

# *St. Peter's Parish*

*Rome, New York  
December 12, 2021*

## *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday* OF ADVENT



Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming."  
- Lk 3:15-16a

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, December 11, 2021 Saint Damasus 1, Pope

8:00am **TONI BELMONT** (B'day) by Stanley Masztak \***DARLENE TELLER** (for healing) by Pete Wood  
 5:00pm **PATRICIA CHARNEY** (B'day) by Family  
**JAMES P. MCMAHON** (B'day) by Walter Frykholm

### Sunday, December 12, 2021 Third Sunday of Advent

7:30am **IRENE MEYERS** (Anniv) by Family  
**ANTOINETTE & MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter Kim Ocuto  
 10:00am **PATRICIA MASTRANGELO** (for healing) by daughter Amelia  
**JOHN F. KELLY** by Family  
**DONALD HARTMAN** by Dennis & Joan Bellinger  
**ETHEL MCDONALD** by Elizabeth McPhillips  
 6:00 pm **ROBERT BAKER** by Aunt Sonia Myers

### Monday, December 13, 2021 Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

7:00am **JEANNE PALMER** (Anniv) by Friend

### Tuesday, December 14, 2021 Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00am **VLADIMIR WILLIAMS** by Mom  
**GINA SCALA BACHNER** by Dorothea Iselo

### Wednesday, December 15, 2021

7:00am **MR. & MRS. WALTER STINEBRICKNER & JOSEPH ESCHE** by their Estate  
**JOSEPH E. MCMAHON** (Anniv) by McMahon Family

### Thursday, December 16, 2021

7:00am **JOE SIMONS** by Wife, Mary  
**MARTY SIMONS** by Mom  
**MATTHEW RAZZANO** by Alex, Laura, Nicholas & Alex Evanciew

### Friday, December 17, 2021

7:00am **DONALD NIEMTZ SR.** (Anniv) by the Gannon Family

### Saturday, December 18, 2021

8:00am **BOB ROOD** by Mom  
**HELEN PISCITELLI** by Friend  
**FORREST (RED) HOUSE** by Family  
 5:00pm **MICHAEL PALINSKI** by Family  
**MARILYN PALINSKI** by Family  
**HELEN O'BRIEN** by Victoria O'Brien  
**JEAN ERNENWEIN** by daughter Judy

### Sunday, December 19, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30am **MARY MEYERS-TAYLOR** (Anniv) by Family  
**SR. RUTH CECILIA DOWD** by the Harper Family  
 10:00am **MARGARET CLARKE** by Richard Clarke \***CARL J. MASSETT JR.** by Family  
**MARIE C. HARPER** by the Harper Family \***JOHN DICKSON** by Mother, Judy Dickson  
**LAWRENCE VANDAMME** by the Janiks  
 6:00pm **PATRICIA MCCORMICK** by Susan & James Cochran

### Please remember our families, friends and parishioners in our prayers.

Georgie Amodio	Judith Ann Fesner	Jennie Kemp	Beverly Nasci	Jacqueline Schachte
Jayne Atwood	Joan Fiaschetti	Paul LaSalle	Dale Newman	John Schachte
Fr, Gabriel Berko	James Flemming	Teresa LaSalle	Tari-Lyn Orton	Brian Schilling
Paula Bailey	Diana Fowler	Joan Leahy	Debbie Pacicca	Patricia Sterling
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Joe Fusco	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Clair Papadametrious	Thomas Serra
Chris Bousalis	Juliana Fusco	Michael Loso	Rachel Pawlikowski	Emmalynn Sharrow
Jimmy Brognano	Lauri Fusco	Lori Losowski	Barbara Pazdur	Alexander Simpson
James Brooks	Joanne Gaffey	Anne Lubecki	Jim Pekarski	Freja Emily Simpson
Carla Cacciatori	Augusta Ginsburg	David, Liz, Mitzi	Joseph Petrelli	Spencer Robert Smith
Lorayne Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Marcelletta	Carol Piatt	Sharon Sprague
Stephanie Calicchia	Amanda Gold	Geoff Marchione	Datie Ponath	John Stark
Mary Carmody	Gail Greene	Russell Marchione	Paul Powers	Gabriel Streiff
Adam Carpenter	John Hedrington	Pattie Mastrangelo	Patrick Quinn	Neil Sutherland
Annie Cimo	Joshua Hedrington	Nicole Mathe	James Rank	Blanche Sweatman
John Cordsen	Mike Henry	Marybeth Matyasik	Bill Reese	Anne Toepp
Tom Delpico	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Brian McQueen	Francine Riolo	Barbara Thomas
John DeLutis	William Herrig, Jr.	Joe Megerell	John Ritchie	Rylin Turley
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Paul Eisinger	Jesse Johnson	Kathy Miller	Robert Roman	Vito Waterman
Robyn Engle	Lena Johnston	Michael Mizgala	Lisa Ryder	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
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Ron Fazio		Sonia Myers		Bernice Young





