

The Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of God

"The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."

Lk 2:16-17

End of Year Prayer

O God, I come at the end of this year to thank You for all the good times: the fun, happiness, laughter and love. I thank you also for steering me through the bad times; for helping me cope. Thank you for all the growth I have had this year. Thank you for everything I have learned about you, about others and about myself. Thank you for all your guidance during the troubling times and events of this past year. I look forward to Your help in the new year to come. Amen.

Blessing of Homes

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Epiphany. The Blessing of Homes is an ancient tradition on Epiphany. Chalk will be blessed at each mass this weekend. Take a piece home with you and gather at the entrance to your home to celebrate this prayer, dividing the parts of the service among the members of your family.

Peace to this house and to all who live or enter here.
Wise men came from the East to pay homage to the Lord.
Opening their treasures, they offered gifts.
Gold for His kingship, incense to proclaim him God, and
Myrrh for the day of His saving death and burial.

The Lord's prayer is recited by all.
O Lord, hear my Prayer.
All: and let my cry come to you.

With blessed chalk, this inscription is made above the door:

20 + C + M + B + 12

The letters represent the magi Caspar, Melchior, Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words "Christus Mansionem Benedicat," "May Christ bless the house." The crosses the seasons of the New Year.

Lord, Almighty God, bless this home.
Let here abide health and goodness, humility and faith,
and every triumph over sin.
Here let your Word be obeyed and fulfilled, and
thanksgiving gladly made to you.
All: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Spirit, forever and ever. Amen

Our Lady of Peace

Liturgy Service for January 7 and 8

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00 PM

Joseph Side: Cup - Yolanda Herbert; Host - Linda Szatanek
Center: Cup - Sue Nagen, Nora Adams
Mary Side: Cup - Marlene Gosson; Host - John Gosson

9:00 AM

Joseph Side: Cup - Joseph Mingin; Host - Peter Mulvihill
Center: Cup - Marie Iadanza, Paula Prasky
Mary Side: Cup - Cheryl Michalski; Host - Bill Michalski

Lectors

4:00 PM ~ John Sullivan

9:00 AM ~ Michael King

Servers

4:00 PM ~ Austin and Tyler Pirro

9:00 AM ~ Matthew Fernandez

Greeters

4:00 PM ~ Front - Sue Nagen, Back - Steve Nagen,
Side - Shirley Broton

9:00 AM ~ Front - Richard Albrigo, Back - Shirley Jackemuk,
Side - Jonathan and Shelley Mason



The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for
Stanley Kolceski

Altar and Rosary Altar Preparation Schedule

January 7: Marlene Gosson and Dawn Solamon

Parish Office Holiday Hours

Our Lady of Peace Parish Office will be closed Monday, January 2 for the New Year holiday.

Bear Hugs

Thank you to those children of Our Lady of Peace who participated in "Bear Hugs" at Fraiser School on December 21. The *Post Standard* neglected to include our Faith Formation students as part of the event. We are proud of all our children.

Rosary Makers

The Rosary Makers will NOT be meeting in January. Rosary Makers needing supplies should contact Rosemary Wood at 487-8098.

Thank You!

Mrs. Lucio would like to thank the children and their parents that participated in the Christmas Pageant.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation for Grades K-8 resumes in Nazareth Hall

Next Sunday ~ January 8 ~ 10:00 AM

Help Wanted - Liturgy Service

As more demands are placed on our priests, it is necessary to involve the lay parishioners of the parish. We currently have a need for Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers, especially for Saturday Mass. Anyone who has made their First Communion can become an Altar Server. Training will be provided. Please sign up on the sheets available at all the entrances. If you need more information, please call the Parish Office.

