

St. Columbanus Parish

December 25, 2016



St. Columbanus Church
122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor, New York

MASSES

SATURDAYS: 6:00 P.M.

(This satisfies Sunday obligation.)

**SUNDAYS: 8:00, 10:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon and
3:00 P.M Traditional Latin Mass**

WEEKDAYS: 7:30 & 9:00 A.M.

SATURDAYS: 8:30 A.M.

EVE OF HOLY DAY: 6:00 P.M.

HOLY DAYS: 7:30 A.M., 12:05 P.M. & 7:00 P.M.

**Church of the
North American Martyrs**
MISSION: Lake Peekskill, New York
55 OSCAWANA LAKE ROAD, PUTNAM VALLEY, NY

MASSES

SATURDAYS: 5:00 p.m.

(This Satisfies Sunday Obligation)

SUNDAYS: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS: 10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY ~ DECEMBER 26

St. Stephen, The First Martyr

7:30 a.m. Joseph J. Cioffi
9:00 a.m. Antonio Catalano

TUESDAY ~ DECEMBER 27

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:30 a.m. Annette Kuhn
9:00 a.m. James M. Fleitz, Sr.

WEDNESDAY ~ DECEMBER 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:30 a.m. Marialyn Derramas
9:00 a.m. Kalman Bohuczki

THURSDAY ~ DECEMBER 29

St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 a.m. Patricia Cronin
9:00 a.m. John F. Ziel (10th anny.) and
deceased members of the Ziel
family

FRIDAY ~ DECEMBER 30

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30 a.m. The Davoren Family (living)
9:00 a.m. Jack Bakmezian

SATURDAY ~ DECEMBER 31

St. Sylvester I, Pope

Vigil, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

5:00 p.m. North American Martyrs Church
6:00 p.m. St. Columbanus Church

SUNDAY'S READINGS

The Nativity of the Lord

- 1st Reading: *All the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God.*
(Isaiah 52:7-10)
- Psalm: *All the ends of the earth have seen the
saving power of God.*
(Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6)
- 2nd Reading: *God has spoken to use through the
Son.*
(Hebrews 1:1-6)
- Alleluia: *A holy day has dawned upon us.
Come, you nations, and adore the
Lord. For today a great light has
come upon the earth.*
- Gospel: *The Word became flesh and made his
dwelling among us.*
(John 1:1-18)

MARRIAGE BANNS



Please notify the rectory six months prior to the proposed wedding date.

**WINE, HOST, AND
TABERNACLE CANDLE**

The tabernacle candle, as well as the wine and hosts at this week's Masses, are donated in loving memory of Robert Heb (6th anniversary) by Kitty Heb. Please remember Robert in your prayers.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
SICK OF OUR PARISH**



- Michael Browne~Deacon John Coppola
Annemarie DeScisciolo~Justin Fedele
Frank Fitzgerald~Sheila Fleitz
Abina Furnari~Alena Radke Gabriel
Frank Gaglione~John Grogan~Alex Hetsko
Marvin Keeler~Christine Keenan
Kerry Kennedy~Arlene Kolosky~Joseph Marshall
Robert McLoughlin~Roselea Megna~John Michael
Lorraine Modena~Vivian Pabon
Rich Pettersen~Margaret Regan
Doreen Robinson~Fr. Francis Samoylo
John & Cathy Samoylo~Patrick Scelza
Robert Schaivo~Evan Shiels
Kathleen Lippert Smeriglio
Rosemary Soboleski~Paula Stasfiero
Arlene Stetzner~Tony Tanner

FOOD+REFRESHMENTS+BINGO=FUN

Join us every Friday in Dillon Hall at 7:20 p.m.

*Try your luck at our “Quickie” games

*Come for the \$250 *Early Bird Special*

*Play the “\$700 Jackpot” each week

*Bring a new player & get a FREE admission ticket for that night!

Please Note: There is no bingo this Friday, December 30th

No one under 18 is allowed in Dillon Hall while Bingo is in session.

JAN PEEK SHELTER NEEDS HELP

For a number of years, St. Columbanus has provided a dinner on the first Saturday of each month for the Jan Peek Shelter for the homeless. The same handful of parishioners has been participating, so we’re hoping to get a few new volunteers willing to step up—namely anyone able to cook dinner for approximately 20 people **once a year**. If you cannot cook the entire meal, perhaps you could prepare 1 course and have friends prepare other courses. Please call Jeni Shutrick-Vitiello at 914-930-8605 if you can lend a hand. Thank you for helping out in this meaningful way.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Peekskill need our help. Their 150 year-old Convent is in need of 4 new boilers and major heating repairs in both the Chapel and records and archives room. This fundraiser will help bring on the heat!

