

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS – ST. ANTHONY



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626 S. Olden Ave.

December 14, 2008

Worship & Sacramental Life
OLS: Our Lady of Sorrows Church
SA: St. Anthony Church

Weekend Masses

Saturday:

4:30 p.m. (SA), 5:00 p.m. (OLS)

Sunday:

7:30 (OLS), 8:00 (SA), 9:00 (OLS)

10:00 (SA), 11:00 a.m. (OLS),

6:30 p.m. (Creole) (SA)

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil:

7:00 p.m. (SA)

Daytime:

7:00 a.m. (OLS), 12:15 p.m. (SA)

7:00 p.m. (OLS)

Weekday Masses

7:00 a.m. (OLS)

8:00 a.m. (SA)

Holidays as announced

Sacrament of Baptism

11:15 a.m.: 1st Sunday (SA)

12:15 p.m.: 2nd & 3rd Sundays (OLS)

11:00 a.m.: 4th Sunday (Mass) (OLS)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday and by appointment

3:15-4:00 p.m. (SA), 3:45-4:30 p.m. (OLS)

Parish Staff

Rev. Msgr. Thomas N. Gervasio, Pastor

Rev. Eugene K. Savarimuthu, Adjunct

Rev. Pierre M. Alabré, Haitian Ministry

Rev. Oscar Sumanga, In Residence

Deacons

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Joseph Jaruszewski

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Kevin O'Boyle

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 14, 2008

“My soul rejoices in my God.” Isaiah 61:10b

Mass Intentions for the Week OUR LADY OF SORROWS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
5:00 p.m. Vincent Stillitano *Wife, Marie
Vera Dorsey *Emily Sciarrotta

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14
7:30 a.m. Robert D. Foley *Platt Family
Mary Arato *Jack & Betsy Dirk

9:00 a.m. William Plantier *Family
Mary Marco *Daughter

11:00 a.m. Stella Ann Usarzewicz *Family
William Sullivan *Emily & Rose

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15
7:00 a.m. Dorothy Buffardi *Vanderhoof Family
Antoinette S. Campi *Ponticiello Family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16
7:00 a.m. Edward Tulodiesky *M/M Nicholas Persichetti
Antoinette Campi *Carol Bryce

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17
7:00 a.m. Margaret Boozan *James O'Mara
Fritz Wospil *Madge Zemcik

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18
7:00 a.m. Celilia Porera *Richard Narcini
Frances T. Sigafos *Rose Chamberlain

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19
7:00 a.m. John Mack *Peggy Mack
Thomas Mihalic *M/M M. Muka

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20
5:00 p.m. John Shane, Sr. *Wife, Louise
Joseph McGuire, Sr. *Sabo-Ferrar Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
7:30 a.m. Frank Daly *Jeanette Surro
Maria H. O'Brien *Cecile Caruso & family

9:00 a.m. Eileen Murdza *Mother
Mary C. Ragazzo M/M James DiMattia

11:00 a.m. Romeo & Catherine Pontani *Family
James "Vince" Crivelli *M/M Kevin Searing

Mass Intentions for the Week SAINT ANTHONY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13
8:00 a.m. Teresina Rago *Granddaughter
Carmella & Carmen Inverso *Family

4:30 p.m. Lucy Cooper *Mollye Carroll
Rosemarie Cole *Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. David & Patricia Johnson *Mom & Dad
Raymond Costello *M/M David Pierfy

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15
8:00 a.m. Ann Marie Dickson *Estate
Joseph Rasimiek *Marion Hollo

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16
8:00 a.m. Ned Willever *Family
Joseph Favata *Wife, Jean

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17
8:00 a.m. Joseph A. Burawski *Nancy Burawski
Emil Petrecca *Wife

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18
8:00 a.m. Helen Condit Kerlin *Mary Kerlin
Elizabeth "Bessi" Pica *Sister, Allie

