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December 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

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SAFE Environment

As members of our Church we have a sacred responsibility to care for and protect each other, most especially the innocent and the most vulnerable.

Should you have any SAFE environment questions or concerns, please contact:

Nancy Filgate, SAFE Environment Coord.,
Phone: 508 869-2391
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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 a.m. Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 & 11:15 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Bulletin items due by Tuesday

SACRAMENTS

Baptism Preparation:

1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m in Room B - Contact Parish Office to register.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Marriage:

Contact the Parish Office a year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick:

Anytime by request - Contact Parish Office.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 18

4:30 p.m. Donald Miner (2nd Anniversary) by Cheryl Smith &

Family

Sunday, December 19

9:00 a.m. Matthew John Phillips (BD Remembrance) by Auntie

Gloria (Phillips)

11:15 a.m. Julianne Shea (1st Anniversary) by Kathy Shea

Monday, December 20

8:30 a.m. For the Sick of the Parish

Tuesday, December 21

8:30 a.m. For those who have no one to pray for them

Wednesday, December 22 8:30 a.m. For the unemployed

Thursday, December 23

8:30 a.m. For the deceased of the Parish Friday, December 24 (Christmas Eve)

4:30 p.m. Yolanda & Dominic Lombardi by the family

10:00 p.m. Robert Paulding from the family

Saturday, December 25 (Christmas)

10:00 a.m. NOT FILLED Sunday, December 26

9:00 a.m. Joseph F. Hine (100th BD Remembrance) by the

Donnelly Family

11:15 a.m. Deceased Members of the Dowen & White Families

by Anne Dowen



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Liturgical Ministers assigned for this weekend are: Saturday, December 18-4:30 p.m.

Lector: Noreen Christie Ushers: Annette Davis

Sunday, December 19 - 9:00 a.m.

Lector: George Olson

Server: Patrick Flanagan, Francesco Villani

Ushers: Joan Shanahan

Sunday, December 19-11:15 a.m.

Lector: Patricia Bartram Ushers: Paula Smith

Friday, December 24-4:30 p.m.

Lector: Pat Bartram

Eucharistic Minister: Annette Davis, Sheri Hebert

Greeters: NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED

Friday, December 24- 10:30 p.m.

Lector: Wayne MacNeil

Eucharistic Minister: Joe DiCelie, Brenda DiCelie

Greeters: NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED

Saturday, December 25- 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Savina Villani

Eucharistic Minister: Joe DiCelie, Brenda DiCelie

Greeters: Paula Smith, Terry Manion

Sunday, December 26 - 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Meg Latessa

Ushers: Joe DiCelie, Brenda DiCelie

Sunday, December 26-11:15 a.m.

Lector: Mary McParland

Server: NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED Ushers: NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED

Religious Education News

Religious Education Schedule:

Sun. Dec. 19th 9:50-11:05 a.m. Grs. 1-3

12 Noon Gr. 10 Service at

Urban Missionaries

Mon. Dec. 20th 6:30-8:00 p.m. Grs. 6-8 Tues. Dec. 21st 4:15-5:30 p.m. Grs. 4 & 5

NO CLASSES

December 22, 2021- January 4, 2022 Classes resume Sunday, January 9th!

**Grade 10 will meet December 19th in the Church hall immediately following the 11:15 Mass. Please bring your permission slips signed by both parents and teen.

We will leave SMOTH @ 12:15 sharp!

Christmas Angels:

All Grade 3 & 4 students who will be "Christmas Angels" on Christmas Eve at the 4:30 p.m. Mass will have a "Fitting of Wings" and a Mini practice on Wed. Dec. 22nd @ 4:30 p.m. Please meet outside Room A in the Church Hall for to get your wings.



++++ Important Parish Contacts ++++

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Volunteers Needed

We are in need of Greeters for the following masses:

Christmas Eve (12/24):

4:30: Greeters (2) 8:00: Greeters (2)

Feast of the Holy Family (12/26):

11:15: Greeters (2)



If you would like to volunteer, there is a sign up form in the Church. You can also contact the office at (508) 869-6771, or by email at Secretary@saintmaryofthehills.com.

