

DECEMBER 11, 2016 – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

“The Church is holy, not just because ALL ARE WELCOME. The Church is holy because ALL BELONG!”
(Timothy Matovina + Pope Francis)

Liturgy for the Week

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Is 35:1-6a, 10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Sat.	Dec. 10, 5:00pm	+ Paula Rosina Santoro + Theresa Duchnowski
Sun.	Dec. 11, 7:30am	+ Jay Smith + Helen Blakely
	9:30am	+ Larry Gabler + Igina Palazzo
	11:00am	+ Alice Marie Falter + Jeneanne Leitorale
	1:00pm	Wedding Mass Peter Magistro, Jr. Nicole Fitzgerald
Mon.	Dec. 12, 9:00am	Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38 + Agnes Razzano + Loppon Rinpoche
Tues.	Dec. 13, 9:00am	Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32 + Terry McGowan + Frank & Theresa Zarucha
Wed.	Dec. 14, 9:00am	Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23 + Choa Kok Sui + Genowefa Matlosz
Thurs.	Dec. 15, 9:00am	Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30 + Otto Sisbarro + Zofia Slusarczyk
Fri.	Dec. 16, 9:00am	Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Jn 5:33-36 + James Neary + Antoni Slusarczyk

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Is 7:10-14; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Sat.	Dec. 17, 5:00pm	+ Sharon Brown + Frederick Springer
Sun.	Dec. 18, 7:30am	+ Helen Blakely
	9:30am	+ Erin Tiernan + Gail Sesko
	11:00am	+ Frank Figurelli + Frank Ferrara

Rosary

Rosary meets Mondays at 7pm. All are welcome.

Clergy Schedule – December 17-18, 2016

5:00pm - Fr. John Tarantino
7:30am - Fr. George Dudak; Deacon Rich Reck (P)
9:30am - Fr. John Tarantino; Deacon Rich Reck
11:00am - Fr. John Tarantino

Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, December 17th

EXTENDED TIME: 3:00-4:30pm.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Schedule

Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24 – The building will open at 3:00pm.

4:00pm – Main Church – Fr. John Tarantino
4:00pm – Community Room – Fr. George Dudak
6:00pm – Main Church – Fr. Brendan McLoughlin
8:00pm – Main Church – Fr. John Tarantino

Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25

10:00am – Main Church – Fr. John Tarantino
12:00 Noon – Main Church – Fr. John Tarantino

STEWARDSHIP

Contribution boxes are located at the entrances of the main Church for your donations to Resurrection Parish. Special baskets are located in these areas for required National collections.

Weekly Collection – December 3-4, 2016 \$10,717.55

Fiscal Year 2016/2017 \$226,699.31
Fiscal Year 2015/2016 \$212,413.90

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS DRIVE

This year, our parish's "Assessment" for running the Diocese of Paterson is \$69,948. The remainder of what is not collected from pledges comes from the ordinary income / collections of the parish.

Diocesan Assessments 2016-2017

Total Diocesan Assessment	\$69,948.00
Total Pledges	164
Amount Pledged	\$32,995.00
Amount Received	\$29,623.00

Diocesan Assessments 2015-2016

Total Pledges	174
Amount Received	\$38,060.00

Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the Kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Grades K-5

Email: Lscandariato@resurrectionparishnj.org

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973-895-4224 - Ext. 104

Both GLORY and PRAISE meet 8:00-9:20am and attend 9:30am Mass with their families.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS: Grades 1-5

Praise Group (Last Name A-K):

12/18, 1/15, 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7, 6/4

Glory Group (Last Name L-Z):

1/8, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/30, 5/21

Kindergarten:

1/8, 2/12, 3/19, 4/23, 5/21

December Good Samaritan Donation Items:

Grades 1 & 3: pancake mix

Grade 2: oatmeal (regular or instant)

Grades 4 & 5: pancake syrup

Fun & Games Event Sunday, December 18 from 2:00-4:30pm at the Parish

Children in grades K-5 are invited to join us for an afternoon of fun and games with a teenage caring group and their adult leaders. This is a parent drop off event. Snacks and beverages will be served. Please RSVP and submit the permission slip by December 15 to the Children's Ministry office. When responding, please provide family name, number attending and grade level of each child. For more information contact Lorraine Scandariato at:

Lscandariato@resurrectionparishnj.org.

CALLING ALL PRINCESSES AND PRINCES: Enchanted Tales and Crafts with Your Favorite Fairytale Characters

Dress up as your favorite fairytale characters and join us for magical stories, crafts and games. Every week there is a different royal guest in attendance. Don't miss out on this new 10-week storytelling class starting January 4th and 5th on Wednesdays at 3pm or Thursdays at 1pm and 3pm. Location: 355 Eisenhower Pkwy, Livingston. Age Group: 3 to 6 years old. Cost: \$280. For more information and to register contact Sports Universe at 973-992-7901.