<i>St. Cecilia</i>

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - January 7 and 8**Eucharistic Ministers**

- 5:30 PM ~ Al Ciciarelli, LouAnne Colaneri, Nick Colaneri, Anne Pellizzari, Kathy Smith
 7:30 AM ~ Donna Alberts, Mike Alberts, Carol Ball, Les Ball, Mary Bondoni
 11:00 AM ~ Mary Kate Flaherty, Sr. Lucy Flaherty, Nancy Hart, Virginia Kenney, Lucille Massaro, Norma Mingolelli

Lectors

- 5:30 PM ~ Tony Callisto, Jr.
 7:30 AM ~ Mary Sagneri
 11:00 AM ~ Addie Silvia and Carol Simiele

Servers

- 5:30 PM ~ Ryan Fogg
 7:30 AM ~ Anthony and Julianna Canestrare
 11:00 AM ~ Antonio Scrimale and Anna Lioto

Gift Bearers

- 5:30 PM ~ Figueiredo Family
 7:30 AM ~ Please Volunteer
 11:00 AM ~ Bianchi Family

Altar and Rosary Schedule of Altar Cleaners

December 31 - January 7 ~ Jeanette Femano and Carol Simiele

Parish Office Holiday Hours

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In Memoriam ~ December 31 and January 1

Leonard Baldini, Tony Simiele Jr., Pfc. Frank DeSantis

Sanctuary Lamps ~ Special Intention

Center Lamp ~ Special Intention

Bread ~ Special Intention

Wine ~ Special Intention

Candles ~ Special Intention

Faith Formation

Faith Formation for Grades 1-5 resumes in the Parish Center

Next Sunday ~ January 8 ~ 10:00 AM

Faith Formation for Grades 6-12 resumes in the Parish Center

Next Sunday ~ January 8 ~ 6:00 PM

Mass Time Change

The time for the early Mass on Sunday morning is changing. Beginning

Sunday ~ January 15

The early Sunday Mass will be celebrated at

7:00 AM

Shut-In Ministry

If a loved one is homebound or in a hospital or nursing home and would like a visit or to receive communion please notify the Parish Office at 488-3221.

Sounds From the Sanctuary

St. Cecilia Presents "Sounds From the Sanctuary", a concert featuring the Mario DeSantis Orchestra with special guests, our very own peer ministers, Brianna Condon and Michael Ranalli

Saturday ~ January 14 ~ 7:00 PM

Reception immediately following at Msgr. Denti Hall. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 12, and are available at the Parish Office.

Can and Bottle Collection

The music department continues to collect your cans and bottles. Just leave them at the farthest garage door in the large trash can and we will make sure they get into the garage. Thank you for your support.

<i>Of Interest to All</i>

A Mother's Heart

In these harsh days it seems even children are put to the test. Daily we are assailed with heartbreaking images of abandoned children, cast aside by families too tired, too broken, too poor or sadly, too self absorbed to care for these youngsters. Even in the midst of their family these "orphans" suffer for the sin of being unwanted. Who then will care for these little ones?

For an answer let us look to our mother, Mary. Just as she welcomed Jesus, an unexpected child, into her own life, Mary sees every child as a gift no matter what the circumstances. Mary's heart has room for each of these, tenderly adopting them as her own. What Mary lacks are physical hands to comfort, feed and clothe. She is their loving Mother, but she relies on us, their brothers and sisters, to reach out and help. The Mother of God waits for us to comfort her suffering children today, and every day. Will you break her Mother's heart?

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RCIA Information

We have begun setting up our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults/Rite of Christian Initiation for Children Program (RCIA/RCIC) at St. Cecilia and Our Lady of Peace. If you are in need of receiving the Sacraments: Baptism, First Penance, First Communion, and/or Confirmation, or if you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact your Parish Office for more details.

A Family Perspective

Mary, our mother, is someone who is there for us, strives to listen to and understand us, offers a hopeful path for us to take at those times we see no path. How well do we model Mary in our family?

Stewardship

"Whatever you do," says St. Paul to the Colossians, "...do it in the name of the Lord Jesus. Give thanks to God the Father through Him." And so it is that we offer our gifts in the Eucharist "through Him, with Him and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit..."

Medugorje Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage to Medugorje is planned for **April 18 - 27, 2012**

The cost will be \$2,100. For more information contact Richard at (802) 796-4545 or email pilrosary@fairpoint.net.

