



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

*LORD, let us see your
kindness, and grant us
your salvation.*

December 6 Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Frank T. Robbins Jane Kantorski	Janet and family Bob and Barbara Reynolds
December 7 Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Deceased of the Julian Family James O'Brien	Roger Julian Kevin O'Brien and Todd Kilmer
Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Dr. William Hickey The Butler Family	Gail and Mike Veitch The Walker Family
Sunday 11:30 a.m.	Daniel O'Donnell James Oliver	Helen O'Donnell Sheila and Dick Melle
Immaculate Conception December 8 Monday 7:30 a.m.	Mary Mangona	Daughter and Grand daughter
December 8 Monday 12:00 p.m.	Etoll Family	
December 8 Monday 5:30 p.m.	Deceased of The Church of St Peter	
December 9 Tuesday, 8:00 a.m.	Angela M. Corsale	Joseph and Barbara Corsale, Jr.
December 10 Wednesday 8:00 a.m.	Edgar Whitakar	Barbara Cudney and Peggy Bradley
December 11 Thursday 8:00 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	
December 12 Friday 8:00 a.m.	Mary Kmen	Jeannie Ryan
December 13 Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Dominic Stoffolano	Jeffrey and Susan Halstead
December 14 Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Edwin White James Doring	Family Chamber of Commerce Staff
December 14 Sunday 9:00 a.m.	Anne Marie Stevens Bernice Kelleher	Paul and Joyce Gagnon Dick and Pam Farrell
December 14 Sunday 11:30 a.m.	Timothy J. Tellstone Jesse Williams	Helen O'Donnell Wife

Readings for Sunday, December 14, 2008: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



Mass

**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers
December 13 - 14, 2008**



Readers

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
December 13 5:00 p.m.	Mary Brooks, Mary Collins, Jean Cremen, Phyllis Delay, Leo Demers, Mary Ann Foley, Jeanmarie Gebhard, Lorraine Hansen, Judy Hefter	Jeff Clark John Blaum
December 14 7:30 a.m.	Pamela Barrington, Alberta Bennett, Eileen Reese, Richard Rowland, Sr., Angel Santiago James Tierney, Anne Wagner, Andrea Wise	Michael Postlethwait Joseph Barrington
9:00 a.m.	Linda Bubniak, Margaret McNicholas, Joyce Rice, Richard Rowland, Susan Rowland, Cindy Sharpe, Joanne Smith, Robert Spratt, Joyce Martucci, Rita Usher	Maureen Holton Michael Walker
11:30 a.m.	Sophie Barber, Charles DiSanto, Kathy DiSanto, Jacqueline Donnelly, Cheryl Dudinetz, Susan Halstead, Carolyn Hamlin, Barbara Haner, Mary Lou Snyder, Judy Walker	Shirley Tellstone Cheryl Dudinetz

Please remember in your prayers all those members of our parish family who are sick or suffering in any way, all those in hospitals or nursing homes, and all of our shut-ins. We pray for all who have died recently, including Cornelia Harrison Hayward, sister of Michael Harrison. Let us not forget the victims of violence at home and abroad. We remember the men and women serving in the armed forces as we continually pray for peace.

Attendance		Collection		Average Collection to date	
November 25, 2007	960	November 25, 2007	\$8,018.50	FY 2007	\$7,777.11
November 23, 2008	1,168	November 23, 2008	9,223.05	FY 2008	\$8,914.91
December 2, 2007	1,096	11/23/08 2 nd coll Human Develop	\$2,518.75	FY 2007	\$7,828.76
	155	December 2, 2007	\$8,913.45		
November 30, 2008	980	11/27/08 Thanksgiving (SPNA)	\$ 1,547.00		
		November 30, 2008	\$7,284.05	FY 2008	\$8,840.78

Thank you for your generosity and remembering your weekly contribution when you are away.

Family Perspective

By Bud Ozar

Today's gospel raises many questions: Was the Baptist's family embarrassed by his life style, diet, clothing, and message? Did they avoid or ignore him or advise him to come home and be 'normal'? Advent, a time to change our hearts, raises another question: Who in your family needs your acceptance?

