

**THE WORD OF GOD****FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**IS 7:10-14  
ROM 1:1-7

MT 1:18-24 (10)

**NATIVITY OF THE LORD - CHRISTMAS DAY**IS 52:7-10  
HEB 1:1-6  
JN 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 (16)**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK****\* 7:25 a.m. - Recitation of the Rosary (Mon-Sat.; Chapel)****SUNDAY - DECEMBER 18**

Blood Pressure Screening - After All Masses

6:30p.m. - RCIA

5-7:30p.m. - Youth Group Christmas Party/Movie Night

**MONDAY - DECEMBER 19**

6:00p.m. - School Christmas Liturgy

7:45p.m. - Adult Choir &amp; Sounds of Joy

**TUESDAY - DECEMBER 20**

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 21**3:00p.m. - **NO** Youth Bell Choir6:00-7:00p.m. - **NO** REP Classes

7:00p.m. - Adult Bell Choir

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

**THURSDAY - DECEMBER 22****12:00 p.m. - School Early Dismissal****12:00 p.m. - Parish Office Closed**3:00p.m. - **NO** School Choir4:30-5:30p.m. - **NO** REP Classes

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

**FRIDAY - DECEMBER 23**

SCHOOL CLOSED

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

**SATURDAY - DECEMBER 24****5:00p.m.** - MASS (Children's Liturgy - Church)**5:05p.m.** - MASS (Marian Inn)**7:30p.m.** - MASS (Church)

10:00p.m. - Christmas Carol Program

**10:30p.m.** - MASS (Church)**SUNDAY - DECEMBER 25****9:00a.m.** - MASS (Church)**11:30a.m.** - MASS (Church)**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Charlotte Bradley, Mary Jane Fertal, 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, and Adam Recke. Remember the deceased members of our parish family: **Irene Kurtz, John Thoder & Helen Zuk**. 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 **November**, including Electronic Giving: **\$21,242.50**. 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**

**YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY/MOVIE NIGHT**  
**\*DATE CHANGE\*:** Our annual Christmas Party/Movie Night will now be **tonight, December 18th**, 5-7:30p.m., in the Marian Inn. Please bring a wrapped gift of \$7 or less for gift exchange!

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

**OLPH SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS**

*\*facebook.com/olphbeth or Twitter @OurLadySchool*

**Registration now open** 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](mailto: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.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****MON, DECEMBER 19 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Frank Martin - Joann, Amy, &amp; Family

8:00a.m. - Lourdes Moli - John Salavedra

**TUESDAY - DEC. 20 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Robert Detwiler - The Saldutti Family

8:00a.m. - Finn Michael Snyder - Chris &amp; Herb Chew

**WED., DEC. 21 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Gene Roscioli - Wife &amp; Family

8:00a.m. - William Motko - Daughter

**THURSDAY, DEC. 22 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Helen Marcincin - Hay Family

8:00a.m. - Valentina Lopez - Family

&amp; Vincent Memet - M/M Bill Mento

**FRIDAY, DEC. 23 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

6:45a.m. - Luis F. Pineda - Family

8:00a.m. - Fr. Angelo Della Picca - Michelle Pelizoto

**SAT., DECEMBER 24 - LATE ADVENT WEEKDAY**

8:00a.m. - Satoria Pineda - Family

5:00p.m. - Aparicio Marquez - Family

5:05p.m. - Russ Romano - Family

7:30p.m. - Jean Kuzmin - Family

10:30p.m. - Mass for the People

**SUNDAY, DEC. 25 - NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

9:00a.m. - Joseph Giordano - Wife, Maria

&amp; Dec'd. of McKeon/Barry Fam. - Janet Barry

11:30a.m. - Bill &amp; Lorraine Furman - Family

**GIANT A+ REWARDS CARD PROGRAM**

Please help our school earn free money by registering your Giant Bonus Card online at [www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus/](http://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](mailto:jhartmanolph@gmail.com) Thank you for your support!!

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

**ADVENT AT ST. FRANCIS CENTER FOR RENEWAL**

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS VESPERS**: Sat., Dec. 17th (7 p.m.) & Sun., Dec. 18th (2 p.m.). Freewill offering.

Visit: [www.StFrancisCtr.org](http://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 17th/18th), in the Gathering Space. Cost: \$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: Tony Saldutti:: 610-533-2711 or email [tsaldutti99@gmail.com](mailto:tsaldutti99@gmail.com)

**RECENTLY BAPTIZED**

Our best wishes go out to **Xavier Ramirez** who has recently been brought into our faith by Baptism. May the Light of Christ always burn in his heart.

**MASS OF HOLY INNOCENTS**

Wed., 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 reparation 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.

**SALESIAN SATURDAYS**

Please join us Saturday, December 31st, for a morning of discussion & adoration. Program starts with Mass in the Chapel (8:00am), moves to the Library & Gathering Space (8:30-9am), and concludes with Eucharistic Adoration (9:05-10:05am). Refreshments are provided. Questions: Call Deacon Kelly at 484-626-2130 or Deacon Ralph at 610-258-8299.

**2017 CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES**

Available at the Parish Office, during regular business hours.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

God is with us, and we are called to live in His presence and take that joy out into the world.

God promised to send a Savior to the world, and Jesus came among us. In return, we are called to serve Christ and proclaim Him to all. This is easily overlooked as we get caught up in our own pride, or focus on worldly matters. As we look to the Nativity of the Lord, let us shake off distractions and strive to serve Jesus and share Him with others.