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19
8:00 a.m. John S. Garrett *Fr. J. C. Garrett, son
Gladys & Daniel Luciano *Children

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20
8:00 a.m. Pasquale & Louise Nardelli *Daughter
Emilia & Michael Tomasulo *Family

4:30 p.m. John Battisti *Family
Janice Glassman *Friend, Eleanor

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. William Stout, Sr. *Wife & son
Ida Santilli *M/M L. Santilli

Early Deadline for Bulletin Items

Items to be published in the bulletins for the weekends of December 20-21 and/or 27-28 should be submitted no later than **Monday, December 15**. Please email all bulletin announcements to dmikics@ols-sa.org. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Rectory Office Hours

Mon – Thu: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; 1:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Fri & Sat: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Closed Sunday

Gift Drop-off This Weekend

If you signed up to adopt a family or a child for Christmas, please remember to drop off your wrapped gifts in the school cafeteria between 1 and 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 14. Thanks to all who contributed!

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners:

In addition to the figure and message of St. John the Baptist, there is another theme within the readings of the Third Sunday of Advent that has given this day its name—*Gaudete Sunday*. It signals the passage from Advent's rather austere and penitential first half to its second half dominated by the joyful expectation of the Savior's birth! The title is taken from the first words of the entrance antiphon of the Mass: "Rejoice (*Gaudete*) in the Lord always." (Philippians 4: 4) In the first reading from Isaiah we hear "I rejoice heartily in the Lord, in my God is the joy of my soul." The responsory is the Magnificat of Our Lady who sings out, "My soul rejoices in my God," while the epistle begins with the admonition: "Rejoice always." The liturgical vestments may be rose colored and flowers may adorn the altar.

Joy is the mark of a Christian. But where is joy to be found? It is not necessarily tied to the present moment for these are fleeting. Christian joy does not mean we are to be Pollyannas nor blind to the harsh realities of life. Archabbot Lambert Reilly reminds us that "In our hearts we know that whatever happens the Lord is dealing with us as we should be dealt with and that whatever we experience is a help along the road to eternal life." Christian joy is founded on hope. Joy is connected not to what we have but to what we will have. The Archabbot observes "Our *Alleluia* is not connected with jumping up and down because of our present experience. It should derive from the calm realization that what lies ahead exceeds even the greatest joy we can feel in any of our earthly moments."

***Come to us, Lord Jesus Christ,
Come as we search the scriptures
And see God's hidden purpose.***

***Come as we walk the lonely road,
Needing a companion,***

***Come when life mystifies and perplexes us,
Come into our disappointments and unease,
Come at table when we share our food and hopes,
And, coming, open our eyes to recognize you,
Joy itself!***

With affection
Msgr. Gervasio

Weekly Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

A lamp that burns before the Blessed Sacrament in St. Anthony Church this week is offered in loving memory of Jean C. Pippa at the request of her family.

Congratulations!

Our Prayers Accompany You!

We are pleased to share with you the happy news that our parishioner, **Linda Lane**, will be commissioned as a **Lay Ecclesial Minister** by His Excellency, John M. Smith, Bishop of Trenton, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption today. This special role in the life of our local Church is the fruit of much prayer and study. We congratulate Linda, who will serve our parish in various ways but devoting much of her ministry to the pastoral care of the sick. We offer our felicitations to her husband, Gary, and all family members!

Remember Your Parish

The Christmas Collection is perhaps the most important appeal of the year. Do not forget to include our parish on your gift list. Your continued generosity each week is most appreciated, especially in light of these difficult economic times. Please be as generous as you can. The funds this Christmas appeal go a long way to helping our parish meet its various financial commitments—especially the mission of Catholic education.

Parish Office Closing

Please note that the parish office will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 24, 25, and 26, for Christmas. The office will reopen on Saturday, December 27.

