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NOVEMBER 29, 2020 ~ 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The first Sunday of Advent begins a new liturgical year and with this Advent we enter into Cycle B of our three year cycle. During this year we will encounter Jesus through the eyes of Mark, the evangelist. Mark wrote his gospel for a community of believers comprised of both gentiles and the Jewish people.

Advent prepares us for the coming of the Savior, it compels us to ask ourselves, "From what do we need saving?" The scriptures of Advent challenge us to wait for the day of the Lord, but they also demand that justice reign. In the biblical sense, justice refers to right relationship with God as evidence by one's behavior toward God and God's people. Advent asks the tough question: How are we living in right relationship with God? If we are God's people, if we are in covenant relationship with God, then we must be advocates of justice wherever injustice takes center stage. Throughout Advent we will hear from the ancient prophets who cry, "Repent and change your lives!" The prophets' cry is as relevant today as it was then. They foretold the light that would shine in the midst of darkness. Christ is the light, we embrace the light and become the light of Christ in the world!

For the last nine months and most likely for a few weeks to months longer, we have been living life differently. We continue to embrace the light and become the light of Christ in the world, but in such a way that often keeps us home, isolated from the people, activities and seasonal traditions we've grown accustomed over our life time. This way of life has hoisted all of us to think outside of the box, to come up with creative ways to connect with family, loved ones, friends, interest groups and your parish family.

We here at St. Marianne Cope are incredibly grateful to the countless ways you've ministered to us and allowed us to minister to you over these months!

Two of our newest endeavors are coming up, but we can't do it without your participation!

- † When we can't be together for Advent, we want to connect in a new way. We're asking from all of you a family Christmas photo to be apart of a video collection. The photo can be of your Advent Wreath, Crèche or Christmas Tree. ***Submit photos to Amanda.rayburn@dor.org by December 15th to be included in the video.***
- † We will re-continue offering videos of prayer and reflection for Advent. Pray with us, reflect with us, from your own home by watching the recordings from our website smcrgc.org. ***If you'd like to help us in offering a prayer or reflection for Advent, contact Robert.manners@dor.org asap.***

Let me Tell you about a few ways we'll continue to connect with you during Advent.

- We'll continue to upload the Sunday Celebration. When you can't be with us in person join us for Mass from the comfort of your own home.
- Perhaps you'd like to make an extra effort to pray with the upcoming Sunday Scriptures. ***Join us through zoom for live discussion on the upcoming Sunday Scripture readings, each Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Let me know (amanda.rayburn@dor.org) if you'd like to join us, so I can send you the link.***
- Our RHYM teens are already working hard to create their traditional Living Nativity, which you can watch virtually on December 13th.
- Advent Packs will be delivered to our families with children under Grade 5 – *if you know of a family who might like an Advent Pack and are not sure if I (Amanda) have their name & address, email me their name, address and the ages of children at amanda.rayburn@dor.org.*

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Our website:
smcrrc.org



YouTube

Weekend Mass is live streamed at 4:30pm on Saturdays then the mass is posted to our website.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, November 28:

Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36

4:30PM at SMC/GA: John & Mary Ambroselli (family)

SUNDAY, November 29: 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 63:16b-19b, 64:2-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

8:00AM at SMC/GA: Bill Lang (Sandy Riley & Barbara Amico)

10:00AM at SMC/GA: Robert Miller (Don & Charlaine Neill)

12:00PM at SMC/GA: Elizabeth Halsted (Family)

Candles this week shine in memory of:

Deceased members of the Knights of Columbus

Fran Thorne (Gene & Janet Kobos)

Donald Heyd (All the Millers: Betty, Greg, Mike, Doug, James & John)

MONDAY, November 30: St. Andrew, Apostle

Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

12:10PM at SMC/GA: Bob Miller (Antoinette Brown Blackwell Society)

TUESDAY, December 1:

Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24

8:00AM at SMC/GA: Robert Miller (Catherine & Elmar Frangenberg)

WEDNESDAY, December 2:

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Matthew 15:29-37

12:10PM at SMC/GA: Dorothy Boeck (Estate)

THURSDAY, December 3: St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27

8:00AM at SMC/GA: Dr. William Crowley (John & Monica Marchand)

FRIDAY, December 4: St. John Damascene, Priest & Dr. of Church

Isaiah 29:11-24; Matthew 9:27-31

SATURDAY, December 5:

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

4:30PM at SMC/GA: Dorothy Wing (Moore & Gould family)

SUNDAY, December 6: 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

8:00AM at SMC/GA: Betty Schuth (son, Roy)

10:00AM at SMC/GA: Nancy Stacker (husband, Walt)

12:00PM at SMC/GA: John & Rev. Raynald Yudin (Judy)

Mass and Candle Intentions, scheduled for the living or deceased, can now be paid for through the WeShare program on our website. A Stipend of \$10 is requested for each Mass or Candle. To schedule a Mass or Candle, please call the office first to set the date.

