

St. Mary's & St. Joan of Arc Parishes
Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019

Masses this Week:

Sat., December 7, 5 PM Vigil – St. Mary's

Rocky Faraone by Betty Faraone

Sun., December 8 – 9 AM - St. Joan's

Special Intentions of Michael Bartlett by his Family

11 AM – St. Mary's

Catherine McCullough by the Rhydes

9 PM – Colgate Memorial Chapel

Mon., December 9, 8 AM – St. Mary's

Jeffrey Lloyd by the Lloyd Family

Tues., December 10, 9 AM – Comm. Serv. at Mad. Lane

10 AM – Mass at Crouse Community Center

w/anointing of the Sick

Wed., December 11, 8 AM – St. Mary's

For the People of St. Mary's and St. Joan's

5 PM – Colgate Judd Chapel

Thurs., December 12, 8 AM – St. Mary's

Bob and Jean Harmon and Linda Harmon Sciarretta

by Diane Needham

Sat., December 14, 5 PM Vigil

Berenice Osborne by her Family

Sun., December 15, 9 AM – St. Joan's

Peter Menotti by Esther Davis & Family

11 AM – St. Mary's

David Follett by Jennifer, Stephen, and Scott

9 PM – Colgate Memorial Chapel

This Week's Events

St. Mary's

Mon., Dec. 9, 6 PM – Pastoral Council Evening of Reflection

Thurs., Dec. 12, 1-2 PM – Grassroots Book Club

Sat., Dec. 14, 9 AM – ARS Meeting

Sun., Dec. 15, 12:30 PM – Christmas Pageant

St. Joan's

Sun., Dec. 8, 8:30 AM – Rosary

9:30 AM – Parish Social

Wed., Dec. 11, 7 PM – Adult Faith Formation

Thurs., Dec. 12, 5 PM – Friendship Inn

Sat., Dec. 14 – Morrisville Christmas Project

Sun., Dec. 15, 8:30 AM – Rosary

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Since December 8, 2019, is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, 2019. The obligation to attend Mass, however, does not transfer. Therefore, this solemnity is NOT a holy day of obligation this year.

Second Collection this Weekend

The annual Cathedraicum collection (for the support of our Bishop) will be taken up at masses this weekend. Please put your envelope in the one collection. Thank you.

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER HAGE

Calling all High School and Middle School Musicians! We would like to make our Christmas Vigil Masses at St. Mary's and St. Joan's a wonderful musical celebration. I am asking that all St. Mary's teens consider singing/playing an instrument for the 4pm Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Mary's, and that all St. Joan's teens consider singing/playing an instrument at the 7pm Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Joan's. I would really like to feature our young people's gifts and talents at these holy Masses. Please contact the parish office if your teen would be interested in participating. All they have to do is show up an hour and a half before the Masses begin for a one-time rehearsal. Anyone who participates will also get a gift certificate to New York Pizzeria! Mary Immaculate and St. Joan of Arc, pray for us!

Advent Adult Faith Formation Series

Please plan on attending our St. Mary's & St. Joan's Advent Adult Faith Formation Series that will take place at St. Joan of Arc in Morrisville every Wednesday at 7 PM during Advent. We will be covering Bishop Robert Barron's new book, *Letter to a Suffering Church*. A free book will be provided when you attend.

Christmas Mass Schedule 2019

Christmas Vigil Masses: 4pm at St. Mary's; 7pm at St. Joan's (w/Christmas Pageant); 10pm at St. Mary's

Christmas Day Mass: 11am at St. Mary's

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Catholic Youth Night

Our next Catholic Youth Night will take place on Monday, December 16 from 7:15pm to 8:30pm in St. Mary's church basement. All teens in grades 8 thru 12 are welcome. The night will include a delicious Chinese food dinner, a gingerbread house competition, and an Advent meditation. Please bring a friend!

