



**MONDAY, DECEMBER 11**

8:00AM -KEITH DYSON  
-r/o Scott & Debbie Dyson

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12**

8:00AM -LOURDES VILLA (L)  
-r/o The Villa Family

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13**

8:00AM -ENEAS MULCAHY  
-r/o Maureen Mulcahy

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15**

8:00AM -TEOFILA ARANO  
-r/o Magpantay & Caringal Family

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16**

9:00AM - SUSANNE D'AUGUSTE  
-r/o Beulah Remedios  
5:00PM -AL IANDOLI  
-r/o Laurie & Rich Iandoli

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17**

8:00AM -DANIELE C. SCHIANO  
-r/o Jean & Jim Fennessy  
10:00AM -ELIZABETH MERRILL  
-r/o Mr. & Mrs. Michael Murphy  
11:30AM -DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PELLIGRA  
& CALENDRILLO FAMILIES  
-r/o Roseann Chrzanowski

**VOTIVE LIGHTS  
IN MEMORY OF**

Muriel, Leslie & Anna Roberts Stanley Wojnar  
Juan Antonio "Tony" Medina Joseph Del Mastro  
Rosalie & Frank Moscarello Charles Mitchell  
Howard Whitford Michael Kelsall  
Peter & Susan Colombo Virginia DeLillo  
Albert "Jack" DeLillo

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Help & guidance for Carolyn Watch over our daughter  
Help & guidance for Michael & Jonathan  
Successful open heart surgery for Joe x2  
Health for my husband, me & our family  
Spiritual help & forgiveness  
Thank you for all our blessings  
Health & help for all dear friends  
Please cure & keep me free of anxiety, depression & panic



**HOLY NAME SOCIETY**

Mass - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month  
Next Mass - December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.  
Meeting - following the Mass.

**WEB PAGE**

For updated bulletin information, please go to  
[www.mhr-parish.org](http://www.mhr-parish.org).



**TABERNACLE LIGHT**

Tabernacle candle in the Church burns this  
week in loving memory of Lee Lovitt  
r/o The Rodman Family



**PARISH SICK LIST**

Rev. Edward J. Struzik, Shannon,  
Hayley & Brett Lawrence, Jacqueline  
Braniff, Christina Pulido, Sophie  
Wojtaszek, Janice Sanborn, Marie  
Velleneuve, Beth Morris, Renee Burke, Joseph  
Peabody, Veronica Balmore, Billy Sherwood, Jr., Peter  
Skujins, Cindy Junquet, Kenneth Kramer, Timothy  
McGravey, Beatriz Castillo, Dolores Nee, Michael  
Guariglia, Marieann Poplaski, Lucy Littlefield, Jean  
Marie Brigandi, Elena Coumo, Gabino & Maria  
Rodriguez, Alice Gorres, Johnny Gibbs, Barbara Celia,  
Ida Morales, Maryann Hughes, Emilie Matlosz,  
Germaine Raimo, Luddy Demsia, William Armstrong,  
Fr. Gregory Moore, Sandra Steinberger, Frank  
Roberts, Barbara Bradshaw, Fred Morrone, Larry &  
Marie Fama, Lenny Gatti, Sumanta Chowdhuri, Nicole  
E. Montagna, Nico Oneto, Kathleen O'Brien, Debbie  
Archibold, Alex Berg, Wendy Oates, Robert C.  
Pederson, Marie Scifo, Patrick Barry, Toni O'Rourke,  
William Sohor, Robert Pedersen, Robert Conte, Jose  
Pacheo, Margaret Malloy, Rose LaFergola, Kathleen  
Lau, Anne Slate, Kimberly Perry, Jackson Christian  
Thomas, Miguel Ley, Marie Ciezbka, Betty Pulido,  
Charley Goldsmith and Louis Martinez.

