



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 24th

4:00 pm – St. Mary's – Lorraine Garvey

Sunday, December 25th

10:00 am – St. Mary's – Lyle, Grover, Brian & John
Pray for recovery

10:00 am – St. Mary's – Lorraine Garvey

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, December 31st

St. Mary's/St. James – None

Sunday, January 1, 2012

St. Mary's/St. James - None



January 8: Special **First Communion** meeting @ St Mary's, after 10 am mass.

January 15: **Confirmation 1** retreat @ St Mary's for students and parents. Sponsors may attend as well. Father Paul will be hosting along with Ted Donovan. The meeting starts at 5:30 pm.

January 22: PEP Program at the Chariho Middle School. The theme is "Capital Sins-Cardinal Virtues"

Confirmation 2 students and parents: We are getting close, so we really need your sponsor information and their letter of good standing. This can be given to Ellen or sent to Sally. If your sponsor has any questions they are welcome to contact Sally Lambert

***The PEP book club book for January is "The Glass Castle" by Jeanette Walls.

Merry Christmas Everyone! What a great year, thank you to all who have helped with our program! We are truly blessed.

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"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." - Lk 2:11-12

"Let us all rejoice in the Lord, for our Savior has been born! Today true peace comes down to us from heaven: for a child is born for us, a son is given to us; and he is called Wondrous God, Prince of peace, Father of future ages; and his reign will be without end." As this Christmas celebration "fills our hearts with the radiance of God's incarnate Word, let us pray that the light of our faith in Jesus may also shine forth in our lives." As we rejoice in the angels' song of "peace on earth to people of good will," let us resolve to be faithful "heralds of Christ's Gospel" of peace.

Readings for the Week of December 25, 2011

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5--2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

Located in St. James Chapel

PLEASE NOTE NEW HOURS

Effective November 29, 2010, the Adoration Chapel Hours will be:

Monday 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Tuesday 6:00 AM 8:00 PM (Rosary/Mass 8 am-9 am)

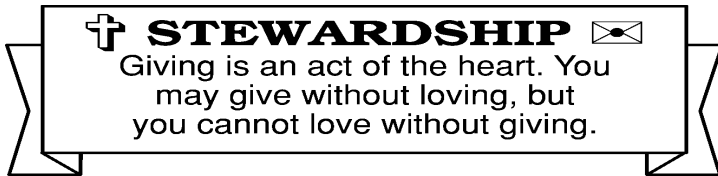
Wednesday 6:00 AM 7:00 PM (Rosary/Mass 8 am-9 am)

7 PM-8 PM HOLY HOUR IN MAIN CHAPEL

ADORERS NEEDED PLEASE CONSIDER SPENDING ONE HOUR IN PRAYER IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL. PLEASE CALL ROSEMARIE AT 932-6102

ID card is only required when door is locked –

Door is locked 5: pm – 8: pm



Parish support: Budget Collection for Dec. 18th \$3,834.50

Second Collection this Weekend is the Christmas Collection: Thank you for your continued support to our parish and a Merry Christmas to all.

Second Collection next weekend is our Fuel and Energy for the month of January.

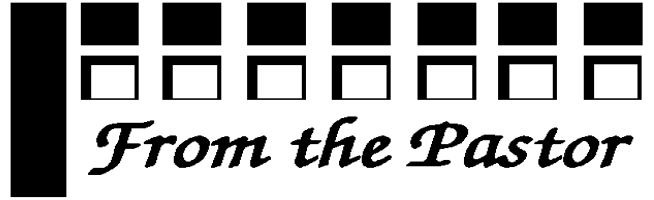
BIBLE STUDY: Classes will resume on the First Sunday of Advent, Nov. 27th after the 8:30 Mass. Additional classes will be held on the following Sundays: 12/11, 1/08/12, 1/22/12, 3/11/12, 3/25/12. (No classes will be held in Feb. due to vacation.)

The Winter-Spring Mini-Retreat Series led by Peggy Patenaude of Taking Time Out will be held on the second Wednesdays of the month at Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham, MA from 10:00am -12:30pm. Fr. Stan Kolasa will celebrate Mass at 9:00AM before the January 11 th session: "A Fresh Start." Cost is \$20. Pre-registration required. Contact Peggy at 508-548-9149 or timeoutretreats@comcast.net . For more information, visit www.timeoutretreats.com .

