

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>	
7:30 AM	Arthur Delling, Viola and Charles Scala	requested by Ann Delling	
9:00 AM	Rudy Rodak	requested by Fr. Michael Rodak	<b>in the Gym</b>
9:00 AM	Christmas Day Mass		<b>Polish Mass</b>
10:30 AM	George Vurno, Sr. (Living)	requested by OLQP Parish	<b>Adult Choir</b>
12:00 PM	Jeanne Lano	requested by Dave & Lucille Hardin	<b>Cantor</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 26<sup>th</sup></b>		
8:00 AM	Helen and Jack Havilana	requested by Peggy White	
5:30 PM	Special Holyday Mass		<b>Polish Mass</b>
7:00 PM	Rosary Society Special Intentions		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 27<sup>th</sup></b>		
8:00 AM	Edward Gance	requested by Peter and Alice Grunstra	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 28<sup>th</sup></b>		
8:00 AM	People of the Parish		
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
8:00 AM	Fr. Frederick Walters (Living)	requested by Jean Bachmann	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 30<sup>th</sup></b>		
8:00 AM	Fr. Frederick Walters (Living)	requested by Annette Novakowski	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>New Year's Eve</b>	
8:00 AM	Perpetual Mass Intentions		
5:00 PM	Irene Roos	requested by Eileen Gangi & Family	<b>Cantor</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>New Year's Day</b>	
7:30 AM	George L. Olden	requested by Sr. Rosemary Napolitano	
9:00 AM	Joseph Bobel	requested by The Fagan Family	<b>Polish Mass</b>
10:30 AM	Helen & Jack Haviland	requested by Peggy White	<b>Adult Choir</b>
12:00 PM	Kathy Kincaid	requested by Tlusty Family	<b>Cantor</b>



**Please remember in your prayers the following:** Denise Armagno, Joann Barker, Scott Behrens, Helen Bowden, Julia Buske, Jaycee Cahill, Thomas Camp, Lee Charnock, Bridget Cirbes, Lisa Czyzewski, Mary Grace Daly, Nancy d'Angio Olson, Isaac Del Valle, Denise Farro, Ashley Ferraro, Francesco Galzano, Nancy Ann Gallo, Jim Gamble, Jr., Matthew Gangi, Madeline Grace Ricci Johnson, Stanley Holuba, Irene Hudak, Carole Jenkins, Kathleen Jobbagy, Emily Lavey, Jessie and Kristen Kearns, Eleanor Klein, Sandra Long, Rose Martorano, Larry Mayo, Mary and Andre Mochon, John McAloney, Matthew McCormick, Nadine McCormick, Father John Murray, Walter Murray, Bernard Owczarski, Karen Pegande, Luis Pacquing, Nina Roselli, Aldona Sachs, Christina Scienski, Molly Sheehan, Glynne Smith, Elvira Stiglin, Mary Strangia, Marge Starick, Kaylee Stillman, Maureen McSweeney, Anthony Terracino, Carol Vassallo, Loretta R. Victoria, George Vurno, Timothy Waples, Kenneth Wilsusen

**Please also pray for those who have gone before us and are now at rest:** Conor W. Lavery, Marie Smith

## Father Michael's Desk

### Welcome the Christ Child into Your Life

Rejoice! Our Savior, Jesus Christ is born! Today, in this celebration, we have the opportunity to give thanks, and renew our love of Jesus, the Christ Child.



As families gather today to celebrate, there will be gifts exchanged and plenty of food. A celebration will take place. Sometimes in the midst of the party, we lose sight of the reason for the season which is Jesus. Jesus is the reason that we gather, It is Jesus that was the greatest gift of all. The unselfish love of God the Father, to give His Son to us, is truly an awesome gift that is remarkable. We will be excited by the gifts we give, and those we await to receive in anticipation.

What about the gift for Jesus? Jesus doesn't seek a monetary gift, but rather the love and affection from us. Considering that Jesus is coming to us out of love to show us the way to the Father and how we can best serve Him, we should be grateful.

Simply, Jesus is there for us but do we want Jesus? Are we going to say thank you to this newborn king? The Father chose to save us through the gift of Jesus. Jesus is the trailblazer to bring us back to Him.

The best gift we can offer Jesus this Christmas is a renewed love and desire for Him. A true effort needs a commitment to Him and the Almighty Father by following the Commandments and placing God in the forefront of our lives. It means that despite the growth of secularism, we need to locate Christ in our life, and dedicate ourselves fully to Him. A true gift would mean that I am committed to him fully, and make the commitment to serve Him each day. Though we live in the world, we don't have to be part of it.

