

Mass Intentions

December 10 - 16, 2017

Sat.	5:30 PM	Todd Antonio Foster, III, R.I.P.
Sun.	7:45 AM	George Romero, R.I.P.
	9:30 AM	Msgr. Vincent Gatto, R.I.P.
	11:15 AM	Parishioners
Espanol	1:00 PM	Parishioners
Mon.	8:00 AM	Daniel Head, R.I.P.
Tues.	8:00 AM	Norman Rea, III, R.I.P.
Wed.	8:00 AM	Julia Loczko, R.I.P.
Thu.	8:00 AM	Barry McFarland, R.I.P.
Fri.	8:00 AM	Norma Lee Howell, R.I.P.
Sat.	8:00 AM	Martha Knott, R.I.P.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

Please remember in your prayers the following members of our community on the anniversary of their death.

Dec.	10	Irma Howard	2014
	10	Ruth Hart	2018
	10	Douglas Smith	2012
	13	Peter Morgan	1976
	13	Elsie America	1984
	13	Thomas Morgan	2000
	13	Raymond Abrams	2003
	14	Francis Hens	2000
	14	Dominic Palmisano, Jr.	2002
	16	George Reges, Sr.	1970
	16	Walter Markowich	1989
	16	Billie Jo Buckmaster	2008
	16	Andrew Phillips	2004

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Michele Gannon, Doug Rickert, Brian Beltz, Peggy Kretz, Sandy Keyser, Kristy Nice, Emma Marshall, Maria Shugart, Mary Baldo, Jessie Thomas, Jeanne Prochownik, Norma Garcia, Betty Granger, Grace Hunter Webb, Cindy Brown, Tracey Isaacs, Joan Ellis, Juanita Wright, Aiden Fraley, Ryan Anthony DePaulo, Twila Kopaniasz, Chris Tubbs, John Tomassoni, Joy Greaff, Kathryn Weiskircher, Barbara Gheen, Michael Puhl, Kelly Carpenter, Jimmie Gorski, Michael Tennessee, Matthew Worthington, Darlene Morris, Joan Gallagher, Alfrita Williams, Debbie Malay, Noah Victoria, Frenchie Leclerc, Danny Mackey, Giovanna Hood, Danny Howells, Debbie Kustka, Kenneth Langley, Jr., Victoria Gutierrez, Richard Cozzens, Mary Claire Toomey, Gage Glass, Maggie Beckwith, Linda Chaney, Susan Krick, Buddy Echterling, Michael Balleaux, June Catts, Brian Pedone, Carl Passero, Jeanie Baker, Caden Ednie, Aaron Bynum Michelle Scaringi, Ingrid Jones, Veronica Davis, Bootsie Stinnett, Elroy McLeod, Anna Kupka, Wendy Zurenko, Craig Dalton, Cathy Corcoran, E. McLellan, Joanne Shick, Karen Landstreet, Julia McCullough, Carmen Janczewski, Agnes Schneider, Linda Bednarski, Jennie Brozefky, Eva Souder, Ben Chaney, Terry Fincham, Paul Hartman, Elizabeth Migliaccio, Glenn Davis, Mike Churilla, Barbara Redden, Austin Rivera, Katie Drury, Ralph Mirarchi, Elizabeth James, Carminta Pacheco, Nicholas Deziedzic, Megan Ralston, Troy King, Johnathan Nenko, Danny Kuhns, Cameron Cozzens, Pat Buehler, Chance Voegtli, Bill Prochownik, Marilyn McNulty, Mary Cooper, Christine Reynolds, Mark Pierce, Juliann Leginze, Steve Wurtz, Garrett Krohnert, Bonnye Pyttel, Mary Shifflette, John Davis, Maddi Stanton, Michelle Guthrie, Russell Piovesan, and Mary DeRight.

CNC: Bruce Olson, and Raymond LeBark.

Schedule for December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent

	SERVERS	LECTORS	E. MINISTERS
5:30 PM	Kaitlyn Nash Emma Nash Marisabelle Martinez Rachel Heagy	Idella DeLeaver	Sr. John Marie Al Perpuse Dianne O'Leary Tim O'Leary EM needed
7:45 AM	MARISA BROCK GAVIN GOLDRING MICHELLE ARHAR ANNA MEADOWS	Jeanne Wisniewski Russ Spaulding	Cheryl White Miranda Jarnot Nancy Donley Gwen Haigwood EM needed
9:30 AM	Gabriel Ortiz Marcus Lloyd Addison Kiger	John Weigel Russ Spaulding	Barbara Woodward Bill Prochownik Jeanne Prochownik Mary Ann Zaversnik Don Mueller Nancy Kreitzer
11:15 AM	Elizabeth Cristo Elijah Cristo Chann Cortes Josh Colindres	Jody Longhill Russ Spaulding	Barbara Moran Scott Vogan Eduardo Braham Dave Michalko EM needed

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION SCHEDULE

Mondays 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Tuesdays 8:30 AM to 9:00 PM

