

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
December 10, 2023*



2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of
repentance for the forgiveness of sins. - Mk 1:4

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9, 2023 Saint Juan Diego, Cuauhtatoatzin

8:00am **RICH CURTIS** (Healing) by Kim Ocuto * **JAMES CORNISH** (5th Anniv) by his Wife, Dawn
MICHAEL J. SKINNER, JR by Mother
 5:00pm **FRANCIS E. WILSON** (Anniv) by Family * **FRANK AND ROSE O'BRIEN** by Nancey
ALVAN AND FLORENTINE PALLAS by Nancey

Sunday, December 10, 2023 Second Sunday of Advent

7:30am **IRENE MEYERS** (Anniv) by Family * **KIMBERLY WOOD** (Healing) by Family
 10:00am **CHARLES M. SPROCK** by Gary and Kelly Colangelo * **FATHER GABRIEL BERKO** by Jim and Kathy Chase
 6:00pm **DENNIS SANITA** (For Healing) by Niece, Kim * **JIM OCUTO** (For Healing) by Daughter, Kim

Monday, December 11, 2023 Saint Damasus I, Pope

7:00am **JOHN HURLEY SR** by Family * **VLADIMIR WILLIAMS** by Mom
 5pm-6pm **ADVENT CONFESSIONS AT ST. PAUL'S**

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00am **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim
MIKE SPROCK by Family
 5pm-6pm **ADVENT CONFESSIONS, 6PM BENEDICTION AT ST. PETER'S**

Wednesday, December 13, 2023 Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

7:00am **JEANNE PALMER** (Anniv) by a Friend
IN HONOR OF OUR LADY FATIMA by Pete Wood
 5pm-6pm **ADVENT CONFESSIONS AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Thursday, December 14, 2023 Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

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

Friday, December 15, 2023

7:00am **JOSEPH F. MCMAHON** (Anniv) by McMahon Family * **BERTHA KOWAL** by Family

Saturday, December 16, 2023

8:00am **MATTHEW RAZZANO** (B'day) by Children
 5:00pm **DORIS AND MICHAEL PALINSKI** by Family * **NICHOLAS ALEXANDER HALE** by Grandparents, Livermore
PATRICIA CHARNEY by Family

Sunday, December 17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

7:30am **THOMAS S. DAVIES** (Anniv) by the Martin Family * **MARY MEYERS TAYLOR** (Anniv) by Family
 10:00am **HELEN O'BRIEN** (Anniv) by Victoria O'Brien * **CARL J. MASSET JR.** by Family
 6:00pm **JEAN ERNEWEIN** by Daughter, Judy
FORREST "RED" HOUSE by Children and Grandchildren

**Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church
 are now live streamed & available on the parish website: www.stmarvssstpeters.com.**

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

Michelle A.	George DeFabio	Jesse Johnson	Mark Oppen	Thomas Serra
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Georgie Amodio	Melissa Dunning	Megan Jones	Al Pallas	Emmalynn Sharrow
Leonard Amodio	Paul Eisinger	Jennie Kemp	Clair Papadametrious	Alexander Simpson
Jayne Atwood	Robyn Engle	Theresa Lanigan	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
Carol B.	Carol Fasick	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
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Marietta Booton	Judith Ann Fesner	Anne Lubecki	Carol Piatt	Kelly Stevens
Robert Brady	Joan Fiaschetti	Francis Lust	Norma Plopper	Lillian Stutmann
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James Brooks	Julianna Fusco	Marcelletta	Nicoletta Powell	Barbara Thomas
Carla Cacciatori	Lauri Fusco	Geoff Marchione	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Lorayne Calicchia	Joanne Gaffey	Russell Marchione	Bill Reese	Rylin Turley
Stephanie Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Patti Mastrangelo	Francine Riolo	Larry Utter
Mary Carmody	Scott Ginsburg	Nicole Mathe	John Ritchie	Fr. Corey VanBuren
Adam Carpenter	Amanda Gold	Marybeth Matyasik	Kelly Homan Rodoski	Deborah Verminski
Annie Cimo	Josh Gold	Brian McQueen	Catherine Roman	Francis Rosario Vitale
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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.

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

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. Peter's Weekly Collection

December 3, 2023

Cash and Envelopes	\$10,516.30
Electronic	\$1,450.37
Total	\$11,966.67

St. Peter's Cemetery

E. Dominick Street Rome 315-337-8307

St. Mary's Cemetery

W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

St. Peter's Special Collections

December 3, 2023

Mission	\$2,400.05
Christmas Flowers	\$2,505.00
Fuel	\$670.00

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.

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

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Electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your weekly offerings. Scan the QR code or go to www.stmarysstpeters.com and click on Donate. Complete the electronic giving authorization form to get started.





