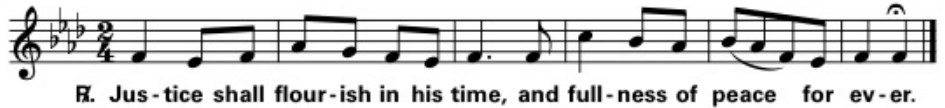


MUSIC SELECTIONS DECEMBER 4, 2016

- ENTRANCE HYMN: 310
- PREPARATION HYMN: 708
- COMMUNION HYMN: 498
- RECESSIONAL HYMN\*: 690

PSALM 72: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR A



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**\*It is the tradition of the church not to exit before the final hymn has been sung.**

**9:30 AM – Children’s Sending:** May your holy word take root in them (us). May your holy word bear fruit in them (us). Plant your word in them (us), so that they (we) may grow.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF  
 DECEMBER 3, 2016 TO DECEMBER 11, 2016**

If you are having a Mass offered, please contact an usher before Mass and let them know you would like to bring up the gifts.

12-3	4:00 PM	<b>Alfio &amp; Rosa Licciardello –</b> Molly Caruso <b>Deceased Members of the Grasso Family –</b> The Grasso Family <b>Regina Hoppe Ryan –</b> Daughter, Beth <b>Gary L. Fuller –</b> Wife, Beth
12-4	9:30 AM	<b>Michael McCullough –</b> Aunt Donna & Uncle Bob <b>Edward A. Luberdia –</b> The Luberdia Family <b>Mary Perrone (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary) –</b> Her daughters <b>Bob Evans –</b> Pat and Frank Rendaci
12-5	9:00 AM	<b>Mass at Immaculate Conception</b>
12-6	9:00 AM	<b>Mass at Immaculate Conception</b>
12-7	7:30 AM	<b>Thomas Poynton-The Griffith Family</b>
12-8	7:30 AM	<b>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
12-9	7:30 AM	<b>Antonio Lauria –</b> sister, Isabella and Remo
12-10	4:00 PM	<b>Edna Yager –</b> Daughter & Family <b>Esdras Mendez (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) –</b> Juliana & Chris Kremzier <b>Kenneth Prusko –</b> Lee & Fred Bialahoski
12-11	9:30 AM	<b>Daniel Adams (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary) –</b> The Family <b>Claudine Lull-Barber –</b> Bob & Donna Lull <b>Caterine Harris –</b> The Grasso Family <b>Gloria Falzarano –</b> The Kessler Family

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS – DECEMBER 10 AND 11, 2016**

	4:00 PM	9:30 AM
LECTOR	P. Walsh	E. Yager
CUP 1	M. Boniewski	T. Cappuccitti
CUP 2	T. Neals	A. DeSieno
BREAD 1	Celebrant	Celebrant
BREAD 2	D. Kruk	K. Sroczynski
BREAD 3	Deacon	Deacon
BREAD 4	B. Keegan	K. Gillette
CUP 3	L. Neals	L. DeSieno
CUP 4	R. Kruk	P. Granger
SERVER	TBD	J. Rudolph
SERVER		K. Ostrander
GREETER	C. Gregoire	P. Buczkowski

**FINANCIAL STATISTICS 11/21-11/27/16**

OFFERTORY	\$ 3,863.73	ENVELOPE USERS	148
CHILDREN’S	3.60	ATTENDANCE	398
DEBT REDUCTION	10.00		
MEMORIALS	710.00		
DONATIONS	500.00		
BEQUEST	11,179.90		
TOTAL INCOME	\$16,267.23	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5m389.38

Last weekend’s second collection for **Bethesda Sandwich Supplies** amounted to **\$464.90**. Next weekend’s second collection is the monthly **Building Maintenance** collection. Last month’s collection amounted to **\$2,197.00** and **\$3,537.46** was withdrawn for various repair/maintenance items during the month of November. Thank you for your generosity.

**Remember in your prayers** those members of our parish who are sick or suffering in any way, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes and all of our shut-ins. We also pray for family, friends and those who have died recently, especially, **Kenneth Prusko**, son of Robert & Linda Prusko. We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.