Marriage Moments

Karen Vogt

Family Life Office Diocese of Kentucky
December 8, Immaculate Conception: How much do you know about your spouse's first years of life? Just as from her earliest days, Mary, the mother of Jesus, was formed and filled with grace in preparation for becoming the mother of Jesus, so too your spouse's childhood influenced his or her growth into the person you love—most of the time. Share an early memory with your spouse.

Parenting Pointers

Karen Vogt

Family Life Office, Diocese of Kentucky
December 6 is the feast of St. Nicholas. Sure, you can hide a treat in your child's shoe on this night. Generosity is the trademark of St. Nick. Perhaps you could remind your child that there are children in our world who still need shoes. As a family, consider secretly buying some a pair of shoes who needs them.

Evangelist: Faith Alive!

STAY INFORMED: To stay informed be sure to read The Evangelist, our diocesan newspaper.

The Evangelist offers extensive, in-depth coverage. The cost is only 30 cents a week, less than a first-class postage stamp.

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Newly Baptized

With great joy we welcome into our parish family the following children baptized here the last two weekends.

Emily Abigail Dominguez

Daughter of Alejandro and Kelly Thrash Dominguez

Caroline Grace Maloney

Daughter of Daniel and Ann Maloney

May their families and this parish community support them as they grow in faith.

This Week in Our Parish

12/8/	Pastoral Council Mtg	7:00 pm	Parish Ctr-Rsrce Rm
	AA Meeting	7:00-9:30 pm	Parish Ctr-Rm204-206
12/9	Advent Penance Service	3:00 pm	Church
	Piano Lessons	4:00 pm	Church
	Children's Choir	5:00 pm	Church
	Advent Penance Service	7:00 pm	Church
12/10	Scripture Group	8:30 am-10:00 am	Parish Ctr-Rsrce Rm
	Piano Lessons	2:45-4:30 p.m.	Church
	EOC Bike Repair	4:00-7:00 pm	Church Basement
	Youth Ministry Mtg	6:30-7:30 pm	Rectory-Dining Room
	Scripture Group	7:15-9:15 pm	Parish Ctr-Rsrce Rm
12/11	Piano Lessons	3:00-5:30 pm	Church
	EOC PACT	8:30 am-2:30 pm	Parish Ctr-Rm 203 and Cafe/Kitchen
	Piano Lessons	3:00-5:30 pm	Church
	First Reconciliation	5:30 pm	Church
	Followed by dinner		Parish Ctr:Caf/Kitchen
	Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	Church
12/13	EOC Bike Repair	9:00 am-12:00 pm	Church Basement
	Choir Concert	6:30 pm	Church
12/14	Rel Ed K-6	10:10-11:20 am	Parish Ctr
	Youth Ministry GR 7-8	10:10-11:20 am	Parish Ctr & HS
	Youth Ministry GR 9	10:10-11:20 am	Parish Ctr & HS
	Rel Ed - GR 6 Bake Sale	10:00 am-12:00 p	Parish Ctr Caf/Kitchen
	Parents Afternoon Out	1:00-4:00 pm	Parish Ctr Rm202-204
12/13-12/14	Giving Tree items returned		Church
	Fair Trade Items sale	At all Masses	Parish Center
		After all Masses	

Groups/Contacts

Men's Fellowship Group	/Tuesday	7:00 pm	Ted Shufelt	745-1843
Adult Scripture Sharing Group	/Wednesday	8:30 am	Rita Usher	587-4487
Adult Scripture Sharing Group	/Wednesday	7:15 pm	Kathleen Greiner	899-5136
Saratoga Area Homeschoolers	/Monday	1:00 pm	Erin Walker	885-8395

Youth Committee selling Entertainment Books

St. Peter's Youth Ministry is offering Entertainment Books for \$30.00 until December 21. The telephone numbers for Youth Ministry may be found on the front of the bulletin.

Altar Server Training

Fr. Michael will train new altar servers at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday December 7 in the church. It will be an excused absence from faith formation class. Current servers who feel they could use a refresher are encouraged to attend as well.



Christmas Caroling

If you know someone who would like to hear St. Peter's community caroling December 21 (1-4:30 p.m.) led by Grade 7-8 Youth Ministry, please contact Carol Boltzer, at 587-5182, or cboltzer@nycap.rr.com.