Ministers for Liturgy

5 PM (12-14) - St. Mary's

Commentator/Lector: G. Will

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Connors, B. Will, & S. Roe

Altar Servers: Cravens

Usher: T. Murphy

Gift Bearers: F. & J. Gargiulo

9 AM (12-15) – St. Joan's

Lector: K. Rowlands

Eucharistic Ministers: E. Lynch & R. Narehood

Altar Servers: L. & H. Doroshenko

Greeter: C. Bischoff

Gift Bearers: Wolicki/Johnson

Counters: B. & D. Koehl

11 AM (12-15) – St. Mary's

Commentator: 5th Graders

Lector: 5th Graders

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Swain & M. Crafa

Altar Servers: J. Dudrick & M. Chouinard

Usher: M. Curtis

Gift Bearers: 5th Graders

Consolation Ministers – December

St. Joan's – Dorothy Lynch (684-3855), Lona Dahlem (495-6478), & Chuck Molloy (684-9398)

St. Mary's – Nancy Roberts (824-3097) & Bonnie Will (691-1680)

Colgate Lessons & Carols

Please save the date for the Colgate Lessons & Carols, which will take place on Friday, December 13, at 7pm at Colgate's Memorial Chapel. This is a great way to celebrate the Advent season with family and friends.

Immaculata Award Recipient 2019

We are pleased to announce that Terry Murphy is the recipient of the Immaculata Award from St. Mary's & St. Joan's this year. Terry has served our parish communities with great faithfulness and generosity. Terry will be accompanying Father Hage to a special prayer service at the Cathedral this Sunday, December 8 at 2:30pm, when Terry will receive his Immaculata medallion from Bishop Lucia. All St. Mary's & St. Joan's parishioners are welcome to attend this service.

Advent Penance Service

St. Joseph's Church in Oneida will be hosting our regional Advent Penance Service on Sunday, December 15 at 4pm. Multiple priests, including Father Hage, will be available to hear Confessions. Please take advantage of this opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Confirmation Students

The High School Faith Formation students will celebrate the Mass of Enrollment on Sunday, December 8 at the 9am Mass at St. Joan's. Please keep the 10th grade students in your prayers as they begin their final semester of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please Offer Prayers:

For those who are ill, especially: Louise MacDonnell, Michael K. Dugan, John Moore, Amber Buell, Brenda Thieben, Bob Gunther, David Lemery, Alex LaBrague, Nancy Cocker, Dick Cocker, Phyllis Harris, Jacob Lamb, Mike Harry, Mary Lou Sacco Crouch, James Marcellus, Mandy McCracken, Gertrude Federici, Helen Bonhotal, Nicholas Respecki, James P. Sheehan, Bethany Merenda, Jeannette Kidd, Jim Jackson, Jim Eiholzer, Catherine Jones, Catherine Albrecht Hanson, Theresa Blass, Mary Messere, Kaitlin Nagle, Richard Foligno, Eddie Kunze, Valorie Gunther, Michelle Atkinson, Diane Needham, Anthony Somma, Toni and Larry Barns, Alyssa Hinkis, Carol Benzoni, John Wells, Fred Whipple, Bobby D'Angelo, Hannah Karlson, Mike & Sarah Periard, Dana Camp, Emily Carroll, Gertrude and Malcolm Pownall, Roy Rolle, Roy Roher, Mark Losee, Thomas Fadale, Joan Gorton, John Monahan, Christine Webb, Patti VanVoorhis, Carolyn Depta, Margaret Peer, Joanne Morreale, Marsha Roberts, Michael Bartlett, Barbara Terras, and all those on our prayer lines.

For all in the Military, especially: SPC Ryan Fowler; 2LT Shelly Respecki; SGT Wade Curtis; PO Dan Molloy, USN; SGT Ian Witchley; LT Andrew Stopchick, USN; GySgt Greg Palmere, USMC; and Corp. Wayne Lyrek, USMC.

Pastoral Council Evening of Recollection

The St. Mary's and St. Joan's Pastoral Council will be doing something special together for the Advent season. They will be doing an Evening of Recollection together on the evening of Monday, December 9 from 6pm to 8:30pm in the St. Mary's church basement. Please pray for our Pastoral Council members as they pray together in an intentional way this Advent season.

New Parish Bible Study!

The next parish Bible Study will take place on Tuesday, December 17. This Bible Study will meet on a monthly basis every third Tuesday of the month from 6:30 to 8pm. In "The Eucharist in Scripture," discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the Mass. This six-lesson study, presented by Dr. Scott Hahn, will unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice, and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation. Built around three of Dr. Hahn's foundational talks: "The Lamb's Supper," "The Fourth Cup," and "Consuming the Word," The Eucharist in Scripture examines the biblical foundations of the Eucharist and explores the Church's liturgy as the original context for the books of the Bible.

