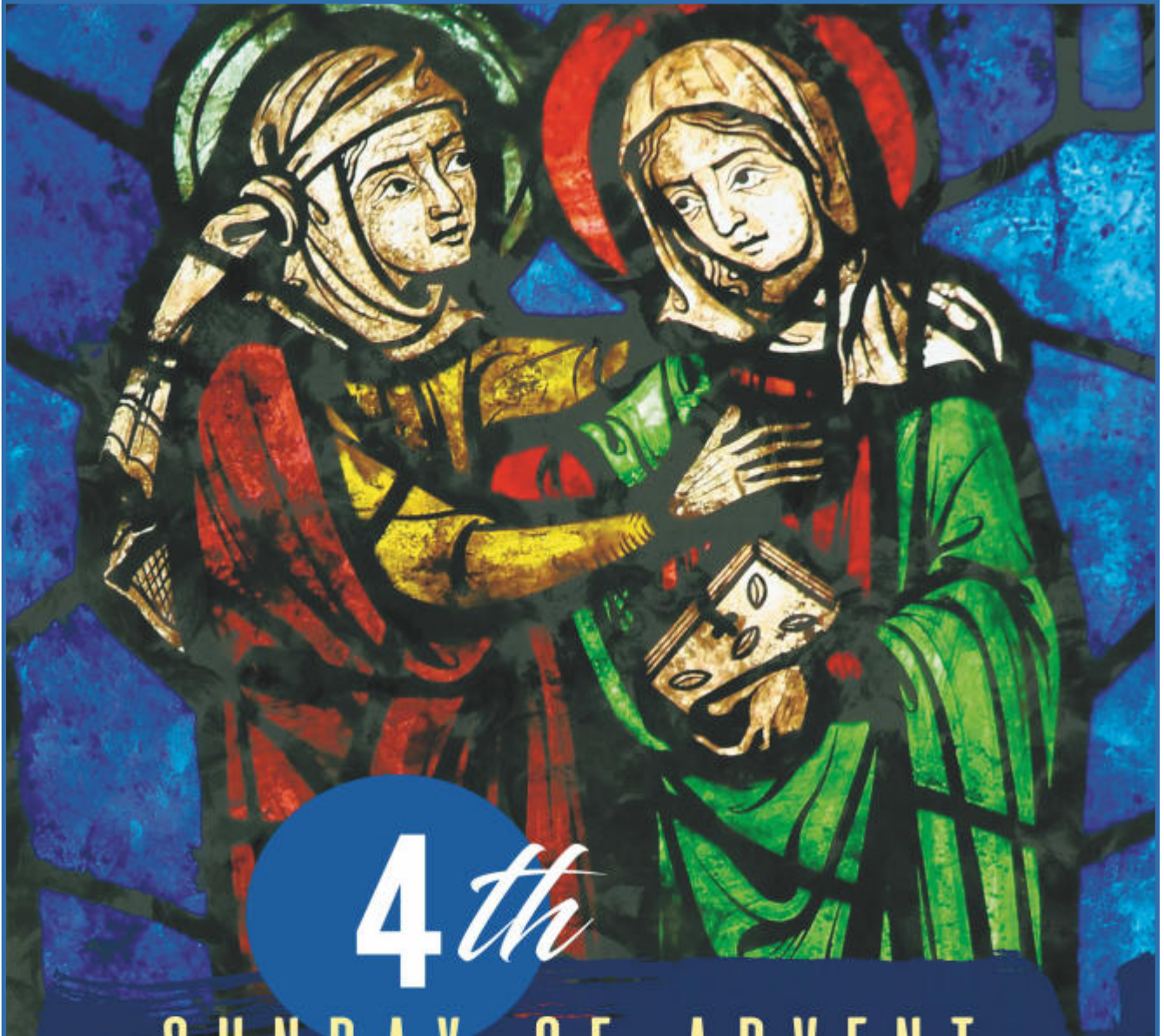


St. Peter's Parish

*Rome, New York
December 19, 2021*



4th

SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy." - Lk 1:43-44

MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday, December 18, 2021**

- 8:00am **BOB ROOD** by Mom
HELEN PISCITELLI by a Friend
FORREST (RED) HOUSE by Children & Grandchildren
- 5:00pm **MICHAEL PALINSKI** by Family
MARILYN PALINSKI by Family
HELEN O'BRIEN (Anniv) by Victoria O'Brien
JEAN ERNENWEIN by Daughter Judy