Thank you!

Dear Father Echavarria.

It is with great joy I write you about the impact of your congregation's recent gift of 608 pounds of food and \$1,125.00 in grocery store gift cards. Food insecurity is a national issue and local issue, so your generosity is



greatly appreciated. This Thanksgiving, 288 families received a Thanksgiving Food Basket. A total of 11,257 pounds of food was distributed.

You made this possible. Our Emergency Assistance Program staff and volunteers worked tirelessly to put the Thanksgiving food baskets together and delivered to the families when needed.

Your support is invaluable to us, thank you again!

Sincerely, Sheilah Dooley Pernet Family Health Service

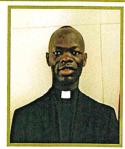


Knights of Columbus Rosary

We invite you to please join the Knights of Columbus as they pray the Rosary following the 9:00 a.m. Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Next gathering is **December 19th**.



Father Pascal Kumanda of Cross Catholic Outreach, will be visiting our parish the weekend of January 1st and 2nd to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the



Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Father Pascal NG. Kumanda, CICM, is originally from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He was ordained in 2013 in the Archdiocese of San Antonio, and is a missionary of the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. As a missionary in Africa, he dedicated himself to the service of the sick, elderly, orphans, abandoned children and vulnerable communities.

Father Kumanda has ministered in the San Antonio Archdiocese, Raleigh Diocese and is currently in Arlington. He has served as an Associate Pastor and remains involved in Hospital, Hospice and Social ministry. He is fluent in English, Spanish and French. His passion and love for the abandoned, suffering and vulnerable children of God, led him to join Cross Catholic Outreach where he hopes to inspire others to bring hope and life to the poorest of the poor around the world.





Thank you!



The Christmas Concert Reception Committee would like to thank all of the volunteers who baked/donated for the reception. As well as all those who donated

their time and efforts to set up, serve and clean up after the event. All of you hard work is appreciated in helping make the Concert a huge success!



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH 4:30 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M.

CHRISTMAS DAY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

10:00 A.M.

(THERE IS NO 4:30 P.M. MASS)

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY <u>SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH</u> 9:00 A.M. AND 11:15 A.M.