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 1:00-4:00pm  
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**Parochial Vicar: Father Bernard Menard**  
**Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher**  
**Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack**  
**Seminarian: Ben Schrantz**

**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**

**WEEKDAYS** 7:00 am  
**SATURDAYS** 8:00 am \* Vigil Mass 5:00 pm  
**SUNDAYS** 7:30 am \* 10:00 am \* 6:00 pm  
**HOLYDAYS** 7:00 am \* 12:10pm \* 6:00 pm

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**St. Peter's Senior Group:** W. Warren Sickles, Jr.  
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**Scripture Study:** Betty Pettinelli  
**Funeral Preparations:** Barbara Thomas  
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 Lawrence Riolo, Jr., Timothy Sestito,  
 Barbara Thomas

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**

Next meeting January 11, 2022  
 6:30pm at St. Aloysius Center

**St. Peter's Cemetery**

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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/  
CONFESSION**

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

**SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM  
MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE**

Please call the Rectory Office for information.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK  
FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND  
THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL**

When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

**St. Mary's/St. Peter's Collection****December 5, 2021**

Regular Collection	\$8,470.80
Electronic Giving	\$2,705.67
Make-ups	\$778.00
Christmas Flowers	\$2,609.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 14,563.47</b>
Mission	\$2,014.00

*Thank you for your support!*

**A SPECIAL NOTE:** For those who find it difficult to walk, etc.

The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew.

If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

**HEARING AIDS:** Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before Mass.



## FAITH FORMATION

### FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

**Sunday, December 12, 2021**  
**First Penance 9:00AM**

**Monday, December 13, 2021**  
**Grades 1-6 - 6:00-7:00PM**  
**Grades 7-8 - 7:30-8:30PM**

For information about classes and schedules  
please visit our website

or stop by the Faith Formation Office.

We look forward to seeing you and  
sharing our faith together!

[www.smspfaith.com](http://www.smspfaith.com)

Follow us at: St. Mary's/St. Peter's  
Faith Formation Facebook page.

### JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

**During 10:00AM Mass**  
**December 12, 2021**

### *Calling all Youth from our parish.....*

You are cordially invited to participate in the  
**Christmas Vigil Mass Nativity Pageant** at  
the 5:00PM Mass on Christmas Eve.

The Gospel will be brought to life with the children  
of the parish.

*For more information contact the  
Faith Formation Office at 315-336-5066*

### THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of December 12, 2021  
for Marilyn Palinski from a friend.

### WINDOW FUND

Donation by Pete Wood

### GREETING CARD MINISTRY

If anyone knows of a St. Mary's/St. Peter's  
Parishioner who is ill, in a nursing home or home bound,  
and would like to receive a greeting card, call  
Debbie Pinti 315-337-5982 or email  
[debbiepinti5@gmail.com](mailto:debbiepinti5@gmail.com) with the person's name and  
address and our team will gladly send them a greeting card  
to brighten their day.  
*Thank you in advance for all your help!*

### CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT

**Mondays 5pm-6pm at St. Paul's Church**

**Tuesdays 5pm-6pm at St. Peter's Church followed  
by Benediction at 6pm**

**Wednesdays 5pm-6pm at St. John's Church**

**The Light is on for you in all Parishes  
December 20, 2021 from 4pm-7pm**

### From Fr. O'Brien

On December 3rd, Bishop Lucia sent out a letter  
to the pastors and administrators of the parishes  
regarding the current corona virus situation.

