

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** If you are sick, homebound, or in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion or would like a pastoral visit, please contact Deacon John McCormack by leaving a detailed message at 914-456-6329 or calling the Parish Office at 227-1710. If you prefer, you may email Deacon John at jmac1255@gmail.com.

**PRAYER NETWORK:** The Prayer Network is a way to have prayers requested. Your intentions may be given to Nancy Vaughn at 226-4053 to be prayed for by our "vine" of caring people.

**MUSIC MINISTRY:** The Youth Choir practices on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:00 pm; Adult Choir practices are Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30 pm; Contemporary Ensemble practices are Thursdays from 7 to 9:30 pm. All practices are in the church. For more information, please contact our Music Director, Nina Ricci, at nina.ricci@saintkaterimusic.org.

**PARENT/CHILD CONNECTION:** The Parent-Child Connection provides a safe playgroup for young children and an opportunity for adults to share their understanding of early childhood issues in an environment that promotes Catholic values. Please visit our parish website to see a complete schedule.

**T.L.C. TRI PARISH TEEN GROUP:** The teen group is a program for all the high school students in the parishes of St. Denis, St. Columba and Saint Kateri. The program includes fun activities such as outings and trips, service activities for the parish and greater community, and opportunities to learn more about your faith.

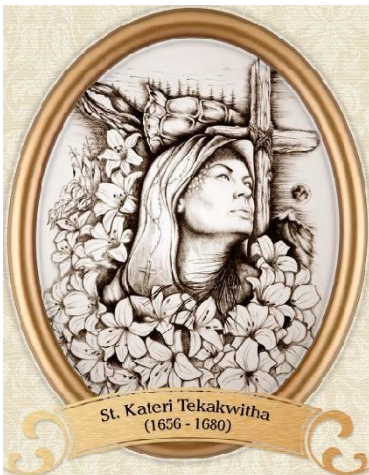
**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** New parishioners are always welcome. New Parishioner Forms are available in the church narthex, at the Parish Office, or online. If you are a regular contributor, please consider becoming a member to ensure receipt of a tax statement at each year-end.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is the world's most distinguished "Friends of the Poor". The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers assistance to those in need. Hotline for those in need: 227-7863.

**OUR LADY OF LIFE MINISTRY:** We meet monthly for prayer and support of local life needs. Hotline for those in need: Sisters of Life Mission: 212-737-0221  
Birth Right: 1-800-550-4900  
Good Counsel: 1-800-723-8331

**DIRECTORY OF ACTIVITIES**

Adopt-A-Night (feeding homeless).....	lacolla@optimum.net - Vivian LaColla
Adult Faith Form/Bible Study .....	223-3658----- Julie Borges
Altar Linens.....	227-2807----- Geraldine Natale
Altar Rosary Society.....	454-1840----- Betty Perrino
Altar Servers .....	227-1710-----
Baking.....	221-2741----- Lorraine Travia
Baptismal Program .....	226-8987----- Deacon Bob
Bereavement Group .....	221-2741----- Lorraine Travia bktbereavement@optonline.net
Blood Drives .....	590-1601----- Dusty Maiolo
Chapel/Church Cleaners .....	223-5650----- Mary Covucci
Church Decorators.....	227-1529----- Cathy Varano
Cursillo.....	226-5207----- Tony Martino
Discover Christ.....	223-3658----- Julie Borges
Ecumenical Group .....	223-3658----- Dave Borges
Eucharistic Adoration .....	223-3658----- Dave Borges
Eucharistic Ministers .....	914-456-6329 - Dcn John McCormack
Faith Formation/Family Catechesis.....	227-1710 x3----- Heidi Reale
Fund Raising .....	677-6496----- Anthony Cirone
Gardening/Landscaping.....	223-5999----- Dennis Rosenfeld
Hospital/Homebound Visits.....	914-456-6329----- Deacon John
Hospitality .....	677-6496----- Andrea Cirone
Kateri Can Cook.....	223-5951----- Ellen Newhard
Knights of Columbus.....	914-760-1744----- Keith McCartney kmhudson3@gmail.com
Lectors .....	223-8410----- Deacon John Barone
Leisure Club .....	mlbiasotti2000@aol.com--- Mary Biasotti
Liturgical Minister Schedule .....	227-1710----- Denise Casey
Joyful Noise.....	227-1710----- Heidi Reale
Junior High Club.....	227-8382----- Larry Ryan/ St. Denis
Marriage Encounter .....	223-5661----- Anne Anderson
Men's Group.....	223-3658----- Dave Borges
Music Ministry/Youth Choir.....	nina.ricci@saintkaterimusic.org --- Nina Ricci
Pancake Breakfast .....	223-5951--- Robert & Ellen Newhard
Parent-Child Connection .....	221-2873----- Kira Gorman kirazgorman@yahoo.com
Parish Activities .....	221-0076----- Ed & Laura Leahy
Parish Council.....	221-1614----- Robert Herberger
Prayer Shawl Ministry.....	223-5001----- Vivian LaColla
Prayer Network .....	226-4053----- Nancy Vaughn
R.C.I.A./R.C.I.T. ....	227-1710----- Msgr. Desmond saintkateriparish.com/rcia
Respect Life.....	sktforlife@optonline.net--- Annemarie R./Cathy D./Andrew H
Spirit Wind Prayer Group.....	440-3519----- Pat Mackey
Spiritual Life.....	227-1710----- Msgr. Desmond
St. Vincent de Paul.....	227-7863----- Joyce Pfirman
Support for Military Families.....	635-3623----- John & Ruth Recchia
TLC Teen Group...914-708-7331...	dpbell@optonline.net --- Dave and Kathy Bell
Teen Music Ministry.....	nina.ricci@saintkaterimusic.org-Nina Ricci
Ushers/Greeters .....	677-6496----- Anthony Cirone
Vacation Bible School .....	226-8987----- Judy Horton
Widows & Widowers Club .....	223-3097----- Joan Lee



