

Sacred Heart Church

December 13, 2009

Week of December 13th - December 20th

Saturday, December 12th – Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38

8:30 Decd Luigi, Rosa, Damiano, & Luigina Greco
 4:00 Decd Anthony Licata
 5:00 Decd Sylvia & John Maricevic

Sunday, December 13th – Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-6/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

8:00 am Decd Lucia Persichilli Tejani
 9:45 Sp Int For Our Parish Family
 11:30 Decd William Sacco, Sr. (Anni)

Monday, December 14th – St. John of the Cross

Nm 24:2-7,15-17a/Mt 21:23-27

6:45 Decd Charles Wilson
 8:30 Decd Lucia Persichilli Tejani

Tuesday, December 15th

Zep 3:1-2,9-13/Mt 21:28-32

6:45 Decd Agnes Lucille Keating
 8:30 Decd Donald Travers

Wednesday, December 16th

Is 45:6b-8,18,21b-25/Lk 7:18b-23

6:45 Decd Lucia Rampa
 8:30 Decd John Roche, Eileen Roche Clarke & Mbrs Roche Family
 7:30 Decd Florinda Andrade

Thursday, December 17th

Gn 49:2,8-10/Mt 1:1-17

6:45 Decd Florence Rondinone (10th Anni)
 8:30 Decd Lucia Persichilli Tejani

Friday, December 18th

Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25

6:45 Sp Int Sacred Heart Friars
 8:30 Decd Anne Higgins

Saturday, December 19th

Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a/Lk 1:5-25

8:30 Decd Mbrs Ball & O'Lear Families
 4:00 Sp Int For Our Parish Family
 5:00 Decd Geraldine Nappi

Sunday, December 20th – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

8:00 am Decd Irene Romano
 9:45 Decd Fernando Monteiro
 11:30 Decd Neil Buckley



MEMORIALS: Week of December 13th

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Decd Dorothy & William Lawlor

BREAD & WINE:

In Thanksgiving: Savino Family

STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S BLESSINGS - TITHING

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| Dec 6, 2009..... | \$7,761.90 |
| Last year..... | \$7,954.64 |
| Grade School..... | \$1,662.15 |
| Cash Appeal 2009 | \$28,808.25 |
| Cash Appeal 2008..... | \$25,023.97 |

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish and its many needs.
 May God bless your generosity to Sacred Heart!*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

The Final amount for the Cash Appeal is \$28,808. This amount exceeds the expected goal of \$25,000 by nearly \$4,000. Your generous response to the Cash Appeal is commendable. I am grateful to all those who have contributed to the Appeal. For your generosity, may God reward you all with many unexpected blessings during the season of anticipation.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
 Fr. Moe



Irene Mlynar, Michelle Canzio, Joanne Uzzi, Joseph Peloso, Elizabeth Avallone, Anne Gebbia, Amelia D'Eletto, Matthew Mokrycki, Edward Jones, Susse Carroll, Ellen Boyle, Sr. Gloria Sullivan OSU, Mary Leavey, Dorothy Aurisy, Marion Travers, Irene Bybel, Mary Galle, Ada Russak, Margaret Castle, Winifred Persise, Judy Persise, Kathleen Liberati, Constantine Castiglione, Ronald Milne, Faye Siami, Marietta Rasulo, Mary Hanczor

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Calling all **fifth graders** who would like to serve at Mass! If you would like to join the committed group of altar servers, we will be holding training sessions this week. Each new altar server must attend 2 of the listed training times.

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| Sunday, December 13 th | 7:00 pm |
| Monday, December 14 th | 3:00 pm or 7:00 pm |
| Tuesday, December 15 th | 3:00 pm or 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, December 16 th | 3:00 pm |

If you would like more information, please speak to Fr. Moe after Mass or call the office at 963-4205.



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Many have said that there isn't a more beautiful church at Christmas than Sacred Heart. Now you can share that beauty with friends and relatives. We

have Christmas cards with two pictures of Sacred Heart as the cover photo. The cards are sold in sets of 20 for \$8.00. Cards are available in the Parish Office.

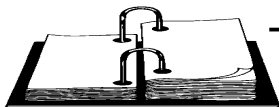
COLD & FLU SEASON

Many people have asked about the practice of receiving the Precious Blood from a communal cup now that cold and flu season is upon us. We would like to remind everyone that the Church's teachings encourage everyone to receive from the cup. It also recommends that, if someone is not well, or has been exposed to someone who is not well, that they should refrain from receiving from the cup. Therefore, we ask that if you or someone in your immediate vicinity is ill, please forego the cup and resume when you are feeling better.

Another concern that has been brought up is shaking hands at the Sign of Peace. Again, if you are not well, a simple nod of acknowledgment is perfectly acceptable. We wish to keep everyone as healthy as possible.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Mark your calendar! Our annual Christmas Concert is this Saturday, December 19th, at 7:30 PM in the Church. Don't miss this wonderful Advent event as we mark our waiting for the Savior's birth in song. The Choirs of Sacred Heart will be accompanied by the Sacred Heart Chamber Orchestra. Tickets are \$10.00 and are available in the parish office. Sponsorships are also available, but must be in by Wednesday, Dec 16th.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, December 13th

Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:45 am
Religious Education 10:45 am

Wednesday, December 16th

O. L.P.H. Novena 7:00 pm; Mass - 7:30 pm
Christmas Pageant 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 17th

Rosary Altar 7:30 pm

Saturday, December 19th

Scripture Study 9:15 am
Christmas Concert 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 20th

Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:45 am
Religious Education 10:45 am

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

We have been asked to remind all who have made, or are planning on making a payment to the Bicentennial Campaign, that receipts for annual contributions of \$250 or more will be delivered to all donors in January. All payments must be postmarked by December 31, 2009 to be included in the tax receipt. If you have any concerns about your Bicentennial pledge or contribution, please speak to Fr. Moe or call the Archdiocesan Bicentennial Office at 212-371-1011 x 2008.

LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS

Liturgical Publications, Inc, our bulletin publisher, will have a sales representative available this week for those interested in placing a new ad. This is your opportunity to secure a space for the new publication year. To place your ad, please contact Joe Sheehy at the parish office or at 800-888-4574 x 3393. We would like to thank our present advertisers for renewing their ads. Keep in mind our advertising sponsors make this publication possible.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Slightly used warm clothing and other items will be collected for the needy who are now dealing with the cold weather which has arrived. Items needed are warm winter clothing such as coats, sweaters, hats, gloves, sweatshirts, scarves and socks. Also items that are important are blankets and sleeping bags. Various toiletries such as shampoo, soap, deodorants, shaving items, skin cream, toothpaste and toothbrushes are greatly appreciated. Please drop these items off at the parish office during regular office hours. Let us care for our brothers and sisters dealing with the cold months ahead.



CHRISTMAS NOVENA CARD

An attractive Christmas Novena Card is available in the pews this weekend. This is an excellent way for us to remember our relatives and friends, living and deceased in a special novena of Masses beginning on Christmas Day. The cards are also available in the parish office. The stipend envelope can be placed either in the collection basket or brought to the parish office.

WINTER CONCERT

The Male Glee Club of Yonkers invites everyone to their Winter Concert on Sunday, December 13th, at Saunders Trades & Technical High School, 183 Palmer Road, Yonkers at 3:00 PM. Admission is free.

CATHOLIC WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold their monthly meeting at 7:15 pm on Dec 21st, in the auditorium of Christ the King School, 740 North Broadway. New members are welcome. Coffee and cake will follow the meeting. For further information, please call 914-476-4436.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Cancer Support Group at St John's will be holding its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Dec 16th at 7:00 pm in the Garden Room, S2 Level. For additional information, please call the Hospital at 964-4441.

SHARING COMMUNITY COOKS

We will be preparing lunch for The Sharing Community on Friday, Dec 18th (one week early). Pans will be dropped off on Wednesday, Dec 16th unless other arrangements have been made.

NORTH YONKERS PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT CORP.

DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICE

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| Tuesday | Dec 15 | Groceries South |
| Thursday | Dec 17 | Groceries North |
| Monday | Dec 21 | Stew Leonard's |

ATLANTIC CITY

The NYPDG will sponsor a trip to the Taj Mahal Casino in Atlantic City on Wednesday, December 16th. The bus will leave the Community Center at 7:45 am sharp. Cost is \$28.00 per person- receive \$25.00 in coin and \$5.00 food voucher. Reservations are required for this outing
For reservations: call 423-9754 between 9:30 and 4:00



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Grade School students will be presenting the Nativity and Christmas Pageant on Wednesday, December 16th at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. Christmas Carols will be part of this wonderful show. Parishioners are invited to come and see our wonderful kids.

FACULTY LUNCHEON

The Parents' Associations of the Schools provided lunch for faculty and staff on Friday, December 11th in appreciation for their work with the children.

NEWSPAPER CLUB

On December 4th, Mr. Racioppo and the 35 members of his newspaper staff went to midtown Manhattan to experience firsthand the Christmas season in New York. They were doing a story for their December edition of the *Heartbeat*. If any parishioner is interested in reading it, the *Heartbeat* will be hot off the press and available in the main office of the high school on Thursday, December 17th.

SAVE THE DATE

The Schools of the Sacred Heart will be hosting a Card Party on Saturday, March 20, 2010 at 6:30 pm. If anyone is interested in donating prizes of any value for our sweepstakes, please contact the Grade School office at 963-5318 and leave a message for Louisa Riley. Tickets will go on sale after the Christmas break.



OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Please pray for peace and the safe return of our men and women serving in the armed forces everywhere,
Matt Stough - Marines, Brendan Mayer - Army, Michael Jones - Navy, Walter Urtz III - Navy, Thomas Sabol - Marines, James Allen - Navy, Robert M. Wilson - Air Force, Louis Valentin - Marines, Daniel Bronner - Navy, Adrienne Serbaroli-Bronner - Marines, Calvin Minozzi - Marines

OPERATION SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Please remember to drop off at the friary or place in the box in the vestibule any goodies you would like to donate to the troops. Toiletries, NO BAR SOAPS, chap stick, hand sanitizers, baby wipes. Food and snacks: powdered drink mixes, Pringles, peanuts, dried fruits, fruit in pop top cans or plastic containers, nuts, beef jerky, power bars, breakfast bars, M&Ms, chocolate bars. To help keep them 'busy': DVDs, CDs, AT&T telephone cards - international use, magazines, word puzzle books, Sudoku puzzles, current magazines. Things to keep them more comfortable: socks, towels, flashlights/with batteries, fly paper, insect repellent, deodorant, jockey shorts underwear (all sizes), more socks!! Checks made out to OSOT (tax deductible) are most welcome to help with the cost of the mailings.

Christmas Schedule 2009

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Senior Residences
Monday, December 14th, 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Church
Wednesday, December 16th, 6:30-7:00 pm
Saturday, December 19th 3:30-4:30 pm
Monday, December 21st, 7:00-8:00 pm
Tuesday, December 22nd, 9:00-9:30 am

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses
Senior Residence: 4:00 pm
Monastery Manor
Church: 5:00 & 10:00 pm

Christmas Day Masses
8:00, 9:45, & 11:30 am

New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Vigil
Church: 5:00pm

New Year's Day
8:00, 9:45, & 11:30 am