**ADORERS
PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT:
WE WILL NOT HAVE ADORATION ON
MONDAY – 12-26-2011
AND MONDAY – 1-2-2012**

**TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
WILL BE AT THE REGULAR HOURS.**

PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. JAMES: Please make out all checks that are payable to the church and chapel to **St. Mary's Church**. All checks are deposited in St. Mary's Church account. Please record on **memo** line what the check is intended for. This makes it easier to direct payment where it is intended. Thanks for your help in this matter.



"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth."

This is taken from the gospel of John on Christmas morning. The Son of God coming to live with us, be with us. He comes to us to forgive us, cure us, heal us, feed us, and love us and in doing so, bring us our salvation.

We see the glory of God today in the simplicity of the manger. We will later see his glory on the cross and rising from the tomb. While he was with us here on earth we witnessed his grace and his truth. We see the power of the love of this day over come the darkness of this world. We hear the truth Jesus speaks showing us the way to the Father and how we should treat and love one another. Jesus lives and moves about among his creation. God comes to us this day as the living presence of God among us. Let us thank God this day for the greatest gift we can receive.



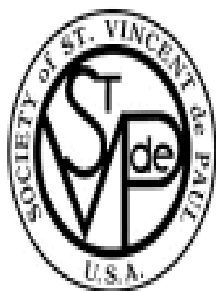
For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb, I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."

Psalm 139: 13-16

HELP LINES:

Mother of Life Pregnancy Center (Westerly) – 596-2880

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY –
Thursdays 8:00am at St. James Chapel



In need of assistance or to inquire about us, call:

SVdP Help Line: 364-9413

Also remember the SVdP clothing bins located in the parking lots of both St. Mary and St. James churches. Clothes of any kind (even if not wearable) may be donated. Our conference will benefit from you donations.

2012 Calendars: This year's Catholic Extension Calendars are now available at the doors of the Church and chapel. For any family who would like to have one.



We have scheduled Coffee Socials at St. James Chapel after the 8:30 Mass on the following Sunday's. All are welcome. We hope you will stay for fellowship. Baked good donations appreciated.

January 29th
February 26th
March 25th
April 29th



**CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS
IN LOVING MEMORY
OR
IN HONOR OF**

Walter Bernosky
The Donohue Family
Casey Family
Storti Family
St. Mary's/St. James Parish
The McGouern-Staffono family
Joseph Crisco IV
Dan Donovan
The Hartigan-Klinger Family
The Kovaleskis & Kalinowski Family
Catlow & Livesley Family
Madeleine & Roland Thibeault
Dorothy & Domenic Curulla
Meyer Family
The Scanlon & Colby Family
Robert Farrell
Deorato DiFiore
Eugene V. Turco, Sr
John & Nancy Harkness
Estela Avila
The Donnelly Family
Thomas Breaux
Anthony DePalma
Dad, Mom, Chris
Art & Bill Martin
Baglini & Phelps Family
Walter & Dorothy Maynard
Mr & Mrs Laviero
Mr & Mrs Randazzo
Frank Almeida
Almeida & Knight Families
Jim O'Brien
Michael Lambert
Daniel Gallagher
Deceased Members of Strasser & Sheehan Family
Lavallee & Seaver Families
Pauline & Jack Masson
The Knapp Family
Paul & Hazel Boardman
Sabato & Olga Grappone
Maria & Earnest Capobianco
Robert White/Hazel Agostino
Muriel & George Andersen
Marie & Frederick Joost
Theresa McAteer Salo
Martha Nowell & Allan Armstrong
Kathryn Zekalski
Walter Gibbons
Frances Peltier & Irene Gladding
Grace McGuire & Anna McGrath
Boucher and Theroux Families
Mr & Mrs Clifford F. King
Mr & Mrs Albert P. Martineau
Donald Stockman

A special thank you to all who made donations for Christmas Flowers for the altar in memory or in honor of a loved one at St. Mary's and St. James. All names will be remembered at all of our Christmas Masses.