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# St. Michael's Church Newark, New York

December 10, 2006

**SOME THINGS CONSIDERED  
 ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES**

In last weeks homily I gave you an incorrect date for our Penance Service. We will celebrate the Sacrament Monday of this week, December 11 at 11 AM and 7 PM.

Several priests will be available at both times and I hope you will be able to join us. As I asked in the homily: "When was the last time you went to confession?" For many of us the answer will be more in years than months. I urge you to pray about taking advantage of the Sacrament as we offer these celebrations this week.

I was thinking recently about my question. I try to celebrate the Sacrament at least yearly, sometimes at Christmas and Easter both. However, as I thought about it earlier I am not sure exactly when I went last. It also struck me that for many of us, serious sin or that sense of serious disconnection with God or others is not driving us often. However, the Sacrament is given to each of us both for those times of disconnection and during "ordinary time" when the Grace of the Sacrament offers strength and encouragement in living the Christian life.

In today's gospel, John cries out in the desert. Perhaps he is crying in the dryness of my soul and relationship with Jesus. He calls me to make a clear path, a straight path for the Lord. Although not always serious or mortal, there can be lots of obstacles on my path. These stumbling blocks are often of my own making: my stubbornness, inconsideration, busyness and hectic lifestyle. John calls me to clear this stuff out of the way. He further assures me, as does Baruch in the first reading, that as I do God will fill in the valleys and level the mountains. Think of the Grace of the Sacrament as God doing just that, easing the way for me to travel, making a smooth path. Think of a newly paved roadway. There is nothing nicer to drive on than a newly paved road, it is so smooth and easy. God is doing just that for you in the sacrament. Enjoy that Monday of this week at 11AM or 7PM. Have a great week. Love, Fr. Peter

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**MASSES  
FOR THE WEEK**



**MONDAY, December 11—Advent weekday**  
**Is 35: 1-10 Lk 5: 17-26**  
10:00 a.m. Mass @ Newark Manor  
~Charlotte Pitrella—Louise Ruffalo & family

**LITURGY OF THE WORD, with communion**

**TUESDAY, December 12—Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
**Zec 2: 14-17 Lk 1: 26-38**  
8:00 a.m. ~ In the Chapel

**MASSES  
FOR THE WEEK**

**WEDNESDAY, December 13—Lucy, virgin, martyr**  
**Is 40: 25-31 Mt 11: 28-30**  
8:00 a.m. ~ Elisabeth Parker—Connors Family

**THURSDAY, December 14—John of the Cross, priest, doctor**  
**Is 41: 13-20 Mt 11: 11-15**  
8:00 a.m. ~ For all living & deceased members of St. Michael's Parish

**FRIDAY, December 15—Advent Weekday**  
**Is 48: 17-19 Mt 11: 16-19**  
5:15 p.m. ~ Alexander Wojtkiewicz—wife & son

**SATURDAY, December 16—Advent Weekday**  
**Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11 Mt. 17: 9a, 10-13**  
7:30 a.m. ~ Michael Bohusz—Mary Alice Nicoletta  
4:30 p.m. ~ Armond Mere—wife, Marguerite & daughter, Marlene Donk

**SUNDAY, December 17—Third Sunday of Advent**  
**Zep 3: 14-18a Phil 4: 4-7 Lk 3: 10-18**  
8:15 a.m. ~ M/M Nicomedes Miranda—Juan & family  
10:30 a.m. ~ Raymond VanDemortel—Katherine Huebeler & family

Sacrificial Giving	
12/03/06	\$ 10,895.25
Same Week Last Year:	\$ 7,972.42
Annual Contributions	\$ 29,468.89
Weekly Budget Amount:	\$ 9,019.61
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Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	

Have you made your pledge for the **Catholic Ministries Appeal?** (formerly Thanksgiving Appeal)  
Help meet St. Michael's goal of \$50,043.00 and support Bishop Clark in his Diocese.

**SCHEDULES**

**WEEKEND OF December 16-17**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday, December 16**  
4:30 p.m. S. & M. Middlebrook

**Sunday, December 17**  
8:15 a.m. N. Avery & A. Bowers  
10:30 a.m. Jack & Scott Diamond & G. Howard

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	<b>LECTORS</b>	<b>COMMENTATORS</b>
4:30 p.m.	R. Boyd	S. Hartman
8:15 a.m.	W. Lawson	F. Lawson
10:30 a.m.	L. Porter	K. Vitaro

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

4:30 p.m. **A. Straight, L. Trout, D. Switzer\***  
K. Kehoe, E. Ahrans, P. Dennis

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

10:30 a.m. **B. Gibbons, K. Joslyn, J. Housecamp\***  
I. Gonzalez, P. Iocco, S. Joslyn

bold = bread minister, \* = cup washer

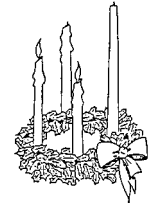
Lectors, Commentators, Altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers & Ushers are needed for all Christmas Masses. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering space.

