

*St. Peter's Parish  
Rome, New York  
November 26, 2023*



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



“Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.” - Mt 25:34

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, November 25, 2023 Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

8:00am **MARION HOFFMAN** by Joseph Calandra and Family  
**TERRENCE SR. AND MARGARET GRIFFIN** by Paul and Michele Griffin  
 5:00pm **WILLIAM F. GAFFEY** by Joanne Gaffey \* **CHRIS HANSEN** by Kitty Dillon  
**MARILYN PALINSKI** by Family

### Sunday, November 26, 2023 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30am **DOROTHEA ISELO** by Diana Baker and Family  
**WAYNE NEISS** by Mark and Patti Gifford  
 10:00am **DOMINICK MARCHIONE** in Memory from Daughter \* **JACK KELLY** (Anniv) by Family  
 6:00pm **FORREST AND MARGARET HOUSE** by Children and Grandchildren  
**JEANNE PORTNER** (Anniv) by Family

### Monday, November 27, 2023 Thirty-Fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time

7:00am **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim  
**TERRENCE GRIFFIN, JR.** by Paul and Michele Griffin

### Tuesday, November 28, 2023

7:00am **MARIAN NILES** (3rd Anniv) by Family  
**MARION STOOK** (Anniv) by Cindy Thurston

### Wednesday, November 29, 2023

7:00am **PAT BURNS** (54th Wedding Anniv) by Loving Wife \* **CHARLIE SPROCK** by Family

### Thursday, November 30, 2023 Saint Andrew, Apostle

8:00am **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 9:00am **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**

### Friday, December 1, 2023

7:00am **ELIZABETH M. CZAJKOWSKI** (6th Anniv) by Bill and Mary Draper \* **WILLIAM D. GRACE** by Arthur Zelesnikar

### Saturday, December 2, 2023

8:00am **MARILYN MCLIEGH** (Anniv) by Kim Ocuto  
**FOR THE INTENTION OF CONVERSION OF THE JOHNSON FAMILY**  
 5:00pm **CHESTER MASZTAK SR.** by Son Stanley \* **MARK OPPER** (Recovery) by Jack Oppen

### Sunday, December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent

7:30am **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim  
**THERESA GIFFORD** (B'day) by Mark and Patti Gifford  
 10:00am **LORETTA MARCHIONE** In Memory from Daughter \* **JACK KELLY** by Family  
 6:00pm **JUDITH S. KOZMA** by John and Sheila Wilson  
**WILLIAM DEHIMER** by John and Sheila Wilson

**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).**

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

Michelle A.	George DeFabio	Jesse Johnson	Jim Ocuto	Jean Sereno
Barbara K. Acchino	Barry Dunning	Lena Johnston	Mark Oppen	Thomas Serra
Georgie Amodio	Melissa Dunning	Megan Jones	Debbie Pacicca	Bradley Sharpstene
Leonard Amodio	Paul Eisinger	Jennie Kemp	Al Pallas	Emmalynn Sharrow
Jayne Atwood	Robyn Engle	Theresa Lanigan	Clair Papademetrious	Alexander Simpson
Carol B.	Carol Fasick	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
Raymond Barbar Jr.	Beatrice Ferguson	Michael Loso	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
Marietta Booton	Judith Ann Fesner	Anne Lubecki	Jim Pekarski	Sharon Sprague
Robert Brady	Joan Fiaschetti	Francis Lust	Carol Piatt	Kelly Stevens
Jimmy Brognano	Diana Fowler	David, Liz, Mitzi	Norma Plopper	Lillian Stutmann
James Brooks	Julianna Fusco	Marcelletta	Datie Ponath	Blanche Sweatman
Carla Cacciatori	Lauri Fusco	Geoff Marchione	Nicoletta Powell	Barbara Thomas
Lorayne Calicchia	Joanne Gaffey	Russell Marchione	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Stephanie Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Patti Mastrangelo	Bill Reese	Rylin Turley
Mary Carmody	Scott Ginsburg	Nicole Mathe	Francine Riolo	Larry Utter
Adam Carpenter	Amanda Gold	Marybeth Matyasik	John Ritchie	Fr. Corey VanBuren
Annie Cimo	Josh Gold	Brian McQueen	Kelly Homan Rodoski	Deborah Verminski
Sara Cosnett	Gail Greene	Sarah McQueen	Catherine Roman	Francis Rosario Vitale
John Cordsen	Denis Hartman	Carol Misiaszek	Robert Roman	Vito Waterman
Alex D'Argenio	John Hedrington	Ann Moster	Pat Rushford	Lois White
Melody Darrow	Joshua Hedrington	Sonia Myers	Lisa Ryder	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Tom Delpico	Mike Henry	Beverly Nasci	Jacqueline Schachte	Kim Wood
Sr. Rosaire DeMare	Billy Jo Hildenbrandt	Bruce Neidl	John Schachte	John Wright
Pat DeMatteo	Joan Jacobs	Terri Nichols	Brian Schilling	Patricia Zeller





