



# ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE CHURCH

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"The school of Christ is the school of love. On the last day, when the general examination takes place...love will be the whole syllabus."

—St. Robert Bellarmine

## **Pastor**

Fr. Richard A. Narciso

## **Pastor Emeritus**

Fr. John LaPointe

## **Deacon Assistant**

Joseph Tumminelli



## **Mass Schedule**

### **Saturday Vigil**

5:00 PM

### **Sunday Morning**

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 11:30 AM

### **Weekdays and Holy Days**

As announced in bulletin

### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday

9:00 AM to Noon

12:30 PM to 4:30 PM

## **Family Faith Formation, Outreach and Evangelization**

Dina Veiga, Director

232-9321

[srbccd2020@gmail.com](mailto:srbccd2020@gmail.com)

### **Director of Music**

Tom Roy

### **Parish Secretary**

Diane Mosca

### **Business Manager**

Sandra Rainone

## **Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Please call Parish Office for registration

**Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office one year prior to setting any dates for Ceremony or Reception

**Confession:** Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM or by arranging a time with the parish priest

**Ministry to the Sick:** Parishioners who are confined to home due to illness or age, may call the Parish Office for home visits

**MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, December 16**

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the Paris and  
Conti Families (Rem.), *By Rita Paris*  
Bonnie Marie Bizier (7<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

**SUNDAY, December 17**

8:00 AM For the Intentions of Judge Frank  
Caprio *By a friend*

10:00 AM Laurie Parrillo (Rem.),  
*By mom and family*  
Marie Colaluca (Ann.), *By family*

11:30 AM Deceased Members of the Devine  
and LaCroix Families (Rem.),  
*By Carole*  
Geraldine DiSanto (Rem.),  
*By family*

**MONDAY, December 18**

8:00 AM Stephen DeSantis (Rem.), *By family*  
Barbara and James Hodge (Rem.),  
*By Roni*

**TUESDAY, December 19**

8:00 AM Frank Russo (18<sup>th</sup> Ann.) and Jovanni  
DelGiudice (Rem.), (Rem.),  
*By Roni*

**WEDNESDAY, December 20**

8:00 AM Donald Berube (Rem.),  
*By family*

**THURSDAY, December 21**

NO SCHEDULED MASS

**FRIDAY, December 22**

8:00 AM Cecilia Marques (Birth.), *By Lucille*  
Katie Coughlin (Rem.),  
*By Sandy Cerrito*

**SATURDAY, December 23**

5:00 PM Melissa Lautieri (Birth./2<sup>nd</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*  
Dorothy Luzzi (Birth.),  
*By family*

**SUNDAY, December 24**

8:00 AM Lucy Sclama (28<sup>th</sup> Ann.), *By family*

10:00 AM OPEN INTENTION

**Sunday December 24 – Christmas Eve**

4:30 PM Claire Tumminelli (17<sup>th</sup> Ann.),  
*By family*

10:30 PM Corine Holtmann (Rem.),  
*By family*

**Sanctuary Lamp**

Week of Dec. 17 – Dec. 23

**'In Memory of'**

Annemarie & Florence Cioe

*By family*

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There Came A Man  
Who Was Sent From  
God; His Name Was  
John.

John 1-6

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In family life,  
we learn to trust  
other people for  
protection and  
care. This  
experience of  
trust within the  
family enables  
children to believe

us when we testify about our faith in Jesus. John the Baptist was believed by those who heard him because he helped them to recognize Jesus in their midst. In our family life, we hope and pray that we lead one another to recognize Jesus' presence in our world.

As you gather as a family, recall that during the Advent season we are invited to pay particular attention to the signs of Jesus' presence in our world. Consider some of the signs of Jesus' presence that you have experienced.

During Advent, we remember how John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus. Read together today's Gospel, John 1:6-8, 19-28. Discuss the signs of Jesus' presence in our world that you named and explain what these signs tell us about God and God's love for us. Pray together that your family will be led to recognize that Jesus is present among us. Read and pray together the [Magnificat](#).

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.*

*He has mercy on those who fear him  
in every generation.*

*He has shown the strength of his arm,  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.*

*He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,  
and has lifted up the lowly.*

*He has filled the hungry with good things,  
and the rich he has sent away empty.*

*He has come to the help of his servant Israel  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
the promise he made to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his children forever.*

Peace, Dina

### Mass Intentions and Presentation of the Gifts of Bread and Wine



The long standing practice here at our parish has been that there may be up to two families “scheduled” to remember

their loved ones at each of the weekday and weekend Masses.

