

MUSIC SELECTIONS: December 3, 2017

PSALM 80: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, YEAR B

Owen Alstott

- ENTRANCE HYMN 299
- PREPARATION HYMN 474
- COMMUNION HYMN 519
- RECESSIONAL 722
- HYMN*



R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

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

9:00 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 within them (us), so that they (we) may grow.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF
 DECEMBER 2ND THROUGH DECEMBER 10TH, 2017**

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.

12-02	4:00 PM	Marjorie Kremzier (1st Anniversary) – Julianna & Christopher Kremzier Lori Svec Dundon – Kathy Brooks Herb & Alice Callinan – Great-Granddaughter, Sarah Callinan Susan Watson – The Family
12-03	9:00 AM	Jim McCullough – The Family Robert Wainwright – Gertrude Lynch Bob Evans – Fred & Helen Pepper Dr. Dominick Mele (In honor of his 103rd birthday) – Parishioners of St. Joseph's
12-04	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
12-05	9:00 AM	Mass at Immaculate Conception
12-06	7:30 AM	Margaret (Peggy) Melanson – The Parishioners of St. Joseph's
12-07	7:30 AM	Mass
12-08	7:30 AM	Mass – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
12-09	4:00 PM	Esdras Mendez (3rd Anniversary) – Julianna & Christopher Kremzier Alfio & Rosa Licciardello – Daughter, Molly Caruso Gary Turnbull – Ann & Tom Locke Susan Watson – The Family
12-10	9:00 AM	Salvatore Grasso – Tina & the Kids Bob Wainwright – Fred & Helen Pepper Lori Svec Dundon – Debbie Griffith Julia Catozzi – Fred & Helen Pepper Daniel Adams (3rd Anniversary) – Mom and Family All Soul's – Remo & Isabella Schiavone

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – DECEMBER 9TH AND 10TH, 2017

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM
LECTOR	A. Gregoire	K. Burke
CUP 1	K. Brooks	H. Burke
CUP 2	J. Wilson	P. Johnson
BREAD 1	Celebrant	Celebrant
BREAD 2	D. Kruk	K. Sroczynski
BREAD 3	Deacon	Deacon
BREAD 4	R. Kruk	J. Guzewich
CUP 3	C. Gregoire	A. Seaver
CUP 4	B. Keegan	A. Stolle
SERVER	E. Higgins	W. Schnore
SERVER	R. Higgins	R. Jackson
GREETER	M. Cybulski	T. Grasso & M. Zuppa

FINANCIAL STATISTICS 11/20-11/26/17

OFFERTORY	\$4,408.19	ENVELOPE USERS	140
CHILDREN'S	1.00	ATTENDANCE	372
ALL SOULS	5.00		
DEBT REDUCTION	67.00		
CHRISTMAS	40.00		
MEMORIALS	446.00		
SANDWICH SUPPLIES	30.00		
FUND RAISING	195.31		
TOTAL INCOME	\$5,192.50	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$6,340.30

Just a friendly reminder from the Finance Office as we head toward the end of the year. All 2017 contributions **must** be received or be postmarked by December 31, 2017 (regardless of check date). The Parish Office will close on **December 28th** at 3 pm and will not reopen until **Wednesday, January 3, 2018** ~ please plan accordingly.




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, **David Nathan Toback**, son of Mary Ann Arcesi and **Vivian King**, sister of Rose Prioletti. We also pray for men and women in our armed forces who are serving our country.

Scripture Readings for the Week

Mon. 12/04	Is 2:1-5	Mt 8:5-11
Tues. 12/05	Is 11:1-10	Lk 10:21-24
Wed. 12/06	Is 25:6-10a	Mt 15:29-37
Thur. 12/07	Is 26:1-6	Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri. 12/08	Gn 3:9-15 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12	Lk 1:26-38
Sat. 12/09	Is 30:19-21, 23-26	Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sun. 12/10	Is 40:1-5, 9-11 2Pt 3:8-14	Mk 1:1-8

	The Week Ahead
Thurs. 12/7	Pastoral Council – 7PM - C

 **Advent Wreath Blessing Week 1** – Heavenly God, as we begin the Advent season, teach us the true meaning of Christmas. May the Green of this wreath remind us of the hope and trust we place in you.



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 the 9:00 AM liturgy as well (there is still time to purchase a ticket!).



We will begin to deliver Christmas poinsettias to our homebound & nursing home residents during the week of **Dec. 11th**. If you would be available to deliver, please call the office and 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 join us for Coffee Hour today after the 9 AM mass. We will be celebrating **Dr. Mele's 103rd birthday!**

Holy Day of Obligation

Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary – Dec. 8

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

Communal Advent Penance Services

Immaculate Conception	Dec. 12	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Grace	Dec. 12	7:00 PM

Attention Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors: Please contact Lori DeSieno at 518-372-3509 or ldesieno06@yahoo.com as soon as possible with schedule requests for the period Jan – Mar 2018.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE LITURGY – All children are invited to attend. If your child is unable to make the rehearsal, you can email Jennifer Konik at jkonik4@nycap.rr.com and let her know they want to be in it, and she will put their name down. Please note that any child wanting to be in the pageant must attend at least **one** rehearsal. Each practice will take place on **Sunday mornings after 9 AM mass**.

Greeters and Altar Servers: Please contact Lisa Hall at the Parish Office at 518-346-2316 or stjosephschurch@albany.twcbc.com as soon as possible with schedule requests for the period Jan – Mar 2018.



Giving Tree Update – Please have your unwrapped gifts (with tag attached) under the tree by next **Sunday, December 10th**. 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!



CYO Season is here! We are in need of donations for the Concession Stand (ie. canned soda, water, snack bags of chips, Doritos or crackers, 12 oz. bottles of Gatorade as well as gift certificates for BJ's or a local pizza shop). Please place any donations in the designated box in Holy Family Hall. We are also in need of someone to coordinate supplies & workers for the stand. Please contact Deb Griffith (email debgriffith@verizon.net or call 518-393-3168) for more information.



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. For envelope users, there is a Christmas Memorial envelope included in the box.

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