

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS – ST. ANTHONY



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December 13, 2009



626 S. Olden Ave.

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, 9:00, & 11:00 a.m. (OLS)
8:00 & 10:00 a.m. (SA)
6:30 p.m. (Creole) (SA)

Holy Days of Obligation

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

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)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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

Monthly Rosary & Weekly Novenae

Rosary: 1st Sun of Month, 8:30 a.m. (OLS)
Miraculous Medal Novena: Mon, after 8 a.m. Mass (SA)
St. Anthony Novena: Tue, after 8 a.m. Mass (SA)

Parish Staff

Rev. Msgr. Thomas N. Gervasio, Pastor
Rev. Eugene K. Savarimuthu, Adjunct
Rev. Pierre M. Alabr , Haitian Ministry
Rev. Oscar Sumanga, In Residence

Deacons

James Buchanan	James Challenger
Joseph Jaruszewski	Timothy Moore
Kevin O'Boyle	Dennis Slavin

Trustees

Julianne DeCore	Kenneth Sked
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Pastoral Outreach

Joan Bartolomei

Youth Ministry

Karen Craven

Music Ministry

Michael Amantia

Parish Secretary

Doreen Griffin-Gallway

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Clara Gioe

Bulletin & Calendar

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Ms. Magda Dorl ans
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Our Lady of Sorrows School & Religious Education Program

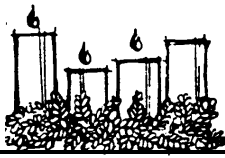
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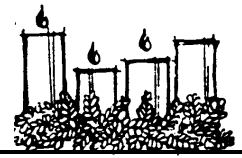
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Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2009



They all asked whether John might be the Christ Luke 3:10-18

Mass Intentions for the Week

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12
5:00 p.m. Frank Fucello, Sr.
*Jacqueline & George Massina
Anthony F. Marasco *Emily Sciarrotta

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13
7:30 a.m. Peter Pierleonardi *Peggy Cook
William Munn *Margie Nocera
9:00 a.m. Arthur J. Jones *Nick Chomicki
Gennaro Angelino *Ida & Charles Leo
11:00 a.m. Vincenzo Amantia
*Michael Amantia & family
Joan Hooker *Joan Bennett

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14
7:00 a.m. Patricia Havardansky
*Debbie & Allan Rosenfeld
Lynn Tritremmel *David & Bunny Thames

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15
7:00 a.m. Mary Kondash *Gentile Family
Minh Nguyen *Denise Smith

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16
7:00 a.m. Peter Tiffert & daughter, Joan
*Wife & mother
Vincent Fontanazzi *Mike Amantia

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17
7:00 a.m. Patricia Havardansky *Nicole Colella
Jean Morello *Drew, Roxanna, & Andrea

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18
7:00 a.m. Frank Adamczyk *Gertrude Pinto
Vincent Fontanazzi *M/M Richard Czyzewski

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19
5:00 p.m. June Ronan *Pat & Ted Delozier
John Mack *Peggy Mack

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20
7:30 a.m. Charles Kachur *Family
Alvon P. Zimmerman *Marge & Fred Pallotti
9:00 a.m. Peter Pierleonardi *Tracy Gumerlock
Gioacchina Angelina *Ida & Charles Leo
11:00 a.m. Anthony Rizzieri, Jr. *Mom & Dad
Kate Takacs *Dolores & Ben Stec

Mass Intentions for the Week

SAINT ANTHONY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12
8:00 a.m. Frank Pellitteri *G. & J. Beres
Dennis Bryce *Family
4:30 p.m. Janice Glassman *Eleanor
Mario Passerella *Wife

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. Joseph & Monica Adamowitz
*David & Florence
Lucy Cooper *Mollye Carroll

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14
8:00 a.m. Mary Monteverde *Antoinette Terry
Mary Snyder *Catherine Burns

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15
8:00 a.m. Raymond A. Costello *Kathy & Dave Pierfy
Julie Chester *Bill & Lynette Sutterlin
Roberta E. Warford *Tara & Jay LaPage

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16
8:00 a.m. Joseph Favata *Wife, Jean
Regina Uveges *Brennan Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17
8:00 a.m. Emil Petrecca *Family
Helen Kerlin Condit *Mary Kerlin

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18
8:00 a.m. Robert H. Herrera *Mike Fonde
Stephen E. Beczo *Carl & Stacy Nami

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19
8:00 a.m. William Stout, Sr. *Wife & son
Regina Uveges *Carolyn Hawkes
4:30 p.m. Deceased Haller & Halloran Family Members
*Eileen & John Haller
James Nuscato *Wife & children

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20
8:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. John S. Garrett *Fr. J. C. Garrett
Ethan Bayce *Family

Weekly Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

The lamps that burn before the Blessed Sacrament in St. Anthony Church this week are offered in loving memory of Thomas J. Della Rossa at the request of his wife and family.

