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## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Saturday, 2:30—3.30pm or upon request.

## **BAPTISMS**

Please call to make arrangements.

## **MARRIAGES**

Arrangements should be made at least one year in advance.

## **LADIES GUILD**

First Monday of the month 6:30pm  
Diane Ranslow, President  
Paulette Girard, Vice President  
Joann LaFlamme, Secretary  
Louise Moore, Treasurer  
Gloria Descoteaux, Sunshine

## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, FRESH HILL COUNCIL**

2nd & 4th Mondays of the month 7:00 pm  
Gene Baillargeon, Grand Knight  
(401) 762-8580

## **COMPANIONS IN FAITH**

Intercessory Prayer Group  
Thursday Evenings

**Pastor**  
**Rev. Gerard J. Caron**

**Administrative Secretary**  
**Mrs. Celeste Baillargeon**

**Director of Religious Education**  
**Mrs. Celeste Baillargeon**  
**stjohnreled@yahoo.com**

**Parish trustees**  
**Mr. Michael Flynn**  
**Mr. Ronald Renaud**

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **WEEKDAYS**

MON, TUES, WED, FRI: 9:00AM  
THURS: 7:00PM  
SAT: 8:30AM

**SATURDAY VIGIL**  
**4:00PM**

**SUNDAY**  
8.00AM, 10:30AM

### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY,  
9:00AM TO NOON  
CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

**Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon**

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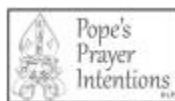
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 8, 2018
8:30 AM	Mass for the People
4:00 PM	† Carol Stevenin, by Bobby Bosco
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 9, 2018
8:00 AM	⊕ Special Intention
10:30 AM	† Dr. David Maglio, Jr., by the Marcotte family
MONDAY	DECEMBER 10, 2018
9:00 AM	† Joseph and Helen Luszcz, by Louis and Joann LaFlamme
TUESDAY	DECEMBER 11, 2018
9:00 AM	⊕ In Thanksgiving for God's patience and mercy!
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 12, 2018
9:00 AM	† Carol Church, by a friend
THURSDAY	DECEMBER 13, 2018
7:00 PM	⊕ Fr. Jerry's Intentions
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 14, 2018
9:00 AM	† Alice Issa, by Beverly and David Munyon
SATURDAY	DECEMBER 15, 2018
8:30 AM	Mass for the People
4:00 PM	† W. Lionel Peltier, by his wife, Helen
SUNDAY	DECEMBER 16, 2018
8:00 AM	†
10:30 AM	†



Budget Offering	\$6777.00
Loose Money	372.00
Total	\$7149.00

Donations to the Parish Outreach boxes	20.00
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Thank you for your generosity!



Please pray for the following intention of Pope Francis for the month of December –  
**Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith**

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Our **second collection** this weekend will support the Retirement Fund for Religious. Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. We can help: please give generously.



**Second Collection next weekend** is for our own Maintenance Fund. These funds are used for the upkeep of our church and grounds. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

#### Readings for the week of December 9, 2018

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18



**The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit  
this week in memory of  
Warren and Phyllis Bolduc.**

#### Bringing Up Offertory Gifts at Weekend Masses

Family members who are having Mass offered for their deceased loved ones are highly encouraged to bring the gifts of bread and wine to the altar at offertory time. Please identify yourself to one of our greeters or ushers before Mass if you wish to do so.



We are now replenishing the shelves to prepare for Christmas. Baskets will be assembled on December 16, and distributed on December 17. We are in great need for the following items: **pancake mix, maple syrup, Chef Boyardee, tea, coffee, and juice.** The donation bins are clearly marked at the entrances of the church. If you, or someone you know, are in need of food, do not hesitate to call the rectory. All calls will be kept in strictest confidence. Thank you for your continued support!



**Remembering Our Veterans At Christmas 2018:**

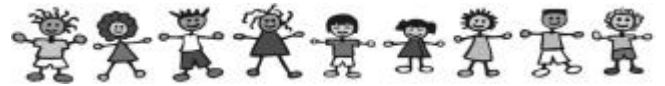
From November 15 to December 10, the Knights of Columbus will have bins at the entrances of the church. They are collecting clothes and other items to be donated to the veterans at the RI Veterans Home in Bristol, RI. All donated clothes must be new, with the store tag still on. On each bin, you will find a complete list of other items needed as well.

**Men of St. Joseph:** Join and share your faith with other men in a small group setting. The group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 7 – 8:30pm. The next gathering is scheduled for December 11 here at St. John’s Church, Slatersville.

**Are you a Catholic gentleman?** Then why aren’t you a Knight? The **Knights of Columbus, Frehill Council 5702**, is seeking men, ages 18 years and older, who would like to become more active in the parish. Only a couple hours a month is required! A new member meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 10, at 6:30PM in the Church hall. If you would like to join or just need a little more information, see a member of the Council after any of the masses this weekend or call Gene Baillargeon, Grand Knight at 762-8580. This is a great opportunity to put your faith into action!



During this advent season, as we prepare for Christmas, consider going to Confession anytime, all-day, from 8:30AM to 3PM at St. Philip Church in Greenville on Saturday – December 22. Let’s make room in our hearts and lives for Jesus!



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE**

Elementary: K – 5	9 – 10:15am	Dec. 9, 16, Jan. 6, 13
Grades 6 & 7	6 – 7:15pm	Dec. 18, Jan. 8, 15, 29
Grade 8	6 – 7:30pm	Dec. 12, 19, Jan. 9, 16

**Attention Grades 6 & 7:** Just a reminder that there is no class this week due to the school concert. Remember to complete your assignment, though!!



The Advent season is almost upon us and one way to rediscover the joy in the season is with **Best Advent Ever**, a free email program that offers short inspirational videos, practical tips, and real-life stories of hope. To sign up for the email simply visit: [BESTADVENTEVER.COM](http://BESTADVENTEVER.COM).

**ADVENT PROJECT – SHARING CHRISTMAS JOY:** As in the past, we will be collecting gifts for specific children and families in need. You may visit our niche area to sign up to give a gift. All gifts should be returned no later than **December 16** as they will be distributed on the 17th! **Gifts should be unwrapped with the child’s name and family number clearly marked.** Thank you in advance for your generosity and kindness!

*“All that we offer to God in charity for the dead is changed into merit for ourselves, and we shall find it increased a hundredfold after our death.” – St. Ambrose*



**ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS:**

For those parishioners who will be spending the winter months outside of Rhode Island and use the budget envelopes, please complete this form and return it to the rectory at your earliest convenience. Thank you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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