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St. Patrick's Cemetery

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Sexton: Mr. Charles Burns

Groundskeeper: Mr. Angel Perez

Any questions regarding cemetery plots and/or mausoleum space please call 756-3145.

New Families WELCOME! We would like to include you in our Parish Family. Please call the rectory or stop by to register.



Handicapped Accessible

Personal amplifying units available for the hearing impaired

Restrooms in the Parish Center

<p>Sat. Dec. 7 Vigil</p> <p>Sun. Dec. 8 Second Sunday of Advent</p> <p>Mon. Dec. 9</p> <p>Tues. Dec. 10</p> <p>Wed. Dec. 11</p> <p>Thur. Dec. 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe</p> <p>Fri. Dec. 13, St. Lucy</p> <p>Sat. Dec. 14, St John of the Cross</p> <p>Sat. Dec. 14 (Vigil)</p> <p>Sunday Dec. 15 Third Sunday in Advent</p>	4:00 pm	Ralph Hotaling Hayley Lynch	Bob & Mary Ann Tina & Jeff Carson
	8:00 am	For all Parishioners, especially our Pastoral Council & Parish Trustees	Pastor
	10:00 am	Andrew Paul Dominguez LeBerta Judware	Jackie Lynch, Mary Tiberia & Carole Brooks Sally Peyrebrune
	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (not a holy day of obligation this year)	8am St. Mary's Coxsackie 9 am HERE For all Parishioners, expectant parents & those who wish to be as we celebrate Mary's conception in the womb of St. Anne	Pastor
	9:00 am	Michael, Victoria & Tony Libertucci	The Family
	NO MASS HERE 8 am St. Mary's Coxsackie		
	9:00 am	Paul Persico Amy Scalzo	Gene Datri & Family Marie Kinley
	9:00 am	Priest's Intention	Pastor
	9:00 am	Fr. Thomas Walsh (Pastor 1893-1916)	Parish
	4:00 pm	Lee Miller Amy Scalzo	Russ Miller Toni Robbins & Angie Meilak
	8:00 am	Guy Persico	The Family
	10:00 am	For all Parishioners, especially our pastoral STAFF this holy season	Pastor

“THE PANTRY”
THANKSGIVING BASKET DISTRIBUTION
November 25th

# families served	144	# children	207
# adults	163	# seniors	26

THANK YOU to Mark, Lori and Jenny Anderson, Mary and Zack Clouse, Jeanne and Tim Bier-nacki, Don and Rita Gager, Donna, Michelle and Jillian Hagen, George and Joann Dardani, Claudine Potvin-Giordano, Edie Wagoner, Clayton Sumner, Tom and Lois Williams, Barbara Tanner who helped in the preparation and distribution of the Thanksgiving Baskets.

THANK YOU to the runners in the annual Turkey Trot for their monetary and food donations: did you see the story and pictures in [The Ravena Herald?](#))

THANK YOU to Jenny Anderson for making the ornament tags for additional food for the Christmas Baskets.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

A WINTER’S EVE

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite you to “A Winter’s Eve” Concert with Tim Janis and Ensemble
 Monday, December 16th 7:00 pm

St. Joseph’s Provincial House 385 Watervliet-Shaker Road Latham.

A free-will offering will be collected for the ministries of our sisters who partner with Catholic Charities in providing emergency services in our area as the winter cold arrives.

For additional information: Sister Mary Rose Noonan, Dir. Of Communications 783-3604

Minister Schedules:

Dec 14 - 4:00 pm: Lector: Tony Manoli **Eucharistic Ministers:** Donna Hagen, Dee Hunt, Fran Hunt, Sue Ritty, Deacon Steve **Server:** Rita Gager **Greeters:** Ginny Morrow **Cantor:** Bro. Ron Davis

Dec. 15 - 8:00 am: Lector: Joan Lipscomb **Eucharistic Ministers:** Tom Riordan, Kathy Touchette, Rick Touchette, Sue VanSlyke, Deacon Steve **Server:** Kathy Pacuk **Greeters:** Rosemary Lozano **Cantor:** Savannah Hotaling

