



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, December 11th

9:00 am *Rose Holecek*
SJN Altar & Rosary Society
11:00 am *Jean Jaskolka*

Monday, December 12th

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, December 13th

8:30 am *Mary Ann Vitt*

Wednesday, December 14th

No Morning Mass

Thursday, December 15th

8:30 am *Justina Delagarza*

Friday, December 16th

8:30 am *Hyatt Rhine Sr.*
& *Hyatt Rhine Jr.*

Saturday, December 17th

4:00 pm *St. John Nepomucene Parish*

Sunday, December 18th

9:00 am *Stanley & Amelia Brindza*
11:00 am *Charlotte Kotlarsic*

Stewardship of Treasure

<i>Sunday, December 4th</i>	<i>\$3177.25</i>
<i>Memorials</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Utilities</i>	<i>60.00</i>
<i>Christmas Flowers</i>	<i>510.00</i>

*God Bless You and thank you for your
generosity to our Parish.
May Our Lord continue to bless you!*

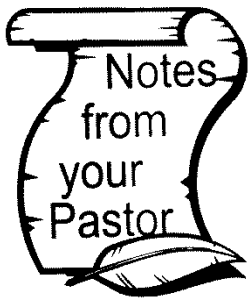
Sick Calls – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

Weddings – Parishioners are asked to call the rectory office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with Father Jasany.

Baptisms – The 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm. Parents are required to attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the date of baptism. Before parents baptize their child, Diocesan and parish policy requires you to complete a Baptism Preparation Class. **The next class will be on Sunday, Sunday, January 8, 2017 at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 11:45 am.** Reservations needed; please call 216-641-2829 to register.

Godparent and Sponsor Certificate – Sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Church, attending weekly and Holy Day Masses for a minimum of 3 months prior to the celebration of the Sacraments for which they have requested the certificate. Please note individuals 18 years of age and older, no longer in school, need to register.

Pre-Cana Program for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at the Jesuit Retreat House on **January 29, 2017 at 12:45 pm.** Program satisfies the requirement for marriage preparation as stipulated by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Register at 440-884-9300 or www.jrhcleve@att.net



Dear Parishioners,

We have two occasions of Eucharistic Adoration coming up. We will have Private Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, December 10th from 5 to 5:30 pm. Then, at 5:30 pm, we will have our Solemn Eucharistic Closing Service with Benediction.

Sunday, December 11th at 12:30 pm we will have a Eucharistic Holy Hour in church. Please join us for one or both of these events.

We are also celebrating with new people coming into our faith community. We are glad to have new candidates who are preparing to receive Confirmation. Dave Guess will be received into the Catechumenate at the 4 pm Mass on Saturday, December 10th. Four members of the Kosek Family, Breyant, Kylei, Cavalyn and D'Atagnan will be received into the Catechumenate at the 11 am Mass on Sunday, December 11th. Nathan Richardson, Daphne Krzynowek and Bryan Tellez will also participate in the Rite of Election for Confirmation at the 11 am Mass on December 11th.

I hope that all of us can avail ourselves to the opportunities before us to spiritually prepare a place in our hearts for Christ to be born this Christmas.

Prayers and Best Wishes,
Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of December 11th

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146/Jas 5:7-10/
Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a;
12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13/Lk 1:26-38
or Lk 1:39-47

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Ps 85/
Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30/Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67/Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72/Mt 1:1-17

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/

Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Sunday,

December 11th

Third Sunday of Advent

Joy! We have less than 2 weeks left, so in these days, let us pray asking for the joy of

Christmas. Let us give thanks to God for the good things that God has given us, above all our faith. This is a wonderful grace. Pray, give thanks and help others during this Holy Season.

Today is the Annual Collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Envelopes for this collection are in your monthly envelope packet.

Holy Name Society Meeting at 10 am
Rite of Election for Confirmandi & Rite of Becoming a Catechumen – 11 am
Mass

World Apostolate Holy Hour–12:30 pm
Benediction, Rosary and Chaplet of Mercy.
Everyone is invited to come, pray.

RCIA Program 6 to 8 pm at the rectory



Monday, December 12th

PSR Class 6-8:30 pm

Wednesday, December 13th

Rosary Makers 10-Noon at the rectory

Zumba – 7 pm

Thursday, December 15th

**Grandmothers Club Meeting – 11:30 am
at Cuyahoga Hts. Village Hall**



Sunday,
December 18th
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Today, the last
Sunday of Advent, as

we prepare for Christmas, let us listen. We are asked to listen to God who speaks to us, and to accept God's will. Nothing is more productive and fruitful than listening to and accepting the Word of the Lord, which comes from the gospel, from the Bible. The Lord is always speaking to us. God is our Hope!

