

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

All parish offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Thanksgiving Day Mass – November 27th.

There will be only one Mass, 9:00 AM

As is our tradition, we encourage you to bring non-perishable food for our local Food Bank (no glass, please). We will also take up a collection for the Food Bank.

NO Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

There will be NO Holy Hour this week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Holy Hour will resume on Thursday, December 4th at 7:00 PM.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

If you are interested, have any questions or would like to register for classes, please call Fr. Joe at 732-8521.

Classes begin on Tues, December 2nd at 7:00 PM.

Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

Join us as our congregations, our children and youth and our community leaders celebrate and give thanks through worship and fellowship, for the gifts we have been given. This year's Ecumenical Service will be held at the New Hartford Presbyterian Church, 45 Genesee St, New Hartford, on Tuesday, November 25th at 7:00 PM.

Thanksgiving Volunteers

Volunteers are needed to help load Thanksgiving Baskets into vehicles. Loading will take place on Tuesday, November 25th from 10:00 AM – Noon. Sign up sheet is in the rectory hallway.

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Any individual or family who would like to participate in our Advent liturgies by lighting the candles on our Advent Wreath, please sign up in rectory hallway.

Father Andy's Christmas Cheer

We are once again collecting for a Christmas gift for Father Andy. If you would like to contribute to his mission in Ghana, you may either put it in the collection basket clearly marked for Fr. Andy or stop by the rectory office. The names of those contributing will be sent with the gift.



There will be NO 6:45 AM Mass on Wednesday, November 26th or Friday, November 28th.

Concert Honoring Mary the Mother of God

We would like to thank the members of our Adult Choir and our Soloists for their wonderful performance last Sunday. Guest Organist Lauralee Driscoll astounded us with her magnificent organ playing, and the String Quartet from members of the Utica Symphony Orchestra enhanced the whole concert. We would also like to thank Vincent Costanza for his piano accompaniment. The reception that followed the concert was perfect! Thank you to all those who made refreshments, helped set up and serve and of course, the clean-up committee! It was a wonderful afternoon enjoyed by all in attendance. We must also thank Thilda Orrico for all the work she did putting this program together.

Giving Tree

If any family would like to adopt a family from the Giving Tree, please call Sr. Lynn at 732-8521. The Giving Trees will be up next weekend. *However, if you would like to get an early start on your Christmas shopping, Giving Tree stars are available at the entrances of the church. Please remember to return the wrapped gift with the star firmly attached.*

Christmas Flowers

If you would like to contribute toward the flowers this Christmas, please use the envelope provided in your packet, or send a donation along with your request to the rectory. Names of persons in whose honor or memory the flowers are given will be listed in the bulletin.

Advent Service

Please join us on Sunday, December 7th at 3:00 PM for our Advent Service as we prepare and await the Birth of Jesus. We are still in need of lectors for this service. If you are able to help out, please call Jerry Pitarresi at 797-7822.

Hospitality Christmas Brunch

The Christmas Brunch has been scheduled for Wed, Dec 17th at 9:30 AM in the Hayes Room. Mary Carole Griffin is the chairman this year. Please call her at 732-6591 if you will be attending and let her know what food item you will be bringing.

MASS INTENTIONS: NOVEMBER 22 - 30

Saturday, November 22 – (Vigil) Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

4:00 John Simonetti – Joe & Patti Fariello
4:00 Michael Riggles – George & Mary Kazanjian & Family
4:00 Jean, Vincent & Jerome Cianciolo – Lee & Joe Cianciolo

Sunday, November 23 – Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

7:30 Deceased Members of the Carney Family – Family
7:30 Ron Jones – Bill & Fran Gerling
7:30 Jack Eichler – Jackie Riley
9:00 Stephen J. Wameling – Rita Madden
9:00 Robert & Doris Sherman – Wheatley Family
9:00 Josef Bieganski – Sister, Helena
10:30 Thomas C. Panzone – Bob Miller
10:30 Antoinette Griffith – Wanda Gregory
10:30 Suzanne Toukatly – Gloria Duffy

Monday, November 24 – St. Andrew Dung-Lac

6:45 The People of St. John's
9:00 Margaret Colangelo – Bill & Sondra Roemer
9:00 Iris Barnes – St. John's Parish
9:00 Eileen Howe – Ann Howe

Tuesday, November 25 – St. Catherine of Alexandria

6:45 Stanley Babrowicz – Joan Madden
6:45 Joseph D. Woods, Jr. – Esther Manley
9:00 John Kogut, Jr. – St. John's Parish
9:00 Jeanne C. Warchol – Dick & Lil Synakowski
9:00 Josie Talerico – Bob & Carol Murray

Wednesday, November 26 – Weekday

NO 6:45 AM MASS TODAY

9:00 Frank Morreale - St. John's Parish
9:00 William Hall - Family
9:00 Maureen Dwyer O'Connell - Family