Thanksgiving Thanks

Russell Hansel, executive director of Mt. Carmel Guild, expressed his gratitude for our parish's donation of turkeys, other Thanksgiving food items, and monetary gift of \$670, saying, "Please accept my sincere thanks for your generous support of Mt. Carmel Guild. Because you care, we can make a difference in the lives of the less fortunate here in our community."

Congratulations

We offer congratulations and prayerful gratitude to our parish Social Concerns Committee, which was recently honored with a 2008 Diocese of Trenton *Gaudium et Spes* Award. The award recognized the committee members' ministry of charity and justice.

***Please Pray for Our Beloved
Deceased
Amedeo DeSantis***

2008—CHRISTMASTIDE—2009

Sacrament of Penance

Area Penance Service - Thursday, December 18

7:00 p.m.: St. Gregory the Great Church, Hamilton

Saturday, December 20

3:15 – 4:00 p.m.: St. Anthony

3:45 – 4:30 p.m.: Our Lady of Sorrows

Solemnity of Christmas

Vigil: Wednesday, December 24

St. Anthony

4:00 & 6:00 p.m. (*English*); 9:00 p.m. (*Creole*)

Solemn Mass at Midnight

Church doors open at 11:15 p.m.

Our Lady of Sorrows

4:00 p.m. (Church & Gym) & 7:00 p.m. (Church)

Thursday, December 25

Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

St. Anthony

10:00 a.m. (*English*) & 5:00 p.m. (*Creole*)

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

New Year's Day

Vigil: Wednesday, December 31

Our Lady of Sorrows & St. Anthony

4:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 1

Our Lady of Sorrows

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. only

St. Anthony

10:00 a.m. (*English*) & 5:00 p.m. (*Creole*)

Stewardship Report

Weekly collection: December 7	\$21,421
Immaculate Conception	\$3,398

Rental Income

St. Anthony Campus (3 Buildings)	\$29,271
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Recent Expenses

School Subsidy (November)	\$40,000
Parish Payroll	\$33,521
Building Maintenance	\$7,159
Diocese of Trenton	
Property Insurance	\$5,650
Health Plan	\$1,200
PSE&G	\$5,517
Telephone	\$2,929
Liturgical Items / Organ Maintenance	\$1,927
Envelopes (Printing & Postage)	\$1,911
Grounds	\$1,583
Natural Gas Co.	\$1,469
Rectory Household & Office	\$811
Police Traffic Services	\$720
Religious Education	\$679
Maintenance	\$647
Youth Ministry	\$600
Trenton Water Works	\$438
Housekeeping	\$392
Elevator Maintenance	\$275
Bus Services	\$160
Hospitality	\$156
Office Supplies	\$106
Wedding Preparation	\$60
Fingerprinting	\$26

Pray for the Sick

We commend to your prayers all the sick in the parish. While not every name can appear in the listing below, we remember all those who are ill and pray that they may know the Lord's healing presence.

Frank Adamczyk, Peggy Seiler Brand, Kay Daily, Katherine D'Angelo, Paula Donahue, Tom Dzuibek, Patricia Havardansky, Robert Herrera, Edith LaBella, George Loh, Marie Marki, Judy Miller, Charlotte Nucaso, Richard Pizzuti, Thomas Powner, Vivian Saxby, Ian Scheuerman, Dave Thoennes, Mary Masick Timian, and Anthony Tonzini

Due to limited space and our desire to include the names of others, absent special circumstances, names will remain on our list for one month only. Please call the parish office (587-4372) to have a name removed earlier.

God Bless Our Newly Baptized

Antonio Robert Schenck Ariana Noelle Zomparelli

Youth Group News

High School Youth Group Calendar

Dec. 7 - Advent Meeting (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Dec. 14 - Service Night (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Dec. 21 - Christmas Party (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Dec. 28 - No Meeting

Jan. 4 - Guys Night Only (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Jan. 11 - Meeting (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Jan. 18 - Girls Night Only (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Jan. 25 - Meeting (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)

Middle School Youth Group

Dec. 5 - Meeting (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Dec. 19 - Christmas Party (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)
 Bring your favorite snacks to share.