Liturgical Celebrations This Week

Mon., Dec. 14

St. John of the Cross

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners:

This Third Sunday of Advent is by long tradition also referred to as "Gaudete Sunday." It is a Latin imperative that takes its name from the first word of the Entrance Antiphon of the Mass: "REJOICE in the Lord always; again I say rejoice! The Lord is near." (Phil 4:4-5) The liturgical color may be that of rose, for today is a brief pause in Advent. Flowers may also decorate the altar, providing us a hint of the full joy that will be ours at the celebration of Christmas.

Speaking of joy, I want to invite everyone to experience the joy of reconciliation in the Sacrament of Penance. This is the most appropriate and best preparation we can make for Christmas! A Penance Service will be held this Tuesday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Gregory the Great. This celebration will include a brief liturgy of the Word, prayers, and the opportunity for individual confession. A number of priests will be available. Let us come together and rejoice in the mercy and pardon of the Lord!

This weekend our parish has again its full compliment of priests with the return of Fr. Gene. I must offer special thanks to my brother priests who have been so helpful during the past month especially Fr. Daniel Gowan; Msgr. Gregory Vaughan, our Vicar General; Fr. Tom Fesen, and Fr. Ian Trammell. Their willing help was indeed a blessing

With affection
Msgr. Gervasio

Stewardship Report

Weekly Collection: December 6 \$18,819

Bishop's Annual Appeal (as of 12/7)

Pledged: \$81,618 Paid \$74,988 Donors: 466

If You Haven't Already . . .

Please consider responding to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Thanks to many wonderful donors, our parish is at 90.7 percent of its goal. If we don't make our goal, we get nothing back. But if we make goal, we will receive \$13,500 plus half of any donations that take us beyond our goal. So please help us receive by giving!

Very Important Notice

If you ordered candy from the Pre-school, please remember to pick it up from the Church Meeting Room this weekend. Pickup hours on Saturday are from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; on Sunday, your order can be picked up between 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

Year for Priests 2009 – 19 June – 2010

Faithfulness of Christ—Faithfulness of priests

A Prayer for Priests and Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, please grant to your faithful servants the grace and strength to carry out your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name. Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them.

Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

Keep in Your Prayers this Week:

Rev. Msgr. Thomas A. Luebking

Rev. Stanley P. Lukaszewski

Rev. Gerard F. Lynch O.S.S.T.

Rev. Michael J. Lynch

Rev. Vicente N. Magdaroag

From the Curé d'Ars:

To approach God one should go straight to him, like a ball from a cannon. Advice

The Tradition of the Advent Wreath



The Church is celebrating the season of Advent, a time to anticipate the birth of Christ, the Light of the World. Our

parish continues its tradition of inviting families to carry the lighted Advent candle in procession at the beginning of each weekend Mass. If your family is interested in participating in this special tradition, please arrive at church 20 minutes before Mass starts and let the deacon know that you are interested in carrying in the Advent candle.

Reminder

The OLS-SA Holy Name Society reminds its members that those who wish to take advantage of the St. Alfonso retreat subsidy next summer must pay their dues in full by December 31.

The Night before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas, and all through the town,
St. Joseph was searching, walking up roads and down;

Our Lady was waiting, so meek and so mild,
While Joseph was seeking a place for the Child.

The children were nestled, each snug in their beds,
The grown-ups wouldn't bother, "There's no room," they said;

When even the innkeeper sent them away,
Joseph was wondering, where they would stay?

He thought of the caves in the side of the hills,
"Let's go there," said Mary, "it's silent and still."

The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,
Made pathways of light for their tired feet to go;

And there in a cave, in a cradle of hay,
Our Savior was born on that first Christmas Day!

The Father was watching in heaven above,
He sent for His angels, His couriers of love.

