## THE WORD OF GOD

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

IS 35:1-6a, 10 JAS 5:7-10 MT 11:2-11 (7)

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

IS 7:10-14 ROM 1:1-7 MT 1:18-24 (10)

# SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

# \* 7:25 a.m. - Recitation of the Rosary (Mon-Sat.; Chapel) SUNDAY - DECEMBER 11

Cub Scout Bake Sale - After All Masses

2:00p.m. - ELF Jr. The Musical

6:30p.m. - RCIA

7:00p.m. - Advent Penance Service

#### **MONDAY - DECEMBER 12**

12:00p.m. - Fellowship Group Christmas Lunch

7:00p.m. - Adult Choir & Sounds of Joy

#### **TUESDAY - DECEMBER 13**

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

#### **WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 14**

3:00p.m. - Youth Bell Choir

6:00-7:00p.m. - REP Classes

7:00p.m. - Adult Bell Choir

7:00p.m. - Fall Book Discussion (Chapel)

#### **THURSDAY - DECEMBER 15**

3:00p.m. - School Choir

4:30-5:30p.m. - REP Classes

7:00p.m. - Adult Choir & Sounds of Joy

#### **SATURDAY - DECEMBER 17**

Blood Pressure Screening - After Mass 6:00-8:00p.m. - Youth Group Movie Night

## **REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Charlotte Bradley, Christina Davis, Jeff Salabsky, Parker Grant, Eleanor Berg, Marion Donohue, Eloise Lanski, Frank Sforza, Sandy Halstead, Larry Mancino, Nora Lee Tarney, Addy Wallace, Dorothy Pavlinski, Baby Juliana, Baby Layla, Barbara Meehan, Harry Heater, Sylvia Klepeis, William Blake, Elizabeth Martlock, Terry Bruch, Kayleigh Galante, Janice Huber, Michele Pierzga, Dorie Roscioli, John J. Jordan, Rose Lichtenwalner, Doris Roscioli, Joseph Persons, Christopher Oravec, John Mies, Barbara Tuscher, Rebecca Frey, Francisco Caninde Alves daSilva, Rose & Joseph Jackson, Larry Brown, Francesca Kostalis, Marian Sopko, Louisa Check, Joseph Midash, Christina Donatelli, Katie Kislow, Larry Kmetz, Shad Barry, Kevin Meister, Gina Paulino, Michael Cunningham, Jim Monahan, Pucci Family, William Huber, Dolores Lengyel, Ann Marie Janders, Barbara Martino, & Adam Recke. Remember the deceased members of our parish family: Thomasina D'Amico. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Names removed after 4 weeks to keep list current. Please call to keep a name on the list for the next month.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

<u>Sunday Collection:</u> (<u>Average</u> per week), for the month of **October**, <u>including</u> Electronic Giving: \$21,327.60. We thank you for your support. May God bless you for your kindness.

## **OLPH FOOD BANK**

**ALL ITEMS NEEDED!** All non-perishable boxed, bagged, or canned items: Pasta, rice, vegetables, sauces, instant potatoes, soups, cereals, jelly, peanut butter, tuna, coffee, tea, gravy, etc.

**SPONSOR A FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS!** Call Carol at 484-547-4412 to help a needy family.

Thank you so very much for your continued support!!

\*If you or any parishioner needs food, or info on our Parish Food Bank, call Carol (484-547-4412). God bless each of you!

## **REP NEWS**

Carol.salabsky@my-olph.org or call 484-547-4412.

# **OLPH FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

This 55+ group meets every 2nd & 4th Monday at 1:30p.m., in the Marian Inn. Annual dues: \$10. Info: Tom (484-456-6818) or Susan (610-865-9392). All are welcome!

# YOUTH GROUP CORNER

Joey Moser (610-867-8409x25) or joey.moser@my-olph.org

#### **OLPH SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS**

\*facebook.com/olphbeth or Twitter @OurLadySchool

<u>Registration now open</u> for all new students wishing to enroll for the 2016-2017 school year. Please contact the school for information/tour (610-868-6570 or *moserd@olphbeth.org*).

Check out the school video on YouTube! #olphschoolspirit

# MEMO FROM MSGR. MORRISON

I hope that you will at times, use the parish website to view our bulletin inserts. You will find the theme of Advent there. Meanwhile, I will be working on the theme of Christmas.

# **GIANT A+ REWARDS CARD PROGRAM**

Please help our school earn free money by registering your Giant Bonus Card online at *www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus/* and designate OLPH School: #23393. (If you registered your card last year, you do not need to register again). Questions, e-mail: *jhartmanolph@gmail.com* Thank you for your support!!

# **OLPH GLEE/DRAMA CLUB FUNDRAISERS**

<u>THAT'S MY PAN</u>: Has personalized gifts for all. View the catalog & order at: *thatsmypan.biz/frpa10353* 

**APPLE IPAD MINI RAFFLE**: Tickets \$5. Drawing during intermission of ELF Jr. (Dec. 11th). Need not be present to win.

Contact Meg Trunzo: 484-287-5207 for raffle tickets. Thank you for your support!