WHEN: Thursday, January 12, 2017

TIME: 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

WHERE: Peekskill Elks Club
1038 Brown Street
Peekskill, New York 10566

PRICE: \$25.00/person

For ticket/donation info, please call Leslie Lawler at 914-260-5973 or email at JL801@optonline.net or Mayor Frank Catalina at Mayor10566@gmail.com.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
January 1, 2017

St. Columbanus Church
New Year’s Eve
Saturday, 6:00 p.m. (Vigil)

New Year’s Day
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; 12:05 p.m

North American Martyrs Church
New Year’s Eve
Saturday, 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

New Year’s Day
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m.

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS PROGRAM



As you might be aware, due to the sickness of Frank Gaglione (who used to assign the chalice to families) there has been an interruption in the program. Please keep Frank in your prayers. We would like to continue to assign the chalice to families so they can pray for an increase in vocations for the priesthood. Every week a family that signed up is called forward during the Mass (whichever they attend) and is presented with the Chalice and a folder with prayers to pray for an increase in vocations. You may place the Chalice on your dinner table, light the candles, and pray as a family before dinner. We welcome families of all sizes, including those who are living alone.. To sign up, please contact the rectory at 914-737-4705 to be put on the Chalice program list. If you have already been part of this program and wish to continue, please contact the rectory again as the list has been misplaced. Thank you!



Pastors Notes

On this day I would like to wish everyone a Blessed and Holy Christmas.

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen said that man was created to live but Jesus Christ became man in order to die. It was by the death of Christ and His glorious resurrection that we may live forever.

And so on Christmas we joyfully praise God, born of the Virgin Mary, who became a tender, helpless child, born in a cave enclosed stable. This innocent child would one day bear the sins of the world upon his shoulders. Let us rejoice that God loved us so much that He sent His Son as one like us in all things except sin. There is nothing more innocent, more lovable than a child. We are called back to the simplicity of a child in our lives each Christmas that we may be reminded that not in wealth or material goods or fame does our lasting happiness lie but only in the person of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, born poor that He may belong to all.

It is a time to be thankful for our faith, our family, and our friends. We also place our cares and concerns at the foot of the manger upon which the shadow of the cross looms. In the infant Jesus, God gives us a chance to put aside all the cares of the world for a brief time, and to pour out our hearts in love, and know that all is right because the Son of God is also our Prince of Peace. Despite all the commercialization of Christmas there is something very special in the air this time of year. We feel, I believe, a little bit of the joy and peace that Jesus wants us to have if only we would make room for Him in the inn of our hearts. Let us welcome Him into our hearts and homes not just this one day of the year but every day.

Although I cannot be with you in church, it will be a great joy for me to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for all of you and your loved ones this Christmas in the simplicity of my make shift, bedroom altar. Yet, the whole court of heaven will be present—angels and saints—to bend in adoration of the Son of God and Son of Mary, when at the words of consecration, Jesus, the Bread of Life born in Bethlehem and the Word made flesh will dwell among us.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
In Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Frank Samoylo



A Priest's Offertory

Midnight one night was still,
Heaven was whitening a hill;
Dark floundered in the wave of morn,
Infinite Infancy was born.
Eternal Power sank below,
A frail white miracle of snow.
Eternal Wonder left the skies
And dwindled into two soft eyes,
Child limbs that could not reach,
Child lips that knew no speech
Spoken, - save the murmurings heard
From breathing beast, wind and bird.
The unbeginning God began
To live the long slow hours of man.
His Mother, bending her fair head,
Straw-gathering-she laid His bed.
A whirling star-world came and halted
Above a blown-roofed, low, thatch-vaulted
Cave - Ah! Are we not agreed?
'Twas piteous royalty indeed!
~Fr. Leonard Feeney

FORMED.ORG

If you haven't signed on yet, please give it a shot. Evangelize by spreading the word about formed.org. Our Parish code is TBN82M. This month's selections are: Movie: The Story of the Nativity. Book: Mary God's Yes to Man. Program: Advent for Discipleship Groups. Audio: Prepare the Way of the King. For more information contact Donna at 914-739-1730.

LOST AND FOUND

Please see any Usher to take a look at our collection of hats, gloves, umbrellas, eyeglass case, blue subzero water bottle, etc.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are occasionally needed to answer the phones in the Rectory when the regular office staff are ill or on vacation. If you would like to help out, please call the Rectory, 914-737-4705.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

- Rosary Recitation ~ Mon.-Sat., 8:00 a.m.
- Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Mon.-Fri., 9:30 a.m.
- Adoration ~ Monday, 7:00 p.m.
- Bible Study ~ Monday, 7:00 p.m.
- Bible Study ~ Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
- RCIA ~ Thursday, 7:00 p.m.
- Divine Mercy ~ Friday, 3:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

It's not too late! To make a monetary donation in memory of a loved one, please use the envelopes available in the vestibules of both churches. These donations will be used to defray the cost of Christmas flowers for both churches. You may bring or mail your envelopes to the Rectory with the name(s) of the deceased and donor(s). Thank you.