**Prayer to Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**

*St. Kateri Tekakwitha, favored child and Lily of the Mohawks, I come to seek your intercession in my present need: (mention it). I admire the virtues which adorned your soul: love of God and neighbor, humility, obedience, patience, purity and the spirit of sacrifice. Help me to imitate your example in my state of life. Through the goodness and mercy of God, Who has blessed you with so many graces which led you to the true faith and to a high degree of holiness, pray to God for me and help me.*

*Obtain for me a very fervent devotion to the Holy Eucharist so that I may love Holy Mass as you did and receive Holy Communion as often as I can. Teach me also to be devoted to my crucified Savior as you were, that I may cheerfully bear my daily crosses for love of Him Who suffered so much for love of me. Most of all, I beg you to pray for me that I may avoid sin, lead a holy life and save my soul. Amen.*

## Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Church

## Second Sunday Of Advent

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 7</b>	<b>St. Ambrose</b>
9:00 am		For All Parishioners
7:00 pm		Helen Gagliotti
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 8</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception of the BVM</b>
9:00 am		George Covucci <i>By John &amp; Mary Covucci</i>
5:00 pm		Antonio DiPietro <i>By his wife Antonette &amp; family</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 9</b>	<b>St. Juan Diego</b>
		<b>Cuahtlatotzin</b>
9:00 am		Ana Maria N. Ilano <i>By Noe Ilano &amp; Noe Ramon Ilano</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 10</b>	
9:00 am		Martin Joe Corcoran
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 11</b>	<b>St. Damasus I, Pope</b>
9:00 am		Donna Schepperly (L) <i>By Alethea &amp; James</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 12</b>	<b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b>
9:00 am		Maureen & Patrick Smyth <i>By Alethea &amp; James</i>
5:00 pm		Concetta, James & Louis Liccione <i>By the Liccione Family</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 13</b>	
9:00 am		Christopher Maiorino <i>By Laura &amp; Ed Leahy</i>
10:30 am		Peggy O'Boyle <i>By Gladys &amp; Len Ackley</i>
12:15 pm		Rosa & Vincenzo Pellino <i>By Theresa &amp; Family</i>
5:30 pm		Jane Goldwasser <i>By the +TLC+</i>

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

*Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation. Masses are 7 pm Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, and 9 am & 5 pm Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.*

### ST. KATERI PARENT-CHILD CONNECTION

*This week's topic is The Year of Mercy and a St. Nicholas craft. Contact Kira Gorman at kirazgorman@yahoo.com.*

