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Stephen Ministry



# St. Michael's Church Newark, New York

December 24, 2006

## SOME THINGS CONSIDERED

Christmas 2006

I am delighted to welcome you to St. Michael's and our celebration of the Nativity of Jesus. I hope our liturgy brings you a rich experience of God's Peace and Joy today and throughout this wonderful Season.

Most of us have done a fair bit of rushing in order to get to this day. We've shopped and baked, strung lights and decorated inside and outside and in between. All this hubbub has been about others. We have worked in many different ways to make this a wonderful day for children and grandchildren, spouses and friends, neighbors and strangers who pass by our homes. We have worked to make the ordinary a bit extraordinary. Simple lights and ribbons have transformed plain green bushes and lawns. Sweaters and pants, toys and gadgets are wrapped carefully and placed lovingly to say, 'I love you' and to make special this twenty-fifth day of December. In the midst of winter cold and sometimes gloom all this effort is combined to transform hearts and lives. Isn't that what God intended in this moment we recall today? Into otherwise ordinary circumstances, a man and his wife in a simple and little known town, Bethlehem, through the vehicle of human birth God changed everything. Through this birth and the eventual death that would follow God changed everything. Life does not end, sin does not conquer, hope abounds and a light brighter than any imaginable breaks the darkness of our night. Such is the cause of our celebration, the purpose of our wearing ourselves out. God acted on our behalf out of love and so we on behalf of one another have done the work of love these days.

Inside today's bulletin you will find information on our activities and programs at the parish and our school. I hope during the days ahead you will have sometime to look this over. Please know that you are always welcome with us at Mass and all our offerings.

You can always check out our bulletin and other parish information and forms at our web site: www.stmichaelnewark.org, also at the website you will find Sunday homily. Each week we post a recording of the homily as given at Mass the previous Sunday. Your comments about the web site and other information that would be helpful to you are most welcome, just use my email: clifford@dor.org.

I hope your gathering with family and friends brings many blessings throughout this season and on behalf of all our staff, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love, Fr. Peter

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## MASSES FOR THE WEEK



**Monday, December 25—The Navity of the Lord**  
**Is 52: 7-10/Heb 1: 1-6 Jn 1: 1-18**

10:00 a.m. ~William Verstraete—Edward & Marcia Verstraete

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**, with communion

**TUESDAY, December 26—Stephen, first martyr**  
**Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59 Mt 10: 17-22**

8:00 a.m. ~ In the Chapel

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**WEDNESDAY, December 27—John, apostle, evangelist**  
**1 Jn 1: 1-4 Jn 20: 1a and 2-8**

8:00 a.m. ~ Inez Hamelinck—daughter & family

**THURSDAY, December 28—Holy Innocents, martyrs**

**1 Jn 1: 5-2: 2 Mt 2: 13-18**

8:00 a.m. ~ For all living & deceased members of St. Michael's Parish

**FRIDAY, December 29—Fifth Day in Octave of Christmas**

**1 Jn 2: 3-11/Lk 2: 22-35**

5:15 p.m. ~ Mary Sweeney—Don & Anne Crowley & family

**SATURDAY, December 30—Sixth Day in Octave of Christmas**

**1 Jn 2: 12-17 Lk 2: 36-40**

7:30 a.m. ~ Charlotte Pitrella—Marguite Riley, Jane Roulan & Jennie Luciano

4:30 p.m. ~ (A) Donald Ahrans—the family

**SUNDAY, December 31—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**Sir 3: 2-7, 12-14 Col 3: 12-21 Lk 2: 41-52**

