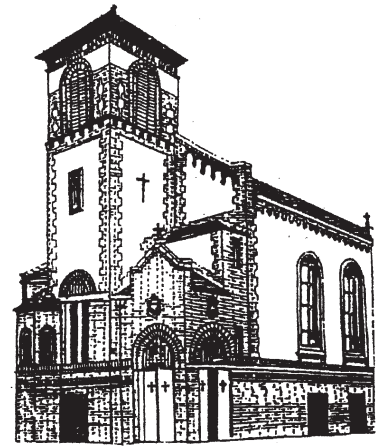




THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER-ASSUMPTION-ST. PAUL

November 29, 2015

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Church of St. Peter
53 St. Mark's Place
Staten Island NY 10301
718 727-2672

Catechetical Center
15 Webster Avenue
Staten Island NY 10301
718 447-1290

Church of the Assumption
15 Webster Avenue
Staten Island NY 10301
718 447-6362

Served by:

Rev. Glendino Ragsag, Parochial Vicar
Janet A. Kelly, Parish Manager
Magdalena Centeno, Religious Education Coordinator and Pastoral Associate for Hispanic Ministry
Mr. John Fodera, Principal, St. Peter's Boys High School 718 447-1676
Mrs. Jennifer Olivera, Principal, St. Peter-St. Paul Elementary School 718 447-1796
St Peter's Cemetery 718 442-2363

Margaret Moschetto, Pastoral Associate
Religious Education Office 718 447-1290
Rev. Michael W. Cichon, Pastor

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

CHURCH OF ST. PETER

Monday through Friday 7 a.m.
Saturday 5 p.m.
Saturday 6 p.m. La Misa en Espanol
Sunday 12 Noon

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday through Friday 9 a.m.
Saturday 4 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday 5:30 p.m. La Misa en Espanol

CONFESSIONS

CHURCH OF ST. PETER

Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.
Sunday 9:15 to 9:45

Holy Day Schedule

To be announced prior to each holy day

Parish Office:
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Staten Island, New York 10301

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 29, 2015

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 28, 2015

4 p.m. Assumption Joseph Curia

5 p.m. St. Peter Dorothy & Frank Gibbs

6 p.m. St. Peter (Spanish) People of our Parish

Sunday, November 29, 2015

10 a.m. Assumption Thomas Spicer

12 Noon St. Peter Rev. Mark Murphy

5:30 p.m. Assumption (Spanish) People of our Parish

Monday, November 30, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Patrick Kelly Newman

9 a.m. Assumption Msgr. Joseph Ansaldi

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Rev. James Conran

9 a.m. Assumption Rev. Robert Gibbon

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Rev. John Barry

9 a.m. Assumption People of our Parish

Thursday, December 3, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Rev. Daniel Corkery

9 a.m. Assumption Paul Panza

Friday, December 4, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Dorothea Toft

9 a.m. Assumption Richard Charneco

Saturday, December 5, 2015

4 p.m. Assumption Ann Marie Cotter

5 p.m. St. Peter All Interred in St. Peter's Cemetery

6 p.m. St. Peter (Spanish) People of our Parish

Sunday, December 6, 2015

10 a.m. Assumption Mervin Windfield

12 Noon St. Peter Rev. Terence Earley

5:30 p.m. Assumption (Spanish) People of our Parish

The sympathy of the parish is extended to the families of Patricia Burn and Chris Gunaratne.

Please Note: On Monday, November 30th the parish office at 145 Clinton Avenue will be moving to 53 St. Mark's Place. There will be an interruption of phone service on that day and possibly the next. Please be patient as we continue to come together.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Janette Aguilar, James Lawlor, Juanita Santiago, Margaret Barry, Margaret Ennis, Shirley Brockmeyer, Dolores DeLuca, Judy Trancucci, Joseph Albano, John Santore, Francine Rispoli, Frank Marrano, Jake Beurkle, Msgr. Vincent Bartley, Owen Harrison, Deacon James Stahlnecker, Zack Zayachek, Joyce Young, Beatrice Perera, Kenneth Courtney, Dianne Kinsella, Carla Buonviaggio, Elba Espinosa, Baby Joey Espinosa, John Perry, Jackie Guglieelimini, Anthony Ruggiero, Ann Napolitano.

