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Stephen Ministry



St. Michael's Church Newark, New York

December 16, 2007

Things Considered...

Dear Ones –

Thank you for all you did to help meet our commitment for the Giving Tree. I just picked up the food certificates for the families and as I write this, other parts of our project are being worked on by several people.

Please remember we will not be having a Penance Service. Consult the bulletin to see which area parishes are having them and when they will be held.

Sign up sheets for the Christmas Liturgies are in the gathering space. Please sign up this weekend for any Mass that is convenient for you.

It is particularly important that you read our bulletin; we will be using it to share important information with you especially during this period of time.

During this busy time of year there may be particular need for Stephen Ministers. These men and women have extensive training in confidential listening skills and are available to anyone in need.

On behalf of our staff, thank you for all the support you are giving us. See you in church. Blessings, Pat



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LITURGY OF THE WORD, with communion

MONDAY, December 17—Late Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel
TUESDAY, December 18—Late Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel
WEDNESDAY, December 19—Late Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel
THURSDAY, December 20—Late Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel
FRIDAY, December 21—Late Advent Weekday
8:00 am ~ In the Chapel
SATURDAY, December 22—Late Advent Weekday
7:30 am ~ In the Chapel



MASSES

SATURDAY, December 22—Late Advent Weekday
4:30 pm ~ Armond Mere—wife, Margueritte daughter, Marlene Donk
SUNDAY, December 23—Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:15 am ~ Jason Garcia—The Hannan Family
10:30 a.m. ~ Joseph, Ann & Rozanne Frederick—their family

In Sympathy



Please pray for the families of those who have died:
Vincent Cill
Mary Baier
Patricia Renzi



OUR CHRISTMAS PENANCE SERVICE HAS BEEN CANCELED. Please check the schedule below for Penance services in our neighboring churches.

- Wednesday, December 19 7pm-St. John 's in Clyde with Fr. Joe Marcoux
- Thursday, December 20 @ 7pm-St. Patrick's in Macedon with Fr. Bill Laird
- Sunday, December 23 3:30 pm-St. Ann's in Palmyra with Fr. Jim Jaeger

SCHEDULES

WEEKEND OF December 22-23

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 22
4:30 p.m. B. & K. Bremer
Sunday, December 23
8:15 a.m. A. & N. Avery
10:30 a.m. J. Ruffalo & D. Staples

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	LECTORS	COMMENTATORS
4:30 p.m.	T. Damick	C. Hasseler
8:15 a.m.	W. Lawson	F. Lawson
10:30 a.m.	J. Dubler	S. McCadden

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4:30 p.m. **M. Hegeman, S. O'Toole, T. O'Toole***
N. Rohlin, B. Semmler, K. Semmler
8:15 a.m. **M. Jackson, R. Krolak, P. Kukuvka***
M. Lyon, P. Malach, R. McHale
10:30 a.m. **V. Case, P. Dewa, B. Gibbons***
I. Gonzales, J. Housecamp, P. Iocco
bold = bread minister, * = cup washer

MONEY COUNTERS

Connie Syron, Captain

NO COFFEE HOUR

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Sign up sheets for Christmas Masses are in the gathering space. If you are a Lector, Commentator, Altar Server or Eucharistic Minister, please sign up. Thank you!

Sacrificial Giving	
12/09/07:	\$ 8,021.60
Same Week Last Year:	\$ 9,359.56
Annual Contributions	\$25,811.21
Weekly Budget Amount:	\$ 9,019.61

Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	



Practice for **Christmas Eve Children's Mass** @ 4:00 pm will be held on Saturday, December 22 @ the following times:

Readers: 9:00 am-9:30 am
Children in Processional: 9:00 am-9:15 am (will probably end earlier)
Children in Homily: 9:30 am-10:30





This Week in our Parish

SUNDAY, December 16 (today)
 9:15-10:15 am K- 5 Faith Formation @ SMS
 11:30 am Giving Tree Delivery
 4:00 pm Youth Group Movie
 6:30 pm Group Home Christmas Party with the Youth Groups

MONDAY, December 17
~Penance Services Cancelled~
 1:00 pm Rosary For the Unborn in the Chapel
 6:30 pm KFC (middle school youth group)
 Christmas Party
 7:00 pm RCIA @ Betty Howlett's
 7:00 pm *~NO Stephen Ministry~*

TUESDAY, December 18
 7:00 pm Contemporary Music Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, December 19
 11:45 am Faith Sandwiched In @ Parish Center
 3:45 -5:00 pm Children's Choir
 6:30 pm Stephen Ministry Leaders @ Parish Center

7:00 pm Reflexion Biblica Parish Hall
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 pm Bell Choir @ SMS

THURSDAY, December 20
~PARISH OFFICE CLOSING @ 12:00~
 7:00 pm St. Michael School Concert @ High School

FRIDAY, December 21

SATURDAY, December 22
 9:00-10:30 am Children's Christmas Eve Mass practice
 11:00 am Marian Cenacle
~NO CONFESSIONS~
~Baptisms after 4:30 pm Mass~

SUNDAY, December 23
~NO FAITH FORMATION~
~NO SCOOSH~

NEWS & NOTES...

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES
 Schedules for next year are now available in the Gathering Space. Please pick up your schedule today. Thanks for volunteering!!

Rosary & Altar Society would like to thank everyone who baked or bought the delicious goods at their Christmas Bake Sale. They raised \$208. Your generous support is always appreciated.

"Don't Spend Christmas Alone"
 Together in Christ invites everyone to the **35th Annual Community Shared Christmas Dinner**. The dinner will be served at the First United Methodist Church, 301 S. Main Street in Newark on Tuesday, December 25th at 1 pm. Handicapped accessible.