Wednesdays 6:00 PM to midnight
5:30 PM Prayer Service

Thursdays 8:30 AM to 9:00 PM

Fridays 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM
(except First Fridays)

First Fridays All Night Adoration:
(6:00 PM – 8:00 AM on Sat. followed by Mass)

Remember to Pray for our Service Men and Women

Matthew Mills	USAF	Boston, MA
Patrick Mills	USAF	Las Vegas
Larkin Jones	USN	Suitland MD
Dalton Kistler	ARMY	Fort Sill, OK
James Goldsmith	ARMY	Ft Jackson SC
Benjamin MacNamara	USAF	England
AJ Gerdes	USMC	Quantico VA
Stephen Ford	ARMY	Colorado
Alan Howell	USAF	Dover DE
Nathaniel Shick	USN	Boston MA
Ron M. Wilkinson	USAF	San Antonio TX
Riley Cassidy	USCGA	New London CT
Stephen Woollen	USAF	Lackland AFB
Jeremy Dodds	USMC	Paris Island SC
Shelby Heilig	USCG	Chincoteague VA
Brendan Thompson	USCG	Kittery Maine
Eric Fisher	ARMY	Middle East

From the Pastor...

I wanted to highlight an upcoming Men's Discernment Retreat. This is the retreat that I attended 12 years ago that started my journey to enter seminary. It runs Friday, February 2nd to Sunday, February 4th for men in their 20s, 30s or 40s who are considering a call to the priesthood. It's at the Saint John Paul II Seminary in DC led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The weekend offers time away and an opportunity for prayer and reflection to examine God's call. There are no fees to attend. Registration is at www.dcpriest.org. E-mail vocations@adw.org with any questions. If you have even the smallest thought God might be calling you, it is important to seek out the answer.

Last Sunday I was asked what does the Advent wreath and candles mean. So, here it is: The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God (the Alpha and Omega). The evergreen is chosen as the base because God is the foundation of all good. Green is the color that represents hope and new life. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent. Traditionally, each week represents one thousand years, to sum to the 4,000 years from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Savior. The first two purple candles symbolizes hope and love. The third candle, which is pink or rose, symbolizes joy. The fourth and last purple candle represents peace. The light (fire) of the candles signifies the light of Christ to mankind.

A reminder that we have Confessions during the remainder of Advent on Saturdays, December 16th and 23rd at 8:30 am and on Wednesdays, December 13th and 20th from 6:30 pm – 8 pm.

How is your Advent season of prayer and preparation going? If you are off to a slow start, it is not too late to get into the season. Here are some inspiring words from Pope Francis that beautifully describes a reason for the Advent season: "Let us rediscover the beauty of being together along the way: the Church, with her vocation and mission... The journey is never finished... Just as in each of our own lives, there is always a need to restart, to rise again, and to recover a sense of the goal of one's own existence." Let us make this Advent truly a time of rediscovering our journey – our journey we are on until we meet our Lord again in the end. Amen.

God bless,
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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

We will have a Mass in Spanish to celebrate the Feast Day for Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Tuesday, December 12th at 6:00 PM in the Church.**

Christmas & 4th Sunday of Advent Mass Schedule

This year the 4th Sunday of Advent falls on December 23-24. We are required to attend Mass for both the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas. Our schedule of Masses will be:
4th Sunday of Advent – Saturday, December 23rd at 5:30 pm; Sunday, December 24th at 9:30 am & 11:15 am
Christmas Eve – Sunday, December 24th at 5 pm (Children's Mass), 8 pm & 10 pm
Christmas Day – Monday, December 25th at 10 am (Bi-lingual)

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias have been ordered for the altar at Christmas. The poinsettias are \$10 each. If you would like to remember a loved one by placing a flower in their name, please call the parish office.

NAVIGATING THE HOLIDAYS

Grieving the death of a loved one during the holidays can be especially challenging. Calvert Hospice Bereavement is holding a seminar on **Tuesday, December 12th**, 1-2:30 pm at "The Space" at 96 Central Square Drive, Prince Frederick (behind Outback Steakhouse). Learn coping skills and ways to heal, especially during this time of year. Register online at www.calverthospice.org/education-seminars.

TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND SICK

If you are ill and unable to attend Mass, you can see our Mass on Comcast Cable TV Channel 6 on Wednesdays 9:00 PM and Sundays at 11:00 AM. Please share this with anyone you know that is homebound.

STEWARDSHIP

Week of December 3, 2017

Regular Offertory \$10,639

Our weekly average budget is \$10,000 (The Archdiocesan Assessment is 15% of our regular offertory. This past week it was \$1,596. Our Lady Star of the Sea School receives 5%: \$532.

Special Collections

Food Pantry	\$2,244
Candles	\$83
All Saints	\$25
Immaculate Conception	\$25
Priest's Retirement	\$25
Retirement for Religious	\$255
Kiosk	\$15

SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND

Received to Date: \$108,296 (approx..)