No matter our challenges, and difficulties, and this year offered plenty of them, we need to be people of hope for a brighter and better tomorrow. Jesus is the light to lead us. The light of Christ needs to rest inside each of us.

May we go in the peace of Christ! On behalf of Fr. Adam, and the entire staff, we wish you and your entire family a Blessed Christmas. May your Christmas be grace-filled.

Merry Christmas!  
Fr. Michael Rodak

## PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

Mass in English:

7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM

Mass in Polish: 9:00 AM

AA Meeting – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria

AI Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

### Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>

Parish Offices Closed

Tiger Den – 6:30 PM – Cafeteria

Troop 159 Committee – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

### Tuesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>

Parish Office Hours – 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Adult Choir – 7:00 PM – Church

### Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

Parish Office Hours – 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Boy Scout Troop 159 – 7:00 PM – Gym

### Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup>

Parish Office Hours – 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Wolf Den – 6:30 PM – Church

### Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>

Parish Offices Closed

### Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

AI Anon – 7:30 PM – Parish Center, Room 3

### New Year's Day, Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>

AA Meeting – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria

AI Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

**ALTAR CLEANING**  
**Week of December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Team 7 – Darlene Picha**



## CONFIRMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

### Next Meeting Date:

**Grade 9 Confirmation Class:** Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

**Grade 10 Antioch:** Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

**All – Young At Heart Mass –** January 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM

### Merry Christmas!

We would like to wish all the students and their families a very Blessed Christmas and our wishes for a wonderful New Year with much love, happiness and peace.

Eileen Thompson and Nick Varsalona

Youth Ministers

### CCD Families

There is **NO CCD** on December 25 through 27 or January 1 through 3. CCD resumes for all CCD classes the week of January 8-10, 2012. Wishing you each a **Blessed Christmas** filled with wonder and awe. May you find some time to treat yourself to quiet and peace in the presence of the Lord.



### Share-a-Gift Thank You

A great big **THANK YOU** to all of you who provided gifts for the 75 families with over 160 children in our community. Thank you to students at Macopin School, patrons of Hudson City Bank, and the Passaic County Sheriff's Office who joined us in our effort to provide for needy families. Thank you to all the teens and adults of our parish and the Girl Scout Troop who helped sort over 700 gifts on Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. We even had help from folks who gathered for the Christmas Concert. Thank you one and all!

### March for Life Trip

Through the generosity of the Knights Of Columbus, we are pleased to announce that a portion of the cost is being underwritten and provides those interested the opportunity to attend the March.

**When:** Monday January 23, 2012

**Time:** Departure from OLQP at 6am

Bagel and Orange Juice provided in the morning

Mass on Capitol Hill at the Church of St. Peters

March for the voiceless, children aborted, parents involved in abortion. and for an end to abortion

**Return** 10pm eta.

**Cost:** \$20 Adults \$15 Students

Those interested are asked to return the following form to the office by January 16, 2012. Tickets are first come, first serve. Please do not delay.

<b>March for Life – January 23 – trip to Washington, DC</b>	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____	
Town _____	
# Adults _____	# Students _____
Please complete and return before January 16 <sup>th</sup> .	

### Readings for January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011

#### **New Year's Day**

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21



## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### Sunday Donations

**Tithing: December 18, 2011 \$9,540**

December 17, 2010 \$11,373

Second Collection January 1 Deficit Reduction

### Flowers, Candles, Wine

#### **Wine for week of December 25**

In Memory of Sean Mayo

Donated by His Parents

#### **Candle for Month of December**

In Memory of Louis E. Corsaro

Donated by Rae Corsaro

### SHOP-RITE and A&P GIFT CARDS

#### **Week Ending December 18, 2011**

Sold – \$23,860.00

Profit – \$1,193.00

Total Profit since July 1 – \$7,315.50

**YOU ARE THE PARISH**  
**Parish Service: You Are the Life Blood**

**Liturgical Ministries**

**Adult/Teen or Children's Choir** - Gather with others who love to sing and lead the congregation in song for Sunday Mass and special liturgical feasts.

**Altar Servers** - Assist the priest during Mass.

**Eucharistic Ministers** - Assist the priest and deacon in sharing the Body and Blood of Christ with the assembly and home bound parishioners.

**Greeters/Ushers** - Welcome parishioners and visitors as they gather for weekend Liturgies to help them feel at home in our community and facilitate the collection of the offerings for the support of the parish.

