Parish Staff Team (756-3145)			Mass Intentions	
<i>Pastor :</i> <i>Rev</i> . Fr. James J. Kane	Sat. Dec. 15	4:00 pm	Joanna Maki	Jim, Amy, Jimmy, Ashley & Aubrey
frjim@tcosp.org Ext. 301 Associate for Administration and Pastoral Care: Mrs. Lori Nunziato lori@tcosp.org Ext. 302 Pastoral Associate/D.R.E. for Faith Formation: Br. Ron Davis, FSD Ext. 304 broron@tcosp.org	(Vigil) Sun. Dec. 16	8:00 am	For all Parishioners, espe- cially our parish pastoral staff this holiday season	Pastor
	Third Sun- day Of Advent	10:00 am	Krista Visconti	Family
Pastoral Associate for Music: Mr. John Schmitt	Mon Dec. 17		No Mass here 8 A.M. at St. Mary's,	
john@tcosp.org Ext. 303 Volunteer Office Assistants: Ext. 300 Mrs. Donna Hagen [Bulletin Ed.] Mrs. Tina Irwin Mrs. Michelle Fralick [Prayer Chain Coordinator] church@tcosp.org Volunteer Sacristan: Mrs. Joan A. Lipscomb Ext. 300 Facilities Maintenance: Mr. Al Visconti Ext. 308	Tues Dec. 18	9:00 am	Vincent Castelli	Wife
	Wed Dec. 19		No Mass here 8 AM at St. Mary's, Coxsackie	
	Thur Dec. 20	9:00 am	Michael, Victoria, & Tony Libertucci	Family
	Fri. Dec. 21 St. Peter Canisius	9:00 am	Priest's Intention	Pastor
	Sat. Dec. 22	9:00 am	Shirley Roberts	Violet Dunckley
St. Patrick's Cemetery Cemetery Manager: Mrs. Lori Nunziato Sexton: Mr. Charles Burns Groundskeeper: Mr. Angel Perez Any questions regarding cemetery plots and/or mausoleum space please call 756-3145. <i>New Families</i> WELCOME! We would like to include you in our Parish Family. Please call the	Sat. Dec. 22	4:00 pm	Esther Nunziato	Daughter, Tina
	(Vigil) Sun Dec.	8:00 am	For all Parishioners, espe- cially Christmas donors, decorators and liturgical ministers	Pastor
rectory or stop by to register. Handicapped Accessible Personal amplifying units available for the hearing impaired	23 Fourth Sunday In Advent	10:00 am	George Lipscomb	Family

Stewardship

Ministry Schedules: December 22/23 Group C

Lectors, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, Greeters, Counters and Camera Attention : Those serving this weekend, PLEASE come into the Sacristy before Mass to sign in.

A Way of Life	Number	Aver- age	\$ Amount	2011	Reflection	
Envelopes & Checks	126	\$28.16	\$3,611.00	\$4,469.00	Today's Gospel provides a blueprint for good stewardship: "Let the one who has two coats give to him who has none. The	
Loose cash			\$ 473.00	\$774.00	one who has food should do the same."	
Totals: 12/8-9			\$4,084.00	\$5,243.00	Living Stewardship	
Budget			\$3,815.00		We are grateful this week for all stewards in	
Stewardship			\$ 46.15		our parish who care for the needs of others especially through participation in our Food	
2nd Collection	Immaculate Con- ception Collection		\$579.00		Pantry and Thrift Shop.	

Attendance for the weekend of Dec 8-9 was 334 (total number of registered families= 829.)

"The "Christmas Flowers" envelope, to help defray expenses for Christmas decorations, can be put into any collection basket this month.