Sunday, December 19, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 7:30am **MARY MEYERS-TAYLOR** (Anniv) by Family
SR. RUTH CECELIA DOWD by the Harper Family
JOSEPH M. IZZO SR. by Loving Wife Carol & Children
- 10:00am **MARGARET CLARKE** by Richard Clarke
CARL J. MASSETT, JR by Family
MARIE C. HARPER by the Harper Family
JOHN DICKSON by Mother Judy Dickson
LAWRENCE VANDAMME by the Janiks
- 6:00 pm **PATRICIA MCCORMICK** by Susan & James Cochran

Monday, December 20, 2021 Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

- 7:00am **FOR THE PRIESTS OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH** by Pete & Mary-Ann
JOESPH FUSCO (Healing) by Pete Wood & Mary Ann Lyman

Tuesday, December 21, 2021 Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

- 7:00am **ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter Kim Ocuto

Wednesday, December 22, 2021

- 7:00am **LAWRENCE T. VANDAMME** (B'day) by James & Mary Margaret VanDamme

Thursday, December 23, 2021

- 7:00am **STEPHAN PAUL GRANACKI** by Family
MATTHEW RAZZANO (B'day) by Family

Friday, December 24, 2021

- 5:00pm **CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS, PRO POPULO (For the People)**

Saturday, December 25, 2021 The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day

- 12:00am **CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS, PRO POPULO (For the People)**
- 7:30am **PRO POPULO (For the People)**
- 10:00am **PRO POPULO (For the People)**
NO 5PM SUNDAY VIGIL MASS

Sunday, December 26, 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

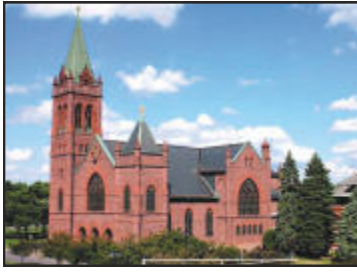
- 7:30am **VIRGINIA DUNN** by Joanne Gaffey * **GLORIA & BILL IZZO** by Izzo Family
DAVID BOVI by Margaret Bovi
- 10:00am **FRED GIFFORD SR.** by Mark & Patti Gifford * **PATRICK MCLAUGHLIN** by the Stanton Family
MICHELLE ADEY by Family * **ROBERT BAKER** by Diana Baker
- 6:00pm **WILLIAM E. LENNON** by Mr. & Mrs. Samuel DeCarlo

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church
are now live streamed & available on the parish website: www.stmarysstpeters.com.**

Please remember our families, friends and parishioners in our prayers.

Georgie Amodio	Judith Ann Fesner	Jennie Kemp	Beverly Nasci	John Schachte
Leonard Amodio	Joan Fiaschetti	Paul LaSalle	Dale Newman	Brian Schilling
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Fr. Gabriel Berko	Diana Fowler	Joan Leahy	Debbie Pacicca	Patricia Sterling
Paula Bailey	Joe Fusco	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Clair Papadametrious	Thomas Serra
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Office Hours:

Monday * Tuesday
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 1:00-4:00pm
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Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien
Parochial Vicar: Father Bernard Menard
Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher
Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack
Seminarian: Ben Schrantz

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS 7:00 am
SATURDAYS 8:00 am * Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 7:30 am * 10:00 am * 6:00 pm
HOLYDAYS 7:00 am * 12:10pm * 6:00 pm

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation: Laura Mack
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Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl
St. Peter's Senior Group: W. Warren Sickles, Jr.
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Miller
Scripture Study: Betty Pettinelli
Funeral Preparations: Barbara Thomas
Hospital Ministry: John MacGaffick
St. Aloysius Catholic Center: Julie McCormick
ASL Interpreters: Mary Margaret VanDamme
 Gabby Griffin