**Hospitality following Mass** - Provide welcome and fellowship following Mass.

**Lectors** - Proclaim readings at Sunday Mass to share the message of the Word with the parish family.

**Liturgy of the Word for Children** - Discuss Sunday readings with children during Sunday 10:30 am Mass.

**Spiritual Life/Prayer**

**Bible Study** - Gather with others to study and discuss a particular book of the Bible

**Eucharistic Adoration** - Opportunity to spend time in prayer with Jesus during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition generally takes place the First Friday of the month from 9:00 am until 8:00 am on Saturday morning.

**Prayer Chain** - Parishioners pray daily for the cares and concerns of fellow parishioners requesting prayer.

**Rosary Society** - Women who meet regularly to promote the praying of the rosary and devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and to provide support to the parish in various ways.

**Women's Cornerstone** - Deepen personal faith through retreat experience and bi-monthly gatherings with Cornerstone Sisters for support and prayer,

**WE ARE HERE FOR YOU**

**Parish Outreach**

**Armathea** - Offer support to families of loved one at time of death and days following through being with them at the wake and helping them prepare for the Funeral Mass.

**Bereavement Support Group** - For all those who have lost a loved one and need help working through their loss. Meetings: **Wednesdays 7:30-9:00 PM** in the Antioch Room of the Parish Center. Please call Mary Beth, ext. 303 with questions or to register.

**Caring Ministry** - Are you going to be in the hospital for a few days? Do you have a family member, or know a parishioner who is in the hospital? Please call the parish office and let us know so we can come to visit or help out.

**Food Pantry** - Our Parish provides food to those in need throughout the community through donations from the parish family.

**Open Circle for Single Friends** - Provides support and companionship to those who have lost a spouse through divorce, separation or death.

**Message from the Administrator....**

Our Lady Queen of Peace is a great parish with a vast amount of opportunities for every member of the family to participate in throughout the year. We are inviting you to be a registered parishioner, and to join one or more of the many ministries and organizations here at the parish.

Since arriving in July, as a parish we have tried to make a good parish even better.

Through your generosity of time and talent, nearly 200 new sign-ups for ministries/organizations took place.

Addressing the concerns of the loss of families over the last five years, nearly 2/3 of the parishioners in attendance voted to make a slight alteration to the Mass schedule which has resulted in an increased Mass attendance.

To address the many issues facing the parish from finances to capitol needs, we established Advisory, Master Plan, Plant Management, and Liturgy Committees. The views and thoughts of the parishioners are now being voiced and advice rendered in decisions.

There have been many things that needed to be addressed upon my arrival. We had a flood in the basement of our rectory office that caused significant damage, and we have had on going issues with other capitol needs. Frankly, with over \$550,000 in debt in July, and little reserves, items needed to be addressed, but we lacked significant monies. Through cost cutting, and the generosity of the people of the parish we have addressed some items. I would like to take the opportunity to recognize some of those people, professionals, and businesses that provided services at little or no personal profit.

**Name**

Hank Von See  
John Mullen  
Joe Ragonese, Jr.  
James Maloney  
Michael Muray  
Doug Mc Kittrick  
George Vurno  
Victor Ludmerer  
Louis DeMarco  
Richie & Cookie Gomm  
Abundant Harvest  
Lee Schmicker  
Mary & Ralph Coppola  
Tomas & Alicia Piasek  
John Franetovich  
William Lungren, Sr.  
Boy Scout Troop #159

**Business**

Nu Star Electric  
Mullen Roofing  
Joe Ragonese, Jr. Excavating  
James Maloney & Son Tree Service  
Michael Muray, Engineering  
Mc Kittrick Engineering  
Masker's Orchard  
Masker's Orchard  
DeMarco's Pizza  
Local Farm Eggs  
Local Farm Produce  
Lee Schmicker, Plumbing  
Coppola Services  
Repair Hurricane Irene  
Custodial Support  
Painting  
Yard Cleanup

For anyone I may have forgotten, I'm sorry.

I'm most of all grateful to you, the parishioners, for your generosity financially, and your time and talent. You have made this parish work.

Through your financial offerings, and a generous donation of a donor who has agreed to match debt payments 1:1 up to \$50,000, we have lowered our parish debt over \$50,000 in the last five months. We have been able to pay for services needed to fix hazards, leaks, and repairs, and we are moving slowly to a better financial picture.

So, I say thank God for you because you are Our Lady Queen of Peace!

