



Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish

Churches of St. Mary the Immaculate Conception and St. Jude

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Christmas, Saturday, December 25, 2021 and Sunday, December 26, 2021

St. Mary - St. Michael School:

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Ralph Belvedere - 203-754-7866

Baptisms are on Sunday.

Pre-baptismal class for first time parents
by appointment only.

Contact Parish Office to Schedule.

Marriage Preparation

Call Parish Office for an appointment at least 6 months
in advance and before making any other plans.

Spanish Mass Coordinators:

Marco Alvarez
914-447-5744

Confessions:

Thursdays at 6:00 pm at St. Jude Church
in the Cry Room.



We celebrate Mass
at two locations at the
following times:

Saturday

4:00 p.m. St. Mary
5:15 p.m. St. Jude

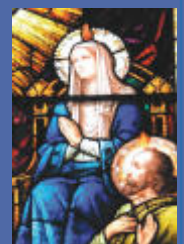
Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Mary
10:30 a.m. St. Mary

5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass - St. Mary Church

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at
St. Mary Church 8:00 a.m.
Monday only, 5:30 p.m. at St. Jude Church



Wishing everyone a Blessed Christmas!

*The parish office will be closed on
Friday, December 24th, and
Monday, December 27th*

New Parishioners Welcome! Contact the Parish Office to register.

MASS TIMES

Saturday, December 25, 2021

- 8:00 AM St Mary - CHRISTMAS MORNING**
- Special Intention
- 9:15 PM St. Jude - CHRISTMAS MORNING**
- Special Intention
- 10:30 AM St. Mary - CHRISTMAS MORNING**
- Special Intention

Sunday, December 26, 2021

- 8:00 AM St. Mary**
- Deceased members of the Valentino and Michel Families,
by MaryAnne and Allan Michel and family.
- 10:30 AM St. Mary**
- Michelina Campolattano-Rimer and Pasquale Campolattano.
by the Campolattano Family.
- 5:00 PM St. Mary - Misa en español**
- Intención especial.

Weekday Masses

MONDAY - December 27th

- 8:00 AM - St. Mary**
- Special Intention

5:30 PM - St. Jude

- Mass of Thanksgiving,
by Rita

TUESDAY - December 28th

- 8:00 AM - St. Mary -**
- Special Intention

WEDNESDAY - December 29th

- 8:00 AM - St. Mary**
- Special Intention

THURSDAY - December 30th

- 8:00 AM - St. Mary**
- Special Intention

FRIDAY - December 31st - New Year's Eve

- 4:00 PM - St. Mary**
- Special Intention
- 5:15 PM - St. Jude**
- Special Intention

Saturday, January 1, 2022

- 9:00 AM St Mary - Solemnity of Mary**
- Special Intention
- 4:00 PM St. Mary-Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord**
- Deceased Members of the Iacomacci, Veglio and Pucci Families,
by Roseann and Anita Iacomacci.
- 5:15 PM St. Jude-Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord**
- All Deceased Members of St. Jude Church.

Sunday, January 2, 2022

- 8:00 AM St. Mary**
- Norman Cavallaro,
by the Cavallaro family.
- 10:30 AM St. Mary**
- Alec Malerba,
by Nonna and Pop.
- 5:00 PM St. Mary - Misa en español**
- Intención especial.

This weekend, December 25th and 26th, will be the Christmas Collection and the Weekly Collection.

Next weekend, January 1st and 2nd, will be the Solemnity of Mary Collection and the Weekly Collection.

PLEASE WRITE YOUR CHECKS TO "OLOA"

**December 18th and 19th Collections,
Weekly Collection - \$N/A
Monthly Collection - \$N/A
Online Collection - \$N/A**

If you have any questions, please contact our Parish Office at 203-735-3341 if you were given **blank envelopes *please* print your name on them** so we know who made the donation. We appreciate you making up your missed offerings when you can.

Please Consider our ONLINE Giving Option!
Please go to osvonlinegiving.com/4507 and create your username and password. You can also call Our Sunday Visitor's Technical Support with any questions at 800-348-2886 Tech Support.



The Nativity of the Lord and The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

From the
Pastor

Dear Friends,

Each time I write a letter for the bulletin I consult past letters I have written to get some ideas. In 2016 Christmas was on a Sunday. The letter in the bulletin was my first Christmas as pastor here in Derby, I wrote:

Merry Christmas! What a glorious day this is to be able to greet my parishioners here at St. Mary and St. Jude on Christmas here in Derby. My memories of Christmas are my memories of Derby. My parent's house filled with family and friends on Christmas Eve, the parade of visitors on Christmas day, and of course the churches decorated so magnificently with poinsettias and candles! Such memories...

My gift from the Lord has been to return to the happy place of my youth to be the pastor of not only my home parish, but my "other home parish" St. Jude! So it is in the joy of this season that I greet all of you this Christmas day.



This letter is my penultimate letter to you in the bulletin as your pastor. These past years we have seen so much in Derby and beyond. We have brought two parish families as one. We prepare to say goodbye to our beloved St. Jude Church. We have weathered the storms of a worldwide pandemic. We have strengthened our school community. We started a weekly Spanish Mass. We have created a parish that is on a strong financial footing. We have – like the generations before us – proclaimed Christ in Word and Sacrament, brought babies, adults and families into the Church, we instructed our children in the faith, married couples in front of the altar, and accompanied families as they mourned the loss of loved ones.