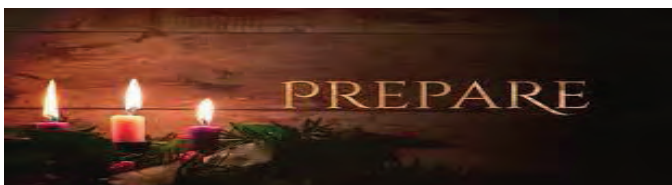
During the Saturday Evening Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM, as well as during the Sunday Morning Masses at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 11:30AM, those who are “scheduled” to remember their loved ones are provided with the opportunity to take part in the offertory procession by presenting the gifts of bread and wine.

If there is only one family “scheduled” to remember their loved one(s) at a particular Mass, then two people from that family may participate in the offertory procession. However, if there are two families scheduled to remember their loved ones during a particular Mass, then only one person from each family may participate in the offertory procession.

If you would like to participate in the offertory procession but are not sure if there is more than one family remembering loved ones at a particular Mass, please check the bulletin that is posted along with other information on the board that is hung to the immediate right upon entering the building.

In addition, if you would like to participate in the offertory procession, please try to notify one of the ushers so that they will know that there will be people to present the gifts of bread and wine. One of the ushers will likely be able to tell you how many people from your family may participate in the offertory procession.

Lastly, immediately after the offertory hymn is announced, those who will be participating in the offertory procession should make their way to the table upon which the bread and wine are sitting in the rear of the church. Thanks in advance for your attention and cooperation. Peace, Fr. Richard



### Daily Readings

#### **Sunday**

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

#### **Monday**

Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

#### **Tuesday**

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

#### **Wednesday**

Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

#### **Thursday**

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45

#### **Friday**

1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

#### **Saturday**

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66



### Mission Outreach

Matthewson Street Church is in desperate need of warm clothing for their homeless

population. They have requested gloves, hats, scarves and winter jackets.

We accept new and gently used items that are clean, washed and don't smell of smoke. Drop off at church. Thanks in advance for your generosity and support. Carolyn & Marge

### *For Whom Are You Praying?*



*Add their names to the Prayer Chain.*

*Call: Charon Souza (401) 231-3962*

### Mass During the Winter



*Status regarding the celebration of Mass will be available by visiting:*

[https://www.ribroadcasters.com/News\\_and\\_Events/Closings\\_Delays/](https://www.ribroadcasters.com/News_and_Events/Closings_Delays/)

If you happen to have a Mass intention scheduled for a day on which Mass will not be celebrated in public, be assured that the Mass will be offered for your intention in private.

Take Note   **Mass Schedule**   Take Note**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

Saturday, December 23

5:00 PM

Sunday, December 24

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

**Mass will not be celebrated  
at 11:30 AM.****Christmas**

Sunday, December 24 -

Christmas Eve

4:30 PM - Vigil Mass

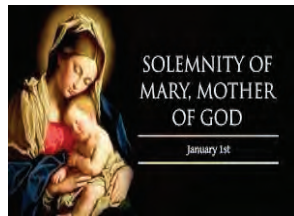
10:30 PM - Mass

Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day

10:00 AM - Mass

**New Year's Day***The Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God*

A Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, January 1  
10:00 AM**St. Robert Bellarmine Church***January 2024 Cash Calendar***Have you purchased yours?****What a great Christmas Gift or Stocking Stuffer  
for the person on your list  
who has everything!****Cash Calendars are available  
for purchase in the church,  
at the rectory during regular****business hours or by using the form printed in  
this Sunday's bulletin.****Gift wrapped calendars  
are available at the rectory.****Purchase a calendar for only \$25.00  
to be entered to win daily cash prizes throughout  
the month of January!****31 Chances to win!****Proceeds to benefit  
our parish projects and ministries.****Parish Support****December 9/10****Traditional Giving / ParishSoft**

Weekly Offering: \$7,354.00 / \$845.00

Loose Cash: \$359.00

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A word of gratitude to those who continue to contribute to the ongoing financial support of the parish. Offerings may be made during Mass, dropped off at the rectory, sent in by mail or forwarded by way of your bank's electronic bill pay service. Online giving continues to be an option here at the parish. To begin taking advantage of this option, click on the link for "ParishSoft Online Giving" found on the homepage of the parish's website - [www.strobertsparish.org](http://www.strobertsparish.org)

**Collections for December****December 17 - Weekly****THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING  
SUPPORT OF OUR FOOD SHELF  
and OUTREACH MINISTRY**

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**Christmas 2023**

Thank you for your generosity and support of the *Giving Tree Program*. The gift cards and gifts will indeed help the needy of our community to celebrate Christmas with their families.

**Gifts and Food Baskets will be distributed to  
those who have requested assistance  
on December 19, 2023**

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**The Food Shelf is in need of jarred pasta sauce,  
pasta, ramen noodles, large canned soup and  
canned tuna, jelly, cereal and baked beans. Any  
non-perishable food are always welcome.**

# St. Robert Bellarmine Church

## January Cash Calendar



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