In this letter, the Bishop asks the pastors and  
administrators *"To continue to highly encourage  
the wearing of masks at all church gatherings."*

Let us continue to pray for one another as we  
continue to navigate these interesting times.

### LAST WEEK FOR GIVING TREES

*All items need to be in by December 15, 2021*

Hats and mittens collected will be given to  
children of the

Rome City School District.

All sizes are welcome.

*A special request for size small for  
preschoolers, size 6-14 black or blue sweatshirts,  
sweatpants and boys underwear size 6-16,  
will be appreciated.*

### Joey's Giving Tree

will hold tags

indicating toys or gift cards requested by families  
within our community. Many of these families are  
dealing with a family member who has cancer.

Please read the poster on the tree to learn  
more about Joey and the Joseph Michael  
Chubbuck Foundation.

**GIFT CARD BASKET WILL BE EMPTIED  
AFTER EACH MASS.**



### A Night of Christmas Music



The St. Joseph's Church music ministry in  
Lee Center will present its 35th annual Christmas  
Concert on Friday, December 17, 2021, at 7PM.

Directed by Scott Rutledge, accompanied by  
Jennifer Evans Fitzgibbon and Aaron Browka.

*All are welcome!*

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St.  
Peter's Church**  
are now live streamed & available on the parish  
website: [www.stmarysstpeters.com](http://www.stmarysstpeters.com).

## CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS HAVE ARRIVED

2nd Annual Window Ornament \$25:00 ea.  
Money to support the Window Restoration Fund.  
On sale after Thanksgiving.  
Contact Diane Sjodahl 315-271-1881  
or email  
dsjodahl@gmail.com



St. Peter's Ornament



St. Mary's Ornament

There are a few of last year's ornaments still available  
of the **LAST SUPPER WINDOW** above  
the main altar.

## THE MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

The Food Pantry is an all volunteer team that distributes  
free food to low and middle-income families from the  
mission office at 400 Floyd Ave. every Tuesday.  
If you are interested in joining our volunteer team,  
please call or text the Mission at 315-281-9492.

December 5, 2021 The Mission Served:

Households -	31
Children-	28
Adults -	33
Seniors -	23

**Total People Fed: 84**

Thanks to all the volunteers that staff the Mission  
Food Pantry each week and to all of the parishioners  
that generously support the Mission with food  
donations and financial contributions, this certificate  
is for you!



## Altar Rosary Society

### Parish-wide Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 14th at the Franklin Hotel.  
5:30pm cash bar-6:00pm dinner.

Menu: Baked ziti, baked chicken, string beans, mashed  
potatoes/gravy, tossed salad, rolls/butter & dessert.  
\$20.00 per person.

This is always a fun, social time for our clergy &  
parishioners. There will be door prizes & music to  
add to the festivities. Tickets will be sold for 2  
consecutive weekends: December 4th -5th,  
December 11th-12th.

Advanced tickets are required for a head count.

*There are no meetings/events in January or February.  
We will resume in March. Please consider becoming an  
ARS member. We are a fun, productive group of ladies  
whose mission is giving service to our clergy,  
our parishioners & our church.*

## THE MERRY MAKERS

### KNITTERS & CROCHETERS SEWERS MEETING

*If you have items to drop off, or if you need more yarn,  
please call ahead.(315)337-2289*

**To anyone who can knit, crochet or sew:**

The **MERRY MAKERS** is a group of knitters,  
crocheters & sewers who currently knit and crochet hats,  
mittens and scarves for local school children. For cancer  
patients we make chemo caps, lap robes and prosthesis  
(to fit into mastectomy patient's bras).

