

THE WORD OF GOD**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

BAR 5:1-9
PHIL 1:4-6, 8-11
LK 3:1-6 (6)

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ZEP 3:14-18a
PHIL 4:4-7
LK 3:10-18 (9)

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

***7:25 a.m. - Recitation of the Rosary (Mon-Sat; Chapel)**

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 9

6:30p.m. - RCIA (Chapel)

MONDAY - DECEMBER 10

OLPH Fellowship Group Christmas Lunch

6:30-7:30pm - Msgr. Morrison Spiritual Preparation (Chapel)

TUESDAY - DECEMBER 11

6:00-7:30pm - Sr. High Into the Deep

6:30-8:30pm - Q & A with Msgr. Sacks

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 12

3:00p.m. Youth Bell Choir

7:00p.m. - Adult Bell Choir

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 13

3:00p.m. - School Choir

4:30p.m. - REP Classes

5:30p.m. - REP Choir

7:00pm- Adult Choir & Sounds of Joy

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 15

9:00-10:00am Parent Mtg/Practice for Advent Mass

2:30pm - Family Movie Night

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 16

7:00pm - PARISH PENANCE SERVICE

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ray Murphy Sr., Tim Salabsky, Jesse Salabsky, Laurie Kelly, Tess Roach, Mary Lawrence, Anne Gerber, Dorothy Pavlinski, Baby Layla, Phyllis Gibula, Herb Chew, Paul Enright Sr., Loraine Walters, Baby Avia, Donna Altemose, Ronald Makos, Matthew Reese, Sylvia Klepeis, Emil Michelotti, Karter Frilund, Elizabeth Martlock, John J. Jordan, James Hogg, Michele Pierzga, Robert Dunnigan, Rusty Krajczar, Bob Walker, James Kotlik, Ann Marie Janders, Rose Lichtenwalner, Dorothy Midash, Loretta Granger, Katie Marie Kislow, Eugene Berg, Lorraine DeCrosta, Eileen DalSasso, Maryann Wolfe, Doris Roscioli, Larry Mancino, Rose Jackson, Michael Cunningham, Pucci Family, Dolores Lengyel, and Adam Recke. Remember the deceased members of our parish family. 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

Sunday Collection: (Average per week), for the month of **October**, including Electronic Giving: **\$19,782.00**. We thank you for your support. May God bless you for your kindness.

OUR LEGACY CAMPAIGN

Donations can be made at our website: www.my-olph.org If you are making a payment on your pledge, it can be dropped in the Sunday Collection (please make checks out to 'OLPH Capital Campaign' or indicate that on the memo line.) We ask you to pray for the success of our campaign. May God continue to bless you for all you do. THANK YOU!

OLPH FOOD BANK

*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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019:**

We will be going on the "Vatican Express" **July 8-12, 2019**. Children will hear stories of St. Jerome, St. Peter, the Swiss Guard, & of course, Pope Francis. We will have fun learning all about the Vatican! For more info, please contact Carol.

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

OLPH FELLOWSHIP GROUP

Open to all 55+. Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays, 1:30pm, in the Marian Inn. Info: Susan (610865-9392), Tom (484-456-6818).

OLPH LADIES GROUP

MEETING: Wed., Dec. 12th, in the Marian Inn, to wrap cookies for distribution to Bethany Ministry.

YOUTH GROUP CORNER

JUNIOR HIGH CREW: 6th-8th graders are invited to join us every 1st & 3rd Tues. of the month, 6-7:30pm, at the Youth Group House.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: Join us, Sat., December 15th, at 2:30pm, in the Marian Inn, for a family movie afternoon with hot chocolate! Please come as a family (Children MUST come with an adult). All ages welcome!

**Check us out on social media @*olphyouthgroup*

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

OLPH SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS

*Open to children, grades K-8. For more info/schedule a tour, call us at 610-868-6570 or visit www.olphbeth.org

*Applications for the 2019-20 school year now accepted.

We are thankful for all our students & their many accomplishments:

Alumni: Bridget Ehrig, Kaitlyn Hartman, Haley McMenimen, Jenna Thomas, Gregory Tomko, & Julia Zambo were honored as top academic scholars at BECAHI!