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## **Office Hours:**

Monday \* Thursday  
9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-3:00pm  
Tuesday  
9am-1:00pm  
Wednesday \* Friday  
9:00am-12:00pm

**Pastor: Very Rev. Seán P. O'Brien, VF  
Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher  
Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack**

## **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**

## **PARISH STAFF**

**Director of Faith Formation:** Laura Mack  
**First Sacraments Coordinator:** Jean Bauer  
**Music Ministry:** Barry Russo  
**Maintenance Director:** Mark Lagasse  
**Cemetery Superintendent:** Kate Stephan  
**Communications/Media:** Joseph Stanton

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Pastor:** Father Seán O'Brien  
**President:** Larry Riolo  
**Trustees:** Bernard Kaier,  
Timothy Sestito

## **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.

## **PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION**

**Altar Rosary Society:** Mary Wahl  
**St. Peter's Senior Group:** W. Warren Sickles, Jr.  
**Scripture Study:** Betty Pettinelli  
**Funeral Preparations:** Barbara Thomas  
**Hospital Ministry:** John MacGaffick  
**St. Aloysius Catholic Center:** Julie McCormick  
**ASL Interpreters:** Mary Margaret VanDamme  
Gabby Griffin

## **St. Peter's Cemetery**

E. Dominick Street Rome 315-337-8307

## **St. Mary's Cemetery**

W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

## **Faith Formation Office 315-336-5066**

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

Email: [spcdre@twcny.rr.com](mailto:spcdre@twcny.rr.com)

**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.

**HEARING AIDS:** Assistive hearing devices are available for loan at the altar rail and in the front vestibule before mass.

## **St. Peter's Collection**

**November 19, 2023**

**Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday,  
Collection for This Week will be posted In  
Next Week's Bulletin**

*Thank you for your support.*

## **HELP US GROW WITH ELECTRONIC GIVING**

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**FAITH  
FORMATION**

**JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS**  
November 26, 2023  
10AM Mass  
*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

<b>First Sacraments</b> November 26th NO CLASSES	<b>2nd Year Confirmation</b> <b>Rite of Election Mass and</b> <b>Sponsor Session</b> December 3rd 10AM Mass With Class to Follow
<b>Monday Night Classes</b> November 27th Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM	<b>Monday Night Classes</b> December 4th Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM
<b>First Sacraments</b> December 3rd 9:00-9:50 AM	<a href="http://www.smspfaith.com">www.smspfaith.com</a>

**Please Pray for Our Clergy**



Prayer cards and information to remember a clergy member during Advent are available at the exits of church.

