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~ MASSES ~

Saturday Evening

5:00pm, 7:00pm (Spanish)

Sunday

8:30, 9:45am (Spanish), 11:30am

Daily (Mon-Sat)

9:00am

Holy Days

9:00am and 7:30pm

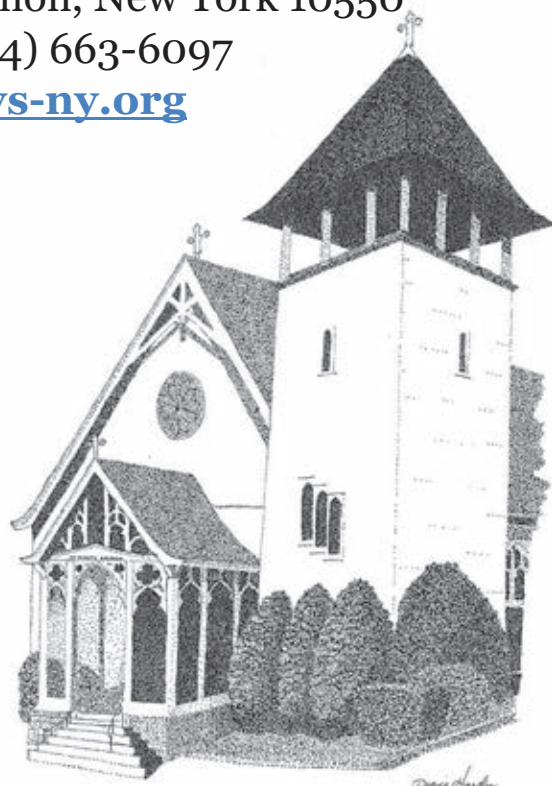
~ OFFICE HOURS ~

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday through Friday: 9:30 – 6

Saturday: 9 – 4

Other times by appointment



Rev. Francis P. Scanlon

Pastor

Deacon Joe Patrona

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BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor
(914) 664-5855.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday

4:00 - 4:45pm

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Wednesdays at 8:00pm in Parish Hall.

Teachings, Witnessing, Scripture Sharing, and more, to
give honor and praise to God the Father, Son and Holy
Spirit. *All ages are welcome!*

