

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

## January 8, 2012

		<b>Vigil: The Epiphany of the Lord</b>		
		4:30 p.m.	James V. Longi, Jr.	John Valentino
		5:30 p.m.	Kevin Bradley	Harmon & Rosemarie Boyd
Sun.	Jan. 8	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>		
		7:30 a.m.	Jerome J. Nicolato	Esther Delgado
		9:00 a.m.	Kevin Bradley	Chip & Patty Milkovich
		10:30 a.m.	Cornelius D'Aprile	Pier & Stephanie D'Aprile
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Special Intention	
		12:00 p.m.	Margaret Yanarella	Mary Burn
		6:00 p.m.	Frank Champion	Nancy Argenio
Mon.	Jan. 9	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>		
		7:00 a.m.	Frank Pettorossi	Frank & Paulette
		8:00 a.m.	Louis Daddario	Barbara, Jean & Bob
Tues.	Jan. 10	<b>Weekday</b>		
		7:00 a.m.	Clinton Congdon	Peggy & John Stella
		8:00 a.m.	Jennie McKinney	The Family
Wed.	Jan. 11	<b>Weekday</b>		
		7:00 a.m.	Michelle Stella	Antoinette & Jim McDowell
		8:00 a.m.	William Darcy	John & Maureen Darcy
Thurs.	Jan. 12	<b>Weekday</b>		
		7:00 a.m.	Jack O'Leary	The Family
		8:00 a.m.	James Hopper	Daughter, Betty Hopper
Fri.	Jan. 13	<b>Weekday</b>		
		7:00 a.m.	Gary Schnetzler	Al & Lisa Miller
		8:00 a.m.	Marie G. Weyant	Jerome Weyant
Sat.	Jan. 14	<b>Weekday</b>		
		8:00 a.m.	Audrey Ballo Kubeck	Susan Borghard & Alison MacAvery
		9:00 a.m.	Lorraine Shevetone	Her Children
		<b>Vigil: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
		4:30 p.m.	Reginald Tom Sottrell	His Friends
		5:30 p.m.	Joseph Talarico	Ann Carnathan
Sun.	Jan. 15	<b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
		7:30 a.m.	Rick Longenberger	Trish & Heath
		9:00 a.m.	Catherine Callahan	Deacon Marty & Berenice Mayeski
		10:30 a.m.	Lucia M. Pitts	Pier & Stephanie D'Aprile
	Spanish	12:00 p.m.	Special Intention	
		12:00 p.m.	Stephen Bondra	Pat & Vern Lyman
		6:00 p.m.	Anthony DePaolo, Sr.	The Dondero Family

### Sacramentals

**Sanctuary Lamp: St. Joachim's** – Casimir & Karol Dokurno, Joseph Kochay  
**Sanctuary Lamp: St. John's** – Lee Ann & Simon Lee Antalek, Richard Pendleton Sr.  
**Bread & Wine: St. Joachim's** –  
**Bread & Wine: St. John's** – James Lemmo  
**Altar Candles: St. Joachim's** – Michael Archer  
**Altar Candles: St. John's** –  
**Rose for Life: St. Joachim's** – Michael Scoba, Sr.  
**Rose for Life: St. John's** – Rose & Francis Donnelly, Joseph Romanelli, Jean Dizillo

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 4: Knights of Columbus,  
Council #445**

**Attendance**

<b>Jan. 1, 2012</b>	<b>Jan. 2, 2011</b>
<b>940</b>	<b>1207</b>

**Coming Events**

**RCIA, Sun. 1:30 to 3:30, Parish Office**

**CHAOS, Sun. 6:45, St. John's lower hall**

**Bible Study on St. Luke, Tues. 7:30 to 8:30,  
Joachim's lower hall**

**Class on St. Therese, Fri. 7 to 8:00 pm,  
St. Joachim's lower hall**

**Family Potluck Dinner**

Come join in a family potluck dinner on **Saturday, January 28, 2012**, after the 5:30pm Children's Mass (St. John's Hall). Just bring a main dish to cover your family members, and drop it off in St. John's Hall before Mass. It can be fancy or simple! You can also bring a dessert to share if you want! Contact Alison Lewis, [TLAL@optonline.net](mailto:TLAL@optonline.net) or 440-0554 for more information.

**High School Youth Ministry - CHAOS**

All high school students are invited and encouraged to attend our High School Youth Ministry program, CHAOS, on Sunday evenings from 6:45 to 8:45 in St. John's lower hall.

**2012 Calendars**

are available in the rear of the churches. Many thanks to the Halvey Funeral Home for its continued generosity in providing the calendars to our parish each year.