If I am honest there is so much that I wanted to do these past six years. As I pack my things to move, I am conscious of the many lost opportunities, the many moments that I could have done more in the community and in the parish, but I am comforted that my successor – Father Carlos – is a fine priest who will lead my beloved hometown parish with faith and fervor.

Today is The Feast of the Holy Family, in Britain it is Boxing Day, for all of us it is a chance to extend Christmas joy. So again quoting from my first Christmas letter:

Each of us has memories of family traditions; for some it was the fish on Christmas Eve, the roast on Christmas afternoon, the cookies, the decorations, the games, the singing, and even the fighting! For all of us what we share today is the tradition of 2000 years. The Christian Community gathering around the altar and welcoming Christ present in the Blessed Sacrament; for as you well know, the bread and wine becomes the Body and Blood, soul and divinity of the Lord. Each time we celebrate the Mass we welcome Christ, may that glorious celebration be a part of all of our lives.



On behalf of our deacons, our staff and all of us here at Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish,
Merry Christmas!

Thank you for all you do for our parish.

Father Tiano
Pastor

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021 and SUNDAY DECEMBER 26, 2021

Save the Date! A Farewell Reception for Fr. Tiano

On Sunday, January 2nd, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Our parish will hold an Open House/Reception to bid a fond-but-sad farewell to Fr. Tiano as he leaves us for his new assignment in Hamden. For nearly six years Fr. Tiano has served his boyhood parish as our shepherd and friend, guiding us through numerous events we never expected to face: the merger of Saint Mary the Immaculate Conception and Saint Jude Churches to form Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish, several changes in staff, a new principal at our School, the loss of an unusual number of beloved parishioners, and a monumental pandemic that closed our churches and required so much adjustment in procedure as we strived to maintain an online presence for our faithful ones and Religious Education for our young ones. The office staff is very aware that Father Tiano answered infinite hospital calls for Anointing of the Sick and funeral home calls for graveside services when funerals were not possible. Please take a few minutes to say good-bye and thank you for his compassionate ministry among us. As usual, our parish organizations and our school will prepare great refreshments and treats, so be sure to stop in!



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. Confessions will be at St. Jude Church in The Cry Room.

Penitents are required to wear face masks and practice social distancing. At this time the Sacrament will be celebrated face-to-face. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment.



Weather Cancellations!

Please take note of these Websites for any

Weather Related Cancellations of Parish Activities.

WTNH-TV in New Haven and WFSB-TV in Hartford

St. Mary - St. Michael School News and Events

St. Mary - St. Michael School is hosting a **LASAGNA TAKE-OUT DINNER**

Saturday, January 8, 2022

St. Mary Church Hall

Pick-up time 5:00 - 6:30 pm



MENU

Lasagna, Salad, Bread & Dessert

Price: \$14/person

Please place and pre-pay your order at www.stmarystmichael.org

Look for more details in the next bulletin.



2021 SNOWFLAKE RAFFLE

WINNERS as of December 15th

December 1st	Donna Carloni	\$25
December 2nd	Rob Dolloff	\$25
December 3rd	Ed Roman	\$25
December 6th	Josh Grabiec	\$25
December 7th	Jamie Dunkin	\$25
December 8th	George Horbal	\$25
December 9th	Helen Ploski	\$25
December 10th	LivRomano	\$25
December 13th	Lillian Norwood	\$25
December 14th	Janet Oczkowski	\$25
December 15th	Arthur Kerins	\$25

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021 and SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

Everyone is cordially invited to attend
The Celebration of the Traditional
Spanish Mass (in Spanish)
In celebration of the Infant Jesus
Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.
Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish
St. Mary of the
Immaculate Conception Church



For information, please contact
Marco A. Alvarez
(914) 447-5744



The Sanctuary Lamp at **St. Mary Church**
burns this week in loving memory of

John F. Costigan

by his wife and daughters.

The Sanctuary Lamp at **St. Jude Church**
burns this week in loving memory of

Lucille Grande Rubino and Richard A. Grande

by their sister Camille Kurtyka



NO Zoom Bible Study

on Monday, December 27th

The link is the same as before:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?pwd=bDlXNENXL0VRNDNJQTNJeG9qbW8wdz09)

[pwd=bDlXNENXL0VRNDNJQTNJeG9qbW8wdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?pwd=bDlXNENXL0VRNDNJQTNJeG9qbW8wdz09)

or check out the link on the parish's Facebook page.

Join us on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish
2021 Annual Collection

We are very grateful for the generosity shown
by so many families to our Annual Collection.
If you have not yet had an opportunity to return
your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible.
Every gift is welcome and sincerely
appreciated. Thank you!

As of this date, we have received pledges
in the amount of \$46,123.75

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Monday, December 27th



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**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

Merry Christmas

As we celebrate the birth of our Redeemer, and look forward in hope to His coming again in glory, we are mindful of the many people whose support and understanding make it possible for us to share our faith with our young people. Thank you to our wonderful teachers who all volunteer to share their faith journeys and who give so much of their time to preparation for class and to making God's love known. Thank you to our families who entrust their children to our program, and who have been present on our "zooms" and our in-person meetings. Thank you to our wonderful young people, who surprise and teach us every single time we meet. May the Son of God, Who gave Himself as a gift for our salvation, and the Holy Family who demonstrates true family love and values bless us and inspire us during this holy season and throughout the New Year.



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