DECEMBER 11, 2016 Web Site - www.my-olph.org THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

# MON, DECEMBER 12 - OUR LADY of GUADALUPE

6:45a.m. - Anna Schram - Family

& Richard Vinci (Int.) - Jane Carlin

8:00a.m. - Mary Ann Brady - G. DiGiacinto

#### TUESDAY - DECEMBER 13 - ST. LUCY

6:45a.m. - Bill Bamper - M/M Dave Meixell

8:00a.m. - Isaac Olmo - Ortiz Family

#### WED., DECEMBER 14 - ST. JOHN of the Cross

6:45a.m. - Mass for the People

8:00a.m. - Comito Family (Int.) - Family

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Victor Gilotti - Wife, Emily

8:00a.m. - Dec'd. Of Derlunas/Zawarski Family - Family

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Herman Garcia (Ann.) - M/M Diego Pineda

8:45a.m. - Alexander & Elizabeth Trotsky - Joann Trotsky

# SAT., DECEMBER 17 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a.m. - Alfred Myers - David Myers

5:00p.m. - Dennis Bachman - Patrick Haftl

& Cecelia Kratzer - Patrick Haftl

#### SUNDAY, DEC. 18 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30a.m. - Frank Pope - Family

9:00a.m. - Jose DaSilva - Daughter & Grandchildren

10:30a.m. - M/M Enrico Marcantognini - Son

12:00noon - Dcn. Joe Buragino - M/M Richard McCarthy

& William Kurtz, Sr. - Wife, Irene & Family

# **OLPH NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**

Dec. 31st, 9pm-1am, in the Marian Inn. (BYOB event) Music by the Common Bond Band. No one under 21 years of age admitted. Tickets: \$40/pp available in the Gathering Space.

# SAVE THE DATE - NEXT BLOOD DRIVE

Sun., <u>February 5th, 2017</u>, from 8:00am-1:00pm. (There must be 8 weeks between whole blood donations).

## MASS OF REMEMBRANCE PHOTO PICK UP

At the Parish Center during regular business hours (M-F; 8am-12noon & 1-6:30pm).

# ADVENT AT ST. FRANCIS CENTER FOR RENEWAL

**TWILIGHT RETREAT**: Dec. 13th, 6:45-9:00p.m. Offering: \$25. Deposit: \$15. Through prayer, song, & words of St. Francis of Assisi, we ponder the mystery of the Incarnation & deepen awareness of Christ's presence in our lives today. Facilitator: Sr. Barbara Brown, OSF Director, St. Francis Center.

**PRAYING THROUGH ADVENT**: Dec. 14th, 6:45-9 p.m. Includes meditation, prayer, & refreshments. Offering: \$20. Deposit: \$15. Lectio Divina will also be explored.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS VESPERS: Sat., Dec. 17th (7 p.m.)

& Sun., Dec. 18th (2 p.m.). Freewill offering.

Visit: www.StFrancisCtr.org or call 610-867-8890 for info.

# **OLPH MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP TO DC**

Sign-ups for the trip to Washington, DC, **Friday**, **January 27**, **2017**, will take place this weekend (December 10th/11th) and next (December 17th/18th), in the Gathering Space. <u>Cost</u>: \$20 per adult; \$10 per student. Availability on a first come, first served basis. Bus leaves parish parking lot at 7:30a.m., arrives back around 9p.m. Questions: Call Tony Saldutti at 610-533-2711 or email <u>tsaldutti99@gmail.com</u>

# **OLPH SCHOOL MEMORIAL FUND**

A donation has been received in memory of **Joseph Dody** requested by M/M Michael Buonpane. We pray for these people on a regular basis, but most especially when we come together to celebrate the Liturgy, as a school community, on Friday mornings.

# MASS OF HOLY INNOCENTS

Wednesday, December 28th, at Holy Ghost Church (417 Carlton Avenue, Bethlehem, PA 18015. Confessions 6-7pm with Adoration. Mass at 7pm - Fr. Clifton E. Bishop celebrant. This Mass is offered in gratitude for the 4 million births this year in the U.S. And in reparartion for the almost 1 million lives lost this year, resulting from abortions in the U.S. The evening includes a Child's Blanket Blessing (bring your child's blanket); and also a Veneration of the Relics of St. Gianna, Patron Saint of mothers, unborn children, and physicians. Respect Life reception follows in Billinger mamorial Hall. Questions: 610-867-9382.

## 2017 CHILDREN'S ENVELOPE DISTRIBUTION

TODAY, <u>December 11th</u>, in the Gathering Space, after all Masses. Available at the Parish Office, during regular business hours, beginning December 12th.

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Rejoice in the Lord always; for indeed, the Lord is near.

As we wait for the coming of the Lord, we prepare our hearts and homes to receive Him. As St. Paul instructs, we prepare with patience and a firm heart. We will know He has come into our hearts and homes when we model true discipleship and work, to bring the Good News to those around us.