SPANISH PRAYER MEETING

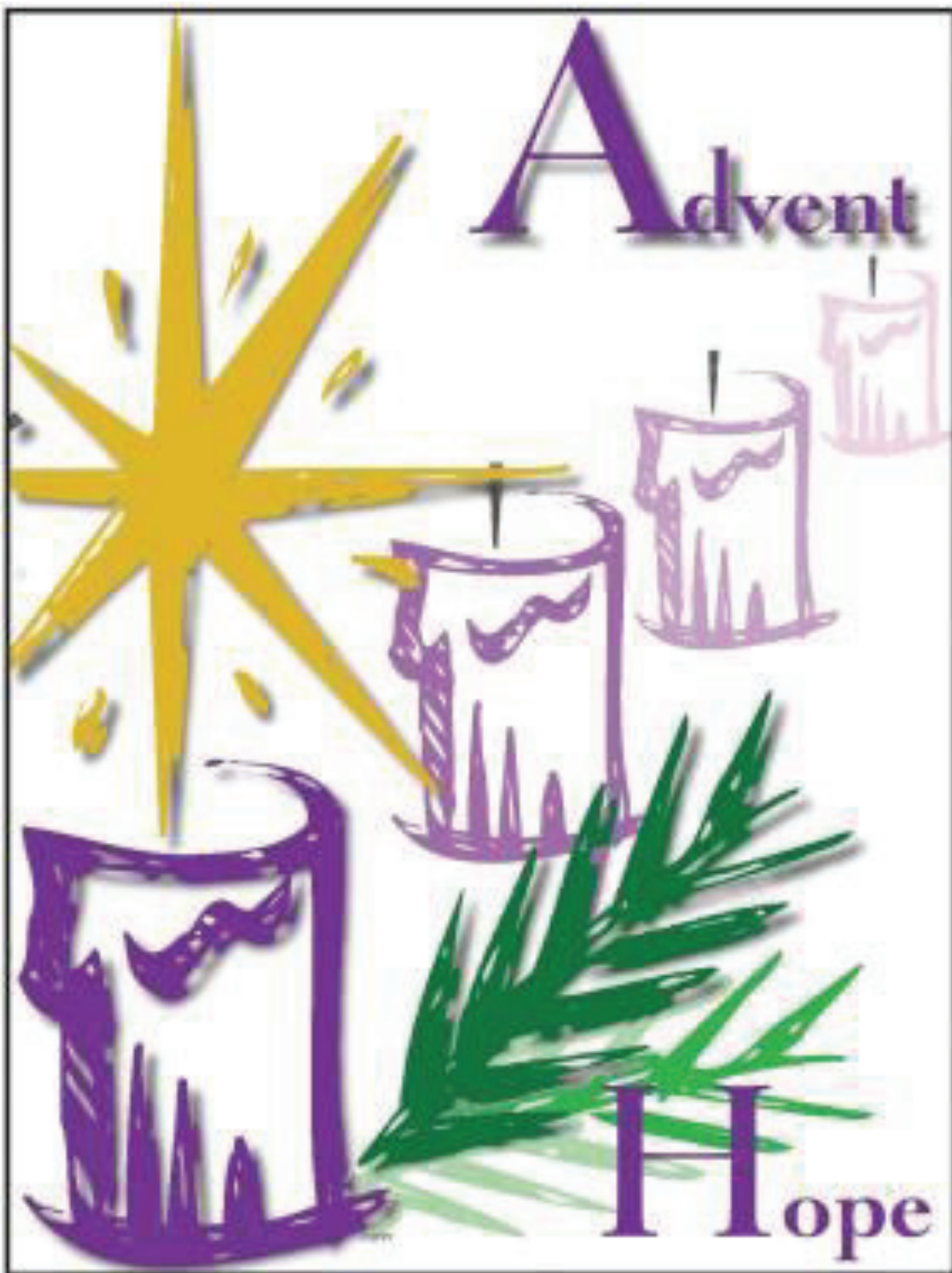
Every Friday at 7:00 pm in Parish Hall.

First Friday: Holy Hour 6:30 - 7:30 pm

First Friday: Healing Mass 7:30 pm

*"Truly you have formed my inmost being; You knit me in my mother's womb. You knew that I was there –
You saw me before I was born." (Psalm 139: 13, 16) **PRAY FOR THE UNBORN***

*ABUSE SURVIVORS: We are grateful you are here today. We are sorry for the intense pain you suffer. We know
there are many types of abuse; including sexual, physical, emotional and psychological. We hope you find this
Church community a place of sensitivity that does not exacerbate your pain. We pray that you seek the support and
help you need. We also pray that God holds you in His gentle loving hands and helps you to heal. Amen*



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Good and gracious God, physician and healer, we pray that you will lay your healing hands upon those who are sick and restore them back to health through your divine grace, love and compassion. In Jesus we pray. Amen

Idalia Vázquez, Kathy Barletti, Lucille Strychalsky, Maria Garcia Abreu, Lourdzery Bisono, Bob Tornese, Amanda Fonseca, Elva Abraham, Fr. Frank Scanlon, Gina Rudelli, Dominick Ruocco, Elouise Davis, Vincent Porpora, Janet Decarlo, Joanne Rescigno, Angela lake, Barbara Steele, Marie Maignan, Dorcas Wilson, Daniel Williams, Steven Baez, Yves Terrible, Margaret & Edward Helm, Diana Oliveras, Carmen Baez, Craig Wells, Henry Trusty, Thomas Kelsey and Melissa Thompson.