THE PANTRY	THRIFT SHOP		
The III Sunday of each month is Food Pantry weekend: 12/15-16	Thrift Shop Hours:		
Please place food in box in vestibule.	Thursday 1:00 - 3:00 Friday 1:00 - 3:00		
Thank you: -VFW, Ravena - food donations	Saturday 1:00 - 3:00		
-Selkirk Girl Scouts -Food & personal care item	CLOSED Dec. 23rd thru Jan. 9th		
-Anonymous, \$300 donation for additional food for Christmas	Volunteers needed: call Jeanne 756-9580 - Jeanne Randio, Coordinator		
Pantry Hours: Tuesday & Friday 10-11 am Wodnoodoy, 6 3 pm			
Wednesday 6-7 pm Your generous food and monetary donations are greatly appreciated. ~Diane Hoffman, Coordinator	<i>Church Linens</i> - December - Carole Brooks January - Danielle Parks Anyone willing to do church linens call the Rectory at 756-3145.		

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<i>Quote of the Week:</i> "If you have too much to do, with God's help you will	Faith Formation Ministry	4
find time to do it all." -St. Peter Canisius (feast=12/21) =a good thought for the season=	My Dear Parishioners, This Sunday we rejoice that the coming of our savio near. It is particularly evident as we light the rose of	
 Prayer of the Week: "Lord Jesus Christ, king of glory, splendor of your saints; grant that we, like your saints, may bear witness to your faith not by hearts & lips alone, but by our lives & deeds. May we acknowledge you as our master, and fulfill the Father's will to the eternal praise & glory of your holy name." -St. Peter C. Question of the Week = Question of today's Gospel: "What should I do?" - to provide hospitality to the Jesus who is coming not only as Redeemer but as Judge. "What should I do?" - to fulfill St. John's challenge to charity, justice, integrity in my life? -Pastoral Patterns (Winter '12-13) FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: I would like to offer a pastoral response to the editorial in Tues'. Times Union about our School District: First, just as there is a rule about "no electioneering within 100 feet of the polls, so there should be a rule about "no politicking within 100 feet of the church." In other words, our civic leaders (village, town, school district, county) should be able to come to Mass without being subjected to political bickering. Secondly, the spirit of stewardship of our time, talent and treasure that we are all called to is not limited to church. In other words, we are called as well to a sense of stewardship in our community. (E.g., as a volunteer firefighter, first responder, Etc.) In that spirit, are YOU being called to (re) run for a seat on the School Board, dedicated to the sound education of our children & youth? 	of the advent wreath, the only candle of that color of wreath. Anticipation and gladness are heightened in week's liturgy. We draw closer to the incarnation ar told that our Messiah and salvation are at hand. Thank you to all those who participated in the stock project for the Salvation Army. We hope that the rer der of those stockings come in this weekend to be a those in need. Remember our Lord truly does hear of the poor. The Church will be decorated for the Christmas sea Sunday, December 23rd. As always we will be looki workers who can assist. All are welcome and we sh begin at approximately at noon. Many hands make work. On page 7 there is a list, for anyone who might be i ested, regarding all of the various Jesse Tree symbo what they signify. Some of these symbols have hun our tree and the list simply assists you in knowing t meaning and what it represents. Some of our Faith tion classes have been working on Jesse Tree symbo during the advent season. In Christ and Francis, ~Brother Ronald Francis Davis, FSD Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation/DRE	on the n this nd are king main- sent to the cry son on ng for ould light nter- ols and g on heir Forma-
Church Calendar	Faith Formation Calendar	
Dec. 17 - K of C luncheon, noon, Room 4	Dec. 16 - Classes for K-9	
Dec. 17 - Rosary led by K of C, 6:20pm, church	Dec. 23 - Classes for K-9 - Christmas Party	
Dec. 18- Advent Communal Penance Service 7PM	Dec. 30 - NO CLASSES	
Dec. 23–Christmas church decorating-bee Noon	Jan. 6 - Classes for K-9	



For a Food Pantry Client Make checks payable to "The Pantry" St. Patrick's Church

Fellow Parishioners,

On December 18th at 7 PM, St. Patrick's is hosting the Advent Communal Penance service in conjunction with St. Mary's in Coxsackie. During this service you will have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation, while doing so the Music Ministry will be ministering a Taize' service. Taize' is a very deep and meaningful prayer experience. By using short, repetitious, musical lines and repeating them over and over, changing dynamics and tempos, it's a very powerful prayer tool. The second thing that makes Taize' so deep, is the use of symbols and, of course, light. Candles will be used to outline the Altar table and steps of the sanctuary along with the use of incense. I invite ALL

of you to come and experience something different, something that has not been celebrated in several years.