**We ask Almighty God and our Blessed  
Mother, Mary to comfort and heal the sick. If your  
loved one recovers and our prayers for them are  
no longer required, please call the parish office to  
have their name removed. Thank you.**



**PRE-BAPTISM CLASS**

Please call the Parish Office to register. **The  
next Pre-Baptism class will be held  
Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.  
in the Chapel.**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING MILITARY PERSONNEL SERVING OVERSEAS**

Jason Del Duca, U.S. Air Force  
 Matthew B. Kaplan, U.S. Army  
 Michael Lanzafama, U.S. Army  
 Richard A. Lapp, U.S. Navy  
 Douglas Leo, U.S. Army  
 Michael J. Sanzone, U. S. Army  
 Mark G. Sieczkowski, U. S. Navy  
 Thomas Welch, U.S. Army



**OPLATEK CHRISTMAS WAFERS**

Oplatek Christmas Wafers are a favorite tradition in Europe, particularly in Poland, Slovakia and Lithuania. We have a limited supply available in the parish office for \$1.00 each. Come in and pick up your Oplatek Wafer for your Christmas meal.



**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

**Who:** Children grades K-7 interested in being a shepherd, angel, sheep, or narrator.

**When:** Christmas Eve Mass – Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

**Practices:** Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:45 – 6:15 p.m.

Children in grades 2-7 are also invited to participate in the choir.

Contact the Religious Education Office for further details at 732-566-5630.



**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

The next Pastoral Council meeting is scheduled for, Monday, January 29, 2018, 7:15 – 9:00 p.m. in the Desmond Hall.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Our Most Holy Redeemer Conference exists primarily to help those in financial need. This is made possible by the generosity of our Parishioners each month; **thank you.**

If you or someone you know needs help, please call 732-566-9334. *Everything is completely confidential.*

**Food Pantry**

Groceries collected every weekend at Mass.



**STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE**

**Weekend of December 2/3, 2017: \$7440**

**Weekend of December 3/4, 2016: \$7159**

**Collection for the Retirement Fund for**

**Religious: \$2964**

**Additional Christmas Flowers Collection: \$1104**



**OFFICE STAFF EMAILS**

**Irma Knox – Parish Secretary**  
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**Crucifix Prayer Garden Fundraiser**

**PRAYER GARDEN PAVERS**

Leave a lasting legacy this Christmas Season with your name or custom inscription on a personalized brick or recognize family or friends with a lasting message that will be seen for generations to come.

Commemorative paving stones will be installed in the renovated Crucifix Prayer Garden opposite the entrance to the Church. You can review the plan on the poster boards in the vestibules of the Church as well as pick up an order form.

4 x 8 paver is \$125.00

8 x 8 paver is \$200.00

There is an additional cost of \$25 if clip art is added.

Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. For more information, please call Tom Caporaso at 908-461-2247.



**COUNTERS NEEDED**

Are you available Monday mornings? If so, please consider helping to count the weekly collection. It will take about two hours of your time once a month. We are in need of four more counters. Call the parish office ASAP if you could help.



**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

**Religious give thanks.** A religious sister writes, "When we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons in order to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless," Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

**BAPTISM**



We wish to welcome into the family of God and the parish community of Most Holy Redeemer the following child who was baptized here on December 2<sup>nd</sup>:

**MIA VICTORIA OBRERO**  
Daughter of Ryan and Jamie

We pray that her parents will be examples of faith to inspire her to follow the Lord. We, as their family in faith, also accept the responsibility to help these parents in their duty to bring up the children in the practice of the Faith by our prayers and example.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION**



Next weekend's second collection will be for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. **Please make checks payable to: St. Vincent de Paul Society.** Your generosity helps the Society help others.

**MOST HOLY REDEEMER PRAYER GROUP**



Most Holy Redeemer Prayer Group will meet on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, in the daily Mass Chapel from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction.

The prayer program includes the Holy Rosary and a Scriptural reading. A short fellowship will follow after the prayers. All are welcome to join us as we gather together. For more information, please contact the parish office.

**GIVING TREE**



This year we will be collecting for Parker House, CPC, Ozanan Shelter, St. Vincent de Paul, Madison Center and Diocesan Office of Person with Disabilities. Please take the tags after Mass and return the wrapped present, with the tag attached, the weekend December 16/17. Thank you for your generosity.

