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Stephen Ministry



St. Michael's Church Newark, New York

December 2, 2007

Adventus. A Latin word meaning "to come; to arrive." We begin this new Church year with this First Sunday of Advent. The environment has changed. We use the color purple because in ancient times purple was the color of royalty and power. In this season of Advent we are reminded that we await the second coming of our King and Savior. We also omit the Gloria from Mass because Advent is a time of preparation, preparing ourselves for the celebration of Christmas and God's incarnation into our world. Therefore, we will sing the Gloria at Christmas and thereafter, once again praising God in the way the angels did at his birth. Our music will be different reminding us to watch and wait.

Advent, and most certainly our Church year, begin at the darkest time of the year. The days are short and the nights are long. Advent marks that time when darkness begins to grow weaker and the sun becomes stronger. Advent became, and still remains for us, a time signifying that the dark tide – that of hatred, racism, abuse, broken relationships, indifference to human suffering, in general our sinfulness – will turn, and that we must turn it. In other words, Advent is an invitation to break through the darkness into light. It offers a challenge that comes to us very forcefully with a question: what darkness do you need to overcome? What darkness in our lives and in our world would we like to see reversed? What breakthrough would we want for this new year? What tide would we like turned around?

This weekend, I am reading a letter from Bishop Matthew Clark regarding renewal. He is inviting us to a time of renewal in our faith through prayer and scripture. It will begin, formally, during Lent 2008. However, I think it is a wonderful time for us to begin prayerfully discerning what renewal we need here at St. Michael's. I invite you to share any of your comments with me regarding renewal. Please feel free to call me or email me (fbrewer@dor.org). I would appreciate any feedback or suggestions you may have about our faith community and our Church.

As we await the advent of our King and Savior, may this Advent be a time of renewal in our faith, in compassion and care for one another, in our commitment to Christ, and in our love for God.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Advent blessings,
Fr. Mark

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**MASSES
FOR THE WEEK**



MONDAY, December 3—Francis Xavier, priest
10:00 am DeMay Living Center
~ Thomas Steve—Louise Salerno, David & Darlene Ablen

TUESDAY, December 4—Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ For all living & deceased members of St. Michael's Parish
~ Matthew DeHimer—The Meagher Family

WEDNESDAY, December 5—Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ Dr. Fred Zugibe—M/M Eugene Mason

LITURGY OF THE WORD, with communion

THURSDAY, December 6—Advent Weekend
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel

MASSES



FRIDAY, December 7—Ambrose, bishop, doctor
9:00 am ~ (A) Marguerite & Harry Dennis—their children
5:30 pm **Vigil—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
~ Eleanor Brown—Dr. Edward Diamond

SATURDAY, December 8—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 am ~ Richard & Orma Surber—daughter
4:30 pm ~ M/M Alfonse Salmone—M/M Tony Salamone

SUNDAY, December 9—Second Sunday of Advent
8:15 am ~ M/M Nicomedes Miranda—Juan & family
10:30 am ~ Theresa Muoio—her family

In Sympathy



Please pray for the families of those who have died:
Louise Galusha

Mary Zappia Cowles, sister of Jerry Zappia

Joe Gravino, brother of Lou Gravino

Tim Dennie, nephew of Sr. Diane of St. Michael's, Lyons



SCHEDULES

WEEKEND OF December 8-9

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 8
4:30 p.m. E. Middlebrook & A. Powers

Sunday, December 9
8:15 a.m. B.Litts & S. Sapp
10:30 a.m. S. Diamond, G. Howard & R. Kommer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	LECTORS	COMMENTATORS
4:30 p.m.	J. Bouwens	K. Fisher
8:15 a.m.	R. Atkinson	D. Jackson
10:30 a.m.	Children Lector & Commentator	

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30 p.m. **M. Palermo, A. Straight, D. Switzer***
L. Trout, J. DeCook, E. Ahrens

8:15 a.m. **B. Blondell, K. Blondell, A. Chandler***
I. Colon, D. Rojas, D. DeMarco

10:30 a.m. **R. Dewa, J. Housecamp, P. Iocco***
K. Joslyn, S. Joslyn, H. Kreuser

bold = bread minister, * = cup washer


MONEY COUNTERS
Dick Bower, Captain

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Please welcome our newly Baptized:
Carter Francisco Cruz
Michael Anthony Macaulay
Holden Alexander Precourt

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day Masses:
Friday, December 7
5:30 pm Vigil
Saturday, December 8
9:00 am



Sacrificial Giving

11/25/07:	\$ 7,981.54
Same Week Last Year:	\$ 7,023.30
Annual Contributions	\$ 22,811.12
Weekly Budget Amount:	\$ 9,019.61

Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's



Signups for the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Children's Mass after all Masses next weekend, December 8-9 Any questions, please call Holly Kreuser @ 331-3662



