



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

*Blessed are they
who dwell in
Your house, O Lord.*

December 26, Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Joseph Santiago Frank Robbins Elaine Webber	Family Janet and Family Rita Usher
December 27, Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	Michael DiNallo Louis Agosta	Family Knights of Columbus Council 246
9:00 a.m.	Patrick Ryan Thomas R. Craig	Family Ciro and Terry Scotti and Family
11:30 a.m.	Rose Vassalo Vera D. Brown	Joanne Smith Diana Hornyak
December 28, Monday, 8:00 a.m.	Thomas Arpei	Robert Christopher
December 29, Tuesday, 8:00 a.m.	Jeanne Coseo	Sandy Cummins
December 30, Wednesday, 8:00 a.m.	Cecelia Spiver	Anita Turner
December 31, Thursday, 4:00 p.m.	Drew Hamel Margaret Pitney John F. Jones (4 th anniversary)	Family Rosemarie Zacek Rosemarie Zacek
January 1, Friday, 11:00 a.m.	Mary Bradley	Principessa Elena Women's Society
January 2, Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Mary Bradley Leon Zacek (17 th anniversary)	Anne Nisler Family
January 3, Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	Louis Agosta	Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Utter
9:00 a.m.	Rita Moss Dr. George Marthy	Earl and Shirley Duell Bob and Kathy Nygard
11:30 a.m.	Helen Agnes Johnson	Marilyn and Judi

Readings for January 3, 2010: The Epiphany of the Lord: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a,5-6; Mt 2:1-12



January 2-3, 2010



Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
	December 31: 4:00 pm and January 1: 11:00 am Volunteers needed in all ministries. See the bulletin board sign-up sheet	
Saturday, 1/02 5:00 p.m.	Phyllis Delay, Leo Demers, Mary Ann Foley, Lorraine Hansen, Judith Hefter Bonnie Mayer, Margaret Neville, Julianne Thomas, Mary Rose Turo	Debbie Mahoney Jeff Clark
Sunday, 1/03 7:30 a.m.	Pamela Barrington, Alberta Bennett, Peggy Bradley, Barbara Cudney, Tad Deuel, Richard Rowland, Sr., Angel Santiago, James Tierney	Joseph Barrington James Lambalot
Sunday, 1/03 9:00 a.m.	Linda Bubniak, Maryanne Burtman, Donald Carroll, Claire Couch, Jennifer DeVincenzo, Maria Forbes, Cindy Sharpe, Joanne Smith, Robert Spratt, Joyce Sustar-Martucci, Rita Usher	Rich Rowland Susan Rowland
Sunday, 1/03 11:30 a.m.	Charles DiSanto, Kathy DiSanto, Jacqueline Donnelly, Cheryl Dudinetz, Carolyn Hamlin, Barbara Haner, Gene Landry, Marie Landry, Marilyn Lategano, Gerry Lyons	Cheryl Dudinetz Shirley Tellstone

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. 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.

Because of an early publishing deadline for the bulletin, collection amounts are not available.
They will be published at a later date.

Family Perspective

By Bud Ozar

Because Jesus did not tell his parents His plans to stay in Jerusalem, Mary and Joseph were distraught and probably felt negligent and guilty. Like the Holy Family parents today operate with the same deficit because children don't disclose all their plans. Despite the centuries, the problems of parenting are the same.

Marriage Moments

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On the fourth Day of Christmas my true love gave to me, four calling birds...."How do you call your true love? Do you have a pet name? Say your spouse's name with special tenderness today.

Parenting Pointers

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Hopefully, you take time to savor each gift you open and appreciate the giver. Help your children learn that as they receive, so they are also responsible for giving. Choose a charity to support as a family. Remember, those who have less through prayer and a donation.

Faith Alive!

To stay informed about our Catholic faith and news of our Diocese, read The Evangelist, our Albany Diocesan newspaper. The Evangelist offers extensive, in depth coverage. The cost is only 30 cents a week, less than a first-class postage stamp. Call 584-2375.

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

This Week in Our Parish

12/28	Outreach Office AA Mtg	9:00 am-12:00 pm 7:00-9:30 pm	Rectory Parish Ctr-Room 206
12/31	Parish Office closed Outreach Office closed Mass First Night events	4:00 pm 6:00 pm	Church Church and Parish Center
1/1	Parish Office closed Outreach Office closed Mass Holy Hour	11:00 am 7:00-8:00 pm	Church Church
1/3	No Rel Ed or YM programs		



First Friday Holy Hour

First Friday Holy Hour will be January 1, 7:00-8:00 pm. All are most welcome to attend this evening of devotion.