Again, this is Tuesday, December 18th at 7 PM, right here at St. Patrick's. Tell all of your friends and family and come and experience this wonderful, powerful, different way to pray.

Thank you very much,

Fr. Jim Kane, Pastor

John Schmitt, Director of Music Ministry, Pastoral Associate for Music

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COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG

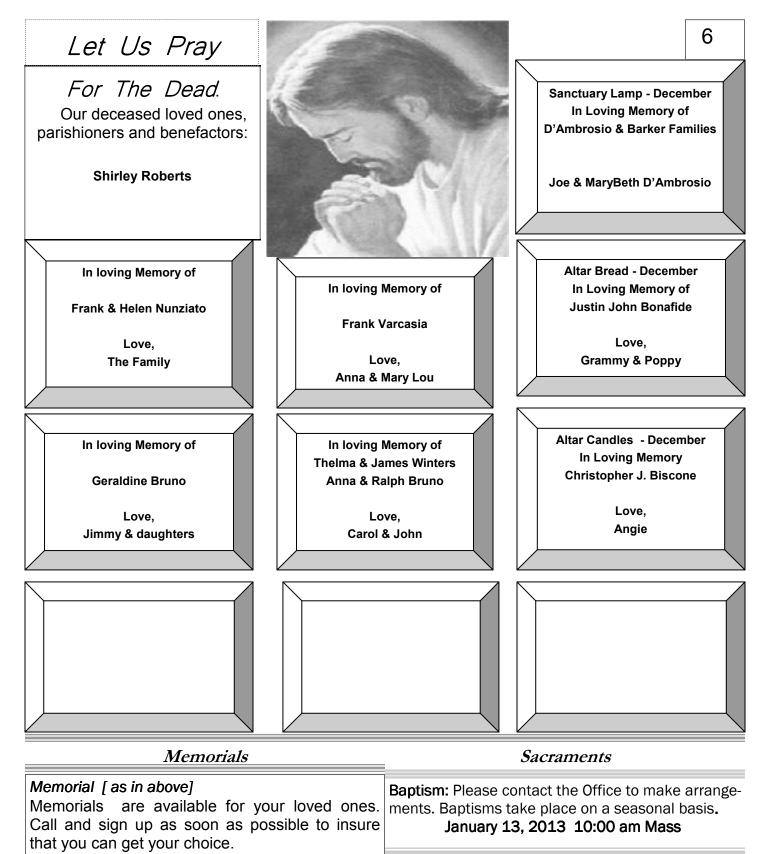
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th 4:00 PM

VILLAGE GAZEBO

Community Maternity Services, an agency of Catholic Charities, is holding its next fundraiser at Capital Repertory Theatre on Friday, December 21. Please join us for a benefit performance of "This Wonderful Life". Tickets are \$45.00 for individuals, \$25.00 for students and \$15. for children 15 and younger. The show begins at 8:00 pm with a preperformance reception at 6:45 pm. For reservations call Anne Marie Couser at 482-8836

We are asked to support a new adventure in our community, sponsored by Ravena's Abounding Love Christian Fellowship. The program is called the **"Cross Culture Market"** and offers homemade goods from poor countries. Located in Faith Plaza, open Wednesday 10 - 4 Friday 2 -6 Saturday 10 - 2 A wonderful opportunity for Christmas shopping

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Sanctuary Lamp - 2 weeks - \$15.00 Altar Candles - 1 month - \$15.00 Altar Bread - 1 month - \$50.00 Memorial Block - 1 month - \$35.00 **Marriage:** Please contact the Office at least six Months before the proposed date of the wedding.

Homebound: 10:00 Mass can be seen on Ch.11 T.V. at 10 A.M. each Sunday.