More rapid than eagles God's bright angels came,
Rejoicing and eager as each heard His name;

"Come Power, Come Cherubs, Come Virtues, Come Raphael,
Come Thrones and Dominions, come Michael and Gabriel;

Now fly to the Earth, where My poor people live,
Announce the glad tiding My Son comes to give."

The shepherds were watching their flocks on this night,
And saw in the heavens an unearthly light.

The angels assured them, they'd nothing to fear,
It's Christmas they said, the Savior is here!

They hastened to find Him, and stood at the door,
Till Mary invited them in to adore.

He was swaddled in bands from His head to His feet,
Ne'er did the shepherds see a baby so sweet!

He spoke not a word, but the shepherds all knew,
He was telling them secrets and blessing them too;

Then softly they left him, the Babe in the hay,
And rejoiced with great joy on that first Christmas Day.

Mary heard them exclaim as they walked up the hill,
"Glory to God in the Highest, Peace to men of good will!"

by Sister St. Thomas, B.N.D. de N

God Bless Our Newly Baptized

Lindsay Grace Baker
Connor Jayce Bramley
Catherine Cecelia Kent
Stevie Marie Ligato
Kacey Amelia Mirabelli

Prayer Shawls

The Prayer Shawl Group meets at 1:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month in the Church Meeting Room. Prayer shawls are made for patients in area hospitals, assisted living facilities, and nursing homes. If you or anyone you know would be interested in making prayer shawls, please call Joyce Farina at 888-4516. If you have any completed prayer shawls or if you wish to donate yarn, call Joyce, and she will make arrangements to meet with you. We ask that you refrain from dropping off any completed prayer shawls or yarn at the parish office and instead call Joyce. Thank you.

Youth Ministry Program Upcoming Events

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| Dec. 13 | Youth Ministry Mass
11:00 a.m. at OLS
Adopt-A-Family
Noon in OLS cafeteria |
| Dec. 18 | Middle School Christmas Party* |
| Dec. 20 | High School Christmas Party* |
| Dec. 27 | No meeting |
| Jan. 3 | High School Meeting* |
| Jan. 9 | Girls Nite In
6:00-8:00 p.m. in Mary's Haven |
| Jan. 10 | Youth Ministry Mass
11:00 a.m. at OLS - Activity to follow |
| Jan. 15 | Middle School Ice Skating |
| Jan. 17 | High School Fun Night |
| Jan. 24 | High School Meeting* |
| Jan. 29 | Middle School Meeting* |
| Jan. 31 | High School Meeting* |
- * 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Mary's Haven

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.

Evelyn Bella, Peggy Seiler Brand, Connie Caggiano, William Curtin, Jr., Noel DeBlois, Ted Dolci, Paula Donahue, William Doolan, Victoria Elley, Laura Fritsky, Milto Gallager, Kristin Alia Garvey, Jim Holman, Susan Jakubiak, Joseph Kalinowski Sr., Edith LaBella, Leon LaBella, John A. Lenhardt, Jr., Richard Lisiewski, John A. Longo, Barbara McClanahan, JoAnn McGuinness, Mary O'Malley, Charles Scarna, Josephine Terlecki, Dave Thoennes, Virginia Urlick

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. Call the parish office (587-4372) to have a name removed earlier.

2009—CHRISTMASTIDE—2010

Sacrament of Penance

Area Penance Service - Tuesday, December 15

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

Saturday, December 19

3:15 – 4:00 p.m.: St. Anthony

3:45 – 4:30 p.m.: Our Lady of Sorrows

Solemnity of Christmas

Vigil: Thursday, 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)

Friday, 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: Thursday, December 31

Our Lady of Sorrows & St. Anthony

4:00 p.m.

Friday, 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*)

Adopt-a-Family

Sunday, Dec 13, is the drop off day for Adopt-a-Family gifts. Please bring the wrapped gifts to the cafeteria of the Parish Center, located in the basement of OLS School, from **1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** **Please have the donation number and the child's name on each item.** Thank you so much!

Parent Bingo Assignments

Workers to arrive by 6:15 p.m.

Parish Center Cafeteria

The Bingo worker schedule appears below. If there is a scheduling conflict, please contact Karen Carella (kecarella@optonline.net, 888-4388) or Karen Brisson (587-4141) well in advance so other arrangements can be made. Bingo begins at 7:30 p.m.

**Dec 19(Gr K) Primerano, Ronan, Schaeffer
Sheehan, Vega**

Dec 26 No Bingo – Merry Christmas!