Jan. 2 - No Meeting
 Jan. 16 -17 Middle School Lock-In
 Jan. 30 - Meeting (7 – 9 p.m., Mary's Haven)

Our Economic Crisis

*A Reflection of Cormac Cardinal Murphy-O'Connor
Archbishop of Westminster, Great Britain*

Religious leaders are not normally economists; however, they cannot ignore the human consequences of the rise and fall of economic indicators. Behind the gloomy headlines are cities, neighborhoods, families, individuals deeply affected by the economic breakdown; and the hardest hit will be the poor.

Christians have a paramount concern for the poor. The justice of a community is measured by how it treats the powerless. And a 'globalised' world must consider not only the poor and marginalized in the West, but also the eight hundred million people outside it living in poverty, together with the half a billion who are chronically hungry. Any new dispensation of world economy which does not address the extreme marginalization of rich and poor does not merit consideration.

The Church neither condemns the market economy nor canonizes it. The laws by which the market operates are not blind. They can be moderated by human decisions. Those who operate the market are obliged to promote the common good and to safeguard against those most adept at exploiting it.

All of us must consider the moral implications of what we are doing and whether we are contributing to promoting the common good and not perpetuating injustice. There is nothing immoral in wanting to be prosperous. But are economic growth and material prosperity the sole criteria of a healthy society? Although the majority of people in the developed world are better off financially than they were 40 years ago, has this brought social, emotional, and spiritual well-being?

The present crisis may be a *kairos*: an opportunity for stocktaking about what we understand by the common good, about what national or social success means, about what it means to be human. It is an opportunity to recognize that ensuring social justice cannot be left to governments, politicians, and the market, but depends on our day to day decisions and on the goals we set.

From *L'Osservatore Romano* (English Edition)
19 Nov 2008 p. 9

Looking for Banner

If you have any information as to the whereabouts of the St. Anthony Tonettes' Banner, please call Mrs. Geraldine Mirabelli at 396-1064.
Thank you!

Bible Study Groups

Monday Night Bible Study

OLS Lower Church at 7:30 p.m.

Information: Len Commini—800-365-9656 x6561

Wednesday Morning Bible Study & Faith Sharing

OLS Church Meeting Room at 9:45 a.m.

Information: Mary Napolitano—586-2203

Women's Scripture Sharing

1st & 3rd Sunday each month from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

2nd floor of Mary's Haven, OLS Campus

New members & guests welcome.

Information: Pat—587-6838

Thanks to Caring Hearts!

In November, 249 hours of service—visiting, transportation, respite care, shopping, reassurance calls, and chores—were provided by 45 volunteers to 34 persons.

Caring Hearts volunteers provide non-medical services to our homebound elderly and disabled neighbors. Do you have an extra hour in your week to give to someone who needs your help? Caring Hearts can match you with a homebound senior who may need just the talents you have to offer. Is one of these current needs a match for you?

Dusting Angel: If you wield a mean dust cloth, how about helping one of our senior ladies near St. Mary's Cemetery with a little light housekeeping? Just a bit of your time and elbow grease will help keep her healthy and comfortable.

Shopping Assistant: Know your way around those supermarket aisles? You could be just the person to help a wonderful 95-years-young senior stay well-fed and well-supplied. Every other week is enough for her needs.

If you would like more information on joining this satisfying ministry, either as a caregiver or a care receiver, please call Anne Kantor at 586-6596.

Bingo Assignments

Saturday: 8 p.m. – Parish Center Cafeteria

The Bingo worker schedule appears below. If there is a scheduling conflict, please contact Karen Brisson (587-4141) or Susan Dolan (324-3985) well in advance so that other arrangements can be made. Workers are asked to arrive by 6:45 p.m.