Dec. 15 - 10:00 am: Lector: Rita Ablett **Eucharistic Ministers:** Lois Young, Barbara Tanner, Kim Wullum, Lauren Barber, Deacon Steve **Servers:** John Ablett **Greeters:** Maggie Travis **Cantor:** Erin Herman

PLEASE COME INTO THE SACRISTY TO SIGN-IN

Camera: Ron LeClair **Counters:** Donna Hagen, Maureen Perrotte, Bill Wynne



Stewardship
A Way of Life

	<i>Number</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>\$ Amount</i>	<i>2012</i>
Envelopes & Checks	123	\$27.70	\$3,407.00	\$4,404.00
Loose cash			\$ 211.50	\$425.00
Totals:11/30-12/1/14			\$3,618.50	\$4,829.00
Budget			\$3,815.00	
Stewardship			\$ 46.78	
2nd Collection				

Reflection

We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks today: "Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

Living Stewardship

We are grateful this week for all stewards in our parish who strive to consider how they are fulfilling God's purpose to be of service to our parish and to the wider community.

Attendance for the weekend of November 30 / December 1 was 325 (total number of registered families= 338.)

Your envelope for "FLOWERS" can be placed in any collection basket and will assist in our church Christmas decorations. Please see page 7 on a special 2nd collection for the victims of the typhoon in the Philippines.

THE PANTRY

November 1st thru November 22nd

families 90 # adults(18-64) 163
children (0-17) 129 # seniors(65+) 13
#using diapers/formula 14

10 new families registered this month. 5 families utilized "The Pantry" more than once this month.

We are in need of personal care items, tuna, and lunch box snacks.

Your monetary & food donations are greatly appreciated. See page 5 "The Pantry"

Pantry Hours:

Tuesday & Friday 10-11 am Wednesday 6-7 pm

Food Pantry Coordinator,

~Diane Hoffman:

THRIFT SHOP

Dec 12 - Jean Randio-Jean Cary

Dec 13- Angie Biscone - Dot Miller

Dec 14 - Rae Panico- Marie Wilsey

Thrift Shop Hours:

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 1 - 3 pm

Volunteers needed: call Jeanne 756-9580

Thrift Shop Coordinator,

Church Linens - December - Carole Brooks

Anyone willing to do church linens call the Rectory at 756-3145

Quote of the Week:

“Bring ...new or slightly used clothing to ‘Stuff the Bus’ at DeNooyer Chevrolet ,127 Wolf Rd., through Dec. 21st.” -Times Union (12/1-pg. 4 or randomactsofkindness.org): “A Month of random kindness” - Suggestions for “giving” for each day of Dec. [above = for Dec. 11th)

Question of the Week:

“What is one concrete, specific, ‘peaceable’ thing I can do this week to bring a glimpse of Isaiah’s ‘peaceable kingdom’ to my little corner of God’s world?” -Pastoral Patterns (Winter 2013)

Prayer of the Week:

“God of power & mercy, you blessed the Americas at Tepeyac with the presence of the Virgin Mary of Guadalupe. May her prayers help all men & women to accept each other as brothers & sisters. Through your justice present in our hearts may your peace reign in the world. Through Christ our Lord...” (feast day = Dec. 12)

-Catholic Household Blessings & Prayers

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE FOR MUSIC:

An evening of peaceful, meditative, music and silent prayer. The Church of St. Patrick, and it’s music ministry, would like to invite you to a Taize prayer service on the evening of Wednesday, December 11th at 7pm. Let me explain what Taize is. The Taize Community is an ecumenical monastic order in Taize, Saone-et-Lorie, Burgundy, France. It is composed of more than one hundred brothers, from Protestant and Catholic traditions, who originate from about thirty countries across the world. It was founded in 1940 by Brother Roger Schultz, a Protestant. Through repetitive and simplistic musical lines, silence, and through the use of candles, incense, and soft lighting, Taize services are very reverent, peaceful, and calming. Please take one hour, in the midst of the Holiday Season, to come and enjoy an experience that will remain with you during the new year. If you have never experienced a Taize service, I can assure you it is worthwhile and meaningful. The Deacon and I hope to see you there.