Memorial Donations in memory of a loved one can also be made through WeShare. Just go to WeShare and select make payment and follow the directions. It is important that you fill out all the information so that proper acknowledgments can be made.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

In the Unexpected

“What could happen next?” How many times have you asked yourself that question in the past year? Though we most often use that expression when things don’t seem to be going our way, this year it has been an expression of the constant changes to our world which the COVID-19 pandemic has wrought. But we might use the same expression to explain our feelings of being overwhelmed by blessings and good things, when the stars seem to align just right.

No matter what, we can say with certainty that tomorrow will not go exactly as we envisioned. Our lives are influenced by so many factors and the world around us is increasingly complex. Rather than be surprised by the unexpected, maybe we should expect the unexpected.

Living in this manner causes us to cherish more deeply the gifts we have been given. It helps us to live in the present and become mindful of those around us. Our relationships deepen. Our sense of responsibility builds. Our stewardship way of life finds new meaning and purpose.

This Advent will not be the same experience as last Advent. It remains to be seen what the coming days and weeks have in store for each of us. However, no matter what happens, Jesus Christ is there to welcome us to the unexpected. He will celebrate with us in joy and he will even feel our pain. You can count on the unexpected, but you can also count on Him to be there with you. He is now and forever, Emmanuel, “God with us.” He is the expected in all things unexpected.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS; ©LPi

You asked, we answered! Beginning this week, we will now offer a 12:10pm Daily Mass on **both Monday and Wednesday**. Tuesday and Thursday Daily Masses are still at 8:00am.



All Masses are celebrated at St. Marianne Cope Parish at the Guardian Angels worship site.

Are you gluten intolerant? We have hosts just for you. Please see the sacristan **before** Mass begins.

Bulletin Submissions: Articles are due by 10:00 AM Monday **AT LEAST 14 DAYS** prior to the Sunday publication date. Email bulletin articles to kathy.steiner@dor.org. Marianne Cope Parish reserves the right to edit articles submitted.

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- Santa’s Workshop will happen virtually, hosted by Gina and our RHYMithians and their families.
- Our Parish families with young children and teens will continue with their service efforts to reach out to our community by making cards for shut-ins, baking cookies for a Supper Program in the city.

As we enter a new liturgical year, we prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ. We learn again how God comes into our world and into our individual lives to set us free.

God bless you and yours this Advent Season.

Amanda

OPPORTUNITIES FOR 6TH-12TH GRADERS



RHYM offers opportunities for young people to know, live and share their faith through virtual and in person gatherings. In person gatherings follow CDC, state, diocesan and parish rules for health and safety. Please contact Gina at

gina.jennison@dor.org for information on the following:

- † Virtual faith sharing nights and game nights for grades 6-12
- † In person faith sharing nights for grades 9-1
- † Living Nativity : Sunday, December 13

Our Living Nativity gives young people the opportunity to lead an Advent prayer through art, music, dance, drama and spoken word. This year, the Living Nativity will be virtual. The script is created around the gifts that your young people would like to share so, there really is a part for every comfort level!



Catholic Ministries Appeal: “Christ, Our Light.”

We are moving along for this year’s CMA. Thank you to those who have contributed so far. **As of November 17th, we have received \$43,521.00 or 26.98% of our financial goal of \$161,325, from 212 parish households which is 10.9% of our participation goal of at least 25%.** May we continue to move steadily forward knowing that God asks us to use our blessings well, to help others, to share our bounty so that our wealth, however large or small, does good for God and returns to God with increase.

The Season of Advent: We Are Called to Be Stewards



During the Advent season as we prepare for the birth of our Lord and reassess our priorities in life, we should also strive for a greater understanding and appreciation for the ministries in our parish, and look within our hearts to determine what role stewardship plays in our lives.

This season, we trust that you will give financial stewardship prayerful consideration. Our parish has been using an Online Giving system that is strengthening stewardship as well as making it easier for members to support our parish. Your regular contributions support the operation of the church and all of our ministries. Sign up today by visiting smcrrc.weshareonline.org/.