8:15 a.m. ~Anna Buttaccio—Bill & Kitty Shea

10:30 a.m. ~ Margaret Bailey—John Bailey & family

### New Year's Mass Schedule

**SUNDAY, December 31-New Year's Eve**

4:30 p.m. ~Ann & Joseph Frederick—Rozanne Frederick

**MONDAY, January 1—The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God**

**Nm 6: 22-27/Gal 4: 4-7/Lk2: 16-21**

10:00 a.m. ~Mark Rosetti—Michael & Susan Muscolino

## SCHEDULES FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### Christmas Eve

4:00 pm A. Powers, **OPEN & OPEN**

6:00 pm J. Taylor, E. Ebanks, & **OPEN**

11:00 pm B. Litts, K. & K. Zappia

#### Christmas Day

10:00 am **OPEN, OPEN & OPEN**

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### LECTORS

#### COMMENTATORS

#### Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Children **OPEN**

6:00 pm K. Kehoe L. Harris

11:00 pm D. Doyle C. Hasseler

#### Christmas Day

10:00am L. Lauster **OPEN**

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

#### Christmas Eve

4:00 pm **E. Ahrans, S. O'Toole, B. Semmler\***

K. Semmler, D. Rojas, M. Kreuser, , T. O'Toole

6:00 pm **S. Hartman, P Dennis, L. Trout\***

M. Jackson, T. Smith, **OPEN**

11:00 pm **P. Kukuvka, R. Krolak, H. Schuler\***

B. Gibbons, A. Straight, J. Bouwens

#### Christmas Day

*Additional Eucharistic Ministers are needed*

10:00 am **E. Vermeulen, OPEN, D. Rojas\***

**OPEN, OPEN, OPEN**

## SCHEDULES

### WEEKEND OF December 30-31

### ALTAR SERVERS

**Saturday, December 30**

4:30 p.m. T. Barrett & B. Bremer

**Sunday, December 31**

8:15 a.m. B. & S. Uveges

10:30 a.m. J. Taylor, K. & K. Zappia

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### LECTORS

#### COMMENTATORS

4:30 p.m. F. Pirelli K. Fisher

8:15 a.m. R. Atkinson D. Jackson

10:30 a.m. J. Dubler S. McCadden

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30 p.m. **W. Semmler, K. Semmler, A. Straight\***

L. Trout, D. Switzer, K. Kehoe

8:15 a.m. **B. Howlett, M. Jackson, R. Krolak\***

P. Kukuvka, B. McGrath, D. Nicoletta

10:30 a.m. **R. Pryzbyc, P, Dewa, R. Dewa\***

J. Morrissey, E. Dundas, M. Dundas

**bold = bread minister, \* = cup washer**

### MONEY COUNTERS

Steve Sapp, Captain

### NO COFFEE HOUR

Happy New Year

Please prayer for the families of those who have died:

Marguerite Allen

Janice Phillips, mother of Rebecca Hollon

**THIS WEEK AT  
ST. MICHAEL'S  
CHURCH**



SUNDAY,	December 24 (today)
SUNDAY MASS	9:00 AM ONLY
CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES	4:00 PM, 6:00 PM & 11:00 PM
MONDAY,	December 25
CHRISTMAS DAY MASS	10:00 AM
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY	
TUESDAY,	December 26
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY	
WEDNESDAY,	December 27
NO Children's Choir Rehearsal	
SATURDAY,	December 30
Marian Cenacle	11:00 am
Penance	3:15 pm
SUNDAY,	December 31
RCIA Mass & Sending	8:15 am
NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS	4:30 PM
MONDAY	January 1
NEW YEAR'S MASS	10:00 AM
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY	



*Our altar & church are beautifully decorated with poinsettias donated in memory and honor of the following:*

Betty Albertson	Armond Mere
Donald W. Bacon Sr.	John & Laura Morrissey
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Tracy Fenyn Bussani	Theresa & Charlotte Pitrella
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Joseph George Comella	Elaine DeFabio-Quinn
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Matt DeHimer	Walter Rogers Jr.
M/M Harry Dennis	Ron Rohlin
Steven Derr	Angel Cruz Rojas Sr.
Jean & Bob Derry	Marie Roth
Stephanie Dewa	Raymond & Catherine Ryan
Priscilla Hause Dutko	Harold Semmler
Howard B. Finewood	Francis "Pat" Smith
Richard F. Finewood	Kenneth & Agnes Snyder
Nicholas Foti	M/M John E. Straight
M/M Albert Gallant	Agnes Stoops
John Glerum	Al & Ann Synesael
Mary Grieve	James Taber
August & Inez Hamelinck	Paul & Anne Treasure
Joseph Hamelinck	Robert Urban
Henry G. Hann Sr.	M/M Cornelius VandeMortel
William Hause	David Vanlare
Mary Hoch	William "Bill" Verstraete
M/M John Hurley	Donald Viola
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Anthony & Lucy Marro	Lee Zappia
Charles & Mildred Martens	
Ronald Means	

**Sacrificial Giving**

12/17/06:	\$ 9,650.80
Same Week Last Year:	\$ 8,042.04
Annual Contributions	\$ 35,478.89
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. Please pledge today!

Thanks to all of our ushers for another dedicated year of service.

**Merry, Blessed Christmas to all and a Happy, Holy 2007.**

Donald J. Martens

**YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR  
ANNUAL VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE**

If you have volunteered at St. Michael's Church or School any time in the past year, you are invited to attend our

**VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE**

On Friday, January 19th from 7-10 pm  
At the Parish Center.

This is hosted by St. Michael's staff as thanks for the dedication of your time and talents to St. Michael's Church and School.

