

CHURCH OF ST ELIZABETH

THIRD SUNDAY ADVENT
DECEMBER 11, 2016

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH & CANDLE MEMORIAL FUND



Advent Wreath

*Has been donated by: The Wright Family,
In Memory of J. Edwin & Marian Carey.*

One of the Advent Wreath Candles

*Has been donated by: Dee,
In Memory of Ernie Carradori.*

One of the Advent Wreath Candles

*Has been donated by: Anita Smith
In Loving Memory of Paul, her husband.*

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What a lovely way to remember a loved one. If you would like to memorialize our Advent Wreath or Candles for this year, kindly contact the Parish Center at 201-891-1122 for more details.

CHRISTMAS WAFERS "Oplatki"

The Christmas Wafer commemorates a custom long used in family celebrations. A brief prayer begins the festivities of sharing the blessed Christmas wafer. By breaking and sharing this wafer with family and friends, we share the harmony and joy that bring peace and happiness to our hearts and home at this special time of year. If you would like to continue or to begin this sacred tradition, wafers can be purchased at the Parish Office. Donation \$2.00.

SAVE THE DATE



Saturday, January 21, 2017

6:00 PM @ St. Elizabeth's

MUSIC MINISTRY PROUDLY PRESENTS

"A Christmas Choral Celebration"



Take a break from the hectic, holiday season and come and relive and reflect on the first Christmas – the birth of our Savior and the promise of a new beginning as Christians. St. Elizabeth's Music Ministry proudly presents "A Christmas Choral Celebration." This concert will feature the Festival Choir, Spirit Choir, and the Children's Choir. Mark your calendars Sunday, December 18th at 4pm. Come celebrate a new birth and a new beginning for us all!!

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children grades 4-8



This choir is a wonderful chance for young people to experience the special kind of worship that music offers. We will be practicing for our annual Christmas Concert and Christmas Eve on Wednesdays at 4-5:15pm in the Church.

FINAL WEEKEND FOR THIS YEAR'S GIVING TREE MINISTRY!



This weekend is your last chance to participate in this year's Giving Tree Ministry at St. Elizabeth's. Please take a card this weekend and **purchase and return your gift TODAY**. Please follow the wrapping instructions on the card you select. Return your NEW gift item **TODAY, 12/11 with the tag taped to the outside of the package**.

For your convenience... St. Elizabeth's school will be selling gift cards in the Narthex after all masses this weekend. If the card you selected from the Giving Tree is for a gift card, you can purchase it right then and there. Then place it in the designated Giving Tree gift card box in the Narthex near the tree. This will benefit both the school and the Giving Tree Ministry.

The gifts you donate will be delivered tomorrow; December 12th to the local organizations who depend on St. Elizabeth's to help make Christmas more special. Thank you for your generosity this holiday season. Merry Christmas!

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

Sat., Dec. 17th - 12noon at Guardian Angel Church

It is good to seek and offer forgiveness to one another – and wonderful to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This year our communal penance service will be at The Guardian Angel Church in Allendale, 320 Franklin Turnpike, Allendale, on Saturday, December 17th at 12 Noon. We will gather with priests and parishioners from our neighboring parishes, St. Luke's, St. Elizabeth's, Church of the Nativity and St. Paul's. All are invited! Please note: There will be no confessions at St. E's on Dec. 17th.

ST. MARTIN'S SOUP KITCHEN



On Saturday, December 24th, we will be serving chicken legs and thighs (Original Shake and Bake), mixed vegetables. If you can donate food, contact, Dylan Wyka 201-294-0329 or dwyka89@gmail.com. It would be very helpful for planning if you could call by Tuesday, Dec. 20th.

ROSARY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Rosary Society Christmas Party will be in the Elizabeth Room at 10am on Thursday, December 15th. Bring a \$10 gift for our exchange game. Also, a free-will donation will be accepted for the Little Sisters of the Poor in Totowa. Any questions please call Ronnie Gringeri at 201-891-5560.

WALKING WITH CHRIST SERIES

Want a closer, more personal relationship with Christ? Want to know how you can mesh your spiritual life with everyday living? Then join us once a month for the Walking with Christ Series. Enlightening spiritual speakers, fellowship, and community are just a few of the other reasons to check it out! *Our next event is Tuesday, December 13, "The Son of David, the Son of Abraham" with Fr. Jason Makarow. This is a perfect topic for the Advent Season.* Join us as Fr. Jason explores the Gospel of Matthew and the significance of the titles "son of David, son of Abraham" given to the long awaited Messiah, Jesus Christ. Mark down these upcoming dates. Open to all. Bring a friend. Bring a family member. No need to register—just come. Free Will Offering only. Tuesdays 7:30-9:15 pm. Elizabeth Room, St. Elizabeth's.