On behalf of the entire staff, we want to thank you for the contributions you continually provide to our parish.

"Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." --Luke 6:38

Date	Deposit-regular	Deposit-WeShare	total
11-15-20	\$8,944.00	\$1,471.00	\$10,415.00
Budget needs	\$13,750.00	Under budget	-\$3,335.00



The Knights are encouraging parish youth to participate in this years Poster & Essay Contest. Information is available in Church. Submissions are due by December 15, 2020. **Let’s see what our youth can do!**

Santa’s Workshop is Going Virtual November 28th-December 5th



Support small business and service, outreach, and youth programs by Christmas shopping at home! Our annual sale will take place with a small number of vendors virtually. RHYM will also be offering items for sale via an order form. Contact [Gina Jennison](mailto:gina.jennison@dor.org) for more information.

Did you know that AmazonSmile is a free program? When you shop at smile.amazon.com, AmazonSmile donates to your charity at no cost to you! Just look for **St Marianne Cope**
Do your holiday shopping at AmazonSmile today!



ANGEL CARE ADVENT COLLECTION



For 40 years, Angel Care has been able to provide a safe place for babies to sleep (Pack and Plays) as well as various baby items (baby blankets, clothing, diapers, etc.) to mother-to-be to help with the financial burden many new moms face. Much of this financial support comes from the Annual Baby Bootie Collection. Angel Care has received many praises and recognitions for this work. It could not have happened without your very generous support!

This year, rather than having the baby booties available to pick up, we ask you to make your generous donation to Angel Care by using the Angel Care envelopes provided to **mail your donation**. You can pick-up an Angel Care envelope **after Mass on the weekends of November 28/29 and December 5/6**. Mailing instructions will be inside. You can also drop the envelope in the regular collection basket **no later than the weekend of December 19** (there will be no special Angel Care basket this year); **OR** You can make your donation online using the **"We Share" Angel Care Bootie Collection Link at our St. Marianne Cope Parish website**. If donating by check, please remember to write **"Angel Care"** on the memo line.

As the number of **COVID-19** cases continue to rise in Monroe County, we want to again, remind parishioners and visitors of the following requests pertaining to attending Mass at St. Marianne Cope Parish.

- ◆ Masks must be worn, covering the mouth and nose, at all times while inside of the building and/or while talking to one another outside.
- ◆ Sanitize your hands upon entering the chapel and before receiving communion.
- ◆ Please do not congregate in the church building before or after Mass. It is important that people exit the building in timely fashion after Mass, so a thorough cleaning can begin before the next service begins.
- ◆ Although we have always accepted religious items (rosary's, prayer cards, etc.) in the past, we can no longer accept them during this pandemic time. Any items left will be discarded.

We continue to monitor the governor and bishops guidelines so we can remain open. Thank you for your cooperation.

Free Senior Legal Advice

The **Center for Elder Law and Justice** operates a Senior Legal Advice Helpline that provides free advice to individuals age 60 and over on health insurance, consumer issues, income benefits and many other non-criminal areas of law. You can talk to an attorney Monday through Friday, 9am-11am by calling toll free: 844-481-0973.

CHRISTMAS PROJECT



This year, due to the COVID 19 pandemic, we will be doing the Christmas Collection project differently. Instead of putting tags on our trees, we are asking our Parishioners to consider purchasing a **Walmart** Gift card in any amount up to \$25. These gift cards will be distributed to families at St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Parish (St. Michael's) and our Rush-Henrietta families in need. The families will then be able to purchase food, clothing, toys, etc. that they need for their Christmas.

Please return gift cards:

- ◆ Through the postal mail to: St. Marianne Cope Parish, 3318 East Henrietta Road, Henrietta NY 14467.
- ◆ Give to any staff member or drop off at the office during regular office hours.
- ◆ Give to a member of the Social Justice Committee.
- ◆ Drop them in the collection baskets at Church on the weekends.

Gift cards must be received by **December 10th** so that we can get them to people in time to use them for Christmas. Thank you once again for your generosity in serving the needs of those who are struggling. May God reward you greatly with a blessed Advent and Christmas Season.

The Social Justice Committee

Magnificat Rochester

All women are invited to a virtual Magnificat Visitation on Saturday, December 5th at 10:00am to 11:30am.



