



Saturday November 24
 5:30 pm Carmine Terrazino and William O'Dowd
Sunday November 25 *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
 7:30 am Anita Shaw and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Antoinette Michael
 11:30 am Margaret Gurba and Doris Simone
Monday November 26
 6:45 am Kimberly Burdorf
Tuesday November 27
 6:45 am William Roberts
Wednesday November 28
 6:45 am Les DiVite
Thursday November 29
 6:45 am Souls in Purgatory
Friday November 30 *St Andrew, Apostle*
 6:45 am Barry and Robert Halm
Saturday December 1
 8:00 am Ann Williams
 5:30 pm Robert Halm and Josephine Lonisin
Sunday December 2 *First Sunday of Advent*
 7:30 am Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Emilia Martino and Marylynn Furth
 11:30 am Carmen and Charles Franke

Daily Meditation booklets for Advent, *The Word Among Us*, are available in the vestibule

DECEMBER 1 / 2 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

5:30 pm	Fr. Michal Rybinski
7:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
9:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
11:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Rob Leavy, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Frank Zabriskie, Charles Kenworthy, Yvonne Querrard, Albert Oravetz, Rachel Agzigian and Lorraine Deleski.

STEWARDSHIP

November 18, 2018 collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 9,592
ParishPay	<u>1,182</u>
Total	\$ 10,774

MASS ATTENDANCE: 828

Weekly operating expense	\$15,156
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**Scripture Readings
 December 2, 2018
 First Sunday of Advent**

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

The Lord tells of fulfilling the promise he had made to Israel. He will send a replacement for David, someone who "shall do what is right and just in the land," believed by most to mean Jesus.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be ready for the coming of the Lord. He explains that although they are conducting themselves in a way that would please God, they should always strive to do even better.

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus warns his followers to be prepared for the end of the world. He reminds them not to be preoccupied with unimportant events, or they will be caught unaware rather than being on watch as they should.

The Knights of Columbus will be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets and pins next weekend after all Masses.

ST. CATHERINE'S BUS TRIP TO BETHLEHEM'S SANDS CASINO & OUTLETS

All are invited to this fun day in the casino and/or getting a jump start on Christmas shopping. On **Wednesday, Nov 28**, the bus will depart from St. Catherine's at 10am and return at 5:45pm. Tickets are \$25 per person and include: \$20 slot play, \$5 food and beverage credit, and a coupon booklet for the Outlets. Participants must be 21 years or older (NO CHILDREN) with a valid government issued photo ID to receive the package. For tickets and more information **contact Whitney at queendubose@aol.com or 973-586-2777**. There are limited seats and will be first come first served.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING: SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday/Sunday, November 24/25

Giving Tree gift tags available

Wednesday, November 28

Bethlehem Sands Casino and Outlets bus trip

Sunday, December 2, following 11:30 Mass

Family ADVENTure

Thursday, December 6

Youth Night Cookie Baking and Decorating

Friday, December 7

Youth Night Caroling and Pizza and a Movie Night

Saturday, December 8, 9:00-11:00 am

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 15, 8:00 pm

Will & Anthony Joys & Blessings of the Season Concert

Tuesday, December 17, 7:30 pm

Children's Christmas Pageant

Thursday, December 20, 7:00 pm

Women's Benediction and Ornament Exchange



From the Desk of Fr. Jared

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Today is the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Each year on this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It is appropriate to celebrate this solemnity at the end of Ordinary Time as it provides a nice transition into Advent, where we are called to prepare for the coming of the King. Christ as King is an eschatological idea, meaning it is already present in the Church, but is also yet to be fulfilled at the end of time. It turns our attention towards the “last things.” It gives us a preview of the coming fulfillment of the reign of Christ at the end of time, which is also how we begin Advent next week. The first two and a half weeks of Advent invite us to reflect on the second coming of Christ. Then, after that, we focus on the first coming of Christ.

Soon and Very Soon We are Going to See the King

Advent begins the new liturgical year. We enter into “Year C” of the three-year cycle of Sunday Lectionary readings (designated A, B and C). The primary evangelist for Year C is Luke, so we will be hearing primarily from Luke’s Gospel on the Sundays of this year.

In the week ahead, I invite us to think about how we and our families will give ourselves the very special and irreplaceable gift of taking time in Advent to slow down, connect with God, and truly prepare in a spiritual way for Christmas. Starting this week, we are publishing information in the bulletin to help you and your family keep Advent time. Next Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent, we will have our Advent Family Faith Session beginning with the Eucharist at 11:30 am, followed by a family activity and refreshments in the gym. Other opportunities include two daily Masses, weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and priests available at extra times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Use these resources and keep Advent in Advent!