**Scripture Readings for the Week**

Mon. 12/05	Is 35:1-10	Lk 5:17-26
Tues. 12/06	Is 40:1-11	Mt 18:12-14
Wed. 12/07	Is 40:25-31	Mt 11:28-30
Thur. 12/08	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/ Lk 1:26-38	
Fri. 12/09	Is 48:17-19	Mt 11:16-19
Sat. 12/10	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11	Mt 17-9a, 10-13
Sun. 12/11	Is 35:1-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10	Mt 11:2-11



**Advent Wreath Blessing Week 2** – Heavenly God, you have always guided your people through darkness and through dark times in their lives. Help us to be aware of your care for us in sending Jesus, Your Son.



**Giving Tree Update** – Please have your unwrapped gifts (with tag attached) under the tree by next **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**. Your donations of wrapping supplies are also appreciated. For ease in sorting, **do not** combine gifts with different colored tags in one bag. Please use separate bags for each colored tag. Thank you!

**All Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, Ushers & Altar Servers** – Sign up sheets for the Christmas Liturgies are posted in Holy Family Hall. Please let us know when you will be available to serve.

New schedules are being made. Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors: please contact Lori DeSieno at 372-3509 or [ldesieno06@yahoo.com](mailto:ldesieno06@yahoo.com). Greeters: Please contact Kay Gillette at 727-4291 or [momkay@nycap.rr.com](mailto:momkay@nycap.rr.com). Altar servers: contact the Parish Office at 346-2316 or [stjosephschurch@albany.twcbc.com](mailto:stjosephschurch@albany.twcbc.com) by December 12, with schedule requests for the period January 8 – March 26, 2017.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS LITURGY** – Rehearsals are being held on **Sundays**, after the **9:30 mass**. All children are invited to attend. Please note that any child wanting to be in the pageant must attend at least **one** rehearsal. Any questions, please call Jennifer at 491-1813.

**Communal Advent Penance Services**

Immaculate Conception	Dec. 13	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Grace	Dec. 14	7:00 PM

Various Advent supplies are still available in Holy Family Hall by the vesting sacristy.

**Sponsor of the Week**

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**Christmas Memorials** – If you would like to remember your deceased loved ones this Christmas season, place their **PRINTED** name(s) in an envelope with your donation (\$5 per name) and place in collection basket or mail to the Parish Center by **December 11** for inclusion in the Christmas Memorial publication.

**Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin – Dec. 8**

Immaculate Conception	Dec. 7	6:30 PM
(Vigil Mass)		
St. Joseph's	Dec. 8	7:30 AM
Immaculate Conception	Dec. 8	9:00 AM
Our Lady of Grace	Dec. 8	7:00 PM

This is the last weekend to sign a Christmas card for our military personnel. These cards mean a great deal to those who are serving our country defending the freedom that we **all** enjoy. Many thanks to **Anne Arocho** who has spearheaded this effort for several years now.

We will begin to deliver Christmas plants to our homebound & nursing home residents during the week of Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>. If you would be available to deliver, please call the office & leave your name & contact number. This is a great opportunity for families with children to reach out to our shut-ins who truly enjoy a visit.

Please stop by in Holy Family Hall this weekend and pick up an item or two from the **Christmas Bazaar**. The winner of the Christmas cross stitch will be drawn after 9:30 am mass this weekend as well (there is still time to purchase a ticket!).

**CYO Season** has begun. We received word this week that games are scheduled for the following dates at St. Joseph's: **Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>** (more games will be added). We are still in need of help with concession stand and admissions. This is a great activity for students who may need service time. We are also in need of donations for our concession stand. There is a box in Holy Family Hall for your donations of canned soda, snack bags of chips, Doritos or crackers, 20 oz. Gatorade as well as gift certificates for BJ's or a local pizza shop. Please contact Deb Griffith if you would like to volunteer or have any questions ([debgriffith@verizon.net](mailto:debgriffith@verizon.net) or call 393-3168).