Dec. 20 **Piepszak, Stout, Sutton, Walsh
Angelucci**

Dec. 27 **No Bingo—Merry Christmas!**

Seniors' Activities

Senior Club #1

There will be no meeting or bus trip in December.

Senior Club #2

There will be no meeting on Tuesday, December 16.

We will hold our Christmas Luncheon at Rosa's Restaurant. Be there by 1:00 p.m.

Trip to Showboat Casino on Dec. 17

Bus leaves the OLS church parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

Call Bea (298-5559) for reservations.

Senior Club #3

No meeting on December 23

Christmas Luncheon: December 19, 1:30 p.m.

Rosa's Pizza Star (3442 S Broad St, Trenton)

Call Marie Rizzuto (586-7127) for reservations.

Meetings resume on January 13, 2009, 1:00 p.m.

Church Meeting Room – Table 1 Hosts

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All!

Our Seniors Clubs welcome new members! You do not have to be a parishioner to join the Seniors Clubs.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

TRENTON CATHOLIC ACADEMY TO SPONSOR "IRON MIKE" ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAME

**WHAT: "IRON MIKE"
ALUMNI
BASKETBALL
GAME**

**WHEN: MONDAY,
DEC 22, 2008
6:00PM**

**WHERE: TRENTON CATHOLIC ACADEMY at
MCCORRISTIN CAMPUS**

**WHO: ALL ST. ANTHONY,
MCCORRISTIN &
TRENTON CATHOLIC ACADEMY
"IRON MIKE" ALUMNI INVITED**
Reception following game



**CONTACT SR. DOROTHY PAYNE AT 609-586-3705 X12
OR EMAIL DPAYNE@TRENTONCATHOLIC.ORG BY**

R.S.V.P by Monday, December 15, 2008

Holy Father's December Prayer Intentions

General: That in the face of a spreading of a culture of violence and death the Church through her apostolic and missionary activity may promote with courage the culture of life.

Mission: That especially in mission countries Christians may show with acts of fraternal love that the Child born in the stable at Bethlehem is the luminous Hope of the world.

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center

Mount Holly, NJ

609-877-0509 FHOP@verizon.net

www.FHOP.org

Directed Retreat Weekend

7:00 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, to 1:00 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 21
A weekend of silence, solitude, prayer with Scripture, Spiritual Direction and Liturgy. Donation: \$125 / \$40 non-refundable deposit with registration.

End of the Year Retreat

Wednesday, Dec. 31, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Since God gives us life and time and is Lord over all, it seems appropriate to end the year in prayer. Francis House offers time, space and quiet for naming the graces of 2008 and expressing gratitude to God. The afternoon will focus on our goals, hopes and desires for 2009. Please bring a bag lunch. Love Offering

Centering Prayer Introductory Workshop

Sunday, Jan. 4, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

What is Centering Prayer? How do I "do" Centering Prayer? Will Centering Prayer really change me? Is the fact that I can't quiet my mind a problem? Come and see. It is well worth the day. Donation: \$25. Please bring a bag lunch.

Buy Christmas Music, Feed the Hungry

A Princeton Christmas: For the Children of Africa, Vol. 2, is a new compilation of Christmas music by eleven Princeton choirs to feed hungry children via the World Food Program. The CD can be acquired from Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, and the Princeton University Store.

Widows & Widowers Dance Social

The Mercer County chapter of the Widows and Widowers will hold its monthly dance social on December 19, at 7:30 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1451 Klockner Road, Hamilton. Refreshments will be served. All widows and widowers are welcome to attend. For details, call Marilyn (587-8959) or Regina (585-3453).

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GOSPEL TODAY

DEC. 14, 2008

JOHN 1: 6-8, 19-28



John the Baptist denies being the Christ. He is sent to testify to the light, the coming of Christ, light of the world.



THIRD WEEK OF

ADVENT

BE AWARE, PREPARE, REJOICE!