Yours in Christ, ~ *John Schmitt*

Church Calendar

- Dec. 9 - Office Closed - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (not a holy day of obligation this year)
- Dec 10 - Women’s & Men’s Bible Study, 11 am, Room 5
- Dec. 11 - Holy Hour, 7 pm, church (see John Schmitt’s letter)
- Dec. 15—“live nativity” at Grace United Methodist Church (4:00)
- Dec. 16 - K of C luncheon, noon, Room 4
16 - Rosary led by K of C, 6:20 pm, church
- Dec. 17—Advent communal Penance Service, 7 pm, church

My Dear Parishioners:

Advent has begun. So often we miss the meaning of this truly beautiful season. Fr. Jim Kane in his homily for the first Sunday of Advent, reinforces the idea that Advent is more than a season, it is a way of life. To that end, we should ask ourselves what should we focus on, as we prepare.

We anticipate the opening chapters of the greatest story ever told - The birth of that solitary life, which changed the course of the world for all humanity. We then anticipate the birth of the Messiah and Savior as promised by the prophets of old. We also are in watchful waiting for the return of Christ in the second coming: A time unknown to us, so as the scripture says, be on guard! The Lord comes to us also in a special way. This is through the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharist. Eucharist, means thanksgiving, again making us mindful of all that the Lord has done for us. Now what can we do in His name for others?

We can support the season of giving here in our parish. Giving to those less fortunate, than ourselves. This is the very essence of bring Christ to others. There are ornament tags in the back of the church indicating the food products needed. Our Faith Formation children are also assisting in this endeavor. Their train, “All Aboard,” will be assembled on December 8th and put on the front of the stage for display and contributions. Each class has a certain product they are asked to bring in to help the needy. It would be great if you could assist them in this project by putting products in the various train cars.

The greatest gift you can give our children is to join them weekly in the celebration of the sacred liturgy - the Mass! If this is not a current practice in your family, it certainly would be one that should be given top priority. Then when we prepare our children for the reception of the sacraments the process is that much more meaningful.

Remember that God so loved the world that he gave us his only son so that we might not perish but have everlasting life.

May your hearts be ready as a home for this tiny child destined to be Lord of all!

In Christ and Francis,

~*Brother Ronald Francis Davis*, FSD
Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation/DRE

Let Us Pray

For The Dead

Our deceased loved ones,
parishioners and benefactors:

**Anthony G. Bosari, Sr.
Frances Fetterhoff**



**Sanctuary Lamp - December
In Loving Memory of**

Deceased Family Members

**Love,
Diane Hoffman**

In loving Memory of

Geraldine Bruno

**Love,
Jimmy & daughters**

In loving Memory of

George H. Lipscomb

**Love,
The Family**

**Altar Bread -December
In Loving Memory of**

Justin John Bonafide

**Love,
Grammy & Poppy**

In loving Memory of

Frank & Helen Nunziato

**Love,
The Family**

In loving Memory of

Frank Varcasis

**Love,
Anna & Mary Lou**

**Altar Candles - December
In Loving Memory**

Justin John Bonafide

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Jason & Lucy**

**In loving Memory of
Thelma & James Winters
&**

Anna & Ralph Bruno

**Love,
Carol & John**

In loving Memory of

Tony "Chef T" Libertucci

**Love,
Mom, Dad, Marie & Tom**

Memorials

Sacraments

Memorial [as in above]

Memorials are available for your loved ones.
Call and sign up as soon as possible to insure
that you can get your choice.

- Sanctuary Lamp - 2 weeks - \$15.00
- Altar Candles - 1 month - \$15.00
- Altar Bread - 1 month - \$50.00
- Memorial Block - 1 month - \$35.00

Baptism: Please contact the Office to make arrangements.
Baptisms take place on a seasonal basis.

Marriage: Please contact the Office at least six
Months before the proposed date of the wedding.

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

Special collection for the victims of Typhoon Haiyan

Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the U. S. Catholic Church, is coordinating with the Philippine government and other humanitarian organizations responding immediately and committing to staying with the people as long as needed to bring not just relief, but also recovery. To donate, make your check payable to the parish - in the memo portion write: Typhoon Haiyan. Our parish will send one check to Catholic Charities and 100% of the donation will go to CRS. To contact Catholic Charities for additional information call 453-6650. This will be next weekend's 2nd collection.