O Lord, creator and redeemer of all your faithful people, we pray that those we love who have gone before us in faith may know your mercy, light, and peace; and the blessings of everlasting life. Amen

November – Anna Premuto, Vincent Ruddy
 December – Rolando Gongora, Louise Castro
 January – Luke Gallagher, Frances Caldararo, Natalie Aurricchio
 February- Steven Ortega
 March – Marivel Suarez
 April – Kermit Boreland, Jane E. Serio
 May – Curt Anthony Virgin
 June - Philip Skulsky, Mario Dominguez, Cristina Benitez, Richard Vason
 July - Monica May, Maria Vaquero, Larry Genova, Essamma Thomas
 August -Charlie Altatonna, Maria Sanabria Kenny
 Mary Kelly, Rene Rosario
 September- Juanita De Jesus, Lukas Roberts jr.
 October- Héctor Luis Casellas Jr., Ruth Nordone

THANK YOU FROM THE FOOD PANTRY: A huge thank you from the Thanksgiving food pantry recipients to the people who gave a monetary contribution and those who brought a turkey. A special thanks to the students from the Confirmation class who came to pack the bags with the volunteers and to the volunteers who distributed the dinners. Thank you again and have a blessed Christmas and New Year!!

Seminarian Christmas Gift Card Program

St. Joseph's Seminary is preparing the future priests for the people of the Archdiocese. As a sign of support for these men, the Seminary has asked parishes to offer a financial gift, symbolic of our prayerful support for them. Envelopes are available in the Church at Masses, and in the rectory. (We are asking that you sign your name & phone number for the numbered envelope you receive.) In the envelope is the name of a seminarian and detailed instructions. They ask that you return a Christmas card made out to that seminarian to our Church, with a gift card enclosed, to encourage him on his journey to the priesthood. They are due here by Sunday, December 15. They will be presented to the seminarians at their Christmas dinner. This will help cheer a seminarian at this Holy time of the year

We are happy to announce that pledges made for Renew & Rebuild have reached \$181,340.00 from 82 parishioners. Thank you for your generosity.

The Knights of Columbus Council 410 of Mount Vernon, NY have donated 24 winter coats for young people both boys & girls in need of a warm coat. They are available in the Rectory and in the sacristy after mass. Thank You once again to the Knights of Columbus.

SAVE THE DATE! Our 3rd Annual Christmas Cookie Walk! St. Mary-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel December 7th & 8th, 2019, After the 5:00 Mass on the 7th. After all the Masses on the 8th. Cookies, 50/50, Prize Raffles. Sponsored by the Little Portion Fraternity Donations of homemade cookies will be welcomed! Contact Denise Cubita, OFS 914/779-1751 for any questions.

~ ~ From the Pastor's Desk ~ ~

Today we enter into the Advent Season 2019. This is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for both the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus Christ and the return of Jesus at the Second Coming.

Each week we will light a candle on our advent wreath to remind us that Jesus has come to break the darkness. So we sing: LIGHT OF THE WORLD

YOU STEPPED DOWN INTO DARKNESS

OPENED MY EYES LET ME SEE

BEAUTY THAT MADE THIS HEART TO ADORE YOU

HOPE OF A LIFE FILLED WITH JOY.

In all this, we are preparing for Christmas and the unique wonder and beauty of the Christian Message:

GOD HAS MADE HIS HOME WITH US

Our Jesse Tree: Anyone wishing to request a gift just fill out a request form and place the form in the blue box provided. Your request will be placed on an ornament on the Jesse tree. Your personal information will not appear on the ornament. Any question please call Diane Papa 1(914) 498-0454

Parish Ministries for Next Weekend -December 7, 2019 & December 8, 2019

Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
5:00 pm	Pat Spana	MaryAnn DiLiberti, Dorothy Satriale Rich Spana,
8:30 am	Ellen Archer	Mary Barletti, Nancy Ramos Joseph Barletti
11:30 am	Lisette Gongora Stephanie Oppen	Sr. Georgina, Peter Ricca, Brian Hunt Johanna Vennoch, Diane Koster
Greeters for 12/8/19: Peaches Wills & Emily Di Vito		