**To serve your needs better, our pastor 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:**

Catherine Adams, Emily Adams, Minoo Aibara, Dominic Bettina, Betty Billets, Deborah Bonnell, Joseph Bradford, Paula Case, Bill Coatney, Ralph Collins, Christine Connelly, Ramona Concessao, Noah Corey, Patrick Cross, Don & Irene Daddario, Gilda D'Aprile, Richard Darcy, Christina DeDonato, Eileen Deighan, Maria del Rosario, Hilda D'Silva, Melissa DePaolo, Jeffrey Dolan, Fran Dyckman, Igeria Earth-Deyo, Paul Eraca, Christine Ferguson, Valarian Fernandes, Russell Fullen, Brian M. Furey, Marie Ann Gama, Antonina Giavatto, Mildred Gibney, Lillian Gonzalez, Angelina Gromkowski, Richard Hearney, Jessica Hernandez, Chrissy Juhasz, Donna Juliano, Jim Killeen, (John) Stephen LaVallee, Michael Leonard, Sarah Lugo, Tony Lugo, Josephine Lupporelli, Venita Martis, Eileen Malik, Bridget McGrath, Eve Marhafer Meek, Paulette Mendoza, Sharon Nichols, Tom Norman, Loretta Oppitz, James Pagliaro, Frederick Paige, Jean Pettorossi, Ann Petix, Cayla Pignatello, Peter Podloski, Lena Prestianni, Rose Pucino, Mary Rafter, Ivette Ramos, Martin Resek, Edwin Rivera, Mary Rivera, Marcia Santovenia, Mildred Sefppaquercia, Marie Sequinot, Kitty Smith, Lawrence Solomon, Teresa Solomon, Lillian Strolis, Kathleen Tobin, Dorethea Tompson, Jean Torrie, Patricia Tribble, Thomas Trochan, Sr., Kay Usifer, Laryssa Verna, Taylor Weiss, and Andy Whitson.

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

**Please pray for our parishioners who are in the armed forces.**

**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: **Bessie Pacenza, Vincent Melfi**

### **Bible Study**

A Bible study of the Gospel of St. Luke is being held on Tuesdays from 7:30-8:30pm in ST. JOACHIM'S CHURCH HALL (entrance will be open from the parking lot). Please join us as we study this Gospel that relates Jesus' emphasis on God's love for the poor, several of Jesus' most well loved parables, and the role of women disciples. We will be using Christian art, music and literature as a way of understanding the scriptures better. St. Jerome wrote that ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ – studying and praying with the Word of God helps us to deepen our knowledge of and love for Jesus. All are welcome!

### **Class on St. Therese**

Dr. Fran Renda is leading a year-long class to understand the spirituality of St. Therese of the Child Jesus. The class is held from 7 – 8:00 pm in St. Joachim's lower hall. If you have a copy of the book "Story of a Soul" please bring it to class. Copies of the book will also be available for sale at the class. For more information please call Marianne Dahl (831-5406).

**The Widow and Widowers of Dutchess and Putnam Counties** will resume their meetings in January on the Third Tuesday of the month at Blessed Kateri Church Parish Meeting Room, 1925 Route 82, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. (845) 223-3097.

### **CYFM-- DDA Leadership Training**

Fri.1/13-Sun.-1/15/2012 High school teens that have made a CYFM DDA Retreat are invited to join us for DDA Leadership; learn the necessary skills to help "pass it on" incorporating the dynamics of Catholic Youth Evangelization: Witness, Outreach, Proclamation, Conversion, and Call to Discipleship. Cost is \$115 which includes meals, lodging and materials. For an application and more info contact your parish youth minister or call us at 845/424-3609 or visit our website @ [www.cyfm.org](http://www.cyfm.org).

### **Mass for Deceased Members of Lewis Tompkins Hose Company**

is Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. at St. John's Church. Breakfast to follow at the firehouse. The date will mark the 57<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Firefighter Robert Kramer's death in a Main St. fire. If you can attend the breakfast, please call Nick McGovern at 489-6130.

### **Secondary Principal Search**

John A. Coleman Catholic High School  
430 Hurley Avenue  
Hurley, New York 12443

(845) 338-2750 or [www.colemancatholic.org](http://www.colemancatholic.org)

Coleman Catholic is an independent, Catholic high school in beautiful and historic Hudson Valley. The home of the Statesmen has an enrollment of about 200 in grades 9 -12 and a proud tradition of academic, athletic, and performing arts achievement. A supportive parent network enhances the college preparatory program that has Respect, Responsibility, and Religion at its core.

Join the Spirit of John A. Coleman Catholic High School. Interested candidates for this position, which is commencing July 21, 2012, should email a letter of interest, resume, and list of references by January 27, 2012 to [smithkathleend@gmail.com](mailto:smithkathleend@gmail.com).

### **Buses Scheduled For March For Life**

**Jan. 23, 2012**

Since the 22 of Jan. falls on Sunday, the buses for the March for Life will leave Monday, Jan. 23. We have scheduled two buses to go the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. on Jan. 23. This, as you know is the 39th 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. For reservations and/or information contact Rich 297-7930 for the bus from Mt. Alvernia and George Morton 226-6896 or Peter Lyons on 298-6047 for the St. Columba bus. Prices are adults \$30.00 and students \$20.00. All fees and registration must be in by Jan. 4.