### PARISH ACTIVITIES

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 7</b>
7:30 pm	Adoration ( <i>Chapel</i> )
7:30 pm	Confessions ( <i>Chapel</i> )
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 8</b>
10:00 am	Parent Child Connection
	<b>Faith Formation Building: St</b>
7:00 pm	BS Ad Altari Dei
	<b>Faith Formation Building: St. Francis</b>
7:00 pm	HVC BSA Dutchess District
	<b>Faith Formation Building</b>
7:00 pm	Spirit Wind Prayer Group ( <i>Chapel</i> )
7:30 pm	Parish Council
	<b>Church Meeting Room</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 9</b>
After the 9am Mass	Confessions ( <i>Chapel</i> )
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 10</b>
6:30 pm	Reconciliation Make-Up
	<b>Faith Formation Building</b>
7:00 pm	RCIA
	<b>Faith Formation Building: St. Paul</b>
7:00 pm	Ultreya
	<b>Faith Formation Building: St. Francis</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 12</b>
7:00 pm	Covenant of Love
	<b>Church Meeting Room</b>
4:00 pm	Confessions ( <i>Chapel</i> )
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 13</b>
2:30 pm	Music Ministry Christmas Concert
6:30 pm	TLC Teen Group Meeting
	<b>Church Meeting Room</b>

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

*+TLC+ is hosting a pancake breakfast today, after the 9 & 10:30 am Masses. teens are invited to help.*

### PARISH INCOME REPORT

November 22, 2015 in-Pew Collection: \$10,456.00  
 November 23, 2014 in-Pew Collection: \$9,802.00  
 November 29, 2015 in-Pew Collection: \$ 10,946.00  
 November 30, 2014 in-Pew Collection: \$10,394.00

### SUNDAY DECEMBER 13, 2015 LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
<b>Sat. 5:00 pm – Msgr. Desmond</b>	Mary Biasotti	Andrea Cirone, Connie Liccione, Lorraine Travia, <b>TBD, TBD</b>	Kendall Feighan, Angela McDevitt, Bobby McDevitt
<b>9:00 am – Fr. Michael</b>	Laura Leahy	Rosemary Archer, David Borges, Christopher Filachek, Sarah Filachek, Judy Horton	Andrea Filachek, Elizabeth Filachek, Kayla Outman
<b>10:30 am – Fr. Michael</b>	Robert Young	Kathleen Jastrzembksi, Patricia Mackey, Betty Perrino, Debbie Scianimanico, Alexandra Sullivan	Joseph Jastrzembksi, Julia Jastrzembksi, Amalia Nunes
<b>12:15 pm – Msgr. Desmond</b>	Dave Anderson	Anne Anderson, Mary Pat Burke, Patrick Herlihy	Kristen Cain, Peter Tomasic, Matthew Cain
<b>5:30 pm – Msgr. Desmond</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Kathy Bell, Ann Mulvey, Joseph Whitton, <b>TBD, TBD</b>	Declan Wood, Evan Jackob, Timothy Jackob



**THE POWER OF PRAYER**

If you would like to have your name, or know someone who has given permission to have their name, added to the prayer list, call Nancy Vaughn at 226-4053.

**Please pray for those who are ill:**

Julie Borges, Karen Cuvelier, Denee DeVizio, Anna Florence,  
Robert Florence, William Grafer, Jeffrey Hynard, Dariana  
Jamison, Mary Loughran, Kate Madigan,  
Patricia and Kenneth McCabe, Mary Reale

**Please pray for our parishioners serving in the**

**military:** Jamie Babon, Michael Baibagallo, Daniel  
Barone, Matthew Donnellan, Timothy Douglass, Thomas Finn,  
Brandon Gonzalez, Matthew Howard, Kenneth Jablecki,  
Zachery Kirchner, Joseph D. Nani, Vincent Nichtern,  
Mary Reale, James Tindall, Matthew Walsh

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND**

Msgr. Desmond will lead a parish pilgrimage to the Emerald Isle, March 28<sup>th</sup> - April 8<sup>th</sup>. All St. Kateri parishioners are invited and seats are filling fast! Early bird deadline is December 15<sup>th</sup>. Information can be found in the narthex. Contact Mary Biasotti, mlbiasotti2000@aol.com or 297-9310, ASAP.

**RCIA**

This week's topic is marriage. All are welcome. Visit [saintkateriparish.com/rcia](http://saintkateriparish.com/rcia).

**THE GIVING TREE**

All gifts for the Astor Home children should be returned **unwrapped** by December 13<sup>th</sup> with the **gift label placed on the gift**. Gift cards should be returned with the labels in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity.

**DONATIONS FOR +TLC+ VISIT TO HILLCREST HOUSE**

Each year the +TLC+ helps decorate the Dutchess County Homeless Shelter-Hillcrest House. Afterwards, we have a small party with Christmas carols, snacks and a gift for the residents. We could use help with gifts: gloves, hats, scarves, pajamas, socks, and toiletries. We are going this Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, so items would have to be at church before that. Sorry for the late notice - but thanks in advance.