GAUDETE SUNDAY

The rose/pink candle represents hope and joy. Rejoice! We are halfway through Advent and Christmas is near. Christ, light of the world, is coming soon.



The Rose Candle

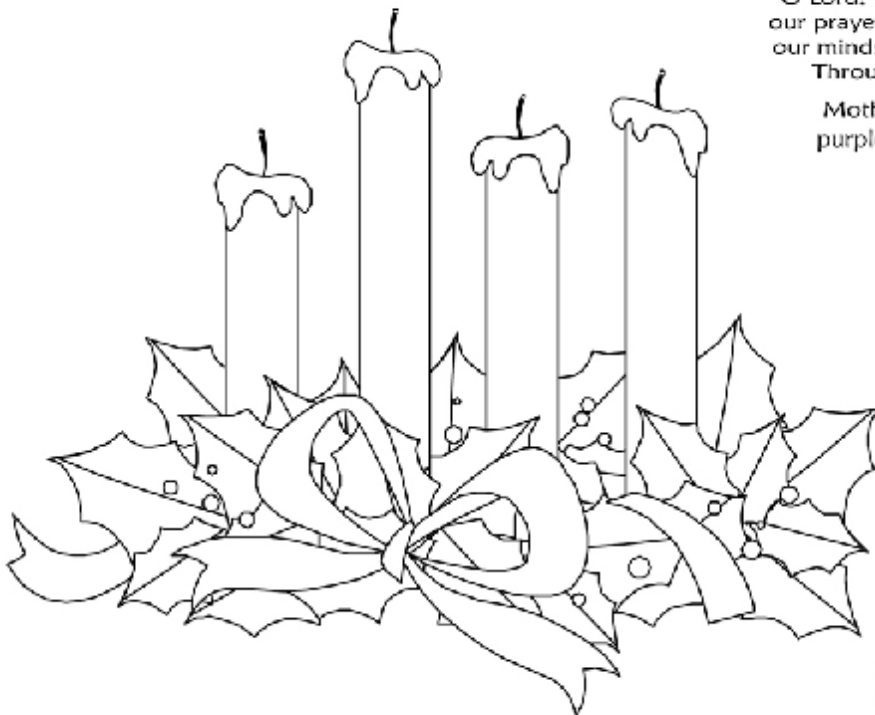


WEEK 3, evening lighting prayer

Prayer said by Father or head of household

"O Lord, we beg Thee, incline Thy ear to our prayers and enlighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Through Christ our Lord, Amen".

Mother lights the first & second purple and the rose/pink candle.

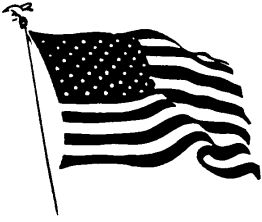


Color 3 purple and 1 rose/pink candle. Draw flames on 2 purple and the rose/pink candle and color the holly leaves green.