This Week in our Parish

SUNDAY, December 2 (today)
9:15-10:15 am K-5 Faith Formation @ SMS
Noon Baptisms
6:30-8:00 pm SCOOCH (high school youth group)
Giving Tree Tag Selection

MONDAY, December 3
10:00 am Mass @ DeMay Living Center
1:00 pm **Rosary for the Unborn in the Chapel**
7:00 pm RCIA @ Betty Howlett's house
7:00-9:00 pm Angels of Faith in the Chapel
6:30-8:00 pm KFC (middle school youth group)
NO Stephen Ministry

TUESDAY, December 4
7:00 pm Pastoral Council
7:00 pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, December 5
11:45 am Faith Sandwiched In @ Parish Center
3:45-4:30 pm Children's Choir
7:00 pm Choir

THURSDAY, December 6
7:00 pm Taize Prayer Service in Church
7:00 pm Reflexion Biblica in Church Hall

FRIDAY, December 7
9:00 am 1st Friday Mass
10:00-11:00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:30 pm Vigil Mass—Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY, December 8
9:00 am Mass-Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
11:00 am Marian Cenacle

SUNDAY, December 9
9:15-10:15 am K-5 Faith Formation @ SMS
10:30 am Children's Mass
6:30-8:00 pm SCOOCH (high school youth group)
Giving Tree Tag Selection

HARVEST BASKET RAFFLE WINNERS

1ST BASKET: ERIN JENSEN
2ND BASKET: DICK SWITZER
3RD BASKET: MARY JO FENYN

Congratulations to the winners

Thank you to everyone who supported the Harvest Basket Raffle. It was a great success making \$700. The **Apple Pie Bake** too was a wonderful success. Thank you for all the dedicated hard work that went into making the pies. And of course thank you to all who bought them. The proceeds from the pie bake, which was \$1300 will go toward the 2008 Christmas Bazaar. Thank you again for your continuing support!



The Angels of Faith, ministry to women will meet on Monday, December 3 @ 7:00 pm in the Chapel. If you are interested in sharing your faith and supporting other women on their journey of faith, please join us.



Rosary & Altar Society is having a Christmas Bake Sale the weekend of December 8 & 9 after all Masses in the Church Hall. Let them do some of your Holiday baking for you!!



Rosary & Altar Society's Christmas Party is Wednesday, December 12 @ 6:00 pm. Please bring an appetizer, an \$8-\$10 gift and a canned item for the food closet. Please join us!!!



Marian Conference in Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Learn about and celebrate Mary at St. Louis Church, 64 S. Main St., Pittsford. Edward Sri, professor of theology and Scripture at the Augustine Institute in Denver, is featured guest speaker.

Mon., Dec. 10—What Catholics Really Believe about Mary...and Why

Tues., Dec. 11—Knowing Mary through the Bible

Wed., Dec. 12—Mass presided by Bishop Matthew Clark on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

All sessions begin at 7:30 p.m. Info: (585) 586-5675

Gran Oportunidad para Reflexionar sobre los Textos Bíblicos de la Infancia de Jesús

En preparación para la Navidad tenemos un estudio bíblico y reflexión sobre los textos de los evangelios de Mateo y Lucas que pertenecen al tiempo antes del ministerio público de Jesucristo.

Jueves, 6 de Dic., a las 7:00 p. m.

Jueves, 13 de Dic., a las 7:00 p.m.

Miércoles, 19 de Dic., a las 7:00 p.m.

Nos reuniremos con Hermana Kay en el salón parroquial.

Are You Hispanic or Do You Know Someone Who is Hispanic?

I, Sister Kay Schwenzer, RSM, have met some of you at church, and it has been good. As you may know I work out of a couple shared spaces in the school and parish center. My pastoral ministry is to reach out to those of Hispanic origin in this area of Wayne County. I seek your help in this endeavor of the gospel challenge: "Go and make disciples of all nations." **If you are of Hispanic origin or if you know of someone in the area who is, I would like to be able to contact you or the Hispanic you know.** The person does not have to be a church-goer. Would you please leave a message (name, address and phone number) at the parish office (331-6753) or e-mail me at kschwenzer2@aol.com. Many thanks!

CMA UPDATE—ADDITIONAL DONORS

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Thank you for your continuing support!**

Dear Church Family,

It's that time of year again! Advent is upon us, and like most of you, I love this season. The lights, the good will, the festivities. Still, it's so important to remember WHY all this happens. Because our savior came into the world as a little baby. How amazing is that?

I remember as a child being fascinated by our Nativity set (my mom still has the same one). Unlike some people that don't put baby Jesus in the manger until Christmas, we had him in there through out all of Advent. I think it's because my mom really wanted us to grasp the true understanding of what we were celebrating. Yes, we still had our pictures of Santa too...but there was a good balance. Our Advent calendars were up and ready to go every year on the 1st of December. My 3 sisters and I each had our own calendar, and we hung them in our own special spots every year. It was an exciting time. It still is, but in a different way.