**MONEY COUNTERS**

Dr. Mooney, Captain

**COFFEE HOUR**

Mary Jo Fenyn & Monica Deyo



*Please welcome our newly baptized:*

*Lauren lee Bowers  
Jamie Lisette Burns  
Sloane Elizabeth Peters*

Please pray for the families of those who have died:  
John Braccio, father of Betty Warner  
Jessica N. Graham

Tag Selections: 11/25-12/10

Gift Returns: 12/16 & 17

Basket Delivery: 12/17



*Giving Tree*



This Week in our Parish

<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:15 am 9:15-10:15 am <b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>December 10 (today)</b> RCIA Mass & Sending Grades K-5 Faith Formation (SMS) SCOOCH (high school youth group) Christmas Caroling @ DeMay— <b>Please note time change.</b>
<b>MONDAY,</b> 10:00 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	<b>December 11</b> Mass @ Newark Manor <b>Penance Service</b> Rosary for the Unborn in the Chapel Grades 6-8 Faith Formation (KFC) <b>Penance Service</b> Stephen Ministry @ Palmyra <b>NO Faith &amp; Illness</b>
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	<b>December 12</b> Contemporary Music Rehearsal SMS Christmas Concert @ Newark High School Auditorium
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> 3:45-4:30 pm 6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	<b>December 13</b> Children's Choir Rosary & Altar Society Christmas Party School Advisory Committee Choir Bible Study
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 1:30-3:00pm	<b>December 14</b> Advent Afternoon with Pat & Jeanette @ Church Hall
<b>FRIDAY,</b>	<b>December 15</b>
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 10:00 am 11:00 am 3:15 pm	<b>December 16</b> Touched By Cancer @ Parish Center Marian Cenacle Penance
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:15 am 9:15-10:15 am Noon 6:30 pm	<b>December 17</b> RCIA Mass & Sending Grades K-5 Faith Formation (SMS) Gift Tree Basket assembly & delivery SCOOCH (high school youth group)

**NEWS & NOTES...**



4:00 pm Christmas Eve Children's Mass Practice will be Saturday, December 17, 2006 @ 9:00 am. Any questions please call Holly Kreuser @ 331-3662.

The Holiday Kitchen wishes to thank everyone who worked or brought food in for the Christmas Bazaar. All your support is appreciated.

The Rosary & Altar Society invites you to their Christmas Party, Wednesday December 13th @ 6:00 pm in the Church Hall. Please bring as appetizer or dessert for the buffet meal and a \$10.00 gift to exchange. There will be holiday entertainment to enjoy. New members are always welcome.

**The Winners of the 2006 Bazaar Raffle**  
Snowman Shutter donated by Robin Uveges—Dawn Scales  
Christmas China Set donated by Holiday Kitchen—Kenna Colacino  
Tub of Italian Delights donated by Basket Boutique-Lyle Preston  
Hand Painted Christmas Glass Balls donated by Basket Boutique—Cheryl Clayser  
Carl's Christmas Tree—Michele McManus  
Wooden Painted Santa donated by the Wood Shoppe—Deloras Bowker  
Heirloom Touch Quilt—Janice Smith  
Tree Skirt donated by Peddler's Cloth—Kim VanCamp  
A Little Bit of Christmas Cheer donated by Country store—Kim VanCamp  
Books & Treats donated by Santa's Surprises—Alice Cravatta  
A Cozy Comfy Winter's Night Afghan & Fine Wine donated by Raffle Booth—Theresa Lagana  
Jewelry Treasures donated by Teresa La Peglio—Alayna Schmidt  
A Christmas Tea Party donated by the Bake Shoppe—Pat Zeger  
Gingerbread Delights donated by the Bake Shoppe—Gerry O'Connell  
**Congratulations to all the winners!**

**St. Michael's 2006 Christmas Bazaar**  
Thank you to all those who contributed financially to this year's "Christmas Treasures"! Your generosity is greatly appreciated. St. Michael's note cards are available for Bazaar Sponsors at the Parish Center until December 30, 2006.

*Our Christmas Schedule*

**Sacrament of Penance**  
**Monday, December 11th**  
11 am & 7 pm  
**4th Sunday of Advent**  
Saturday, December 23-4:30 p.m.  
Sunday, December 24-9:00 a.m. Only  
**Mass Schedule—Christmas**  
Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve  
4:00 PM *Children's Pageant*  
6:00 *Led By SM Youth Group*  
10:30 *Choir Concert*  
11:00 *Night Mass*  
Monday, December 25—Christmas Day  
10:00 AM *Festive Mass*  
*of Christmas Day*  
**New Year's**  
Holy Day - *Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*  
Sunday, December 31 ~ 4:30 p.m.  
Monday, January 1 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Dear Church Family,

Today's readings remind us to prepare. Prepare the way of the Lord! That is what Advent is all about...watching, waiting and preparation.