Branch Out and Grow

Branch Out and Grow, a support group for separated and divorced, will meet at Bishop Ludden High School, 815 Fay Rd., Syracuse

Wednesday ~ January 4 ~ 7:00 - 8:30 PM

We will be showing a meditative video, "Moving On, Growing Closer to God" by DivorceCare, with a discussion to follow. All are welcome. For more information please call 472-6754 ext. 5.

First Friday Day of Prayer

At Christ the King Retreat and Conference Center, 500 Brookford Rd., Syracuse

Friday ~ January 6 ~ 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

"Blessed are the Poor In Spirit." Our First Friday series begins with the first Beatitude, discussion, Holy Hour, opportunity for Reconciliation, Mass and Anointing of the Sick for those who wish it. Offering of \$25 includes lunch. Presented by Father Donald H. Karlen. For reservations please call 446-2680.



This Week at St. Cecilia

Monday, January 2

No Communion Service or Adoration

Wednesday, January 4

9:30 - 11:30 AM ~ Adoration - Chapel

11:30 AM - 12:00 NOON ~ Confession

Friday, January 6

9:30 - 11:30 AM ~ Adoration - Chapel

11:30 AM - 12:00 NOON ~ Confession

Sunday, January 8

10:00 AM ~ Faith Formation Grades 1-5 - Parish Center

6:00 PM ~ Faith Formation Grades 6-12 - Parish Center

This Week at Our Lady of Peace

Monday, January 2

No Communion Service

Tuesday, January 3

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ~ Adoration - Chapel

7:00 PM ~ Altar and Rosary Society Meeting - Nazareth Hall

Thursday, January 5

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ~ Adoration - Chapel

7:00 PM ~ Rosary - Chapel

Sunday, January 8

10:00 AM ~ Faith Formation Grades K-8 - Nazareth Hall



Help Us Stay Current		
<input type="checkbox"/> Our Lady of Peace	<input type="checkbox"/> St. Cecilia	
Name/Address		Phone:
<input type="checkbox"/> New Registration	<input type="checkbox"/> Update	<input type="checkbox"/> Want Envelopes
<input type="checkbox"/> Change of Name		<input type="checkbox"/> Change of Address/Phone
<input type="checkbox"/> Interested in Ministries/Volunteering:		
Old Name/Address/Phone		
Clip and Drop in the Collection Basket or Mail to the Church		

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, December 31 *St. Sylvester I*

4:00 PM ~ Our Lady of Peace
Catherine and John Scibilia - Donald and Marge Daily
5:30 PM ~ St. Cecilia
Louis Rio (30 Day) - Family
Midnight Mass ~ St. Cecilia
Special Intention

Sunday, January 1 *Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God*

7:30 AM ~ Ursula Kishman (30 Day) - Family
9:00 AM ~ Our Lady of Peace
Fr. Vincent J. Donovan - Betty Pendock
11:00 AM ~ St. Cecilia
Mass for the People of St. Cecilia

Monday, January 2

No Communion Services

Tuesday, January 3 *St. John*

12:15 PM ~ Our Lady of Peace
Steven Herbert - Joanne and Dick Pike

Wednesday, January 4 *St. Elizabeth Ann Sexton*

12:15 PM ~ St. Cecilia
Richard Weber (30 Day) - Family

Thursday, January 5 *St. John Neumann*

12:15 PM ~ Our Lady of Peace
John Trach - Peter and Betty Mulvihill

Friday, January 6 *St. Andre Bessette*

12:15 PM - Mary Jane Maio - Family

Saturday, January 7 *St. Raymond of Penyafort*

4:00 PM ~ Our Lady of Peace
James Gosson - John and Marlene Gosson
5:30 PM ~ St. Cecilia
Maria Figueiredo - Family

Sunday, January 8 *Feast of the Epiphany*

7:30 AM ~ Margaret Simko (30 Day) - Family
9:00 AM ~ Our Lady of Peace
Edmund Aubrey - Joe and Carol Maione
11:00 AM ~ St. Cecilia
Lucy Bianchi - Family

Readings for the Week of December 25 - January 1

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday and Friday

9:30 - 11:30 AM - St. Cecilia Chapel

Tuesday and Thursday

11:00 AM - 12:00 NOON - Our Lady of Peace Chapel



Tear Off