Received last week: \$520

ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS

Received December 1, 2017

Offertory	\$4,515.00
Special Projects	\$1,650.00
Food Pantry	<u>\$ 210.00</u>
	\$6,375.00

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL CONTRIBUTION

October 2017 \$2,609

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Food Pantry is in need of help stocking shelves on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 to 5:00 PM every 5th week. Please contact Larry Donnelly at 410-610-0760 if you can volunteer.

CALVERT COUNTY YOUNG ADULTS

Join the Calvert County Young Adults Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CalvertCatholicYA and keep posted on upcoming events in our county for young adult Catholics.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

We will be starting a High School Youth Group. We **will host a Christmas Kickoff on Sunday, December 10, 2017 in the Family Life Center from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.** All High School youth are welcome. Come join in the fun! There will be food, games and fellowship. Regular scheduled meetings will begin after the New Year on the first and third Thursdays. More details to follow. If you have questions, please contact Liz Jenkins at 443-937-5455 or by email at sjvyouthgroup@sjvchurch.net.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Anyone interested will gather biweekly to knit and crochet shawls to be given to those who are sick, dying, elderly or others in need. Here's how it works: ministry members will receive donated yarn, shawls are crocheted or knitted during gathering and elsewhere between meetings. Completed shawls are blessed by Father Dan or a SJV Deacon. A prayer card is pinned onto each shawl outlining the purpose of the shawl. Shawls are then delivered (in person or by mail) to those in need of prayers. Ministry members will pray for Shawl recipients at the biweekly meeting. There is no cost to be in this ministry. Yarn, meeting snacks and refreshments are by donation. However, each ministry member will need to buy their own needle which is a minimal cost of \$3 to \$6. Can't crochet or knit? No worries. Mentors will be available to teach anyone seeking to learn. Please contact Sandra Cammaroto to join the ministry at SGayle323@gmail.com or 301-751-8278. The biweekly gatherings to knit and crochet will be on Saturdays, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM in the Conference Room located in the church basement. Ministry members are not required to attend every gathering.

YARN NEEDED FOR PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We are collecting yarn to support this ministry. If you have leftover yarn or would like to purchase yarn and donate it, please bring it in and place it in the donation box located in the Festival Room or Foyer of the Church.

NOAH'S ARK NURSERY

Noah's Ark Nursery is open Sunday mornings at the 9:30 AM mass. Thank you for your support of this very important ministry that helps our parish parents enjoy Sunday mass while their little ones play! Please note the nursery will be closed on Sunday **December 24**.

For more information, please email Sarah Frey sarah.frey.ma@gmail.com.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP

Got spiritual concerns? Wondering how your spirituality connects to what is happening in your life? There is an answer!

Join us **Tuesday Nights** at the Family Life Center! The meeting starts at 7:30 PM and ends by 9:00 PM. Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus!

ADULT PICKLEBALL

Tuesday mornings, 10 am to Noon

We have 4 courts for all stages.

Court #1 – Beginners – you will receive one-on-one instructions

Court #2 – Fun Bunch – we have do-overs!

Court #3 – Intermediate – improve your skills.

Court #4 – Competitive – play against other skilled players.

Admission is \$5 per person – per day. For more information call the Family Life Center at 410-414-9099. See ya Tuesday morning!

ADULT VOLLEYBALL

Mondays 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Parishioners - \$5

Non-parishioners - \$6

OPEN GYM

Tuesdays 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Parishioners – free

Non-parishioners - \$3

ANGEL TREE GIFTS

All gifts for the Angel Tree are due back to the church no later than Sunday, December 10th by 1:00 PM.

HELP WITH OPIOID & DRUG ABUSE

There will be a Community Resource Fair on Wednesday, December 13, 6:30-8:30 pm at the Northeast Community Center, Room B, 4075 Gordon Stinnett Road, Chesapeake Beach, MD. Resource providers will be on site to discuss the prevention, treatment and recovery services they provide for individuals and families affected by Opioid Abuse Disorder and other drug abuse disorders. For more information, contact Ashley Staples at 410-535-3079 x41.

KNIGHTS CORNER

Dec. 13 7:00 PM Council Business Mtg./
Christmas party
21 7:30 PM Lord Baltimore Assembly
27 7:00 PM Family Rosary
27 7:30 PM Social meeting

Like us on Facebook Knights of Columbus
11259 Our Lady Seat of Wisdom.

WOMEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION

Daughters of St. Regis, a women's ministry group of St. John's Parish, will be hosting an **Advent Evening of Reflection for Women on Thursday, Dec. 21 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at St. John's in Hollywood.** Participants can choose to follow a video-guided mini-retreat or simply enjoy some precious time of quiet prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Priests will also be available to hear confessions. All women and teen daughters are welcome to participate, and moms are welcome to bring nursing infants. For more information, please call the parish office at (301) 373-2281 or email Lacy at scheiberl@sichollywood.org.

NarAnon

Meetings

Thursday evenings

7:30 PM until 8:30 PM

Parish Center

NarAnon meeting is a support group for family members of addicts

For more information, please contact the parish office.