

Church of St. Joachim – St. John the Evangelist

January 4, 2009

Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord

		4:30 p.m.	Edward Bednarz, Sr.	Henry Trofinoff
		5:30 p.m.	Deceased Members of Madura --	St. Vincent de Paul Society
Sun.	Jan. 4		<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	
		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
Mon.	Jan. 5		St. John Neumann, Bishop	
		7:00 a.m.	Meghan Lorina	Lisa & Al Miller
		8:00 a.m.	James Baster	Ralph & Mary Collins
Tues.	Jan. 6		Weekday after Epiphany	
		7:00 a.m.	Jim Baxter	John & Mary Goodall
		8:00 a.m.	Evelyn Young	Ralph & Mary Collins
Wed.	Jan. 7		Weekday after Epiphany	
		7:00 a.m.	Julia McDowell	Florence Sensel
		8:00 a.m.	Antonio Formichelli	Carmela Formichelli
Thurs.	Jan. 8		Weekday after Epiphany	
		7:00 a.m.	Ave Wolfe	Clara Lou Gould
		8:00 a.m.	Jay Farrell	Rose Farrell
Fri.	Jan. 9		Weekday after Epiphany	
		7:00 a.m.	Clinton Congdon	Peggy & John Stella
		8:00 a.m.	Jennie McKinney	The Family
Sat.	Jan. 10		Weekday after Epiphany	
		7:00 a.m.	Catherine Phillips	Harmon & Rosemarie Boyd
		8:00 a.m.	Robert Sandford	The Family
			<i>Vigil: Baptism of the Lord</i>	
		4:30 p.m.	Our Beloved Deceased	Olga Mihanowich
		5:30 p.m.	John Cocuzza	Jim & Nina Cahill
			<i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	
Sun.	Jan. 11	7:30 a.m.	Duncan MacLeod	Antoinette & Jim McDowell
		9:00 a.m.	Andrew Pavelock	John & Mary Goodall
		10:30 a.m.	Lillian "Peg" Alyea	Margaret Cavalluzzi
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Martina Hernandez	Angel
		12:00 p.m.	Elizabeth Augustine	John & Angela Pilla
		6:00 p.m.	Isabel Velasco & Alfredo Bautista	Daughter & Son

Sacramentals

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

Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's – Leeann & Simon Lee Antalek, Anthony Melfi, Richard Pendleton, Rhoda Post

Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's –

Bread & Wine: St. John's – Devine & Houghtalin Family

Altar Candles: St. Joachim's –

Altar Candles: St. John's – Louis Daddario

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

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

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

Attendance

Dec. 21, 2008	Dec. 23, 2007
689	1063

This Week's Events

Sunday

No Religious Ed

Christmas Pageant, St. Joachim's, 4pm
Military Support Group, St. John's,
after 6 pm Mass

Monday

No Religious Ed

Cemetery Board, Parish Office, 4pm
Women's Club, St. Joh's Hall, 7pm

Christmas Pageant

Has been rescheduled to this afternoon (Jan. 4) at 4 pm at St. Joachim's Church. Please join us.

Military Support Group

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

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!

Women of the Parish

All women of the parish are invited to attend the meetings of the Women's Parish Club. The next meeting is Monday, Jan. 5 at St. John's lower hall at 7:00 pm. This meeting will include a Happy New Year's party.

Family Potluck Dinner

Come join us 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!

Fr. Charles Will be Leaving

As you know, 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.

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. The overall value of the damage done has been estimated at \$35,000 to \$40,000 by two monument companies. We will do whatever we can to correct the damage and restore the cemetery in a timely manner.

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, 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, Robin Verdile, 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:

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.

The Gift of Life

Blood is always in short supply at this time of the year. Please take the opportunity to give the "Gift of Life" at the **blood drive** being hosted by Trinity Council #445, Knights of Columbus on Tuesday, Jan. 6 from 3 to 8:30 pm at the Council Hall on Townsend St. No appointment is necessary.

Support Troop 24, BSA

Our parish has sponsored Troop 24, BSA, for well over 50 years, but this year marks 50 consecutive years of sponsorship. The troop held a campout recently at which Fr. Nolan and the other priests of the parish concelebrated a special Mass. A recognition gathering is planned for early 2009. As part of its celebration, the troop would like to purchase a new troop flag, make a banner dedicated to the anniversary year and purchase some plaques to be used for recognition purposes. As part of our support of Troop 24, we will take up a special collection on January 17/18. Please provide your own envelop for cash or checks, marked "Troop 24."

Buses for March for Life Jan. 22

Buses have once again been scheduled to go to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life. This is the 36th anniversary of the Supreme Court making it legal to kill babies out of the shadows of the Declaration of Independence. One bus will leave Mt. Alvernia at 5:00 am after a 4:30 am Mass. The other bus will pick up at St. Columba's Church after 4:30 am Mass, leaving immediately after a quick breakfast. For reservations and/or information, contact Rich at 297-7930 for the bus from Mt., Alvernia or George at 226-6896 for the St. Columba bus. Prices are \$30.00 for adults and \$20.00 for students. All fees are due by Jan. 4.

Local Rosary for Life, Jan. 22

If you are unable to take the bus to Washington, D.C., but will be available locally at noon, please join us for the Rosary for Life, starting at St. Mary's, Poughkeepsie. After Exposing the Blessed Sacrament and prayers, we will walk around Planned Parenthood praying the rosary. We will return to St. Mary's for ending prayers and Reposition.