We all know how difficult this time of year can be. I hate to say that, as this should be a joyous time of celebration. But in reality, many of us find this time to be a bit overwhelming. There is so much to do, that our preparation often becomes more about making sure we have the "perfect" Christmas, than perfecting ourselves for the coming of Jesus. I know that I often feel that way. I have to sort and clean before I can even begin to think about decorating. I have several "to do" lists that include cleaning, shopping, baking, gift giving, card sending, wrapping, package sending, etc. I'm sure you understand where I'm going with this. All of these things are important, yet we place so much relevance on these "things" that what we're really preparing for gets put by the wayside.

Don't get me wrong. All of the traditions—the gift giving and card sending, etc. are important (I love receiving Christmas cards, which is why I make an effort to send them out) but it's equally important to prepare ourselves spiritually as well. How do we do that? Well, we could spend a little more time in prayer. We could focus on what Christmas really is about. It's about Jesus. Have you heard or seen that little saying, "Jesus is the reason for the season"? It's a bit hokey, but it's true! That's why we do all that we do this time of year. We do all this because a young girl named Mary said, "yes" to being the mother of our Lord, and a little child was born amid cattle and sheep, but came to save the world. We do what we do in love, because of God's love. And that's the best way to prepare—with love.

So keep working on those list, and keep baking and wrapping and writing those cards. But do it for the right reason. And do it in love.

Have a wonderful week. Love, Jeanette

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### SCOOCH & KFC NEWS:

This week our **SCOOCH** (High School)group will be going to DeMay Living Center to do a little Christmas Caroling for the residents there. We will be meeting at 5:45 p.m. (please note the time) so we can be at DeMay by 6:00 p.m., as the residents usually get ready for bed by 7:00 p.m. Then we'll head back to the Church Hall for a snack and to meet with Regina Krolak who will be speaking to the kids about some of our local group home residents. That's because on Dec. 17th SCOOCH will be hosting a Christmas Party for some of these residents that attend Church here at St. Michael's. We have a lot of fun activities planned that include singing, dancing, crafting and of course some snacking! I'm very proud of the kids in this group who will be doing what this season is all about...giving to others!

**KFC** (Jr. High) will meet on Monday, Dec. 11th at our regular meeting time, 6:30 p.m. Although we usually meet every other week, I wanted to make sure we can celebrate this joyous season together, so we'll meet again on Dec. 18th for our Christmas Party. If any middle school youth are interested in helping out with the group home party on the 17th, please let me know.

I think that should keep us busy for awhile, and we won't be gathering again until Jan. 7th for SCOOCH and Jan. 8th for KFC.

### FROM YOUR SCHOOL

Give the Gift of Tuition:

During the Christmas Season, reach out to a family in need and make a donation to the St. Michael School tuition assistance program. Give to a niece, nephew, grandchild or anonymously donate to a family who is struggling to educate their child or children in our Catholic School. Contact the school for more information at (315)331-2297.

All gifts may be tax deductible, consult your tax specialist for more details.

If a gift card is requested, please provide us with the name & address of the recipient by 12/18/06.

*St. Michael's School Cookbooks are for sale. They are available at both St. Michael School and the Parish Center. The cost is only \$10.00 and proceeds will benefit SMS 8th grade class. Get one while they last!!*

Another Saturday night of **BINGO**, December 16 @ 7:00 in St. Michael School Gym. Refreshments are available!



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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

**ST. MARY'S OF THE LAKE**

**Pastoral Administrator:** Sr. Doreen Glynn  
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**Faith Formation Coordinator:** Mona Matuzzi  
**Youth Minister:** Corey Ginett  
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**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**

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**Music Coordinator:** Suzanne Portland  
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**Eucharist**  
Saturday-5:00 p.m. Sunday- 10:30 a.m.  
**Secretary/Bookkeeper:** Prudy Luke & Karen Muhs  
**Designated Lay Preachers:**  
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**St. Michael School Principal:** Pauline DeCann, 331-2297  
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**Dick Boerman**, Chair Parish Finance Council  
**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:** Weddings are scheduled at St. Michael's on Saturday's @ 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.  
If you are recently engaged, congratulations! We invite you to contact the Parish at least 6 months in advance to allow time for preparation.  
**Sacrament of the Sick:** We want to be with individuals and families at the time of serious illness and offer the church's sacramental and pastoral presence. Please call the Parish Center to let us know of hospitalization or if you would like a home visit. You are also welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick 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.  
**Deadline for the Bulletin: 5:00 p.m. on Monday**

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for continuing to sponsor an ad  
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