Rosary Altar Holiday Luncheon

The Rosary Altar Holiday Luncheon will be held at 12:00 noon on Sunday, January 10, at Tessara's Restaurant (Route 33 in Hamilton). The cost for dinner is \$25. Please make check payable to OLS-SA Rosary Altar Society. Complete the following registration form and place with your check in an envelope marked Holiday Luncheon. Place the envelope in the collection plate, or return to the parish office no later than Monday, January 4. If you have any questions, please call chairpersons Joyce Berryman (587-8791) or Melissa Demko (695-5359).

Rosary Altar Holiday Luncheon

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Choice of entrée:

____ Broiled Tilapia

____ Chicken Parmesan

____ Grilled 10-oz. Steak

Amount enclosed: _____ Check # _____

Seniors' Activities

Senior Club #1

Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 1:00 p.m.

St. Anthony Church Hall

Merry Christmas to all!

Senior Club #2

There will *not* be a meeting on December 15, the day of our Christmas luncheon at Rosa's Restaurant.

Be there at 1:00 p.m.

Trip to Showboat Casino (AC) on December 16
The bus leaves the church parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

Call Bea (298-5559) for a reservation.

Senior Club #3

Meeting: Tuesday, December 22, 1:00 p.m.

Church Meeting Room; Table 2 will host

Bingo and cards will follow meeting.

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

Important Notice

Because of the shortened work weeks that allow employees of the company that prints our bulletins to celebrate Christmas and New Year's, deadlines for the late December – early January issues have been moved up. In order for us to submit bulletins on time, articles and information for these issues are requested by the following dates:

Dec. 14 for both the Dec. 20 and Dec. 27 issues

Dec. 16 for the Jan. 3 issue

Thank you for your cooperation.

AROUND THE DIOCESE



Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center

Mount Holly, NJ

609-877-0509

FHOP@verizon.net

www.FHOP.org

Centering Prayer Evening

Tue, Dec 15; 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.; love offering

Preparing Spiritually for Christmas

Thu, Dec 17, 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. \$20 (lunch included)
Give a morning to preparing your heart and soul to celebrate the Mystery of God's coming into our world at Christmas and into your life every day.

Directed Retreat Weekend

7:00 p.m. Fri, Dec 18, to 1:00 p.m. Sun, Dec 20;
\$125/\$40 non-refundable deposit; please register early.
This retreat offers the opportunity to experience the graced rhythm of life in which rest restores your body and God revives your soul.

Personal Retreat Day

Wed, Dec 30; 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; \$10 or \$40 with Spiritual Direction; please bring a bag lunch.
Rest a while in the Lord. The day includes silence, personal prayer and optional Spiritual Direction.

End of the Year Retreat

Thu, Dec 31; 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; love offering; please bring a bag lunch.
Francis House offers time, space and quiet for naming the graces of 2009 and expressing gratitude to God. Then we will focus on our goals, hopes and desires for 2010.

Cleaning for a Reason

If you know any woman currently undergoing chemo, please pass the word to her that there is a cleaning service that provides FREE housecleaning, one time per month for four months, while she is in treatment.

All she has to do is sign up and have her doctor fax a note confirming the treatment. Cleaning for a Reason will have a participating maid service in her zip code area arrange for the service. For more information, visit <http://www.cleaningforareason.org>.

BANQUET FACILITY
OPEN HOUSE
January 24th 2010

1 to 5 p.m. at the Hamilton Knights of Columbus

Representatives from Caterers, Bakeries, DJ's etc. will be here to meet with you.

Our facility can accommodate Weddings, Birthdays, Retirement, Class reunion or many other types of parties.

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609-890-6213

Is Christ Calling You?

"All were questioning in their hearts." Are you considering a vocation as a Religious Teacher Filippini? Call Sr. Mary Elizabeth Lloyd, MPF, at 973-538-2886, ext. 124, or email srmelloyd@gmail.com.

Enhancing Memory Strategies



Presented by Eileen Doremus

Executive Director

Mercer County Office on Aging

February 10, Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by

Interfaith Caregiver Trenton and ECHO, Inc.

Location:

ECHO, Inc.

Covenant Presbyterian Church

471 Parkway Ave, Trenton

Bring Your Lunch

Beverages and desserts will be provided.

RSVP by February 3

Interfaith Caregivers of Trenton

393-9922