Villa Walsh Academy

Villa Walsh Academy's annual Christmas Concert will be presented on Sunday, December 11th, at 3pm in Mother Ninetta Auditorium, 455 Western Avenue, Morristown, NJ.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

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The 2016-2017 Religious Formation classes are as follows:

**Class time will be the same for both GLORY & PRAISE:
Sunday mornings from 10:30am-12 noon, after attending
the 9:30am Mass.**

GLORY – students in grades 6, 7, 8:

Last Names A-K: 12/11, 1/8, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19., 4/2, 4/30 & 5/21

PRAISE – students in grades 6, 7, 8:

Last Names L-Z: 12/18, 1/15, 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7 & 6/4

Burrinis For All Your Holiday Food Items

We have received \$512.42 back from Burrinis as a result of your mentioning Resurrection Parish when you shop there! Please remember to mention crediting Resurrection Parish during the holiday season!

YOUTH MINISTRY - 973-895-4224 – Ext. 107

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Parish website: www.resurrectionparishnj.org

Please pray for all those who are on the SEARCH weekend, they are: Billy Xocoy, Alison Freitas, Ally Haddock, Greg O'Malley, Molly O'Meara, Steve Kilponen, Nancy Neary, Eric Bitler, Rich Murphy, Rich Reck, Fr. Dan Murphy, Chris Archer, Kelsey Nason, Evan Miele, Danielle Pilla, Matthew Boggio, Jake Barbiere, Lauren Iglar, Michael Green, Kayla Kemp, Michael Nalbach, Lisa Scola, Savanna Templeton, Angelina Castellano and Jacob Dino.

Parish Now on Amazon

Support the Samaritan Ministry, especially around Christmas. For each purchase, you make through our website, Amazon will pay a 4-8% commission. This does not affect your purchase price. By clicking on the right sidebar icon, you will be connected to Amazon, and if you have an account, it will open to your account. The icon will change periodically and will highlight a different department, but, you have access to the whole Amazon site.

Men's Fellowship

Attention Men! The Men's Fellowship, at Resurrection Parish, invites all men of the parish to a get-to-know you evening on Wednesday, December 14th at 7:30pm in the Man Cave (a.k.a. the Resource Room). There will be light refreshments, and a short DVD presentation by motivational speaker, Matthew Kelly, on *the Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality*. If you are not sure where Catholicism fits into your life, have questions about the faith, or just need your spiritual life reinvigorated this evening's informal and confidential discussion may be what you're looking for. Please RSVP: henry39holden@gmail.com

Sunday Sisters in Faith

Sunday Sisters in Faith. All women are invited to be nourished through faith learning and sharing, friendship, food and fun. Our meeting dates are from 7-9pm on the following dates: 12/18, 1/8, 1/22, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7, and 5/21.

Bible Study Options – 2017

Resurrection Parish Bible Study will resume in late February with the Gospel of John on Tuesday mornings and evenings. More information will be available in the new year. St. Matthew is offering "Revelation" beginning on January 13th on Friday or Saturday mornings or Monday evenings. For more information, contact suzi238@verizon.net

Nine-Day Novena of Masses (A Filipino Tradition)

A Filipino tradition of a nine-day novena of Masses during Advent in preparation for the Nativity of our Savior, Jesus. An inter-parish Simbang Gabi ("Masses of the night") celebration in Morris - Sussex counties will be held December 15 – 23, 2016: Please see the poster on the bulletin board & take a flyer from the table in the Narthex or call Delia: 973-895-4059 for information.

55 & Over Liturgy & Luncheon

The next 55 & Over Liturgy & Luncheon will be on December 20th. The Liturgy will be at 11:30am in the church, followed by lunch in the Community Room. Please use the sign-up sheet on the Ministry Counter in the Narthex. **The deadline for signing up is December 15th.**

2017 Catholic Calendars

2017 Catholic calendars are available on the table in the Narthex. We thank Tuttle Funeral Home for providing these calendars.

SAMARITANS
Tammy McConnell
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Our Christmas Giving Tree wraps up this weekend. Gifts must be returned with the ornament attached by 12 noon on Sunday, 12/11/16 in order to be included in the distribution to participating organizations & families.

Some statistics to share on this year's Thanksgiving Turkey & Food Drive:

520 turkeys collected and delivered

Over **180** boxes of food (typically there were 3 bags of food/box) delivered. The meal bags are a joint effort with St. Matthew contributing prepped bags as well as the ones put together here at Resurrection by volunteers.

Holy Trinity Parish in Passaic received 220 turkeys and at least 80 boxes of food.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Passaic received 100+ turkeys and at least 40 boxes of food.

Our Lady of Victories in Paterson received 100+ turkeys and at least 40 boxes of food.

St. Mary's in Wharton received 40 turkeys (they do their own food bags).

Morris County Housing Authority residents received 27 turkeys and bags of food.