Our speaker is Amanda Torrelli. Amanda decided in her mid-twenties to explore what it meant to have a personal relationship with Jesus.

A Zoom registration must be made to take part. To register and receive the link please email us at MagnificatRochester@frontier.com.

For more information: call Louise Carson at 585-233-8647, or send an email to the above email address. There is no cost but a donation is gratefully accepted.

Tomorrow, Monday Nov. 30th, you can support RH Music simply by eating at Chipotle on Jefferson Rd from 4pm to 8pm. Tell the cashier at checkout you'd like to support **RH Music** and Chipotle will donate 33% of your total to the Rush Henrietta Music Parents Association. "RHMPA" is the Rush-Henrietta School District's very own K-12 music booster parent group. Thanks for your support!



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Mission Statement: We are a welcoming, Christ-centered Roman Catholic Community, strengthened by the Eucharist, nurturing the Faith through love and service.

Vision Statement: We strive to know, love and serve Christ in the spirit of Saint Marianne Cope's selfless discipleship through...

- ✚ **Hospitality and Building Belonging** by warmly inviting and welcoming all to our inclusive community.
- ✚ **Vibrant Liturgy, Worship and Prayer** by making Christ's love truly evident to everyone present enhancing their Faith.
- ✚ **Community Outreach and Presence** by joyfully bringing our Faith and service to those in need in our Parish and beyond.
- ✚ **Education, Catechesis and Spiritual Formation** by understanding the richness and intricacies of our Catholic Faith and sharing its vital relevancy in today's world.
- ✚ **Effective Communication** by sharing the vibrant life of our Parish through a comprehensive range of media.
- ✚ **Stewardship of Our Resources** by inspiring generosity that's driven from a deep love for our Faith and everyone we encounter.

Sacraments

Reconciliation: 3:00PM - 4:00PM at St. Marianne Cope/GA
Baptisms: Arrangements should be made in advance. Please call the office at 334-3518.
Weddings: Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance. (Pre-Cana required.)
Anointing of the Sick: By request; emergency call 269-8858.

Adoration has moved back to the Chapel at St. Joseph's Church. Due to COVID-19 protocols and adorers personal safety, we cannot allow **Unscheduled Walk-Ins.**



Please call Sue Waterstraat at (585) 261-5676 or John Steiner at (585) 314-2927 for more information or to schedule a time to sit with our Lord in prayer.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Devotion

"Dear Mother, we love you. We thank you for your promise to help us in our need. We trust in your love that dries our tears and comfort us. Teach us the secret of peace in pain and to find our peace in your Son, Jesus, and bless us every day of our lives".

To learn more about Our Lady of Guadalupe, visit: <https://www.ourcatholicprayers.com/our-lady-of-guadalupe.html>

HELP FOR VICTIMS: If you have been a victim of sexual abuse by anyone working in the church, you should contact the appropriate civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester please contact: Deborah Housel, victims' assistance coordinator, (585) 328-3210, ext. 1555, or toll-free 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555, or by e-mail to dhousel@dor.org.

God offers His love, His mercy and a return to a serenity of mind and soul to anyone who has been affected by an abortion. Free, confidential and compassionate help in understanding and receiving what God offers is only a phone call away. Please call **Project Rachel** today at **888-9RACHEL (888-972-2435)** to begin this journey of renewed hope and peace. hopeafterabortion.org

Marianne Cope Roman Catholic Parish Staff

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FOR A PASTORAL EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 585-269-8858

Both worship sites are handicap accessible and equipped with a hearing loop (see an usher or greeter for assistance).

Our **Parish Pastoral Council** members are here to listen to you! If you would like to express a concern or a suggestion, please contact any one of our council members below.

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If/When you are admitted to a hospital, be sure to list yourself as a Catholic **and** a member of St. Marianne Cope Parish. The hospitals will call us everyday with a list of parishioners that were admitted, only if you let them know because of the HIPPA Laws.

If you or a loved one would like a pastoral visit, it is best to call the parish office at 334-3518 and request a visit.

Concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously to: Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester **Financial Fraud Hotline 1-800-388-7177 x1266** or in writing to: Internal Audit Department, DOR, 1150 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624.

Counselor at St. Marianne Cope Parish: Michael J. Sullivan, LCSW-R offers therapy to individuals, couples and families in the areas of marriage and family, chronic illness, grief, geriatric, and drug & alcohol counseling. Call 388-9258 for appointment. Confidentiality assured.