Church Decorating will be today at 3 pm. Please consider giving some of your time to make our church beautiful for Christmas.

\$1000 Raffle Drawing – Please make sure your tickets have been turned in for today's drawing. This is a week early because of Christmas.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
10 am at the rectory

Oplatki – Many Families observe the Christmas Eve tradition with oplatki. There is a table at the Blessed Mother's Altar with oplatki packs, along with the prayer service for you to take home.



A Message from our
St. Vincent de Paul Society

THANK YOU for your donations of canned goods and paper products on Thanksgiving Day. Also to Father Jasany for designating the Thanksgiving Day collection to St. Vincent de Paul. Through your generosity, we were able to assist 73 individuals for Thanksgiving. May God Bless You All!

In addition, the Ozanam Center can use your help! The center is open every Saturday from 9:30 am to 12 Noon. The volunteers are there early from 8:30 am to sort and package produce and bakery. If you wish to help please call Ron at 216-341-3025.

St. John Nepomucene Parish is scheduled to serve the following dates in 2017 – January 7th, February 4th, March 11th, April 1st, May 6th, June 3rd, July 22nd, August 12th & September 23rd. Please consider giving us a couple of hours a month.

This month we received \$9.13 from AmazonSmile for your purchases at Amazon and \$31.28 from River Valley paper for our recycling efforts in October. Please remember to recycle all of your Holiday paper this Season! Wrapping Paper, Packing, Boxes, Holiday Catalogs and Holiday Cards. Just add these items to your regular collection and bring it to our bin. Remember to Recycle, Reuse and Reduce. Thank You!

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick. May our Lord comfort and strength them and their caregivers.

Remembering especially Mary Adams, Tim Angelone, Agnes Bartoszek, Greg Basco, Gwen Beres, Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Bican, Joyce Bican, Phillip Bilelo, Donna Czyzynski, Corrine Dawe, Joseph Dybzinski, Jason Glaros, Kristin Hill, Lucy Konkoly, Tom Konkoly, Judy Landolph, Art Madsen, Cindi Magyar, Erin Mangan, Rose Meadows, Jeanette Miller, Marguerite Miller, Jeannette Morrow, Louis Novac, Art Novotny, Dan Palmentera, John Pocius, Betty Rhine, Brianna Rhine, Elaine Stack, Rev. John Tezie, Ed Vitigoj, Ron Walk, David Zelenka and Joseph Zelenka.

May our Loved Ones who have died rest in eternal peace in heaven.

For the Men and Women serving in the military, especially those from our parish & their families.

STEWARDSHIP – From the loneliness of his prison cell, John the Baptist asks of Jesus “Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?” The weeks before Christmas offer much to be joyous about celebrating with family and friends, the glitter of seasonal decorations, the excitement of gift giving and receiving. But in our midst there are the lonely and neglected, the poor, the hospitalized, the wayward, the shut-ins. There are those seemingly without hope. To whom should they look? Discipleship in the Lord includes being good stewards of others. Are there those in our family, our neighborhood, our community to whom we can reach out to show them a sign of Christ’s presence in their midst?

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
for December 7th thru December 20th
Jackie Hejl & Elaine Smith

Tax Letter for 2016 Reminder

Parishioners who would like a letter to verify their church contributions for the 2016 tax year are asked to call the rectory office at 216-641-8444 or drop a note in the collection basket to the attention of Mrs. Kowalski. A letter will be prepared and mailed to you after January 9th. If you call the rectory after office hours please leave a message in voicemail box #10.

REMINDER CONCERNING 2016

CONTRIBUTIONS – In order for your contributions to be considered for the 2016 Tax Year, they must be received by December 31, 2016 and your check must be dated 2016. Contributions received on or after January 1, 2017 will be reported as 2017 contributions.

This complies with IRS Requirements and Regulations.

Just a reminder that your gifts for our “Giving Tree” need to be returned to church this weekend, December 10th & 11th. If you have forgotten your gifts you may bring them to the rectory office by Tuesday, December 13th. The office is open weekdays from 8:30 am – 4 pm and Monday thru Thursday evenings from 6 – 8 pm.