Jan. 17 – Mary, Star of the New Evangelization: A Guide for Missionary Discipleship

Feb. 28 – The 30-day Prayer Challenge—the perfect start to Lent!

March 12-14(Parish Mission)

April 25 – "Resurrection: Our Easter Journey Continues"

May 16 – "Faith in Difficult Times"

If you have any questions or want more information, email Jean Gaviglio at StElizabethDC@gmail.com or Deacon Andrew at deaconandy58@gmail.com.

VOCATIONAL CHALICE

As we pray for Vocations for our Church, families are invited to take the Vocational Chalice home for a month, beginning the Month of December. Find the signing sheet in the narthex or call the Parish Center for the schedule.

LET US REMEMBER

At the moment of Consecration, during the Mass, the "gifts" of bread and wine are transformed (transubstantiated) into the actual Body and Blood of Christ, at the Altar. This means that they are not only spiritually transformed, but rather are actually (substantially) transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. The elements retain the appearance of bread and wine, but are indeed the actual Body and Blood of Christ. This is what is meant by Real Presence: the actual, physical presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Christ instituted this Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist in order to remain with mankind until the end of time (Jn. 14:18).

Because, as Catholics, we believe that Christ is truly and substantially present in the Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament is given the same adoration.

"The vocations chalice brought us together as a family in a new way. It resulted in a new awareness of the need to be intentional about the vocation we choose for our lives. Though our children are all very young, they were able to participate in a conversation about their current and future vocations. It also gave us parents a sense of renewal to reflect on our vocation as parents and spouses." D'Antuono's!

**"To everything there is a Season
and a Time for every
Purpose under heaven."**

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"A time to be healed..."

Please pray for: Bob Hiner, Baby Addi, Franene Komsa

"A time for joy..."

Recently Baptisms: Antonia Branda, Matthew Brito, Remi Christopher, Marcello Pemberton, Charlie Troast

"A time to mourn..."

Recently Deceased: Odell Nassar, Harriette Barwick

A time for peace..."

For national and world leaders and for those in the Armed Services: Jessica DeRosa, John Paul Phillips, CPO Jennifer Smolinski, Michael Zahorniak, Captain Colin McNulty, Major Raymond G. Tierney, Capt. Brian Donlon, USMC, Major Brian Ferguson, Airman Martin E. Koerner Jr. Major Mark Wimmer, James Tully, Stone C. Koerner, 1C2 Michael Shaver. **Amen.**



Our Parish Book of Remembrance is

located in the Narthex, by the St. Elizabeth's statue.

You are welcome to inscribe names of loved ones, living and deceased, as well as special intentions for inclusion in Parish Masses and prayers.

MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE UPDATE

NOV Donations-199 Bags & \$1,235 Cash

OCT Donations-196 Bags & \$480 Cash

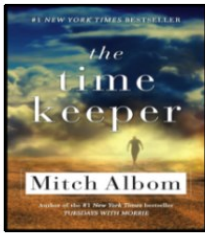
2016 YTD Donations-2,019 Bags & \$11,041

2015 YTD Donations-2,131 Bags & \$9,925

All donations went to OASIS & Star of Hope Ministries in Paterson. THANK YOU to our K of C Council #13678 & parishioners for your generous THANKSGIVING DAY donations.

FaithFusion
connecting adults to christ and their catholic faith

Faithful Readers



**All are invited to discuss
this compelling fable about
the first man on Earth to
count the hours, the man
who became Father Time.**

**the time
keeper**

**Wednesday, January 11
9:30-11:00 am
St. Francis Room
(in Parish Center)
Books at Office—\$10**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Advent/Christmas Schedule

Confessions

12:30 p.m. on Saturdays
No confessions on Dec. 17th & 24th

Advent Penance Service

Saturday, December 17th, 12 noon
Guardian Angel Church, Allendale

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 18th, at 4 p.m.

Saturday, December 24th, Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Mass (Church and Gym)
5:30 p.m. Mass (Church and Gym)
7:00 p.m. Christmas Pageant
7:30 p.m. Family Mass, Church
10:00 p.m. Caroling
10:30 p.m. Mass Church

Sunday, December 25th, Christmas Day

(There will not be a 7:30 a.m. Mass on Christmas Day)
9:00 a.m. Church
10:30 a.m. (Church and Gym)
12 Noon (Church and Gym)

Monday, December 26th

9:00a.m. Mass

Saturday, December 31st, New Year's Eve

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st, 2017 New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m., 12noon



TNL
TONIGHT!
Sun, Dec 11, 8:30-8:00pm
YOUTH ROOM

BOLD & The Saints

Thanks to all who joined us for the BOLD Fall Retreat! It was an incredible experience. We spent the weekend with 120 Catholic teens, learning about the lives of our great saints and how we too can be "Faces of Change" in the world. The weekend was complete with games, Eucharistic adoration, praise and worship, skits, and even the first snow of the season! Definitely an experience to remember!