As an adult I can better appreciate what this season is all about, but I think a lot of that has to do with the fact that I was taught the significance of it from the time I was very young. Tradition is so important, because it helps us realize that it's the little things that mean the most. It's the family traditions that often have the most impact on our faith life. I don't think it's a coincidence that 2 of the 4 Williams sisters work for the Catholic Church. We love our faith. And that faith was the true gift my parents gave us every Christmas (and all year through).

I was trying to explain this gift of faith to my middle school youth group last week. I know that it may not seem like it to them now—but every time their parents bring them to church—or take them to youth group—or even put out a Nativity set under the Christmas tree—they are being given a gift. A very special gift that will always be with them, through both good and bad times. The true gift of faith—is KNOWING God is always there, no matter what. That's the best gift any parent or grandparent or aunt or uncle or sibling or anyone can give a child. So if you're stressing a bit about where the money is going to come from this year, to get all those "gifts" for our kids...just keep in mind—it's not the "things" I received as a kid that I remember. It's the love and the faith, and the memory of being simply happy. That is what Advent is truly all about.

Have a great week. Love, Jeanette



Things Considered...Advent Giving Tree

Dear Ones,

As you saw on the weekend our tree is up and full. It was a challenge this year as we didn't get the names until a few days ago. This created an extremely short time to get all the paperwork done for our "tracking system" and the tags ready to go.

I am delighted to see so many of the tags taken and we still have 2 weekends before we deliver on December 16th. So please if you haven't taken a tag yet take a look at those left on the tree and choose one. All the tags are for newborn – 16 years old. There is quite a variety to choose from including those who would prefer gift cards. You can substitute a gift card for any gift on the tag if that is easier for you.

One of my concerns every year is that we will have enough donations to purchase the food certificates for each family. This year we need at least \$2,000.00 to cover the food certificates. If you can help with this part of the project there are tags on the tree and in a basket for that as well.

As always thank you for all you do to make Christmas special for those who need our help.

"Happy New Year" – after all Advent begins this weekend and it begins a new church year.

See you in church. Blessings, Pat

From our school:



St. Michael School is preparing for the Advent Season. Each grade level has chosen an Advent project within in conjunction with the church or the community. We have Mass planned and other activities that we would like to share. Check us out on the school website at [schools.dor.org/stmichaelnew!](http://schools.dor.org/stmichaelnew)



Our Christmas concert is December 20 at 7PM in the Newark High School auditorium. Come and join us for a wonderful evening of spirit and music!

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Ericca Caccamise

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Pre-school & Child Care

Reconciliation:

Sun. 7:30am-SA; After 9:30 Mass-SG,
or by appointment

Eucharist

8:00 a.m. at St. Anne's 9:30 a.m.

at St. Gregory's

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Pastor: Rev. Symon Peter Ntaiya

Deacon: CCWWC - Jim Nail

Faith Formation Coordinator: Mona Matuzzi

Youth Minister: Corey Ginett

Reconciliation: Tues. 6:00 p.m.(or by appointment)

Eucharist:

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. (St. Rose - Sodas Pt.)

Sunday 8:30 (St. Rose - Summer)

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. (English) & 2:00 p.m. (Español)

ST. PATRICK'S

Pastor: Rev. William Laird

Liturgy Coordinator: Michael Nicosia

Music Coordinator: Suzanne Portland

Religious Ed. Coordinator:

Elaine Doyle, 986-2021 (9:30-2:30 Tues-Fri)

Youth Minister: Betty Schultz 986-9620 (o) 986-5858 (h)

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4-4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Eucharist

Saturday-5:00 p.m. Sunday- 10:30 a.m.

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Prudy Luke & Karen Muhs

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Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15-4:15 p.m. or by appointment

Eucharist: Saturday: 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Baptism: Celebrated during Masses. Call the Parish Center @ 331-6753 for preparation.

Marriage: Saturday's @ 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. Please contact the Parish Center 6 months in advance for preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick: We want to be with individuals and families at the time of serious illness and offer sacramental and pastoral presence. Please call us to let us know of hospitalization or the need for a home visit. The Sacrament of the Sick is also available at any weekend Mass.

New Parishioners: We are happy to welcome new members! Please call Pat Albrecht @ 331-6753 to register.

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry Grades K-5, 9:15—10:15 a.m. at St. Michael School. Grades 6-8, 6:30—8:00 p.m. every other Monday. Grades 9-12, 6:30—8 p.m. Sunday Evenings. Call 331-6753 for a schedule.

St. Michael School. Regional School, PreK-8. Call Mrs. Pauline DeCann, 331-2297 for more information about our Parish School.

RCIA: Interested in becoming Catholic? See any staff member or call 331-6753.

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