**2015 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

After 9:00 am Mass

Wednesday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

4:00 pm—4:40 pm

**MASSES CHRISTMAS EVE**

4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and Midnight

**MASSES CHRISTMAS DAY**

9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:15 pm

**MASSES NEW YEAR'S EVE**

4:00 pm, 10:00 pm

**MASSES NEW YEAR'S DAY**

9:00 am, 11:00 am

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Holy Day of Obligation -**

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

December 7<sup>th</sup> - the Monday 6:30 session will be attending the 7 pm Mass with their Faith Formation Class: drop off-6:30 pm in the Faith Formation Building, pick up - 8 pm in the Church, after Mass.

December 8<sup>th</sup> - the Tuesday 5 pm session will be attending the 5 pm Mass with their Faith Formation Class: drop off-4:55 pm in the Church (please be prompt - your child will be sitting with their class in reserved seats). Pick up – 6:30 pm in the Faith Formation Building

**Family Catechesis**

**This is in place of your regularly scheduled class the week of December 21<sup>st</sup> – December 23<sup>rd</sup> and is required by the Archdiocese.**

**"Christmas Traditions and Gifts"**

Learn about Christmas traditions around the world and the gifts we receive! All are welcome, Grandparents too! Both sessions start in the church with Christmas caroling and culminate in the Meeting Room with refreshments, crafts and fellowship. Each family must choose one session below to attend.

**Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 4:30 – 6 pm**

**~OR~**

**Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30 – 8 pm**

**Please register by Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> by going to our parish website: [saintkateriparish.com](http://saintkateriparish.com) and click on the Doodle Link under the Faith Formation tab.**

**Office Hours**

**Our office Hours: Mondays and Wednesdays, 10 am-8 pm, Tuesdays, 10 am-7 pm, Thursdays, 1-7 pm.**

**BOOK AND DUFFLE BAG DRIVE**

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church will be hosting a book and duffle bag drive on Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at all Masses in the Narthex. Please donate your gently used or new books and/or duffle bags, book bags or tote bags for the Children's Home in Poughkeepsie.

**TLC + TEENS LOVING CHRIST + TLC**

9<sup>th</sup> graders and all high school students are encouraged to be involved in +TLC+ events. They are as follows:

**Sunday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> - Pancake Breakfast**

**Wednesday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> - Hillcrest House Christmas Tree**

**Saturday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> - Gift Tree Packing, 11am-1pm**

**Sunday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> - General Meeting-Parents invited!**

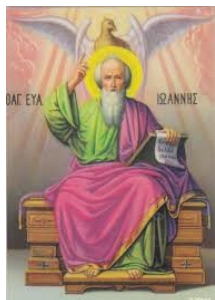
**Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Party**

**Sunday, December 27<sup>th</sup> - No Meeting**

**Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup> - Trip To NYC**

The tri-parish Youth Group meets after the 5:30 pm Mass at St. Kateri from 6:30-8 pm in the Church Meeting Room. All high school teens are welcome. For +TLC+ news and forms, visit [saintkateriparish.com/tlc-teen-group](http://saintkateriparish.com/tlc-teen-group).





## The Infancy Narratives in the Gospels by Msgr. Desmond

We will discuss the Christmas Story as it is presented in each Gospel, the points each Evangelist wants to make and how they differ from one another.

Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30 pm in the Meeting Room



### "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" POSTER CONTEST

The LaGrange Knights of Columbus Council #13378 is inviting all boys and girls from ages 5-14 to participate in the "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Posters must be submitted no later than December 7<sup>th</sup>. **For more information, contact Keith McCartney at 914-760-1744 / kmhudson3@gmail.com or Matt D'Angelo at 845-820-1813 / aceadjust107@aol.com**

### NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE

It was on the feast day of the Immaculate Conception (then celebrated on December 9<sup>th</sup>) that Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn and of the Americas, first appeared to St. Juan Diego. The National Night of Prayer for Life bridges these two feasts to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for the Lord's mercy and restore life, liberty and faith.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church is hosting a National Night of Prayer for Life on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 9 pm until Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, at 1 am in the Chapel. The National Night of Prayer for Life is a pro-life prayer service consisting of Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary and other vocal prayer, silent meditation, and Benediction. During the "Hour of Unity", 12 am -1 am, we will be united with churches across the country in prayer.

### BOY SCOUT TROOP 40 CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE

The Boy Scouts will be at St. Kateri selling their beautiful wreaths again this weekend. Consider purchasing a wreath and supporting Troop 40. Thank you and Merry Christmas



### COVENANT OF LOVE

Join us for our next meeting, Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm, which will be a pot luck Christmas Party (Childcare will be provided). For info, call Marcella Gaughan, at 453-8887.