PARISH COUNCIL

Father Sean O'Brien, Pastor
President: Kevin Barry
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 Lawrence Riolo, Jr., Timothy Sestito,
 Barbara Thomas

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

Next meeting January 11, 2022
 6:30pm at St. Aloysius Center

St. Peter's Cemetery

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory Office for information.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

St. Mary's/St. Peter's Collection

December 12, 2021

Regular Collection	\$10,186.00
Electronic Giving	\$1,384.22
Make-ups	\$1,223.00
Cathedraticum	\$609.00
Total:	\$13,402.22
Mission	\$319.00

Thank you for your support!

A SPECIAL NOTE: For those who find it difficult to walk, etc.

The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew.

If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

HEARING AIDS: Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before Mass.



FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Sunday, December 19, 2021
First Penance 9:00AM

Sunday, December 19, 2021
1st Year & 2nd Year
Confirmation Classes
4:30PM

Monday, December 20, 2021
Grades 1-6 - 6:00-7:00PM
Grades 7-8 - 7:30-8:30PM

For information about classes and schedules
please visit our website
or stop by the Faith Formation Office.

We look forward to seeing you and
sharing our faith together!
www.smspfaith.com

Follow us at: St. Mary's/St. Peter's
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JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

During 10:00AM Mass
December 19, 2021

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of December 19, 2021
Gryziec & O'Brien Families
requested by Family.

WINDOW FUND

In Memory of William E. Lennon by
the Preski Family

Donation in Memory of the Catholic School Teachers

MISSION of the CHRIST CHILD

In Memory of Vladimir Williams by Mom
In Memory of David Bovi by Margaret Bovi
Donation by Ann & Roger Mellen

CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT

Mondays 5pm-6pm at St. Paul's Church
Tuesdays 5pm-6pm at St. Peter's Church followed
by Benediction at 6pm
Wednesdays 5pm-6pm at St. John's Church

From the Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse

New York State has instituted a mask mandate in all public places effective December 13 to January 15. It is being done as a safety precaution and out of the utmost concern for one's neighbor. Bishop Lucia expects that all parishes in the Diocese of Syracuse will cooperate with this important public health matter and comply with the mask mandate.

**Let us continue to pray for one another
as we continue to navigate these
interesting times.**

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Questions about online giving?
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GREETING CARD MINISTRY

If anyone knows of a St. Mary's/St. Peter's Parishioner who is ill, in a nursing home or home bound, and **would like to receive a greeting card**, call **Debbie Pinti 315-337-5982** or email debbiepinti5@gmail.com with the person's name and address and our team will gladly send them a greeting card to brighten their day.

Thank you in advance for all your help!

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS HAVE ARRIVED

2nd Annual Window Ornament \$25:00 ea.
Money to support the Window Restoration Fund.
On sale after Thanksgiving.
Contact Diane Sjodahl 315-271-1881
or email
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St. Peter's Ornament



St. Mary's Ornament

There are a few of last year's ornaments still available of the **LAST SUPPER WINDOW** above the main altar.

THE MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

The Food Pantry is an all volunteer team that distributes free food to low and middle-income families from the mission office at 400 Floyd Ave. every Tuesday. If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, please call or text the Mission at 315-281-9492.

December 12, 2021 The Mission Served:

- Households - 57
- Children- 44
- Adults - 72
- Seniors - 25

Total People Fed: 198

Thanks to all the volunteers that staff the Mission Food Pantry each week and to all of the parishioners that generously support the Mission with food donations and financial contributions.

A special thanks to **Kristen Synakowski** and her entire staff at the **United Way of the Mohawk Valley** for their exceptionally generous donation and delivery of individual Meal Boxes distributed to every patron of the Mission of the Christ Child Food Pantry. It was greatly appreciated as our community ramps-up for the Holidays!

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.*

Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform for us in our time of need, and give us peace. Amen.