Consider joining our Senior Center. They meet every Tuesday in Cohalan Hall (St. Peter-St. Paul School, 129 Clinton Avenue) at 10 for coffee, bingo games, cards and to talk about upcoming trips.

Moore Catholic High School is holding its annual Christmas Fair on Saturday, December 5, 2015 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission: \$1 - Raffles, Vendors, D.J., Christmas Carolers, Santa's Café, Handmade Crafts.

Please Note:

On Sunday, November 15, 2015 the collection from the 10 a.m. Mass at Assumption was taken. No one was hurt, but please be advised that we cannot give you credit for your envelope that weekend, and we cannot deposit the checks that were in that particular collection.

Thank you

Thank you to all who came and supported the parish Christmas Fair last weekend. Special thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up, clean up and work all day at the Fair. We are truly grateful for your support and generosity.



St. Peter's Alumni Concert

St. Peter's H.S. Seton Chorale/Glee Club Alumni present the 6th Annual Alumni Christmas Concert at St. Peter's Church, December 13 at 4:00.

Come, enjoy many traditional carols and new favorites. Tickets are \$10/\$15/\$20; children/ students/ adults. For more information call Wayne '83 at 718-971-3267. For program ads call Theresa '72 at 718-981-8047.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 29, 2015

Friday, December 4th 7:00 PM to 9:30 PM

Goretti Group Event

Barbara Weir, trained at the Theology of the Body Institute will be giving an introduction to TOB as well as sharing highlights from the "Footsteps of John Paul II" pilgrimage to Poland. Join us for music in the church at 7:00 PM followed by Mass at 7:30 PM and talk at 8:15 PM. After-event fellowship at Jimmy Max bar/restaurant. For Ferry pick up at 6:30PM, please RSVP to deborahsucich@aol.com. Holy Family Church (366 Watchogue Rd., Staten Island, NY 10314)

Need help caring for yourself or someone else, but not sure where to turn with questions about:

- Housing for seniors and disabled persons
- Access to healthcare
- Health-related legal and financial issues
- Dementia care
- Transportation options
- Caregiver support groups
- Food and nutrition
- Volunteer opportunities

Call ArchCare

ArchCare Care Navigation Center
855 951-CARE (TTY/TDD: 711)

Care Navigators are here for you from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m., seven days a week. Help from a Care Navigator is totally free.

Wagner College Choir & Chamber Orchestra Handels' MESSIAH

Sunday, December 6, 2015 at 4 p.m.

Snug Harbor

Holiday Music and Sing-Along

Tickets and Information: 718 390-3205

Wagner.edu/music/events

Admission: \$20

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

The Archdiocese of New York will begin its Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrations from November 15 through December 12, 2015 highlighting the various parishes throughout the Archdiocese of New York for 27 consecutive days with its conclusion at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on December 12th. The archdiocesan statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe, donated by the coordinators of Our Lady of Guadalupe committee, will be brought into Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church on December 7th at 9 a.m. and will remain in the church until December 9, 2015.

St. Peter's Cemetery

St. Peter's Cemetery offers the purchase of future use graves. These future use graves will be limited to the graves available in Section R only (at the intersection of Tyler Avenue & Clove Road. Other sections of the cemetery will still be available for the purchase of immediate need of burial space. For individuals who prefer cremation, St. Peter's Cemetery also offers cremation niches that can hold two standard sized urns. The niches are available in St. Peter's Columbaria Garden for pre-need or immediate need. For more information, please call the cemetery office at 718 442-2363, Monday through Friday. Office hours are 8 a.m. to Noon, and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

STATEN ISLAND CATECHETICAL OFFICE

invites you to an

ADVENT EVENING OF PRAYER

Thursday, December 10, 2015

Our Lady of Pity Church

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Special Guest Speaker - Fr. Brian McWeeney

Theme - Year of Mercy

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

During the next few months, while we implement the merger of St. Peter's and Assumption-St. Paul, we ask that you please be patient with us. There will be changes, with mostly administrative matters (bulletin, envelopes, etc.). We hope that this will not cause our parishioners any inconvenience, but we ask for your patience.