The Word Among Us Advent Companion

To help everyone keep Advent, we once again have available *The Word Among Us* daily Mass readings and meditations for Advent and Christmas time. This book has been a favorite in past years, and we make it available to you to help you make the most of Advent time. Be sure to take one. These books can be found in the entrance of the church.

As we move forward through Advent, I pray that we may be filled with the joys and blessings of this season. Even though we are in Advent, we do not have to totally separate ourselves from the different Christmas celebrations. It is almost impossible to do so. Further, it is good to participate in such activities. I encourage us

though to take time away from that as we are able. Take time to observe Advent this year.

**Celebrating the
Joys & Blessings of the Seasons Concert**

Our fourth annual Christmas concert will take place on **Saturday, December 15th at 8 pm.** This year we welcome internationally renowned tenors *Will & Anthony*. Twin brother tenors and songwriters Will & Anthony Nunziata have headlined in major performing arts centers, theaters and symphony concert halls across the country and around the world. The renowned singers, songwriters, Netflix-bound comedians and Carnegie Hall headliners are the Brooklyn-born, classically trained singing and comedy brother duo hailed by The Huffington Post as “a nearly impossible pairing of talent, stage presence and charisma.” They recently headlined Carnegie Hall for two sold-out concerts with the New York Pops Symphony Orchestra.

The brothers have brought their distinct take on classic and contemporary songs as well as their movie-bound original tunes to performing arts centers and theaters, as well as intimate jazz clubs and symphony concerts with orchestras such as the New York Pops, Detroit Symphony, Cleveland Pops, Colorado Symphony, Lancaster Symphony, Annapolis Symphony, Plymouth Symphony, Cape Cod Symphony, Toledo Symphony, and Edmonton Symphony Orchestra. The brothers studied music, acting and directing at Boston College, and trained in improv comedy at the famed Upright Citizens Brigade in New York City.

You can connect with Will & Anthony on social media @willandanthony and visit www.WillandAnthony.com. Videos of their performances can be found on their website and on YouTube. Tickets will be on sale after Sunday Masses and by contacting Whitney at 973-586-2777; queendubose@aol.com. Tickets cost \$60 and include the concert and post-concert reception.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

LITURGICAL Q & A

Each week we will post a question and answer about the liturgy. If you would like to submit a question, please do so to lisahward@aol.com

What are the special vestments the priest wears?

The celebrant wears liturgical vestments that include an alb, stole, and chasuble. A chasuble is the outer garment worn at Mass in the color of the liturgical season or Feast Day. Green is worn in Ordinary time, white for Easter/Christmas and other feast days, purple for Lent and Advent, and red for Pentecost, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and on the feast of martyrs. He also wears a Stole, which is a long and thin vestment

worn around the neck. It represents a yoke which symbolizes work (ministry).

ADVENT / CHRISTMAS 2018

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass 5:30 pm
Sunday Masses 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am
Weekday Mass 6:45 am, 12 pm
Saturday Morning Mass 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00 – 5:00 pm
Mondays, December 3, 10, 17 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays, December 3, 10, 17 12:30 – 8:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Saturday, December 8

8:00 am Fr. Michal Rybinski
12:00 pm Fr. Jared Brogan

Christmas Eve Masses, Monday, December 24

4:00pm Fr. Jared Brogan
Children's Choir, Cantor, Instrumentalists

6:00pm Fr. Jared Brogan
Cantor, Instrumentalists

10:00pm Fr. Michal Rybinski
Cantor, Instrumentalists

Christmas carols will be sung before each Mass.

Christmas Day Masses, Tuesday, December 25

7:30am Fr. Michal Rybinski *Cantor, organist*
9:30am Fr. Michal Rybinski *Cantor, organist*
11:30am Fr. Jared Brogan *Cantor, organist*

Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

Tuesday, January 1 11:00 am Fr. Jared Brogan

BUILDING OUR VISION

We now have available a full summary of learning from our Parish Survey and Visioning Sessions. If you are registered with Flocknote, you should have received an email containing the report. You can also view it on our parish website. A warm thank you to everyone who shared their feedback and ideas. We look forward to providing regular updates on the actions being taken based on the learning from the survey.

TEENS: We want to hear from you! A special Teen Vision session will be held Wednesday, Dec 5 from 6:30-7:30 in the gym. Come share your thoughts!

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Ho, ho, ho! "Breakfast with Santa" will be held at St. Catherine's on **Saturday, December 8 from 9:00 to 11:00 am.** If you would like to attend, please sign-up on the sheets in the Religious Education office or



church vestibule.



December 2
Family ADVENTure
following the 11:30 Mass
Join us for Family, Faith,
Food and Activities.



NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
UPCOMING DATES:

December 1

First Reconciliation, 11:00 am

December 2

Advent Family Day and Family Faith session # 2
following 11:30 am Mass

December 6, 7:30 pm

Youth Night – Cookie Baking

December 7, 6:15 & 7:45 pm

Youth Night – Caroling at Boonton Care followed by
pizza and a movie at St. Catherine's

December 9, 9:30 am Mass

8th grade family Mass and social

December 17 – Christmas Pageant Practice 4:00-5:00

December 18 – Christmas Pageant – 7:30 pm

December 20 – January 1 – No Religious Education.

Christmas break

January 2, 2019 – Religious Education classes resume



MAKE PEACE!

We are peacemakers

This week the 2nd graders of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on God's gift of peace. All the baptized are anointed to announce the kingdom and make all people sharers in the peace of Christ. We are blessed and bring God's blessings to others. How do we as a parish strive to live as peacemakers and to make a difference?



St. Catherine's Annual Christmas Pageant

What better way for our children to learn the story of our Savior's birth than to be part of it?

This year's pageant will take place on **Tuesday, December 18 at 7:30 pm.** All 1st through 4th graders are invited to participate. Please contact the Religious Education Office to sign up. Children must attend the practice on Monday, December 17 from 4:00-5:00.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

All children up to and including 8th grade are invited to join St. Catherine's children's choir. See Music Coordinator David de la Mora after any weekend Mass or email musicministry@stcatherine-ml.org.



YOUTH NIGHTS

All 9th through 12th graders are invited to bake cookies, sing Christmas carols, and enjoy pizza and a movie!

(Join us for 1 or both nights)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 at 7:30 PM

Come bake cookies with your friends.

MEET IN THE GYM AT ST. CATHERINE'S

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 at 6:15 PM

Join us for Christmas caroling with the residents of Boonton Care Center.

MEET AT BOONTON CARE CENTER

(199 Powerville Rd, Boonton)

After caroling, join us BACK AT ST. CATHERINE'S from 7:45 – 9:30 pm

in the parish center for pizza and a Movie (Get in the Christmas spirit with *Home Alone*)

EMAIL Gail at youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org if interested. **Both nights earn service hours.**

can make an online gift or pledge at www.2018appeal.org. Thank you!

GIVING TREE

Once again, we are asking our parishioners to make a child's Christmas a little brighter by donating toys for families in St. Agnes Parish in Paterson and St. Anthony Parish in Passaic. We ask that you spend no more than \$40 on a gift. This year, we are also helping the Holiday Angels Program at Straight & Narrow (drug and alcohol rehab program run by the diocese.) Items are needed for adults in their residential treatment and out-patient programs. Please return your gifts **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 9**. If you take a tag and cannot fulfill the request, it is important that you return the tag. Please place items on the stage in the gym. Gifts for St. Anthony's and St. Agnes **should be wrapped** with the tag taped to it. Gifts for Straight & Narrow **should NOT** be wrapped, but please attach the tag.

FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 9-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "*The Way of the Cross*" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. The group is also seeking additional adult advisors. Rehearsals begin in February at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from February through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at [973-876-3440](tel:973-876-3440) for more information and any questions regarding earning Confirmation hours.

ADVENT / CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Each year we are filled with a spirit of joy during the Advent/Christmas season. Part of that joy is experienced through the visual beauty of the environment both inside and outside of the church. Those interested in memorializing any of the **wreaths or lights**, please submit the form below with the offering to the parish office **by November 30**.

Your Name: _____

In memory of: _____

I would like to memorialize:

- Small Wreaths: \$50 ea. (Church, Rectory, Garages)
- Large Wreaths: \$75 ea. (Parish Center and Sanctuary Wall)
- Christmas Lights: \$10 ea. (Outside Church and Rectory)



The Religious Education classes will be making **Christmas goodie bags** for the **Fr. English Community Center**. If you would like to donate items to fill the bags, suggested items are below.

Please drop off in the Religious Education office **before December 5**.

Suggested Christmas Themed Items:

- *Small stuffed animals (Dollar Tree usually has holiday)
- *Candy (individually wrapped - no loose items)
- *Small bags of snacks (chips, pretzels, cookies)
- *Small crafts items
- *Fruit snacks
- *Small toys

DIOCESAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT

All are invited to join Bishop Serratelli and the faithful of the diocese for our annual Christmas Concert on **Sunday, December 2 at 4:00 pm** at St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Paterson. It will be an exciting afternoon of music for the Advent and Christmas seasons.

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Here I Am, Lord! This time of year, as we come together to celebrate Thanksgiving, please consider making a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal as a way to give thanks for our many blessings. Each year, tens of thousands of people in profound need seek out the services of our Catholic Charities and, with the help for the Bishop's Annual Appeal, they find an open door and a compassionate response. Please make a pledge to our Bishop's Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you