St. Peter's Outreach Program

November Report

In November our parish Outreach Program (SPNA) received revenue of \$3,164.50. Revenues were received from: the blue envelopes \$1,833.50, Thanksgiving Collection \$1,206, and a donation of \$125.00. Because of the generous support, our program had a positive monthly fund balance of \$1,800.

During November and December, the program has been addressing needs related to food, clothing and gifts associated with Thanksgiving and Christmas. However, rent and utility assistance remain our largest expenditures. In recent months many persons have come to us for aid because of cutbacks in their work hours.

On behalf of those who are in need, a heart-felt thank you is extended to you. The Christmas spirit is alive and well in our Parish.

Catholics Returning Home Discussion Series Invitation

Were you raised Catholic, but do not come to church very often anymore? Are you a Catholic who now feels separated from your Church? Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church as it is today? No matter how long you have been away—and no matter the reason—you are invited to renew your relationship with the Church at St. Mary's Church (Crescent) for informal conversations on the following dates:

January 5, An Overview of this Series (Sharing of experiences by our hosts and our guests)

January 12 Sharing Stories of Faith (We discuss some witness stories, questions and concerns)

January 19 The Catholic Church Today (We review the major changes since Vatican Council II)

January 26 The Mass (The main elements of the Mass today and some of the history).

February 2 The Sacrament of Reconciliation (What is it like today? How and why has it changed?)

February 9 What Catholics Believe Today (We examine the beliefs that are stated in the Nicene Creed)

Doors open at 6:30 pm, programs begin at 7:00 pm. For reservations, call 877-8506, ext 215.



Congratulations!!

The following children have received the
Sacrament of Reconciliation ~ ~ ~

Christopher Andreadakis Helene Bartlett
Nickolas Belanger Isabella Bokan Angelina Boyd
Annabel Boyd Kylie Brennan Matthew Brennan
Devin Brimmer Madeline Buck Samuel Buser
Angela Capuano Luke Connolly Jackson Cox
Joshua D'Addio Sydney DeLeonardis Anthony Devizzio
Elaina Dinunzio Patrick Egan Javae Elliot Nakaela Elliot
Regina Erwin Cole Flynn Danielle Geils Quentin Grieco
Aidan Holmes David Hunter Samuel Jacob Devon Juda
Brandon Karam Evan Klotz Michael L'Hommedieu
Catherine LaCoppola Amanda LaMonda
Anthony LaMonda, Jr. Andrew Leal Christian Lofgren
Timothy Luse Lucas Martinez Ciara McGlynn
Thomas McKiernan Katherine Mebert Stephen Miskovsky
McKenna Mulholland Jacob O'Brien Mack Ogden
Andrew Patnode Emily Pecora Rita Penny
Julien Prenevost Briggs Ragan Caroline Reals
Luca Reeder Sydney Schumaker Jade Straus
Maximus Tetu Walter Thompson Caleigh Wagner
Aidan Waite Alexander Wardell

Baptism Preparation Class



A baptism preparation class will be held Tuesday, January 5, 7:00-8:30 pm, in the Day Chapel for parents wishing to have their child baptized at The Church of St. Peter. Please call the office, 584-2375, for more information. Additional classes will also be arranged for the coming year.

Prayer Partners Needed

As you enter Church, look for a poster with the names and pictures of our young adult candidates for confirmation. In the basket near the poster, you will find slips of paper with the name of a candidate as well as a special prayer.

Please take one or two name slips and become a Prayer Partner for that particular candidate. Use the special prayer on the slip or include the candidate in your other prayer intentions. Your support is most appreciated as these young people continue preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring.

Youth Ministry News – Save the dates!!

January 9th and 10th: There will be a presentation to the parish community “Reflections of NCYC 2009” in the Parish Center after all Masses. More details to follow!

March 6th and 7th: One weekend only, religious items and jewelry sale. More details to follow!

Sponsor of the week

Community Court Motel

248 Broadway, Saratoga Springs
584-6666 or (toll free) 888-322-7856

Thank you for advertising in our weekly bulletin!

Influenza precautions including H1N1

with regard to liturgy

Please be reminded that if you have suppressed immune systems, are feeling unwell or have family members or housemates who are unwell, to receive Communion only in the hand. (We have been advised that the transfer of germs is more likely when Communion is administered on the tongue because of contact with saliva) and refrain from receiving the Precious Blood. The Sign of Peace may be offered as a nod or verbal greeting.

Pastoral Care Ministry

This Ministry will include phone calls, visiting parishioners and/or bringing the Eucharist to those who have been hospitalized, returned home and would like to keep in touch with our parish community during their recuperation period. We are inviting you to request our help through the office if this service meets your needs. Call 584-2375, and leave contact info for Jackie White.