Calendar of Upcoming Events - December 2 - December 7, 2019

2 Monday	7:00 pm	Westchester Grupo de Oración – Parish Hall
3 Tuesday	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Rosario- Rosary Misa De Novena Virgen De Guadalupe (Day 1)
4 Wednesday	6:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Rosario- Rosary Misa De Novena Virgen De Guadalupe (Day2) Charismatic Prayer Meeting -Parish Hall
5 Thursday	9:45 am 4:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Morning Prayers in the Church PSR- Grades 1 thru Grade 6 PSR-Grade 7 and Grade 8 Rosario- Rosary Misa De Novena Virgen De Guadalupe (Day 3)
6 Friday	4:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	Food Pantry Rosario- Rosary Misa De Sanación con Misa De Novena Virgen De Guadalupe (Day 4)
7 Saturday	12:00 Noon 3:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Funeral Mass for Margaret Gadjadhar Secular Franciscans Order – Cookie Walk Rosario- Rosary Misa De Novena Virgen De Guadalupe (Day 5)



Figures for November 24, 2019 not available at time of printing



PRO LIFE CANDLE The Pro-Life Candle will burn for two weeks.
"In the Memories of Margaret Calamari".

~~ Desde El Escritorio Del Pastor ~~

Nos complace anunciar que las promesas hechas para Renovar & Reconstruir han alcanzado \$181,340.00 de 82 feligreses. Gracias por tu generosidad.

Nuestro Árbol de Jessé

Cualquier persona que desee solicitar un regalo simplemente complete un formulario de solicitud y colóquelo en la casilla azul provista. Su solicitud se colocará en un adorno en el árbol de Jesse. Su información personal no aparecerá en el adorno.

Cualquier pregunta por favor llame a Diane Papa 1(914) 498-0454.

Parroquia. Santa María Y Monte Carmelo te invita A participar A la Carrera de La Antorcha Guadalupana De La arquidiócesis De NY. Jueves 12 De diciembre 2019. las inscripciones están abiertas incluye pants y sudadera fecha límite para inscribirte 20 De noviembre 2019 para más inf. Llamar al tel.: Ángel Bastida (914)316-2767 y Ramiro Martínez (914)774-0620.

El Consejo 410 de los Caballeros de Colón de Mount Vernon, Nueva York, ha donado 24 abrigos de invierno para jóvenes, tanto niños como niñas que necesitan un abrigo cálido. Están disponibles en la Rectoría y en la sacristía después de la misa. Gracias una vez más a los Caballeros de Colón.

Programa de tarjetas de regalo de Navidad para Seminaristas

El Seminario de San José está preparando a los futuros sacerdotes para la gente de la Arquidiócesis. Como señal de apoyo para estos hombres, el Seminario ha pedido a las parroquias que ofrezcan un regalo financiero, simbólico de nuestro apoyo en oración por ellos. Los sobres están disponibles en la Iglesia en las Misas y en la Rectoría. (Le pedimos que firme su nombre y número de teléfono para el sobre numerado que recibe). En el sobre está el nombre de un seminarista e instrucciones detalladas. Le piden que devuelva una tarjeta de Navidad hecha ese seminarista a nuestra Iglesia, con una tarjeta de regalo adjunta, para alentarlos en su viaje al sacerdocio. Deben llegar aquí antes del domingo 15 de diciembre. Se presentarán a los seminaristas en su cena de Navidad. Esto ayudará a animar a un seminarista en esta época sagrada del año.

Hoy entramos en la Temporada de Adviento 2019. Este es un momento de espera expectante y preparación tanto para la celebración de la Natividad de Jesucristo y regreso de Jesús en la Segunda Venida.

Cada semana encenderemos una vela en nuestra corona de adviento para recordarnos que Jesús ha venido a romper la oscuridad. Entonces cantamos: LUZ DEL MUNDO

PASASTE A LA OSCURIDAD

ABIERTO MIS OJOS DEJARME VER

BELLEZA QUE HIZO ESTE CORAZÓN PARA ADORARTE

ESPERANZA DE UNA VIDA LLENA DE ALEGRÍA.