The Light Is On Campaign

St. Mary's & St. Joan's Light Is On Campaign will take place on Monday, December 16 from 4pm to 7pm at St. Joan of Arc in Morrisville. Both Father Carey and Father Hage will be available to hear Confessions.

Update: Giving Tree Project

Thank you to all who have donated gifts to the Giving Tree Project. We have recently been informed that there are more families in need: we will now be serving over 200 children in the area this year. If you have not taken a tag, there is still time. If there are no tags left, you can still purchase gifts for the children. Hats, mittens, clothing of any size, and toys and books for all ages are needed. Financial donations are welcome as well. Thank you for sharing in the true meaning of Christmas.

Winter Cancellation Notices

All church activities at both St. Mary's & St. Joan's will be canceled whenever after-school activities are canceled at Hamilton or Morrisville Schools. Stay safe!

St. Joan of Arc News

St. Joan's Financial Support – 12-1

Ordinary Collection	\$1,729.00
Christmas Flowers	131.00
Christmas Project	270.00
Human Development	25.00
Unbound	2.00

Unbound

Thank you for your continued support of Unbound and little Andrea.

Parish Social this Sunday

Please join us for our monthly Parish Social following mass this Sunday. Our hostesses are Melissa Clark & Sarah Webster. We REALLY appreciate your goodie donations. Thanks to our cooks and hostesses!

St. Mary's News

St. Mary's Parish Financial Support – 12-1

Ordinary Collection	\$1,720.00
Turkeys	2,305.00
Fuel	90.00
Tohatchi	7.00
Christmas Flowers	15.00
Votive Candles	56.00
Clerical Fund	120.00
Human Development	20.00
Hamilton Food Cupboard	263.00

Please remember us in your will

Altar Care

December – Diane Needham (750-5040) & N. Roberts (824-3097)

Table of Remembrance Photos

The photos that were placed on our altars of remembrance can be found on the last pew on back right corner of the sanctuary to the right of the altar. Please pick up your photos.

Hamilton Ecumenical Youth Group

HEY will be celebrating a Christmas Party the evening of Colgate's Lessons & Carols on Friday, December 13. All teens in grades 6 thru 12 are welcome. HEY will be gathering at 6pm in Colgate's Chapel Basement where the teens will enjoy some fun games and delicious Christmas treats. HEY will then attend Colgate's Lessons & Carols at 7pm following the Christmas Party.

Faith Formation Classes

All Grades Pre K through High School will meet for Faith Formation. All Grades will meet next Sunday. Grade 5 will participate in the 11 AM Mass. The students will meet for class in the Church at 9:30 to prepare for the Mass.

Annual Christmas Pageant

St. Mary's Faith Formation students will present the story of the Nativity, at the annual Christmas Pageant, Sunday December 15, 12:30 at the church. The pageant will follow the 5th Grade Mass and coffee social featuring lunch foods. After the Pageant a family gathering to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Church will include desserts and activities. All parishioners, young and old, are invited to participate and attend. If you would like to help in any way, please contact Peggy Rhyde. We hope you will join us as we worship, celebrate, and share in the joys of St. Mary's and the season.

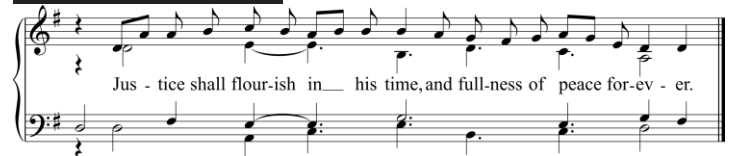
ARS

The December meeting of the Altar and Rosary Society will be Saturday, December 14 at 9am in the church hall. Everyone is welcome. Come and help plan our Epiphany Party!

New Music for Advent and Christmas

One of the most important jobs of Catholic liturgical music is to reflect the proper feasts and seasons. During Advent and Christmastide, we will begin singing different musical settings of the Mass Ordinary (Lord, have mercy; Glory to God; Holy, holy, holy; Lamb of God) to reflect the solemnity of these seasons. The melodies for these are in the Worship III hymnal, and their hymnal numbers will appear in the bulletin near the responsorial antiphon. Please help us glorify God through your singing.

Responsorial Psalm



The holly plants on the altar during Advent are given by Sylvia Roe in memory of her mother, Millie Palermo. They will be planted in St. Mary's gardens in the spring.

The Sanctuary Candle is lit for the month of December in Memory of Rocky Faraone by Betty Faraone.