The Widow & Widowers of Dutchess and Putnam Counties

Meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the East Fishkill Community Center, Route 82 in Hopewell Junction, NY (845) 223-3097.

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Southern Dutchess Coalition, Inc. presents the 31st celebration of the legacy of Dr. King on Monday, Jan. 19 at the Springfield Baptist Church in Beacon. Adult lunch from 12:45 to 1:45, celebration service at 2:00 pm featuring the Southern Dutchess Coalition Massed Choir. The Celebration preacher will be Pastor Trevor Stewart, Beacon Light Tabernacle, Seventh Day Adventist Church, Beacon. The theme this year is "Looking Toward the Future by Reviewing the Past – The African American Cultural Contribution to the Hudson Valley."

Marriage Encounter

"Nations shall walk by your light..." We as Catholics must be a light to the world. Spend a weekend growing closer to our spouse and to God and make your marriage to be a "light" shining brighter than ever. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Feb. 13-15. Early registration is highly recommended. For information, go to www.wwmearchny.org or call toll free 877/NYS-WWME

Thank you

to St. Jude and the Blessed Mother for a special favor received.

Mount St. Alphonsus Pastoral Center, one of the largest Roman Catholic centers in the world, announces its upcoming programs.

Day of Prayer: Wednesday, January 21, 2009 from 9:30 am-3:00 pm. Theme for the January Day of Prayer is "St. Paul's Letter to Philemon." The day will include presentations and discussions, and celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist. There will also be time to enjoy the Mount's majestic building and grounds at your leisure. The cost to attend is \$20, which includes lunch. Priests and Deacons are invited to attend the program free. Reservations required.

Taize Prayer: Wednesday, February 4, 2009 at 7:30 pm. Come hear the Mount's choir sing these simple repetitive and scripture-based chants made glorious with harmonies, in candlelight only. Donations are welcome.

Thousands of people from around the northeast make a pilgrimage to the Mount each year. For more info, please visit www.VisitTheMount.com, or call (845) 384-8000.

Child Protection

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212/371-1000 x2949 or Deacon Lawrence O'Toole at 914/594-4646. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, <http://ny-archdiocese.org>. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure. This is part of the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Program.

Separated Divorced Roman Catholic Support Group

Meets every other Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:00 pm at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Poughkeepsie. This support group is for those who have experienced a loss or rejection through separation or divorce. Its purpose is to provide a safe environment where each person can make their journey towards healing. The next meeting will be January 14. Contact Cathy at 562-3012.

May you be blessed with Peace and Joy throughout the New Year.

**¡BIENVENIDOS!
EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR**

LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:

1 Lectura: Is 60, 1-6: "La gloria del Señor amanece sobre ti"

2 Lectura: Ef 3, 2-6: Ha sido revelado también a los gentiles

Evangelio: Mt 2, 1-12: "Venimos de Oriente para adorar al Rey"

«Entraron en la casa; vieron al Niño con María su madre y, postrándose, le adoraron»



Hoy, el profeta Isaías nos anima: «Levántate, brilla, Jerusalén, que llega tu luz; la gloria del Señor amanece sobre ti». Esa luz que había visto el profeta es la estrella que ven los Magos en Oriente, con muchos otros hombres. Los Magos descubren su significado. Los demás la contemplan como algo que les parece admirable, pero que no les afecta. Y, así, no reaccionan. Los Magos se dan cuenta de que, con ella, Dios les envía un mensaje importante por el que vale la pena cargar con las molestias de dejar la comodidad de lo seguro, y arriesgarse a un viaje incierto: la esperanza de encontrar al Rey les lleva a seguir a esa estrella, que habían anunciado los profetas y esperado el pueblo de Israel durante siglos.

Llegan a Jerusalén, la capital de los judíos. Piensan que allí sabrán indicarles el lugar preciso donde ha nacido su Rey. Efectivamente, les dirán: «En Belén de Judea, porque así está escrito por el profeta». La noticia de la llegada de los Magos y su pregunta se propagaría por toda Jerusalén en poco tiempo: Jerusalén era entonces una ciudad pequeña, y la presencia de los Magos con su séquito debió ser notada por

todos sus habitantes, pues «se turbó con Herodes toda Jerusalén», nos dice el Evangelio.

Jesucristo se cruza en la vida de muchas personas, a quienes no interesa. Un pequeño esfuerzo habría cambiado sus vidas, habrían encontrado al Rey del Gozo y de la Paz. Esto requiere la buena voluntad de buscarle, de movernos, de preguntar sin desanimarnos, como los Magos, de salir de nuestra poltronería, de nuestra rutina, de apreciar el inmenso valor de encontrar a Cristo. Si no le encontramos, no hemos encontrado nada en la vida, porque sólo Él es el Salvador: encontrar a Jesús es encontrar el Camino que nos lleva a conocer la Verdad que nos da la Vida. Y, sin Él, nada de nada vale la pena.

ORACION: Dios único, «Dios de todos los nombres» con los que los humanos de todos los tiempos te han buscado. Tú que te has hecho buscar por todos los pueblos, y a todos ellos también les has salido al encuentro en su propia vida espiritual, en su religión, concédenos apertura de corazón para sentir tu presencia omnímoda en todas las religiones de la tierra. Tú que vives y das vida, y dialogas con todos los pueblos, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

ANUNCIOS

MISA DE LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR

Hoy 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 anos. Toda la comunidad es bienvenida.

Esperamos su asistencia.