### **Local Rosary For Life, Jan. 21, 2012.**

If you are unable to take the bus to Washington, D. C. but will be available locally at noon time on Jan. 21, please join us for the Rosary for Life, including Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, starting at St. Mary's Poughkeepsie.

### **St. Denis – St. Columba School 849 Route 82, Hopewell Junction Open House**

To kick-off Catholic Schools Week, St. Denis - St. Columba School invites you to join us for our **OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, January 29, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Please visit our website at [www.STCOLUMBA.net](http://www.STCOLUMBA.net) for more information. We are now offering full day Kindergarten:

- Keeping your children educated as a family from K-8
- Teaching a Strong Academic Foundation in Literacy and Math
- Providing the Catholic tradition: "Lively Faith, Strong Character, Generous Heart"

## **A Letter From Our Pastor, Father Richard**

May God's blessings be with you and your families and friends as we begin the year of grace 2012! Thank you to all those who kept the rectory well supplied with cookies, cake and candy over Christmas and New Year's – there is no shortage of excellent bakers in Beacon. Thank you also to those who volunteered to clean both churches at the beginning of Advent and all those who decorated our beautiful churches for Advent and Christmas. What a joy it was to celebrate Christmas surrounded by so much beauty. The dedication of our altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, musicians, singers, and ushers only added to the beauty and reverence of the liturgies. Special thanks to all those who coordinated and participated in our annual children's Christmas pageant a few weeks ago – those who were able to attend the pageant were given a joyful way to enter into the Christmas season.

Just before Advent, the parish Women's Club coordinated the annual Christmas Fair. Because of the hard work and dedication of these parishioners, all of whom work on this event for months in advance, \$12,000 was raised for the parish. Thank you to the Women's Club and to all who came out for the fair! Generous donations to the parish for Christmas were also given by the Seniors' Club, Catholic Daughters and Knights of Columbus. While the final total of our Christmas collection is not complete, I thank all of you for your generosity in that collection – such generosity is typical of our parish and deeply appreciated. This is truly a community that continually gives of time, talent and money all through the year. Finally, thank you to those dedicated parishioners who volunteer week after week to count the Sunday collections!

We are currently putting together a parish pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and Florence for this coming August – more information will follow.

Fr. Richard

## A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

### **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly **The Epiphany of the Lord**

**“See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; But upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory. Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you: Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.”**

The feast of Epiphany, the Three Kings and the coming of the Magi is not unfamiliar. The tradition of three, because of the gifts, the star, the GPS of their day, seeking the newborn King, and the dream comprise the remarkable details of this biblical narration. As we live the day of manifestation, we look at our world today.

How few countries are walking by His light. How great the thick clouds of hopelessness and despair cover the people. How few are seeking the Lord, rather than protecting themselves. Isaiah's call to open our eyes and see the world as it is tells us plainly that something, Someone, important is missing.

Foreign policy is often based on self-interest. People come fleeing despots, war and poverty and are despised and rejected. The military return from the ravages of war, traumatized and disillusioned. Scarcity of money is not considered when buying armaments and weapons. In a few weeks we will have a report on the state of the union. On this day may we look at the state of the world and find solace in the Savior who made His presence known. On this day in the life of the church we discover the presence of the Christ, bring Him the gift of ourselves, and receive the wonderful gift of His life in grace through the sacraments.

### **World Wide Marriage Encounter**

"Nations shall walk by your light..." We as Catholics must be a light to the world. Spend a weekend growing closer to your spouse and to God and make your marriage/Holy Orders to be a "light" shining brighter than ever. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is February 11/12. Call toll free: 877-NYS-WWME ext. 3 OR visit our website at [www.wwmearchny.org](http://www.wwmearchny.org) for more information.

**LECTURAS PARA EL DIA DE HOY:**

**1 Lectura** Isaías 60, 1-6: La gloria del Señor amanece sobre ti.

**2 Lectura** Efesios 3, 2-6: Ahora ha sido revelado que también los gentiles son coherederos.

**Evangelio** Mt 2, 1-12: Vimos su estrella y venimos a adorarle.

«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 medio del 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 «el rey

Herodes se sobresaltó y con él 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, Padre nuestro: el relato evangélico nos narra que en un día como éste Jesús fue reconocido por unos magos venidos de Oriente en su búsqueda; haz que quienes te buscan, encuentren y sigan las estrellas que Tú pones en su camino, y quienes ya te hemos encontrado podamos contemplar un día, cara a cara, la gloria de tu rostro. Por Jesucristo, Nuestro señor. Amen.

**ANUNCIOS****MISA DE LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR**

Hoy domingo 8 de enero, será la celebración de la epifanía del señor, invitamos a toda la comunidad a celebrar la Santa Misa en la iglesia de 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 será en San Joaquín (60 Liberty Street) des pues de la misa. Venga y acompañenos, tendremos la visita de los reyes magos, Música, comida latinoamericana, actividades para los niños y además regalos para los niños. Toda la comunidad es bienvenida. Esperamos su asistencia.