For those that would like to send cards or letters to  
Dc. Ben Schrantz his address is:  
Dc. Ben Schrantz  
401 Michigan Ave.  
Washington, DC 20017

**ST ALOYSIUS WILL BE OPEN TO WALKERS  
FOR THE WINTER.**  
**PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY FOR MORE  
INFORMATION.**

**A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE**

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.  
We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their  
choices.  
We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we  
may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters  
in need.  
May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world. Amen.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**  
Will burn the week of November 26, 2023  
FOR  
**MARK OPPER**  
By Friend



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

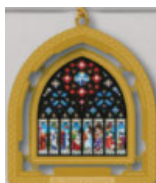


**WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**  
Wreaths will be placed on veterans graves,  
December 16th in conjunction with  
National Wreaths Across America Program  
At: St. Peter's, St. John's, St. Mary's,  
Evergreen, Wright Settlement  
and Westernville Cemeteries  
If you would like to purchase a \$17 wreath for  
a loved veteran, send your check to:  
"Wreaths Across America" in care of  
Joe Maurer, P.O. Box 36,  
Rome, NY 13442-0036  
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  
(jmaurer1215@gmail.com) 315-725-9673  
Please visit [www.wreathsassamerica.org](http://www.wreathsassamerica.org)*

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learners. To ensure that this legacy continues, the  
Board of Trustees of Rome Catholic are reaching out  
to share **Rome Catholic School's Giving Tuesday  
November 28th, campaign.**  
If you would like to contribute over the internet,  
please go to: <https://givebutter.com/32ZEOT>  
Otherwise, contact the school: (315) 336-6190  
**RCS website:** <https://www.romecatholic.org/>

**MEDICARE ADVANTAGE INSURANCE**  
**Bryan McCormick**  
from Chatham Street Advisors, 315-371-0046, will  
present information about **Medicare Part C & D** for  
people preparing for Medicare or Medicare Insurance  
on  
**Wednesday November 29th at 10am**  
**at St Aloysius Parish Center.**  
Deadline for Medicare Insurance Open Enrollment is  
December 7th.  
Refreshments will be served.

## 2023 Christmas Ornaments



The **2023 Christmas Ornaments** of the Mary Window will be available in the Vestibule of the church each Sunday from **8 AM to 11:30 AM from November 26th through December 17th**. We've been able to keep the price at **\$25**. Previous ornaments will also be available.

Contact **Diane Sjodahl at 315-271-1881** or **dsjodahl@gmail.com** to make other arrangements.



## **HCA Fall Drama Production**

Wonderland has never looked more curious!  
This December, the **Holy Cross Academy Players** present the wacky, wonderful, and all-round unforgettable **Alice's Adventures in Wonderland!**

In this twist on the timeless classic, follow the ever ambitious Alice as she journeys through the looking-glass world on her adventure to become the Queen of Wonderland in the eighth chess square. Meet the raggedy Mad Hatter, the fashionable Talking Flowers, and a very late, and very lonely, White Rabbit, in Lewis Carroll's carnival ,of wordplay and nonsensical fun. Tim Kelly's clever spin on Alice's Adventures in Wonderland features a colorful cast of strange but recognizable characters, including the Queen of Hearts, the Cheshire Cat, Humpty Dumpty, and so many others.

Come experience Alice's Adventures in Wonderland on **December 1 and 2 at 7pm and December 3 at 2pm**  
at

**116 W Grove St, Oneida, NY 13421**  
**(First United Methodist Church of Oneida)**

Tickets will be sold at the door;  
to reserve tickets, please call **(315) 363-1669**  
Ticket Prices: **\$7.00 adults, \$5.00 students**  
**Free for children under 8**

## WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION

**41st Annual Marriage Day will be celebrated on February 11th, 2 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse.**

The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will specially honor couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th and beyond 50th anniversary in 2023.

*If celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50th+ anniversary, please contact the parish office to receive a special invitation from Bishop Lucia.*

## Altar Rosary Society

### SAVE THE DATE

**DECEMBER 12**  
**at the Franklin Hotel**

Tickets will be on sale the weekends of November 25-26, December 2-3, and December 9-10.

Details to follow.

The **SaveAround** coupon books are still available. The cost remains unchanged at **\$25.00**.

We continually look for new members to bring their time and talent to our organization.