**COOKIES WITH SANTA**



The Holy Name will be having "Cookies with Santa" the weekend of December 16<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00 p.m. and December 17<sup>th</sup> after all 10:00 and 11:30 a.m. Masses in Desmond Hall. Have your picture taken with Santa. Donations of cookies will be greatly

*Advent*

**Second Week of Advent**



Gracious Father, pour your love into our hearts so that we may love more fully all those whom you love. Help us to be understanding of the needs of others, as you were understanding of the needs of all people and sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to redeem us. This we ask in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

**Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
11:00 a.m. - 12 noon  
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve**  
5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

**Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day**  
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

**NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE**

**Monday, January 1, 2018 - New Year's Day**  
8:00 a.m., and 10:00 a.m.  
*(January 1, 2018 is not a holyday of obligation this year)*

**2018 BOX ENVELOPES**



Please take a moment after Mass today to pick up your new set of boxed envelopes for 2018. They are located in the Parish Hall. If you can't find your envelopes, please call the parish office.

**POCKETBOOK BINGO**



**POCKETBOOK BINGO**  
St. Ambrose School presents our 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Pocketbook BINGO! Friday, January 19, 2018. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Bingo calling starts at 7:30 p.m.. Prizes

include: **Michael Kors, Coach, Kate Spade, Vera Bradley, Tora Burch and more!** Raffle tickets will also be sold. Coffee, tea and desserts will be served. You are welcome to bring your own refreshments. \$25 includes: Admission, 10 bingo sheets containing three bingo cards on each (10 games in all). For more information, please call Eileen Lee at 908-902-9121.

**JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF**

*"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted"*



**BEREAVEMENT group**  
Grief is a long process of untangling ourselves after the loss of a cherished loved one. WHO AM I NOW? HOW DO I FIND THE STRENGTH TO GO ON? The program is offered as a support for all persons who have recently lost a loved one and are struggling with the mourning process. Let us help you as you help yourself.

**The Group will be meeting MONDAY EVENINGS for seven (7) weeks.**

- PLACE:** St. Thomas Parish Hall  
One St. Thomas Plaza  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857
- BEGINS:** January 18, 2018
- ENDS:** February 26, 2018
- TIME:** 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- CONTACT:** Deacon Patrick  
732-251-4000, ext. 8218

*No fee. Pre-registration required.*

**DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**



Commencing in the new year, Eucharistic Adoration will be held in the chapel at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway. Volunteer adorers and intercessors are needed Monday through Friday during business hours to pray for the intentions of the diocese.

For more information or to volunteer, please call Laura at 732-529-7932 or email: evangelization@diometuchen.org.

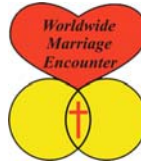
**CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK**



Corpus Christi Church, South River, will be having a Christmas Cookie Walk on December 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. in the Church Hall off of Kamm Avenue. Delicious home made cookies will be sold by the pound.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

**Christmas Gift**



Looking for the perfect Christmas gift for our spouse? Why not give yourselves a Marriage Encounter Weekend.

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

**The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held January 26-28, 2018.**

Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Please call 732-904-9636 for registration and information or visit us at: [www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org](http://www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org) for more information.

**2018 RESPECT LIFE GRADE SCHOOL POSTER AND HIGH SCHOOL VIDEO CONTESTS**



Calling all students in grades 1-8 to participate in the Respect Life Poster Contest! Theme: How can you share your life with another person who is different from yourself and is facing challenges or problems in life? This contest is open to all Catholic School, Religious Education and Home Schooled Students. First place winners receive \$50 cash prize! For contest details visit: <http://diometuchen.org> or call 732-562-1990, ext. 1543. **High School Video Contest:** Create a Youtube video by interviewing someone who is different from you and is facing challenges such as living with a disability, sickness, single parenthood, living as a refugee or in poverty. First place winners will receive \$100 cash prize! For more information, visit <http://diometuchen.org> or email: [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org) or call 732-562-1990, exts. 1543 or 1629.