FAITH FORMATION

JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

December 10, 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

First Sacraments

December 10th
9:00-9:50 AM

Monday Night Classes

December 11th
Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM
Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM

First Sacraments

December 17th
9:00-9:50 AM

2nd Year Confirmation

December 17th
4:30 PM dinner,
5:00 PM Class,
6:00PM Mass

Monday Night Classes

December 18th
Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 PM
Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30 PM

www.smspfaith.com

Please Pray for Our Clergy



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

St. Peter's Music Ministry

Christmas Concert

featuring St. Peter's
**Music Monday Group
Adult Choir**

Performing:
Various Christmas
Selections

December 17th 7:12 PM
Live Stream at stmarysstpeters.com
St. Peter's Church
250 N. James St. Rome

We are asking all
who attend to bring an
item or make a free will
donation for our food bank.
(In Mission of the Christ Child)

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of December 10, 2023

FOR

MARY ANN LYMAN

By Pete Wood

DONATIONS WINDOW/RESTORATION/MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY OF

RAYMOND AND HARRIET BUCK

By Susan Provenzano

DONATIONS MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

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DONATION

By Elizabeth Pierce



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.

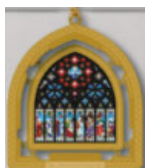
To volunteer helping place the wreaths,
Email or call Joe at
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Please visit www.wreathsaacrossamerica.org

Christmas Concert!

The **St. Joseph's Church music ministry** in
Lee Center will present its 37th annual Christmas
concert "**The Coming of the Lord**"
Friday, December 15@7:00. Please join us!



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 through December 17th**. We've been able to keep the price at **\$25**. Previous ornaments will be available.

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



ANNUAL PARISH WIDE CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 12
Franklin Hotel
\$22.00 per ticket

Menu

**Baked Chicken, Roasted Potatoes,
Baked Ziti,
String Beans & Salad**

If you are able please bring a dessert to pass.

Cash Bar @ 5:30pm / Dinner at 6pm.

**Tickets will be available after all Masses
December 9-10**

**Please contact Joan Combs if you have
any questions @ 315-334-3516.**



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

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

The ladies of the Altar Rosary Society extend our sincere gratitude for your continued support at last weekend's **Religious Article Sale / Bake Sale**. Without your support our efforts would not be fruitful.

THANK YOU!!

SAVE A ROUND COUPON BOOKS ARE STILL AVAILABLE

Please contact Joan Combs if you have any questions
@ 315-334-3516.

The drawings for the **Quilt Raffle and the Basket of Cheer Raffle** will take place after the **10am Mass on Sunday, December 10th.**

**Altar Rosary Society breaks in
January & February.**

We resume our activities in March. 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

DECEMBER
Mary Ann Cox
Joan Combs

MERRY MAKERS

**Next Meeting in the Church Hall
December 13, 6-8 p.m.**

KNITTERS, CROCHETERS & SEWERS

*All Are Needed - All are Welcome
Find out what we do and see what we make
We need many more hands*

*Light H'ors D'oeuvres, 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

December 5, 2023

**Due to the Christmas Holiday, Mission Numbers
for This Week will be posted in Next Week's
Bulletin.**

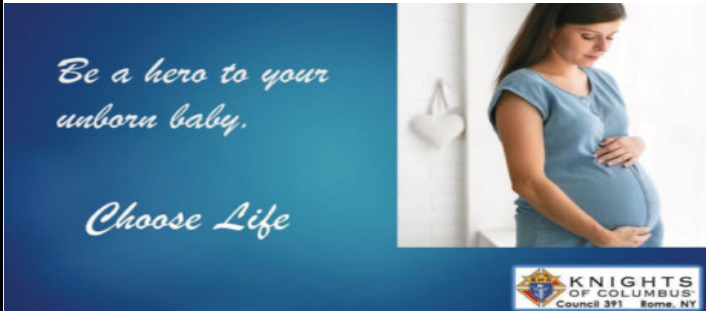
Thanks to all the volunteers that staff the Mission Food Pantry each week and to all of the parishioners that generously support the Mission with food donations and financial contributions.



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 14th at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. The meeting will be at 7PM at 6:30PM by the Holy Rosary.



The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22nd 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

DECEMBER INTENTION

For Persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

December 10, 2023: Second Sunday of Advent

Why is it so hard to forgive, yet so easy to get even? Listen to John the Baptist in today's gospel and repent of the anger and ugly feelings, which block your ability to forgive. This Christmas give a gift, which makes a difference. Give forgiveness.



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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.

PAL (PARENTS OF ADDICTED LOVED ONES)

PAL is a national organization founded in Arizona by a Licensed Independent Substance Abuse Counselor. Each PAL group is facilitated by a trained peer, someone walking the same path.

The primary goal of **PAL** is to provide **HOPE** through education for people dealing with the pain of having an addicted loved one. The guiding principles of PAL are confidentiality, respect, acceptance and support. Differences in opinion are embraced without judgment and we provide an atmosphere of understanding and the freedom to talk. Everyone experiences the journey at their own pace and is supported by the group. **Meetings are FREE** and open to the public; participants must be 18 or over. **Meetings are held every other Monday except holidays 6:00 - 7:30 PM at the Good News Center.**

Please call 315 735 6210 to register for meetings,

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