**Join us in making this parish thrive like never before, that our best days lie ahead.**

**PARISH STAFF (Parish Office 973-728-8162)**

Administrator	Fr. Michael Rodak	ext. 305
Parochial Vicar	Fr. Adam Muda	ext. 310
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Charles Roche	
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Joseph Verboys	
Deacon	Rev. Mr. Dave Cedrone	
Secretary	Joann DeFalco	ext. 303
Religious Education	Janet Scheil	ext. 308
Confirmation/Youth Ministry	Deacon Nick Varsalona	
Confirmation/Young Adult Ministry	Eileen Thompson	
	Phone 973-506-7533	
Ministries/Outreach/Evangelization		
	Mary Beth Osiecki	ext. 309
Book Keeper/Property Management		
	Patricia Golczewski	ext. 304

**PARISH HAPPENINGS – Come Join Us****CCD – Religious Education Classes**

Sunday, 9:15-10:15 AM	grades 1-5
Monday, 7:00 – 8:00 PM	grades 5-8
Tuesday, 4:30-5:30 PM	grades 1-4, 7-8

**Confirmation/Youth Ministry**

First Year (grade 9)	Thursday, 7-8:30 PM
Second Year (grade 10)	Sunday, 6:30-8:00 PM

**RCIA** – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (for adults and children over 9 years of age preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion)

Sundays (Children 10:30AM / Adults 12:00PM)

**Baptism of Infants** Sundays, 2:00 pm

**ABC-After Baby Comes**(support for Moms and Toddlers)  
Thursdays 10:00 -11:30 AM

**AA** – Saturdays 2:00 PM and Sundays 7:30 PM

**AI-A-Non** – Sundays, 7:30 PM

**Open Circle for Single Friends** – Wednesdays, 8 weeks in Spring and again in Fall with social events between.

**Women's Cornerstone Monthly Prayer Gatherings**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7:30-9:00 pm

**Knights of Columbus Monthly Meetings**  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays, 8:00 PM

**Rosary Society** - 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month

**Spirituality Grounding** – Adult Enrichment Class  
3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 6:30 PM or 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 10 AM

**Cub Scout and Boy Scout** troops meet twice a month

**Small Group Faith Sharing** – Weekly during Lent

**Scripture Study** – Thursday evenings, 7:30 PM

*„Spotkanie z Dzieciątkiem Jezus czyni z nas osoby, które nie myślą tylko o sobie samych, ale otwierają się na oczekiwania i potrzeby braci” (Benedykt XVI)*

W myśl słów Ojca Świętego Benedykta XVI, pragniemy podziękować wszystkim naszym parafianom za wszelkie dobro i otwarte serce na potrzeby bliźnich i naszej parafii. Niech nowo narodzony Król, nasz Pan, Jezus Chrystus obficie wynagrodzi waszą dobroć. Dzięki wam nasza parafia się rozwija i rozrasta. Witamy wszystkich nowo zapisanych parafian w tym roku i wraz z Nowym Rokiem zapraszamy nowych wiernych do zapisania się, aby nasza parafia a szczególnie polska Misja rozwijała się duchowo a także wzrastała liczebnie.

Z okazji świąt Bożego Narodzenia życzymy wszystkim naszym Parafianom i gościom odwiedzającym naszą parafię Matki Bożej Królowej Pokoju, aby Boży Syn mógł zamieszkać w każdym sercu pełnym miłości, mocy Ducha Świętego, który pomoże nam uwielbiać Boga i zasiewać ziarno pokoju wśród bliskich oraz wielu darów Bożych w Nowym 2012 Roku.

*Fr. Michael Rodak, - Administrator parafii*

*Ks. Adam Muda - wikariusz*

**ARE YOUR REGISTERED?**

We ask that all parishioners return their Updated Census Forms as soon as possible. You can mail or drop them off at the Office, or put them into the collection basket. These forms serve a great purpose. First, they update the members in the household. Secondly, they update E-Mail, information, and provide us with information on your availability, and your skills and talents. There is also an area to sign up for ministries. If you did not receive a census form in the mail, please pick one up at the exits of the church, complete and return it. Please don't delay and send it today. Thank you!

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday	5:00 PM (Cantor)
Sunday	7:30 AM (Quiet)
	9:00 AM (Polish)
	10:30 AM (Choir)
	12:00 PM (Cantor)

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday through Saturday	8:00 AM
	Rosary recited following Mass

**HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE**

<b>Eve</b>	7:00 PM
<b>Day</b>	8:00 AM
	6:30 PM (English)
	7:30 PM (Polish)