulist Fr. Larry Rice and BustedHalo.com will lead two special journeys for young adults – an "Adventure Travel" excursion to northern Spain walking the last 100 kilometers (about 65 miles) of the Camino and an Arts and Culture" trip to Paris. For further information, please contact John Mattas at 646/861-3634 or by e-mail at john@franciscanspiritours.com.

Christmas Concert

Saint Mary's Church in Fishkill presents its 14th Annual Christmas Concert Sunday Dec. 13th - 4 pm, featuring Adult, Children, & Handbell Choirs along with Special Instruments. Come join our church families for this special program: refreshment to follow. Free-will offering for the Fishkill Food Pantry.

Lost Eye Glasses and Car Keys

In the Parish Office, we have several sets of car keys and several pair of eyeglasses (both prescription reading glasses and sun glasses) that had been left in one of the churches. If you think they might be yours, please stop by the Parish Office to claim them. Thank you.

Mass Schedule for Christmas

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24

4:30 p.m. St. Joachim
5:30 p.m. St. John
9:00 p.m. St. John (Spanish)
Midnight St. Joachim

Christmas Day, Dec. 25

7:30 a.m. St. John
9:00 a.m. St. Joachim
10:30 a.m. St. John
12:00 St. Joachim

Revenue Sharing Program

Our new program will begin on Sunday January 3. Envelopes are being mailed to those who normally pay the \$20 at one time. For those who prefer to pay over time, packets of envelopes will be available in the rear of the churches the weekends of December 19 and 26. We appreciate your support of this parish fund-raising program. Thank you.

IRA Charitable Rollover Expires December 31

If you are 70 ½ and older and want to make a gift to our parish, you can take advantage of the IRA Charitable Rollover before it expires on Dec. 31, 2009 and donate IRA assets while avoiding income tax on the IRA withdrawal. To learn more, call the Archdiocesan Office of Gift Planning at 646/794-3316 or email at gift.planning@archny.org.

Separated/Divorced Roman Catholic Support Group

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 16 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church on Mill St. in Poughkeepsie. Meetings are a place for men and women to share concerns, ideas and experiences. It is an evening dedicated for friends sharing with friends, not a professional therapy group. Contact Cathy at 562.3012 for further information.

Mass Schedule for New Year's Day

It seems that we often forget that New Year's Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, The Feast of Mary, The Mother of God.

New Year's Eve, Dec. 31

4:30 p.m. St. Joachim

New Year's Day, Jan. 1

7:00 a.m. St. Joachim
8:00 a.m. St. John
12:00 noon St. John (Spanish)
12:00 noon St. Joachim (English)

Parish Fair

Thanks to all who helped make the Parish Fair a success. Congratulations to the following winners of the various prizes:

Sweepstakes, \$100 each: Barbara Vitek, Barry Sewing and Kasey Fountain.

Basket of Cheer – John Vitek, Jr.

50-50 – Joanne Smith.

Decorated Wreath – Pat Hopkins.

Santa with Sleigh – Mary Madeline Archer.

Santa Door Decoration – Fr. Nolan.

Angel Afghan – Mary Hopper.

Specialty Baskets: Christmas Baking – Grace

McElduff. Christmas Dish & Linen – Virginia

Stafford. Everyday Baking – Leah Giavatto.

Crayola – Michael Varian. Family Movie Night –

Maureen Hoyt. Christmas Wrappings – Roger

Story. Hair Care – Rich McHugh. World of

Dinosaurs – Geri Connelly. Italian – Mary Moscato.

Family Night - Rose Story.

Stuffed Animals: Tigger – Andres Munoz, Green

Lion – Julissa Lotaro, Elmo – Michael Varian,

Dragon – Benjamin, Simba – Kaliyah, Pony –

Eileen Steffanci, Teddy Bear – Christopher

DeDonato.

3do DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO.**LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:**

1 Lectura: Sof 3,14-18a: "El Señor se alegra con júbilo en ti"

2 Lectura: Flp 4,4-7: "El Señor está cerca"

Evangelio: Lc 3, 10-18: "Maestro, ¿qué debemos hacer?"

"VIENE EL QUE ES MAS FUERTE QUE YO"



Hoy la Palabra de Dios nos presenta, en pleno Adviento, al Santo Precursor de Jesucristo: san Juan Bautista. Dios Padre dispuso preparar la venida, es decir, el Adviento, de su Hijo en nuestra carne, nacido de María Virgen, de muchos modos y de muchas maneras, como dice el principio de la Carta a los Hebreos. Los patriarcas, los profetas y los reyes prepararon la venida de Jesús.

Veamos sus dos genealogías, en los Evangelios de Mateo y Lucas. Él es hijo de Abraham y de David. Moisés, Isaías y Jeremías anunciaron su Adviento y describieron los rasgos de su misterio. Pero san Juan Bautista, como dice la liturgia, lo pudo indicar con el dedo, y le cupo imisteriosamente! hacer el Bautismo del Señor. Fue el último testigo antes de la venida. Y lo fue con su vida, con su muerte y con su palabra. Su nacimiento es también anunciado, como el de Jesús, y es preparado, según el Evangelio de Lucas. Y su muerte de mártir, víctima de la debilidad de un rey y del odio de una mujer perversa, prepara también la de Jesús. Oigamos hoy su palabra, que nos exhorta a compartir lo que tenemos y a respetar la justicia y la dignidad de todos. Preparémonos así a recibir a Aquel que viene ahora para salvarnos, y vendrá de nuevo a «juzgar a los vivos y a los muertos».

Oración

Oh Dios y Padre-Madre de todos los seres humanos: al acercarse las entrañables fiestas de la Navidad te pedimos que bagas aflorar en nuestras vidas lo mejor de nuestro propio corazón, para que podamos compartir con los hermanos que nos rodean tu ternura, tu mismo amor, del que nos has hecho partícipes. Nosotros te lo pedimos por Jesús, hijo tuyo, hermano nuestro. A Ti que vives y reinas por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

ANUNCIOS.

ANO DE LOS SACERDOTES: Recuerde que la hora santa en nuestra parroquia es cada lunes de 7:00 a 8:00 de la noche en San Juan Evangelista en la cual celebramos el ano de los Sacerdotes. Durante esta hora de oración y bendición, nosotros podemos pedir por todos los sacerdotes quienes sirven aquí, por los difuntos, por aquellos que han caído en enfermedad o por aquellos retirados, pedir por todos aquellos que han servido aquí y que aun están activos, por las nuevas vocaciones, especialmente por los de nuestra parroquia.

GRUPO DE ORACION, SAN JUAN- SAN JUAQUIN: El grupo de oración servidores de Jesús, invita a toda la comunidad a participar en el círculo de Oración todos los jueves a las 7:00 de la noche en los bajos del convento. Para mayor información comunicarse con la señora Olga Gonzáles Tel: 845-831-3424. Todos son Bienvenidos!!

FIESTA DE FIN DE AÑO: Knights of Columbus invita a participar de una fiesta de fin de año. Invite a sus amigos y disfrute de esta fiesta el próximo jueves 31 de Diciembre del 2009 a partir de las 7:00 de la noche, hasta la 1:00 de la mañana. Habrá cena ofrecida por el restaurante Papa Jones, música del DJ Lou West, barra abierta y champagne. Tickets disponibles en el bar de Knights of Columbus, valor por persona \$40 dólares. Vaya o llame para hacer sus reservaciones.