This Week's Activities*

<u>Day, Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sat., Dec. 13	8:00 a.m.	CYO Sports Practice	Gym
	6:00 p.m.	Haitian Christmas Party for Children	St. Anthony Hall
	8:00 p.m.	Bingo	Cafeteria
Sun., Dec. 14		Welcome Sunday	Lower Church Front
	Noon	CYO Sports Program	Gym
	1:00 p.m.	Adopt-a-Family/Child Gift Drop-off (until 3 p.m.)	Cafeteria
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 38 Meeting	Lower Church Front & Church Library
	7:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group Meeting	Mary's Haven, Gym, & Cafeteria
Mon., Dec. 15	5:30 p.m.	Jazzercise	Gym
	7:00 p.m.	Simbang Gabi Mass	Upper Church
	7:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 38 Committee Meeting	Church Library
	7:30 p.m.	Bible Study	Lower Church Front
	8:00 p.m.	CYO Sports Practice	Gym
Tue., Dec. 16	6:45 p.m.	Pre-School Christmas Play	Gym
	7:00 p.m.	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Church Library
Wed., Dec. 17	9:45 a.m.	Bible Study	Church Meeting Room
	5:30 p.m.	Jazzercise	Gym
	6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts Meeting	Lower Church Front
	7:00 p.m.	Haitian Advent Retreat	St. Anthony Church
	7:30 p.m.	RCIA	Church Meeting Room
	8:00 p.m.	CYO Sports Practice	Gym
Thu., Dec. 18	6:00 p.m.	School Christmas Play	Gym
	7:00 p.m.	Area Penance Service	St. Gregory the Great Church
	7:00 p.m.	Communion & Liberation: School of Community	Mary's Haven
	7:00 p.m.	Haitian Advent Retreat	St. Anthony Church
Fri., Dec. 19	5:00 p.m.	CYO Sports Practice	Gym
	6:00 p.m.	Haitian Christmas Party for Children	St. Anthony Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Middle School Youth Group Meeting	Mary's Haven & Gym
	7:30 p.m.	<i>Priceless Promise</i> (Christian Community Choir Concert)	St. Anthony Church
Sat., Dec. 20	8:00 a.m.	CYO Sports Practice	Gym
	8:00 p.m.	Bingo	Cafeteria
	8:00 p.m.	Haitian Adult Christmas Party	St. Anthony Hall
Sun., Dec. 21	Noon	CYO Sports Program	Gym
	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 38 Meeting	Lower Church Front & Church Library
	7:00 p.m.	High School Youth Group Meeting	Mary's Haven & Gym

** Activities listed above represent requested facility reservations. Please contact your group's leader if you have any question about whether or not the activity is still being held.*



***This Christmas,
Remember Our Troops and Their Families***

The NJ National Guard, with Senator Bill Baroni and the Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association, are collecting pre-paid phone cards for our troops overseas. Share the joy of Christmas with the men and women who are serving their country so far from home and their loved ones. Drop-off locations are Senator Baroni's office at 3691-A Nottingham Way and the following fire companies:



Rusling Hose Fire Co.
13 Rennie St.
Hamilton (08610)

Decou Hose Co.
61 Ruskin Ave.
Hamilton (08610)

Hamilton Fire Co.
1805 East State St.
Hamilton (08609)

White Horse Fire Co.
19 Locust Ave.
Hamilton (08610)

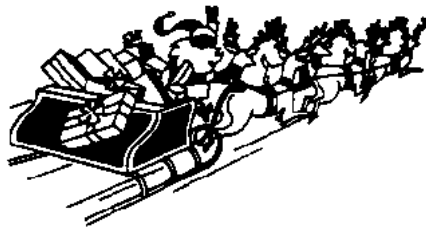
Enterprise Fire Co.
569 Klockner Rd.
Hamilton (08619)

Colonial Fire Co.
810 Kuser Rd.
Hamilton (08619)

Mercerville Fire Co.
2711 Nottingham Way
Hamilton (08619)

Nottingham Fire Co.
200 Mercer St.
Hamilton (08690)

Groveville Fire Co.
4201 Crosswicks-Hamilton Square Rd.
Hamilton (08691)



Also, the NJ National Guard and Senator Baroni will be distributing holiday gift baskets to the families of our troops overseas. If you would like to make a donation, they will be accepting newly purchased items in gift baskets or gift bags including:

- Candles and picture frames
- Baskets of bath items (bath oils, lotion, powder, etc.)
- Small photo albums
- Gift cards to Target, Wal-Mart, supermarkets
- Disposable cameras
- Gift cards to restaurants, movie theaters

Donations may be dropped off at Senator Baroni's office (3691-A Nottingham Way).

The donation deadline for both phone cards and gift basket items is December 19. If you have any questions about either of these efforts, please call 631-9988.



***December 14 Is Welcome Sunday
at Our Lady of Sorrows Church***

Please come for coffee & conversation
after all Sunday morning Masses.