CHILDREN'S 2019 ENVELOPES

Can be picked up at the Parish Center during regular business hours (M-F: 8am-12noon, 1-6pm), beginning January 2, 2019.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**MONDAY, DECEMBER 10 - ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Jim Hogg (Int.) - M/M Dave Keim

8:00a.m. - Cathy Lucente - Edris Family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Anna Schram

8:00a.m. - Mary Jo Steager - Carol Yanko

WED., DEC. 12 - OUR LADY of GUADALUPE

6:45a.m. - Barbara Amabile - Cathy Timko

8:00a.m. - Dec'd. of McClellan Family - M/M Dave Leahy

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 - ST. LUCY

6:45a.m. - Stan Majewski - M/M Larry Clymer

8:00a.m. - Milagros Olmo - Aida Ortiz

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14 - ST. JOHN of the CROSS

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

8:45a.m. - Albert Cunningham - Family

& Rocco Petrozzi - M/M Todd Kirk

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15 - ADVENT WEEKDAY

8:00a.m. - Joanne & Kevin Conley (Int.) - Friends

5:00p.m. - Deacon William Wagner - Wife

& John Jordan, Sr. - Son, John

SUNDAY, DEC. 16 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30a.m. - Jose DaSilva - Daughter & Grandchildren

9:00a.m. - Mario Guedes - Matilda Sylvester

& Helena Guedes - Matilda Sylvester

10:30a.m. - Debbie Libricz - Family

& Joseph Midash - M/M Bruce Dague

12:00noon - Tommathew Thomas - Wife, Mary

& James Ney - Al & Terry Bruch

FROM MSGR. MORRISON

"I will be in the Chapel, Monday, December 10th, & 17th (6:30-7:30pm) for a spiritual preparation for Christmas. We may have a Mass or Communion service. A few Q and A's will be included. Is Christ present in our Advent?" All are welcome!

RECENTLY BAPTIZED

Best wishes go out to **Case Jaxon Brandt, Zachary Francis Guy, Brock Hudson Lilly, & James William Vadala** who have recently been brought into our faith by Baptism. May the Light of Christ always burn in their hearts!

PARISH CHRISTMAS FLOWER SALE

Vouchers sold in the Gathering Space after all Masses through Dec. 9th, & may be redeemed at Rich Mar Florist (2407 Easton Ave.) Dec. 13th-16th. Info: Susan Ney 610-730-4358.

ST. FRANCIS CENTER FOR RENEWAL

CHRISTMAS VESPERS: Dec. 15th (7pm) & 16th (2pm & 7pm) at St. Francis Center for Renewal Convent Chapel (395 Bridle Path Rd. Bethlehem). Reception to follow in Retreat Center Dining Hall. Free will offering. All are welcome!

COOKIE DONATIONS NEEDED!

The OLPH Ladies Group is once again asking for cookie donations (homemade or store-bought). Donated cookies will be then wrapped by the Ladies Group for distribution to Bethany Ministry.

Cookie donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center any day during regular business hours, until noon on December 12th, or in the Marian Inn from 1:00-2:30pm on December 12th. We appreciate your ongoing support!

WARM COATS NEEDED!

Christopher Santos, Chaplain at Northampton County Corrections, is in need of warm coats for the male & female prisoners he shepherds. If you have any adult sized coats that you feel you can donate (especially larger sizes), please contact Tony Saldutti (610-533-2711 or tsaldutti99@gmail.com), or leave them in the container in front of the bulletin board in the Gathering Space.

K OF C TRINITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Knights of Columbus Trinity Council 313 is moving winter meetings to the Convent at Notre Dame of Bethlehem Parish (1861 Catasauqua Rd., Bethlehem). Meetings are the 3rd Thursdays of Jan., Feb., & March. Rosary (7pm), Meeting (7:30pm). Light refreshments served. Questions: Len Verrastro (610-691-5698) or Ron Moser (484-860-0084/moserron@hotmail.com).

OLPH MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP

Sign-up sheet for the January 18, 2019 bus trip to Washington D.C. will be posted on the Announcement Board next to the Parish Library. Availability on a first-come, first-served basis. Cost: \$20/per adult; \$10/per student. Bus leaves parish parking lot at 7:30am & arrives back around 9pm. Questions, contact Tony Saldutti: 610-533-2711 or at tsaldutti99@gmail.com

WILLY WONKA & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Dec. 19th-31st at Mauch Chunk Opera House (times vary). The Allentown Diocese is home to the only major Catholic musical theatre production company in PA (Sing for America), who produces musicals to raise money for military families in the Lehigh Valley. Visit: www.SingforAmerica.com for tickets. Questions: please contact Taryn Gilbert (610-417-2189).

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

As we await the coming of Our Lord & Savior, joy & hope fill our hearts in anticipation of the Messiah.

Prepare the way of the Lord! Today marks the Second Sunday of Advent, & we are filled with hope, joy, & anticipation. The Lord enters the world to save us. Our paths will be made stright. Our burdens will be eased. Our darkness will be lightened. Salvation is at hand.