There will be a Creating a Safe Environment (CASE) training presented at St. Michael's School on Thurs., Jan. 10 @ 6:30 PM in the Science Room (Rm. 114). The Diocese of Rochester REQUIRES anyone who volunteers in any capacity at St. Michael's with the youth, in the school, or with ANY vulnerable individuals, to receive this training which includes a background check. You only need to take this training ONCE - there are no follow-ups. There is no cost. If you plan to attend please call Chris @ SMS @ 331-2297.

Just a reminder, please have your donation for your Christmas Altar Flowers in memory of a loved one at the Parish Center by Monday, December 17. Thank you!



Our Christmas Schedule

Mass Schedule—Christmas

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
 4:00 pm *Children's Pageant*
 6:00 pm *Led By SM Youth Group*
 10:30 pm *Choir Concert*
 11:00 pm *Night Mass*

Tuesday, December 25—Christmas Day
 10:00 am *Festive Mass of Christmas Day*

New Year's

Holy Day – Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
 Monday, December 31 ~ 4:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, January 1 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Queen of Peace Night—Wednesday, December 19, @ 7 pm at St. Dominic's Church in Shortsville. Rosary, Confessions & Benediction, followed by Mass at 8 pm. The celebrant will be Fr. Thomas Celso from Newark. A healing blessing will be given after Mass. All are invited. For information call Anne @ 585-394-0604.

Due to Christmas & New Year's the Bulletin deadlines are as follows:
 Bulletin for Sunday, December 30 Deadline is December 20
 Bulletin for Sunday, January 6, Deadline is December 27



Dear Church Family,

As we celebrate this third Sunday of Advent (also known as Guadete Sunday) our gospel reading from St. Matthew continues with the story of John the Baptist.

You would think in this day and age when many seem to (unfortunately) thrive on violent video games, and offensive media presentations, that this kind of story would appeal to a lot of people. Besides, anyone who had ever watched the show "Survivor" on TV, would know that John the Baptist was the original and ultimate "survivor." He lived in the wilderness, with camel skinned clothes and ate locusts and wild honey to "survive." When we were discussing this in youth group, the kids thought it was pretty gross—and we figured he must have dipped the locusts in the honey to make them more edible! Sorry, I digressed a bit. Anyway, I personally really like this story...it has it all. Excitement, suspense and gore. And we all know how this story of St. John the Baptist ends—he was beheaded. Yep, it's pretty thrilling alright...but it's also very enlightening. Hmm—fron thrilling to enlightening—let me explain myself.

The thrilling part I described above. The enlightening part? Well, John the Baptist passionately proclaimed what Jesus' coming will mean to us all...*The blind will see. The lame will walk. The lepers will be cleansed. The deaf will hear. The dead will be raised.* John the Baptist knew. He believed. He was destined to bring this message to the world. He may have been a bit "out there" by some of our standards, but Jesus loved him and said, *"There has been none greater than John the Baptist."* But Jesus showed his love for all of us as well when he went on to say: *"Yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."* How incredible is that? The love Jesus has for us all, well we know how amazing it is...he died on that cross for us out of love. Is it too much to ask that we sacrifice a bit for him—that we prepare?

This time of year is about just that, and in that "preparing" we do often sacrifice. I see it here at St. Michael's. This hectic time of year can cause the most organized of us to feel stressful. Yet, so many of you have bought gifts from the tags off our Giving Tree. So many of you have donated money to buy flowers to "prepare" our church for our Christmas celebration. So many of you have given generously to purchase food certificates for those in need. You've been bringing food to Fr. Mark, praying and caring for him, and for all of the staff as well. Your sacrifice and caring mean the world to us, and is appreciated even more by our heavenly Father. John the Baptist would be proud of you all!

Have a great week! Love, Jeanette

SCOOCH & KFC NEWS from Jeanette:

At 4:00 PM today both youth groups are invited to join us for a viewing of the Christmas movie "ELF." We will then be setting up for the Group Home Christmas Party which we will be hosting in St. Michael's Church Hall from 6:30 'til 8:00 PM. ALL HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH ARE INVITED TO ATTEND! WE'D LOVE TO HAVE YOU THERE—and it's a great way to give back this holiday season.

On Monday, we will have our KFC Christmas Party, also in the Church Hall—6:30 'til 8:00 PM. Any high school youth that would like to attend are invited to do so!

There will be NO SCOOCH or KFC gatherings after this week until January—so I'll see you all next year! *I know, that's an old one, but I've always liked it!*

I still have some extra registration forms for the upcoming Diocesan Impact Retreat for High School youth, which will take place Jan. 5 & 6 at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua. Forms must be returned to me by Dec. 21st. Contact me if you need information.

From our school

St. Michael School recognized their November Students of the month at First Friday Mass. The students were selected by their teachers for personal accomplishment and behavior as a Christian role model. Mass was celebrated by Father Joe Marcoux whose home parish is St. John the Evangelist in Clyde and St. Patrick's in Savannah.



The children are from left to right beginning with the back row: Mary Rose Costello, Marissa Petrus, Ryan Kreuser and Connor McKechny, in the middle are Mary Grasso, Mathias Cheney and Keith Bremer, in front are Andrew Schuyler, Madison Witt and Alex Schuyler.

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Deacon: Jim Fitch (585) 223-1112 (h)

Youth Ministry Coordinator:

Ericca Caccamise

St. Anne's Family Resource Center

201 Canandaigua St. (315) 597-9694

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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St. Michael School Principal: Pauline DeCann, 331-2297

Chuck Mann, Pastoral Council Chair ~ **Dick Boerman**, Finance Council Chair

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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