En todo esto, nos estamos preparando para la Navidad y la maravilla y belleza únicas del Mensaje Cristiano:

DIOS HA HECHO SU HOGAR CON NOSOTROS

December 1, 2019 – First Sunday of Advent: Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

There is something forlorn about Halloween decorations still hanging around in December. We look at such a place and can only wonder if the owner left town hurriedly. Or that he or she turned seriously ill, and may be lying in a hospital somewhere. Or perhaps the owner is just lazy and out of touch. For sure, their once proud décor is not in the spirit of the season. That last instance is precisely what the Church looks like every Advent, when she directs the priest to wear purple, and use the same color for the sanctuary adornment. Then there is the recommended absence of flowers. "What is going on?" we might ask, as we see the rest of the world is festooned with red and green, and is "jingle belling" itself into a shopping spree and a partying marathon? The simple answer is that the Church believes in a period of penance and fasting before the feast. Those are too ancient and time-tested ways to get ready for a major religious celebration. The people of Italian descent among us try to do the same with their "Feast of the Seven Fishes" but it strikes me that they have waited too long and try to condense a whole month of prep into one evening of December 24. Obviously, as a Church founded by a Person who was from childhood a "Sign of Contradiction," she will reflect the Founder in her liturgy and customs. We Catholics are more and more conscious of the conflict we have with our present society when we see so many former aberrations that have been adopted and labelled "the new normal." Just think of the crazy things our legislators have done in the matter of public restrooms. During these early weeks of Advent, the Church asks us to think forward and consider the Second Coming of Christ. That is when this world as we know it will come to an end and then each of us will be judged. Judged on how much we loved God and neighbor. This is a serious matter because it involves our eternal future. Eternity, they have told me, is a very long time! Let's face it. We would rather not think about such things. We'd rather turn our attention instead to cozy thoughts of the Babe in the manger. Those many artists employed by the Christmas card makers have given us the bluish moonlight shining on a Nativity scene. Or, that inviting den with a fire glowing and stockings hung on the mantle. Sometimes a cute kitten playing with ribbon gets added. "So nice!" we think. But Advent doesn't leave us alone with our sweet reveries. It shakes our shoulders and says: "Wake up Christian! Don't you realize that this place isn't your real home and that someday you'll have to leave here to go there? So you better watch out and you better not pout because He's coming to town. I mean Jesus of course. There's a Second Coming of Christ and you'd better live rightly and justly. As you celebrate the anniversary of the First Coming, which is a fine thing to do because it reminds us of God's great love for us, just keep in mind that Second One!

**First Sunday of Advent****December 1, 2019**

Saturday, 11/30/19	9:00 am	No Mass Intentions Requested
	5:00 pm	No Mass Intentions Requested
	7:00 pm	Para La Salud de Vázquez y Clariot Familia
Sunday, 12/1/19	8:30 am	Health of Thomas Kelsey
	9:45 am	Anunziato Pezzo (Eternal Blessing in Heaven)
	11:30 am	Louise Tito (10 th Anniversary in Heaven)
Monday, 12/2/19	9:00 am	Marivel Suarez (Deceased)
Tuesday 12/3/19	9:00 am	Maria Sanabria Kenny (Deceased)
Wednesday, 12/4/19	9:00 am	Mary Kelly (Anniversary in Heaven)
Thursday, 12/5/19	9:00 am	Daniel Phillips (Birthday in Heaven)
Friday, 12/6/19	9:00 am	No Mass Intentions Requested
Saturday, 12/7/19	9:00 am	Margaret Gadjadhar (Deceased)
	5:00 pm	Rolando Gongora (1 st Anniversary in Heaven)
	7:00 pm	No Intenciones para Misa Español
Sunday, 12/8/19	8:30 am	Theresa Kerns & Ida Solano (Deceased)
	9:45 am	Ana Mojica (74 th Birthday Blessings)
	11:30 am	Joseph Lane (Deceased)

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