### ST. KATERI LEISURE CLUB

This Sunday evening, December 6<sup>th</sup>, many of us will attend the Lessons and Carols at 7pm in the Vassar College Chapel. Those interested in carpooling should arrive at the north end of our parking lot before 5:45pm.

On Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, we'll visit Mariapolis Luminosa in Hyde Park to view their extensive collection of Nativity sets from around the world. We'll leave at 9:45am, arrive at 10:30am and have lunch at Noon. The cost is \$15.

All are invited to attend either of these events! Contact Mary Biasotti, 845-297-9310, or mlbiasotti2000@aol.com

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEWS

#### St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry Christmas Gifts

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has purchased \$25 gift cards from Burlington for each child age infant to 17 for the families we serve. The gift cards allow the parents/guardian to purchase the most needed or wanted item for their child. If you would like to assist in covering the cost of these gift cards, your donation is greatly appreciated. Please make your check payable to St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry and indicate "gift card" in the memo. Mail or drop off your donation at the St. Columba rectory: **St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, St. Columba Church, Box 428, Hopewell Junction, NY 12533.**

#### St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Food Baskets

To donate a Christmas food basket, call Linda Hunt on the hotline, 227-7863. Partial donations will also be accepted. Requested basket items: turkey or ham, milk, eggs, fresh vegetables, salad mix, salad dressing, sweet potatoes, white potatoes, butter, fruit, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, gravy rolls, beverages, dessert, tea, coffee and an aluminum pan. **Baskets must be dropped off on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup> between 10 am-12 noon at St. Columba Church. The baskets will be dispersed after the blessing at 1 pm.**

**This week the Pantry needs laundry detergent, jello/pudding, toothpaste & brushes, evaporated milk.** For assistance, to volunteer or to be a member, call **227-7863**. Next meeting is December 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in classroom 15 of the St. Denis-St. Columba School.

### OPŁATKI

Polish, Slovak and Lithuanian background families have a Christmas tradition of breaking off a piece of opłatek (wafer) and sharing it with family and friends as an expression of blessing and forgiveness. We now have the opłatki available in the Narthex after Masses and at the Saint Kateri Parish Office. A donation to cover the cost of the opłatki would be greatly appreciated.

### DECEMBER BLOOD DRIVE

The blood drive will be on December 16<sup>th</sup> in the Church Meeting Room from 2-8 pm. For questions, call Dusty Maiolo 845-590-1601. Students needing community service hours can email Mrs. Wendy Young at Service10hours@AOL.com.

### ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

All are welcome at our Annual Christmas Dinner at the Beekman Country Clubhouse, Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Tickets are \$39 each. Call Betty Perrino at 454-1840 for info.

You are invited to the  
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Music Ministry  
Christmas Concert



Sunday December 13, 2015

2pm

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Church

*Come and listen to the songs of Christmas  
Featuring the Saint Kateri Music Ministry  
Peter Krauss, Organist  
Nina Ricci, Director*

Refreshments served following the concert

*Admission is free!*

**MARIAPOLIS LUMINOSA NATIVITY DISPLAY**

Each Christmas, throughout the month of December, Mariapolis Luminosa displays over 200 Nativity scenes from every continent in the world. People come from near and far to visit this beautiful event. Mariapolis Luminosa is located at 200 Cardinal Rd., Hyde Park, NY 12538. Come and listen to the St. Kateri Music Ministry who will perform a medley of Christmas carols on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. The display runs from December 1-30, 2015, Saturday-Sunday, 1-5 pm; Monday-Friday, 2-5 pm. Other times, by appointment only. Suggested donation \$5. For more information, please call 229-0230 x 127 or [focolare.org/mariapolisluminosa](http://focolare.org/mariapolisluminosa).

**BUSES FOR MARCH FOR LIFE**

The March for Life in Washington, DC is scheduled for Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016, buses leaving at 5 am. This is the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court decision making abortion legal in all of 9 months of pregnancy. St. Columba buses (2) will leave St. Columba Church at 5 am after a 4:30 am Mass. St. Mary's bus will leave St. Mary's Wappingers Falls at 5 am after a 4:30 am Mass. For reservations and/or information, call Rich at 297-7930 for the St. Mary's bus. Call George Morton at 226-6896 for the two St. Columba's buses. Prices are \$35 for adults and \$25 (adjusted by need) for students. All reservations and payments are required by January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016.