Altar Rosary Society

The December 4th-5th Religious Article/Bake Sale was well received. Without the continued support of our parishioners our fundraising efforts would not be successful. *Thank you.....*

The December 14th parish wide Christmas Party at the Franklin was well attended. There was great food, great company and plenty of enjoyment. Spending social time as a parish family during the Christmas season was special.

There are no meetings/events in January or February. We will resume in March. Please consider becoming an ARS member. We are a fun, productive group of ladies whose mission is giving service to our clergy, our parishioners & our church.

THE MERRY MAKERS

KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

To anyone who can knit, crochet or sew:

The **MERRY MAKERS** is a group of knitters, crocheters & sewers who currently knit and crochet hats, mittens and scarves for local school children. For cancer patients we make chemo caps, lap robes and prosthesis (to fit into mastectomy patient's bras).

We also make adult bibs, masks and walker bags. We give all these items to the local school nurses, cancer & infusion centers, local adult facilities and to individuals upon request.

If you or someone you know are in need of these items or if you would like to join us in this endeavor, please call **Cate Powers at (315)337-2289 or (315)225-7900.**

If you have items to drop off, or if you need more yarn, please call ahead.(315)337-2289

Thank you all for continuing to produce so many beautiful items for the people we care about.

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

The "Merry Makers" would like to thank all those who have been leaving yarn at the church for us to use. We want you to know that it is being made into lively hats, mittens and scarves for our local

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

December: Tina Brognano
Fran Rose



Special “*thank you*” to all the parishioners of St. Peter’s Church for the many donations to *Joey’s Giving Tree*.

The items will go to families in our community who have a family member dealing with cancer and the Abraham House.

Pictured is Laura Mack, Fr. Sean O’Brien, Mark LaGasse and Barbara Chubbuck.

Thank you for supporting The Joseph Michael Chubbuck Foundation.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

QUESTION: What do you call a family, which began with an unmarried pregnant teen, and had a twelve-year-old son who ran away from home and was eventually a criminal?

ANSWER: HOLY! Two lessons in today’s gospel: (1) No matter what is happening in your family, “*The Lord is always with you.*” (2) “*Do not be afraid*” for “*nothing is impossible with God.*”



Pope Francis asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month.

To pray with the Pope daily visit: clicktopray.org

DECEMBER INTENTION

CATECHISTS

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.



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SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP

You don’t have to go through separation or divorce alone. During this difficult time your friends and family have been very supportive, but they just don’t grasp the level of your pain and frustration. They try to be helpful but they just don’t get it. The Separated and Divorced Support group is there for you led by people who have gone through it and know what you are dealing with. This confidential group is **FREE** and open to anyone trying to rebuild their life after the pain. **Meetings are every other Sunday from 5pm-7pm. Meetings are December 19, 2021, January 9, 2022, January 23, 2022, February 6, 2022, February 20, 2022, March 6, 2022, and March 20, 2022.**

GRIEF SURVIVORS

Grief Survivors is a bi-weekly program that helps individuals journeying through grief. Grieving individuals feel a variety of emotions. Many times individuals going through them wonder if this is normal. Grieving is unique to each individual although there are many similarities. The Grief Survivors support group allows individuals to explore their feelings, find support from individuals experiencing similar feelings, and move through the grieving process. Each session is unique, offering a blend of discussion, activities, and video presentations. Fellowship is a large part of the process and there is time for that as well. Individuals are invited to share during the discussions, but there is no pressure to do so. ***The program is offered every other Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Upcoming meetings are December 21st, January 5th and January 19th.***

For more information, please contact the Good News Center at 315-735-6210, info@thegoodnewscenter.org, or visit us online at www.goodnewscenter.org. For those who prefer the program is also being offered via Zoom.

We ask you to please call 315-735-6210 to register for both in-person or virtual meetings.



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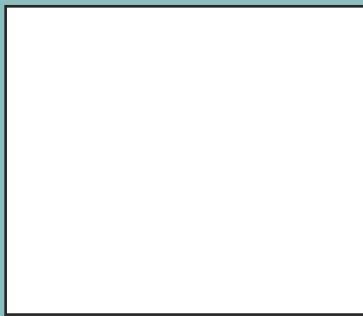


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