January's First Friday Holy Hour

First Friday Holy Hour for the month of January will **NOT** be on the first Friday of the month, but will instead be on the second Friday, January 9 from 7-8 pm in the Day Chapel

THANKS

Saratoga Heritage Apartments
5 Heritage Way, Wilton
For advertising in our bulletin

The Giving Tree

Items for The Giving Tree should be returned, gift-wrapped, with the tag attached, next weekend (December 13-14). Thank you! Thank you for your generosity!



Youth Ministry GR 9-12

Sunday, November 23, 29 teens and six adults were in the spirit of the season a bit early and decorated 14 trees and 16 wreaths for the Festival of Trees which benefits Catholic Charities. A big thank you to Patty DeFilippo, Gail Jordan, Sue Penicka, Maria Forbes, Rita Parisi and Beth Smullen for their assistance at this event. To parishioners who donated decorations for Youth Ministry to get creative with—MANY THANKS! To the following teens who participated—we value your dedication in Christian Service: Brielle Matthews, Brian Woodard, Justin Loucks, Greg Donworth, Christine Penicka, Erin Penicka, Emily Daley, Kailee Wilson, Rose Aspland, Sara Hayes, Kayleigh Nicoll, Abby Wise, Rachel Burt, Michael Swift, Tyler Forbes, Julia Ida, Mitch O'Neil, Catherine Carswell, Kean Smullen, Kyle McQuay, Matt Pfieler, Steve Vanyo, Zack Lanahan, Alyssa Mayoka, Elizabeth Renn, Blaze Nicolosi, Kathryn Sacca, Matt Rocco, Gina Major.

Youth Ministry GR 7-8 at Equinox, Albany

Thanks so much to our teens/families that helped prepare the Thanksgiving Dinner at Equinox in Albany! Will Behan, Emma Bennett, Ally, Lynn, and Sam Cirenza, Claire and John Hamelin, John and Matt Holton, Kate and Jill Kolbe, Ian and Cathy Mahserjian, Rachel and Tracey McQuay, Blaze and Carl Nicolosi, and Matt and Stacey Wells.

An added treat was a visit from Governor Patterson and Mayor Jennings, and entourage. You made St. Peter's proud! Carol Boltzer

Carondelet Music Center Carol Sing/ Holiday Craft Show

The Carondelet Music Center invites all to a Carol Sing & Holiday Craft Show, Sunday, December 7, 3:00 pm, at the Carondelet Music Center, located at St. Joseph's Provincial House in Latham. A reception will follow the concert. A Holiday Craft Show will be held in conjunction with the event. Call 783-3608.

Work of Human Hands Sale in the Parish Center next weekend.

Build a bridge between creative and hardworking people in poor countries of the world. Your support bring hope and justice to people when you select from musical instruments, toys, clothing, home decor, kitchen/dining items, food and Christmas decorations and nativities. Stop in!

Pilgrimage offered by St. Clement's Church

St. Clement's Church invites others to join in a pilgrimage to Redemptorist Sites in NYC December 11, and a stop to see the Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center. \$55.00 includes light lunch as well as an early dinner. 584-6123.

Saratoga Healthy Transportation Network

Saratoga Healthy Transportation Network in partnership with Saratoga EOC has a limited supply of slightly used children's bicycles in perfectly good working order to give away to any child who needs a bicycle. These donated bicycles will be given away along with a new helmet and bike lights before Christmas. Call Joanne for complete details (265-8507).

The Jeneba Project in Sierra Leone

Building Tomorrow's World Today!

An awareness of the Jeneba Project comes to us from Joseph Kaifala, a member of our Church and an Altar Server throughout his years at Skidmore College.

Jeneba Project 2008-2009 is an initiative geared towards the construction of a four-room building that will serve as a high school for the children of Masoila, Sierra Leone. The goal is to raise at least \$20,000 for the facility to serve the next generation of Sierra Leoneans. The message of The Jeneba Project is "Building Tomorrow's World Today!"

Sierra Leone is ranked as the poorest country in the world according to the UN Human Development Index, with an adult literacy index at 122nd out of 177 countries assessed, and over 60% of the educational infrastructure was destroyed during the ten-year civil war. Girls have even less opportunities to pursue their education in comparison to their male counterparts.

Contact Joseph Kaifala at Kaifala@yahoo.fr or 95 Brent Street, Manchester, NH 03103 or Peter S. Brock at bajibaji@gmail.com or 815 North Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Learn more about the project at <http://jenebaproject.wordpress.com>