Saint Mary of the Hills Prayer Line

Jackie, Tanya L., Frank, Daniel, Raymonde Forjette, Skylar, Timmy, Harry Wilson, Bette Kirby, Barbara Whales, Mary, Brittany, Kim Hally, Cynthia Lazar, Joseph T., Phil Roger, Anthony, Alicia Suarez, Abel Clavijo, Melanie Robert, Steffani, Brian, Justin, Henrietta, Diane K., Lisa P., Alli B., Justin, Frances, Ken Reynolds, Kandyce, Pauline Westcott, Haley C., Joyce Whyte, Elizabeth Scano, Michelle, Ken T., Robert Kuchler, Karen Coveney, Marcy C., Eleanor B., Linda O'Malley, Jim C., Diane B., Mary Ann W., Max, Max M., Ali, Cathy, Melissa A., Bob R., Pat G., Jack C., Joy B., Mary Beth F., Raquel Padilla, For the addicted, Jenny Mangas, Kim Hardy, Joan B., Peg P., Maria Levine, Erik Olson, Tommy, Vinny & Marie Hagerty, and Kara, Jack & Pauline W., John, Ron & Deb, Pat Banfield, Karen D., Diane H., Tim Ferguson, Steven Parrella, Linda, John Lonati, E. O'Connor, Joe & Cindy Nader, Peter Proulx, Maddy Figueras, Emily Guerra, Mary K., Gary, Mike Murphy, Sherry, Marion C., Kaity, Robert, Bob & Joanie, Pat Pitzi, Dan, Lavin & Henley T., Judy Ellis, Micki, Fr. Jim, Jayne, Cathy Ols, Andrew Kardokas, Eileen Foss, Thomas Powroznik, The Tremper Family, Janet Carr, Lee L, Rick, Mark C., Dianne, Suzie L., Cheryl B., Roxanne Plante, Bob Fitzgerald, Elizabeth, Pam, John M., Regina Panasuk, Kathryn Brown, Laura, Ronnie, Olivia, Sean G., Tom Scano, Mary Jo Sanders, Judy C., Frank Pellegrino, T.J. Bautz, Sarah, Andrew, Phyllis, Sophia, Paula, for Fr. Mulumba's safety, Robin Pratt, Craig, Josephine, Kate Deliso, Ryan C., Claire, Amy & Maureen, David & Julia, Andrew Mannett, Sr. Joanne Eneguess, Ryan & Chad, Anna, Anthony, Denise, Marie Orlovsky, Paul, Lee L., Sr., Justin A., Jo Ann, Jason Bailey, Ray L., Yvette Armstrong, Eric Shea, Maureen, Rachel, Bill Flaherty, Dylan, Arakel Kandoyan, Becky English, Tom C., Tyler C., Peggy, Stephen A., Hannah, Josh, Sean S., Dina O'Leary, Lee L., The Rogers Family, Mike & Judy, for my nephew, Paul Rice, Silva Payne, Max Lariviere, Fr. Manny, Adam Lareau (in Afghanistan), Don, Joseph B., Deborah Brown, Marcia, Amy, Brian LeDuc, Joe Atkinson, Henry Pearce, Pam B., John Tyndall, Mary, Bob & Marsha G., Ellen, Joseph, Pat G., Joe, Jack, William, Ed S., Bob D., Tip, Alidia, Edward D., Antoinette M., Ollie McMullun, Carina, Carla, McKenzie, Addie, Pat R., Michael B, A.D., Beatrix, Sean D., Butch M., Jennie Schump, Michael S. Sullivan, Rev. Jim Chase, Rev. & Mrs. Bob Davidson, Marilyn, Paula G., Wes Stevens, Mike O'Neal, Rebecca Sherwood, Jennifer Smedley, Zachery, Jen Hollis, Stephanie Banks, Tyler C., Jasmine R., Trey, Joseph & Samantha, Steven Faucher, Joseph Padavano, David, Lucille, Erin, Julie, Tom H., Tiffany & Family, Buffy H., healing prayers for a family member, Paul, and Gary & Carol A., Roger Meeks, Ernie Quintiliani, For my sons, Larry Hardenbrook, Nancy K., Tyler L., Chris, Jenn Luke, Carol P., Margaret (Hazel) B., Alex, Anna B., Julie S., Brian Rittershaus, Josephine H., Lucas, Sandy L., Jenn Rajala, Pearl & Deacon Dick Martino, Ron Prishivalko, "For my children", Baby Gianna, Patrick Severin, Katie K., Dario, Sharon D., Ron G., Tom P., George, Donna, Les C., Lindsey Downing, Leann Kirwin, the Family of Greg Scott, Danny Wadhwani, Lorraine Sullivan, Frank & Ann Masiello, Rita Cormier, Jim, the Phillips Family, Jay Chelo, Carol McNaught, Sharon, Tom F., Kristin, Myra C., Duncan, Tom Breen, Susan Yeomans, Tom C., Kevin Prendergast, Doris Paolini, Lindsey, Jeannette Rogers, James Prendergast, Julie and her Family, Mary Severin, "for my husband", Donald Kender, Judy Nelson, Laura Giurleo, Jim Bettger, Patsy, Dave Burtis, Ivy M., Chris Ann & Ian, Tuan Dao, Mike Fleming & Family, Amalie, and Michelle H.

+++ It would be most appreciated if you could let the Office know when to take a name off The Prayer Line. Thank you! +++

Petition for God's Intercession

All-powerful and ever-living God, the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for our sisters and brothers who may be troubled by illness of body, mind or spirit; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your Holy Church. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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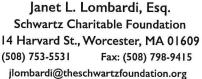
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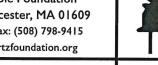


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