BOLD **SKI TRIP 2017**



FEB 10-12, 2017
GORE MOUNTAIN, NY
Register @
boldym.com/ski17

COME JOIN THE FUN- UPCOMING EVENTS:

BOLD & Mamas Gingerbread Extravaganza! 12/16
BOLD Christmas Party and Gift Exchange 12/18
Sign Up Today! boldym.com/seh/signup

For more info such as calendar, contacts, sign ups & events
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THE MARCH FOR LIFE IS THE WORLD'S

Largest Pro-Life Rally, January 27, 2017



Thousands of Americans flock to the Nation's Capital every January to remember the more than 55 million Americans who have been lost to abortion. We march to remember the moms and dads who have suffered from the pain of abortion. We march with the vision of a culture of life, one where every child is welcomed into life, and protected by law. If you want to attend the March St. Elizabeth's in Wyckoff will be providing a bus sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Respect Life Ministry. Friday, January 27, 2017, departing and returning to St. Elizabeth's parking lot. Leaving for Washington D.C. after the 6am Mass. (Bagels and coffee will be served in the morning. A boxed lunch will be provided on the bus). Cost: Bus Transportation and Lunch: \$50.00.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

CANDLELIGHT CAROL

The 46th annual Candlelight Carol Sing will be held at the Cathedral Basilica on Wednesday, December 14th, and Thursday, December 15th at 8pm. Doors open at 7pm both nights. For more information call 973-484-2400.

HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse.

Although we will report all allegations of abuse immediately to the appropriate County Prosecutor, we encourage anyone with an allegation of abuse also to reach out to the prosecutor. Individuals who report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

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The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus." - Lk 1:30-31



Third of Advent

Sat. Dec. 10 5:00 PM Hannah McManus, 1st Anniv. Gloria Vasco, Walter Gunn, John Prendergast Sr. & Jr., Joseph Kroth, James Rigoli, Norma Parsells, Joseph Sullivan, William McKeon

Sun. Dec. 11 7:30 AM James Tully
9:00 AM Rudi Draudin, 5th Anniv.
10:30 AM People of the Parish
12:00 PM Narciso Morson

Mon. Dec. 12 **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
7:00 AM Lopez & Collins Families
Salvatore Palmieri
9:00 AM Lucia, Salvatore & Luciano Alu

Tue. Dec. 13 **St. Lucy**
7:00 AM Gary Litton
9:00 AM Lucia Salvatore Luciano Alu

Wed. Dec. 14 **St. John of the Cross**
7:00 AM Stephen Ratz
9:00 AM Ed Smith, Happy Birthday

Thu. Dec. 15 7:00 AM Joseph Tilton
9:00 AM Josephine Novack
Helen & Conrad Hurtz

Fri. Dec. 16 7:00 AM For the protection of the babies
in the womb & their families
9:00 AM Elizabeth Ciarleglio

Sat. Dec. 17 9:00 AM Memorial Mass

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM Jack Reynolds, Stanley Karejwa, Peter & Carin Cantilina, Joseph Kroth, James Rigoli, Pecorino Families, Nancy Hill, Brian Kadunc, Ante Baresich, Anthony Della Fave

Sun. Dec. 18 7:30 AM Helen & Peter Dahlinger
9:00 AM McNiff, Broderick & Meehan Families
10:30 AM Alice & Charles Cote
12:00 PM People of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71/Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33/Lk 1:39-45
Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2/Lk 1:46-56
Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25/Lk 1:57-66
Saturday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89/Lk 1:67-79
Next Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

OTHER PRAYER EXPERIENCES

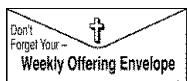
Miraculous Medal Novena – Thurs. after 9 am Mass
Novena to the Divine Mercy – Fri. after 9 am Mass
Men's Sharing – Elizabeth Rm. Sat. 7 am
Morning Prayer – Mon.-Sat. 8:40 am
Rosary- Each day after 7:00 & 9:00 am Mass

SUPPORT FOR OUR PASTORAL ACTIVITIES



'You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.' James 5:8

Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.



The gift of treasure for last week was \$23,397 of which \$4,485 was from online giving.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 11th

Altar Bread & Wine:

In Memory of Jim Rigoli,

Given by: Parents & Friends of St. Elizabeth School.

Candles on the Altar, Sanctuary Light & Flowers for the St. Elizabeth Shrine:

In Memory of Sally Pane,

Given by: The Faletta & Quill Families.