We also make adult bibs, masks and walker bags.  
We give all these items to the local school nurses, cancer  
& infusion centers, local adult facilities and  
to individuals upon request.

If you or someone you know are in need of these items or  
if you would like to join us in this endeavor, please call  
Cate Powers at (315)337-2289 or (315)225-7900.

## NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

*Thank you all for continuing to produce so  
many beautiful items for the people we care about.*

**The "Merry Makers" would like to thank all those  
who have been leaving yarn at the church for us to  
use. We want you to know that it is being made  
into lively hats, mittens and scarves for our local  
school children.**

## ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

**December: Tina Brognano, Fran Rose**

### **PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS**

**Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.**

**Protect them as they protect us.**

**Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform  
for us in our time of need, and give us peace. Amen.**





REMEMBER  
our fallen U.S. veterans.  
HONOR  
those who serve.  
TEACH  
your children the value of freedom.



## WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Wreaths will be placed on veterans graves,  
December 18th in conjunction with  
National Wreaths Across America Program  
At: St. Peter's, St. John's, St. Mary's,  
Evergreen, Wright Settlement  
and Westernville Cemeteries

If you would like to purchase a \$15 wreath for  
a loved veteran, send your check to:

"Wreaths Across America" in care of

Joe Maurer, P.O. Box 36,  
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You can also include the military history of your  
loved veteran in the brochure made for the event.

*To volunteer helping place the wreaths,  
Email or call JOE at*

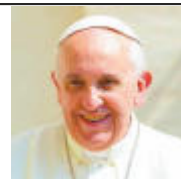
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Please visit [www.wreathscrossamerica.org](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org)

## FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today's gospel reports, "*There is one among you whom you do not recognize.*" It is hard to believe Christ is present in a family with crazy schedules, suppers that start too late and end too early, cars that do not start, misunderstandings, frustrations, piles of laundry, unmatched socks and stretched food budgets. The list is endless. The words spoken at Mass, "*The Lord is with you,*" are not a hope, they are fact.



**Pope Francis** asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month.  
To pray with the Pope daily visit:

**[clicktopray.org](http://clicktopray.org)**

### DECEMBER INTENTION

#### CATECHISTS

*Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.*



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### SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP

You don't have to go through separation or divorce alone. During this difficult time your friends and family have been very supportive, but they just don't grasp the level of your pain and frustration. They try to be helpful but they just don't get it. The Separated and Divorced Support group is there for you led by people who have gone through it and know what you are dealing with. This confidential group is **FREE** and open to anyone trying to rebuild their life after the pain. **Meetings are every other Sunday from 5pm-7pm. Meetings are December 19, 2021, January 9, 2022, January 23, 2022, February 6, 2022, February 20, 2022, March 6, 2022, and March 20, 2022.**

### GRIEF SURVIVORS

Grief Survivors is a bi-weekly program that helps individuals journeying through grief. Grieving individuals feel a variety of emotions. Many times individuals going through them wonder if this is normal. Grieving is unique to each individual although there are many similarities. The Grief Survivors support group allows individuals to explore their feelings, find support from individuals experiencing similar feelings, and move through the grieving process. Each session is unique, offering a blend of discussion, activities, and video presentations. Fellowship is a large part of the process and there is time for that as well. Individuals are invited to share during the discussions, but there is no pressure to do so. **The program is offered every other Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:30 PM. Upcoming meeting is December 21st.**

For more information, please contact the Good News Center at 315-735-6210, [info@thegoodnewscenter.org](mailto:info@thegoodnewscenter.org), or visit us online at [www.goodnewscenter.org](http://www.goodnewscenter.org). For those who prefer the program is also being offered via Zoom.

***We ask you to please call 315-735-6210 to register for both in-person or virtual meetings.***



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