

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017

*"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,
and you shall name him Jesus."* Luke 1:31

Pastor's Christmas Greetings

December 25, 2017

*Dear Parishioners and Visitors on this
Christmas Day,*

*Jesus Christ came into the world to
restore man to innocence, and to restore
the divine intimacy lost by sin. And He
tells us throughout the Gospel to "be not
afraid." The truth is, the child Jesus, in
His Person, is the perfect covenant
between God and man. He alone shows
us the way. And so on Christmas Day, we
remember innocence, an innocence we
are free to reclaim in Christ in this sinful
world.*

*In the child Jesus, we see the truth of the
glory of God: we see man fully
alive; fully free: "and you will know the
truth, and the truth will make you free"
(John 8:32). Today we find the "truth,"
the Word made flesh in all innocence, in a
humble manger. Indeed, the "The Word
was made flesh and dwelt among
us"! Come, let us adore Him.*

*Many blessings to you and yours on this
most blessed of days.*

Merry Christmas!

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Jerry J. Pokorsky

Pastor

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 23

8:30 am Richard G. Kane †

5:30 pm Victor Gorlinsky †

SUNDAY, December 24, Christmas Eve

8:00 am Richard G. Kane †

10:00 am Howard Family

5:30 pm Linda Hughes †

10:00 pm Pro Populo

MONDAY, December 25 (Holy Day of Obligation)

10:00 am Angela Derr †

12:00 pm Joseph Squarzini †

TUESDAY, December 26

8:30 am Alfonso Basile †

WEDNESDAY, December 27

8:30 am Anthony Hadford

THURSDAY, December 28

8:30 am Timothy Wood

FRIDAY, December 29

8:30 am Michael Melendez

SATURDAY, December 30

8:30 am Robert Carlin †

5:30 pm Alfonso Basile †

SUNDAY, December 31

8:00 am Griselda Ramona Phillips †

10:00 am Mary Burns

12:00 pm Pro Populo

Collections

Collection totals for the weekend December
16/17: Regular -- \$21,533, 2nd collection for
Trinity Dome Mosaic -- \$1,469, Poor Box -- \$323.
Thank you for your generosity.



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Eucharistic Adoration

WEDNESDAYS: and FIRST FRIDAYS

24 hour Eucharistic Adoration begins after the 8:30 am Mass and ends at 8:55 am the following morning.

We need volunteers for the 1:00 am to 2:00 am hour.

To volunteer, please contact Diane Cieslak at:
703-678-3919 or polaskagirl65@gmail.com.

OVER 50????

New members welcome!

No charge for the 1st meeting. Dues \$20.

Call Judy Mahanes at 703) 759-3997.

CATHOLIC INQUIRY

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which adults (and children who have reached the age of reason) are instructed in the Doctrine of the Church and are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. If you or someone you know would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic, please call Father Pokorsky on his direct line – 703-638-8451.

OPUS DEI

EVENING OF RECOLLECTION:

A priest of the Opus Dei prelature presents an “Evening of Recollection” for women on the **3rd Monday of each month from 7:30 pm to 9:15 pm** in the Church.

CONFESSIONS: A priest of the Opus Dei prelature offers Confessions on **Monday mornings after the 8:30 am Mass until 11 am.**

RECOLLECTION FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS:

A monthly Recollection, with quiet prayer and reflection, open to all high school girls on the **3rd Saturday of each month from 12:15 to 3:00 pm.** Please contact: Alyssa Hernandez at:

stonecrestaolactivities@gmail.com for more information.

ST. AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

“FORMED.org”

We are excited to announce that St. Catherine of Siena has access to *Formed* from the Augustine Institute. *Formed* is a dynamic on-line web-based digital platform available 24/7. This series is designed to help you grow in your faith at all levels – how you think, pray and live. Better yet, access is *FREE* to all St Catherine of Siena parishioners and families anywhere, anytime, on computers, tablets or phones. So even though you have a busy schedule, you can still learn and grow in your faith. To access FORMED, go to:

<https://formed.org> and set up your own username and then enter our parish code—**F6KWXM**. Each registered family has access. Take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about our faith from the best Catholic authors and presenters.

JP2 YOUTH APOSTOLATE

is a new group formed under the patronage of St. John Paul the Great. Our mission is to provide a social outlet for school-aged youth of the area in the spirit of faith, adventure, and service to others. Unlike other youth organizations, JP2 Youth is parent-led, parent-organized, and parent-supported.

Contact: [:novajp2youth@gmail.com](mailto:novajp2youth@gmail.com).

THIRD ORDER DOMINICANS

The Dominicans TOR invite all parishioners to share in their apostolic mission by study, prayer, and preaching in keeping with our state as members of the laity. Meetings are usually held every 1st Saturday at 10:00 am in Padre Pio Hall following Mass and Rosary. Contact Paul Bernier at bernierp@verizon.net or 571-340-0940.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

David Moran†, Andrew Gentry†, Connor Moriarity (nephew of parishioner), Rev. Gerry Creedon†, Dan Specat†, Charles Marcolini†, Elisa Barbaro, Dominic Ricci†, Connie Holtz†, Marilyn Natoli†, Blanche Gorlinsky, Walter Zolkiwsky†, Arleen Michelitch†, Angela Bubbosh†, Bernadette Magurski, Madeline Daniels†, Dominick Carducci†, Dora Berrara†, Ann Haraburda† Patricia Guntle, Mary E. Brindley†, Joseph Squarzini Jr. †, Kathleen Fisher†, Joseph Dunne†, Walter von Fricken†, Mary Wood, Alfonso Basile†, Maryann Murphy†, Joshua Basile, T. Peter Wood, , Collette Briggs, Vickie Miller. FOR PARISHIONERS SERVING OUR COUNTRY OVERSEAS: Jonathan Choo, Justin Smallwood,