7 Samaritans' clients received turkeys and bags of food.

Over \$800 in cash donations were made on that Sunday, which enabled additional purchases of turkeys and non-perishables for the bags.

Over 50 volunteers (adults, children, and teens) from all different ministries were involved that Sunday sorting, counting, loading, picking up, driving, and delivering.

Truly amazing work! There were 520 families with food for Thanksgiving and beyond due to all of you. Thank you to everyone who shared time, talent, and resources in support of this year's efforts!

December Requests – We are collecting **paper towels** for Homeless Solutions this month. You can leave your donation in the Samaritans' basket in the lower lobby.

In His service, Tammy McConnell

Samaritan \$crip

Samaritan \$crip, is being held this weekend. There are over 600 retailers to choose from (check out **www.shopwithscrip.com** for the current list). We now have \$100 & \$25 Shop Rite and \$100 & \$25 Acme, along with Dunkin Donuts and Panera in inventory. As always, hard copy order forms will be available at the table.

Please think about using \$crip purchased shopping cards as gifts or to pay for gifts or groceries this Christmas season. It's a way to generate benefits for others as you make your regular purchases during this season. . . a small way to keep Christ in Christmas.

You may now enroll directly with the \$crip provider as a Resurrection member, via **www.shopwithscrip.com** which allows you to order online at your convenience. If you want the convenience of online ordering, please be sure to sign up for the Presto Pay option also, in order to pay for online orders via direct debit. Please stop by our table in the Narthex to learn more about Resurrection's Samaritan \$crip program and the various ways to participate. Questions about the program can be directed to Tom Roche (**tomiroche@verizon.net**). Thank you for your continued participation & support!

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday, December 12th is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Novena prayers are at the picture near the "Book of Intentions".

PASTORAL CARE
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cnovak@resurrectionparishnj.org

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

We travel the road of life with so much uncertainty of direction and our response to the circumstances of daily living. When we think of Mary, we see a paradigm of uncertainties in her life, beginning with the visit from the Angel Gabriel. Yet, she accepted the place God put her in Salvation history without ever turning away. John the Baptist knew his mission was to prepare the way for the Savior and he accepted no one until Jesus was shown to him to be The ONE. If we follow Jesus on earth, we will enjoy life with Him forever. We must live our lives worthy of our calling and share Him with others. It is not an easy task. Fr. Michel Judge, who died on 9/11/2001, in his prayer every day said, "Take me where you want me to go. Let me meet who you want me to meet. Tell me what you want me to say and Keep me out of your way."

Fr. Tarantino is available to visit the sick and administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick which gives strength to face what each day brings, or is the Sacrament for those who are being called Home from this life to the Father. This Christmas season is a wonderful time to share this Sacrament with our homebound loved ones. Call the Pastoral Care Office above or the Main Office to set up an appointment for a visit.

MINISTRY TO THE BEREAVED

With God, all things are possible. Even in the midst of grief and pain, "...they will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee." Is. 35:10. God is with us to walk with us and show us the way. To have faith that nothing is perfect until the fulfillment of Eternity for all, we are able to greet each day with the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit. We never forget our loved ones for they are with us still.

Our next Bereavement Support Group meeting will be this Sunday, December 11, at 12:30 PM in the Resource Room. Please bring a picture of your loved one for a special remembrance. This is a safe and confidential environment in which to share your grief. All are welcome because all belong. Advent Blessings to all. Cindy Novak

Please Pray for the Sick

Fr. Charles Parr, Fr. Ray Pavlick, Fr. Charles Perricone, Hilarion Uy, Cas Duchnowski, Ed Stevens, Juanita Springs, Charlie Ann Reizko, Deborah Penkalski, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Kathie Cirelli, Cathy Cristadoro, Patricia Mongiello, Paul Goudreau, Victoria Salguero, Craig Brandegee, Michael Reilly, Charles Buschmann, Anthony David, Edward Paone, Louis A. Morales, Ed Moore, Eileen Phelan, Joyce Alexander Luck, Doris Dolan, Tammy Dolan, , Kelly Medley, Diana Burke, James Ketcham, Fred Lucia, Salvatore Buttaci, Sharon Buttaci, Jay Paul Tinio, Walter Sella, Claudia Coronado, Domenick Bellia, Theresa Hrenko, Dorothy Goerke, Juliana Donnelly, Mildred Kazaba, and Edward Ezzo. ***Please call the Parish Office to add or remove someone from this list.***

***** From Deacon Rich Reck*****

Providing some social interaction with Veterans (who are hospitalized at Lyon's Veteran Hospital), the local VFW Post 7333 co-hosts Bingo nights on the second Monday of each month. I will be taking donations of NEW socks, t-shirts, and sweat shirts which are distributed as prizes to the patients. Sizes are more important than color. Socks should be 10-13 in size; and t-shirts/sweat shirts should be XL – XXXL. You can deposit sock and shirt donations in the Samaritans' basket in the lower lobby. Thank you for your support.