Please call **Mary Wahl @ 315-617-3478** or **Tina Brognano @ 315-571-6707** if you have any questions.

## ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

**NOVEMBER**

Diane Sjodahl  
Mary Ellen Utter

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## MERRY MAKERS

*Thank you to all those who attended our first meeting of Merry Makers in the Church Hall, making it a great success.*

*Our next meeting*  
*December 13, 6-9 p.m.*

## ALL ARE WELCOME KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

*Light H'ors D'œuvres, refreshments, and desserts will be served.*

*Bring a dish to pass if you like.*

*Contact: Cate 315-225-7900*  
*For more information*

## **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 315-271-4849

### **November 14, 2023**

<b>Families</b>	<b>88</b>
<b>Adults</b>	<b>104</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Seniors</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Unique</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Total Fed</b>	<b>196</b>

*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.*





## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #391**

112 Ridge Street Rome, New York

The next business meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council #391 will take place on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. The meeting will be at 7PM preceded at 6:30PM by the Holy Rosary.

*Be a hero to your  
unborn baby.*

*Choose Life*



The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month, in thanksgiving for the Supreme Court's decision that over turned Roe vs. Wade. Pray also for the success of continued efforts on behalf of the sanctity of human life.

The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help support our area churches and community. For information to learn about the Knights call **315-337-4010** or join online at [kofc.org/join us](http://kofc.org/join-us) and use **Council 391**. We will be automatically notified.

Please say this prayer to adopt spiritually an unborn child:  
"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

- Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

Knights of Columbus- Rome #391  
P.O Box 4623, Rome NY 13440



**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)

### **NOVEMBER INTENTION**

#### **For the Pope**

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

### **A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**

November 26, 2023: Christ the King  
(MT 25:31-46)

Families feed the hungry, give drinks to thirsty toddlers and welcome strangers and even estranged relatives into our homes. We clothe the children and visit family members who are sick or imprisoned. The routine actions of family life are religious and priestly for we make Christ present in what we do. Family life is Beatitude life.

### **ROME HEALTH'S TREE OF LIGHTS**

The tree lighting will take place in the  
**main lobby of Rome Health on  
Sunday, December 3, 2023, at 6:30 pm.**

This year the Rome Health Women's Imaging Center will be honored for their many years of service to the Rome Community. This year's sponsor is Sovena.

### **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 acts they perform  
for us in our time of need, and give us peace. Amen.*

## **THE GOODNEWS CENTER – HELPING FAMILIES, TOUCHING LIVES**

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### **CHRISTMAS TRIVIA NIGHT**

The Good News Center will host their first ever **Christmas Trivia Night, Thursday, December 7th at 6 PM**. Test your knowledge of mostly religious Christmas topics to compete for prizes all while enjoying a social evening bringing together friends and family of all ages. Get ready for some friendly competition, good food and a few laughs. The evening will start with a **family style dinner** including shepherd's pie, merry berry salad, Christmas rolls, dessert, and beverages. Trivia starts at 6:30 PM with teams of **6 per table for \$80 (must register entire table together to receive discounted price) or \$15 per person**. Individuals will be placed on a team. The game will consist of 50 questions and prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. Winners will be announced at 8 PM.

### **SIGHT & SOUND THEATRES PRESENTS MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS**

This holiday season, travel back in time with The Good News Center to Bethlehem on **December 11th and 12th** as the original Christmas story unfolds all around you at the Sight & Sound Theatre production of *Miracle of Christmas*. Journey alongside Mary and Joseph, a flock of surprised shepherds, and three wisemen—along with their camels! There may be no room at the inn, but God has a lowly stable prepared as the angels announce the coming of the Messiah! Experience *Miracle of Christmas* as it comes to life on stage with massive sets and live animals in this cherished holiday production. **The complete package includes transportation, accommodations, one (1) breakfast, one (1) lunch and one (1) dinner, admission to the show, and Kitchen Kettle Village attraction.**

Please call The Good News Center at 315-735-6210 for pricing information or to register.

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