*Sanctuary Light in Memory of
Jack McCambley requested by
Family.*



Thursday, November 27 – Thanksgiving Day NO 6:45 AM MASS TODAY

9:00 Deceased Members of Luczynski Family – Barbara and Son Gregory
9:00 Eustelle McMillan - Husband
9:00 Charles Kupiec - Family

Friday, November 28 – Weekday NO 6:45 AM MASS TODAY

9:00 M/M Charles Coupe, Sr. – Lucille Iuorno

Saturday, November 29 – Saturday of Our Lady 8:00 40th Anniversary of Deacon Ed & Cathy Kernan

Saturday, November 29 – (Vigil) 1st Sunday of Advent

4:00 Anna Scianni – Wanda Gregory
4:00 Leonard T. Kelly – Mary Kelly
4:00 Nancy Dormio – Mary Kelly

Sunday, November 30 – 1st Sunday of Advent

7:30 Rev. William H. Griffin – St. John's Parish
7:30 Michael Tinelli - Wife
7:30 Diane Hovish – St. John's Parish
9:00 Linder & Oster Families – Bill & Fran Gerling & Family
9:00 Frances Scardina – Bob & Donna Imobersteg
9:00 Ursula Sugama - Mother
10:30 Josephine Mary Sorensen – Mrs. Dolores Urgo
10:30 Daniel Callan – Russell & Genevieve Cahill
10:30 Mary Jane Lewis – The Halpin Family

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 (2B); 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

Gospel question of the week for November 30th

Adult: What does “wait wisely and watch vigilantly” mean for you?

Child: How can you best prepare for Christmas this year?

ADULT DINING CENTER

Monday, November 24 – Yoga, Water color & Spanish, Knitting & Crocheting, Aerobics, Senior Theatre Group

Tuesday, November 25 - Bridge Entertainment

Wednesday, November 26 – Yoga, Chair Yoga, BINGO

Thursday, November 27 – Center Closed

Friday, November 28 – Center Closed

Smart Shopper Books

“Smart Shopper Books”, “Entertainment” and “Lights of the City” books are available at the Senior Center for \$20 each. Proceeds from sale of these books will be used to help fund programs for Seniors.

Bad Weather Alert

Please...if our area is experiencing inclement weather, it would be a good idea to listen to your radio or watch TV before leaving home. If schools in the New Hartford School District close, the Senior Center will also close. For your safety, consider staying home during bad weather to avoid the chance of serious injury.

FINANCES

Collection –	Week Ending:	November 16, 2008
Regular Collection		\$ 9,234.50
Loose Cash		\$ 609.00
Total		\$ 9,843.50
Human Development		\$ 1,752.00

Thank You

Jesus Christ Our King



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes for First through 9 are at the usual times on Monday this week. No class on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Confirmation I students meet Monday, November 24th in the Parish Center at 7:00 PM. Mr. Mike Zasa will speak on Morality.

Sunday Morning Gospel for Confirmation I and II will be after the 10:30 Mass in the Hayes Room.

First Reconciliation will take place on Saturday, December 6th at 11:00 AM for children whose names begin with A through L and 1:00 PM for M through Z. Please call Sister Martha if you need to switch times.

Child Church takes place during the 10:30 Mass. Children are welcome.

Family Faith Assembly will take place on Wednesday, December 10th from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. We will be talking about Advent.

Thank you, from Religious Ed

The Religious Education department would like to send a special thank you to all those **golf lovers** who purchased tickets to the Turning Stone golf events from us. Thanks to you, we gained \$1,870.00! This has been a big help and a fairly painless way to add to our funds. Special thanks go to John Grygiel, our business manager, who organized and coordinated this effort.

Youth Ministry - Sr. Lynn Abdelnour

The next meeting of the Youth Ministry will be held on Sunday, November 23rd at 4:00 PM in the Youth Ministry Room.

“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me”

This holiday season...

Give the gift that gives again

a cookbook reflecting the diversity of our area...

"COME TO THE TABLE"



*a collection of recipes, prayers and reflections
on poverty and hunger in our community, the nation, and the world...*

Gift Certificate entitles bearer to: the cookbook coming in April 2009;
an invitation to submit a recipe to be included in the book by January 15, 2009 and
an invitation to the Festival of Nations dinner to be held at St. John the Evangelist Church
January 25, 2009, at 2:00 PM

\$20

Holiday Special \$15 through December 24, 2008

Order on-line at: www.stjohnsnh.com/socialministry

Supporting the good work of Hope House

presented by Angels Among Us, St. John the Evangelist Social Ministry
and the Faith Communities of the Mohawk Valley.

Please fill out order form below and submit with payment to St. John the Evangelist Church - Angels Among Us. If this is a "Gift" please fill out Gift Certificate Portion. Please make checks payable to St. John's.

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____ Gift Certificate: Yes ___ No ___

Date: _____ Number of cookbooks: _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____

Gift Certificate for:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____