Ladies of St. Mary

A cleaning service based out of St. Mary of the Assumption, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel-St. Benedicta parish, offers home or office cleaning services performed by trustworthy, qualified, responsible, hardworking members of the parish (serving the community for over 16 years). Services include deep, thorough cleaning of bathroom kitchen, floors, including dusting, vacuuming, polishing, tidying and much more, all for a reasonable price. Makes a great gift! For service or information contact Mrs. Contreras at 718 273-6934 or 718 442-3411. Also offering Adult Home care.

Don't forget: Coffee, Cake and Fellowship every Sunday after the 10 a.m. Mass at Assumption Church in the Church Hall.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 29, 2015

ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

On the grounds of St. Joseph Hill Academy
850 Hylan. Blvd.

For further information please call (718) 720-1097 and leave a message for Ronnie Keane, the Provincial Secretary.

December 8th—7 p.m.
Advent Evening of Reflection
Sister Gerri Contendo, MPF

An invitation to all to come together and be gently immersed into the Mystery of the Incarnation. The evening will consist of prayer, presentation, quiet time and sharing. This advent experience will culminate with a social gathering and homemade sweets for all to enjoy. Fee: \$20

Food Pantries

There is a mobile food pantry outside St. Peter Church on Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. You need proof of residence to take advantage of the pantry.

If you are in need of food, the parish food pantry is open on Tuesdays from 3 to 4 p.m. Go to the back of 145 Clinton Avenue and someone will assist you.

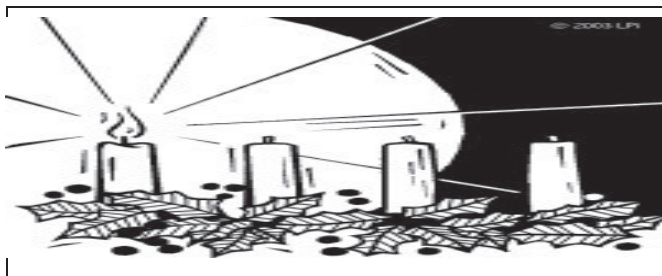
Project Hospitality offers a meal every Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption Church in Assumption Hall. All are welcome.

Giving Tree

Beginning November 14th, tags will be hanging on our Giving Trees, at St. Peter and Assumption. If you can help bring a smile to someone's face on Christmas morning, please take a tag, buy the item on the tag, wrap it with the tag on the outside and place the gift under the tree, **no later than Dec. 13th**. Thank you for your continued help and generosity.

Separated & Divorced Support Group

This Support Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. The next meeting will be on Friday, Dec. 11th at 7:30 p.m. at 145 Clinton Avenue. Please call 718 447-6362 should you wish to join the group. The facilitator will return your call.



Everyday Stewardship

Over the years, my children have participated in cotillion programs. These experiences teach young people about manners, social skills, and formal dance. Some think these programs only exist for wealthy or upper-class people. I am neither one of those. I am just a parent who thinks manners still matter, that being social is a useful skill that can be learned, and that a little culture goes a long way. I can't say my children loved everything about the experience, but they did grow in appreciation of how you should treat other people. I would like to think somewhere down the road they will find themselves in a situation and will call on what they learned to succeed.

Cotillion, school, team sports, and youth ministry are all ways we prepare our kids to enter a world where Jesus Christ is seen as a foreigner and how we live with one another is not a top concern. We teach them that they must always be ready to stand up for what's right or defend their faith or values. They must continue to cultivate those small seeds we plant in them in order to grow and bear good fruit, for their lives are gifts and the time they have been given is precious.

Good stewardship is not always about that which we can quantify or see. Who we are as people is often about that which we offer as gesture to others. It may be a kind word, a witness to the power of God, or an offer for a dance. But we must always be ready to give of ourselves graciously for we never know when the call will come.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Readings for the Week of November 29, 2015

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/1 Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6