Please RSVP by calling the Parish Center at 331-6753

The deceased members of the Armitage & DiSanto families  
The deceased members of the Deisering & Lannon families  
The deceased members of the DeLue & Wykle families  
The deceased members of the Doyle & Hasseler families  
The deceased members of the Galens & Krolak families  
The deceased members of the Gentile & Palermo families  
The deceased members of the Glicia & Vogel families  
The deceased members of the Pedulla & Santelli families  
In Honor of John & Pat Guest's grandchildren  
The Santa Maria Family

**Also, many thanks to the Backus family at Carl's Trees for the lovely Christmas Trees they donated to host our Giving Tree and decorate our church.**

## FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

Dear Church Family,

Happy fourth Sunday of Advent. Yes, we will barely get the last candle lit on the Advent wreath in church before we'll be replacing it with all the Festive decorations of Christmas! One of my daughters said she was excited because she only had to go to church once for both the Sunday obligation and Christmas. I asked her how she figured that! Luckily, Father Peter had a wonderful response last Sunday in church when he said you may be able to get an all-day shopping pass for Macy's—but not so for Mass. Our Sunday obligation and Christmas celebrations are two separate things altogether. I told my daughter not to feel badly, but to think about Fr. Peter (and Pat Albrecht who attends all the Masses as well) who will be saying Mass a total of 6 times in 2 days! Then there's Barb Rathbun, our Music Director, who will be providing music for all of those Masses (along with the Contemporary Music Group, the Adult Choir, the Children's Choir, the Youth Band and the Bell choir). Our decorating committee (which is led by Diane Dubler) will be scurrying after the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass to get the decorations ready in time for the 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass later that day! The list goes on and on. Honestly, it will not hurt to attend Mass more than once in 2 days! What's the worst that could happen? You might actually get filled a bit more spiritually, or hey, you might even feel a little better about yourself. Better yet, perhaps you can afford yourself the opportunity to spend a bit more time in prayer during one of the most holy seasons of the year. All-in-all I think it's a pretty good deal!

Okay, now onto today's readings, specifically the gospel from St. Luke in which Mary visits her cousin Elizabeth. This is one of my favorite passages, as it contains what's commonly referred to as, "Mary's Song" or the Magnificat, which is such a beautiful prayer proclaimed by Mary as she is greeted by Elizabeth.

I've often thought about this meeting between the two women, who were both expecting (miraculously so). The interaction between the two is depicted in the picture below. What I often wonder about is the relationship these two women shared. They relied on each other, as so many of us too rely on our female friends and family members. Where would any of us be without the women in our lives? I don't know where I'd be without the women in my life. They have been my rock through all my struggles, and I thank God for them daily.

I received an email from a close girlfriend of mine about the importance of "sisters." Here is a short part of it:

*Time passes. Life happens. Distance separates. Children grow up. Jobs come and go. Love waxes and wanes. Men don't always do what they're supposed to. Hearts break. Parents die. Colleagues forget favors. Careers end, but...sisters are always there. A girlfriend is never farther away than needing her can reach.*

I'll bet Mary felt the same way about Elizabeth! Let us all be grateful for the women in our lives.

God bless you all! Love, Jeanette



## SCOOCH & KFC NEWS FROM JEANETTE:

Last Sunday was the **SCOOCH** Christmas party that we hosted for some local group home residents. A wonderful time was had by all! We did some dancing, Christmas caroling, crafting, snacking and visiting. Later on an arm wrestling contest ensued, and one of our guests, Mark, was the over-all champion! I was very proud of the kids, their participation and their compassion. Thanks also to Jim Coleman and Regina Krolak who were both so instrumental in getting this project off the ground.

**KFC** met on Monday evening for their Christmas party. I was only able to stay for a small part of it, so I left the kids in the capable hands of Jim Coleman, Katie Childs, Anne Tickner, Debbie Ruffalo and Julie Mazur. Thank you all for helping to make this season a little brighter for our middle school youth!

We'll be off for a couple of weeks due to Christmas and New Years, so our next **SCOOCH** gathering will be on **Sunday, Jan. 7th @ 6:30 p.m.** in the Church Hall. **KFC** will meet on **Monday, Jan. 8th also @ 6:30 p.m.** in the Church Hall. Hope to see you all there, and I pray you all have a Merry Christmas and a very happy New Year! May God bless you always! See you next year—*ha ha!*

## ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL

The faculty, staff, families, and principal of St. Michael School wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year! May God shower you and your families with an abundance of peace, love and joy throughout the coming year! You remain in our daily prayers, and we thank you for your continued prayers and support. Blessings to all—Mrs. Pauline DeCann



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Sun. 7:30am-SA; After 9:30 Mass-SG,  
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at St. Gregory's

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**Reconciliation:** Tues. 6:00 p.m.(or by appointment)  
**Eucharist:**  
Saturday: 5:30 p.m. (St. Rose - Sodus 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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**Eucharist**  
Saturday-5:00 p.m. Sunday- 10:30 a.m.  
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**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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