

SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS & MARY R. C. CHURCH

December 6, 2009

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Readings: Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Masses for the Week of Dec 7-14

Monday	12:00	Victor Finalborgo, Sr.
	7 PM	Dennis O'Connor
Tuesday	8:15	Ruth S. Butler
Wednesday	12:00	James V. Donnelly
Thursday	12:00	Joseph R. Valinoti
Friday	12:00	Patricia Lynch Squires
Saturday	5:00	Florence Psota
Sunday	8:00	Laura Jean Gilmartin
	9:30	People of the Parish
	11:00	Renee Valent de Raola, Robert Haller, Salvatore Buscaglia, James Donnelly, Valentina Audosca, and in thanksgiving for the Samson Family
	12:30	Spanish Mass
	5:00	Arthur & Marie Warner

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

DEC 7 VIGIL 7 PM Father Madley

E.M.'S M. Steinbrecher, N. Conroy
LECTOR J. Fox

DEC 8 8:15 AM Father Madley

E.M.'S K. Duggan, D. Gilmartin,
M. Nugent
LECTOR G. Bauer

12 Noon Father Gill

E.M.'S J. Diesing, P. Jordan, L. Robins
LECTOR G. Reisig

DEC 12 5 PM Father Madley

SERVERS J. Halsey, J. O'Brien, C. Yastrzemski
E.M.'S A. Fiore, J. Fox, M. Lynch
LECTOR N. Conroy

DEC 13 8 AM Father Trench

SERVERS C. Collum, C. Muller, A. Wesnofske
E.M.'S T. Cavallaro, D. Gilmartin, L. McClain,
J. McKenna, M. Muller
LECTORS M. Mackey
GREETERS I. Hurley, K. Moffa, M. Steinbrecher,
J. Taranto

9:30 AM Father Madley

SERVERS Arresta Bros., C. Cuccia, M. Terry
E.M.'S G. Arresta, Sr. M. Assunta, J. Cuccia,
J. Diesing, J. Heinz
LECTOR A. Cuccia
GREETERS A. Lesta, J & N McCulley

11 AM Father Kiernan

SERVERS W. Menghini, A. O'Brien, F. Schneider,
O. Valle
E.M.'S M. Bousson, E. Bousson, P. Jordan,
L. Robins
LECTOR P. Jordan
GREETERS C. Butler, R. Essay, W & B Miller

5 PM Father Gill

SERVERS L. Cirillo, P. Rossi
E.M.'S N. Conroy, T. Grimaldi, S. Oldakowski
LECTOR K. Rossi

SOUTHAMPTON HOSPITAL -Dec. 6 – N. McCulley
Dec. 13 – M. Lynch

HAMPTONS CENTER – Dec. 13 - TBA

ALTARS - December – O. Nova

LINENS - Nov. 29-Dec 12 – K. Ciriello

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

The collection for 11/22 was \$6088.00.
The collection for Human Development was \$2732.
This week's collection was \$7171.00. Based on the
prior year's financial statement our average weekly
operating expense is \$15,613.00 May God bless you for
your continued support and generosity.
Thank you, Fr. Jeff.

THE BLESSED MOTHER'S ALTAR FLOWERS FOR THE

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION were given in
loving memory of William Mahoney by his family.

There will be no flowers on the Main Altars during

Advent except for Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of
Advent.

**Anyone who would like to donate flowers, please call
the Parish office at 283-0097.**

If you would like to donate **Altar Candles, Wine or**

Altar Bread in memory of a loved one or for a
special intention please call the parish center at 283-0097.



WE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED SICK

Keith O'Brien	Isabelle Lanin-Tanquay	Winnie Chin
John Bishop	Connie Kane	Pat Reinhardt
Howard "Corty" Bishop		Grace McNamara
Gene Travers, Jr.	Suzanne Parillo	Andrea Gulija
Patrick Dermody	Gwendolyn Porter	Robert O'Shea
John Cuccia, Sr.	Jean Smith	Jean Kearns
Jo Counihan	Celestino Gambino	Beth Larkin

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER JEFF:

Thanks to Mary Adamczyk and the Adult Faith Formation for the beautiful *Lessons and Carols* last Sunday.

If you have a Christmas crèche, please bring the baby Jesus to the Church for a blessing on December 12 & 13. This has been recommended by the Office of Evangelization to begin the week of Prayer for Needy Children. We are united with Pope Benedict XVI who invites the people of Rome to bring their statues of baby Jesus to be blessed.

This Tuesday, December 8th is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. It is a holyday of obligation.

Masses are:

Vigil: Monday - 7 PM

Holyday: Tuesday - 8:15 AM, and 12 Noon.

The parish office will be closed on Tuesday, December 8th in observance of the holyday.

On Sunday, December 13th we will have a second collection for the Altar Flowers for Christmas. Please use the envelopes at the doors of the Church to list your memorials and make your donations.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please check the website for meetings and announcements
www.sacredheartsofjesusandmary.org. Click on Religious Education.

OPEN HOUSE

"DECEMBERS PAST & PRESENT"



The Southampton Historical Museum, 17 Meeting House La, will hold an open house from Nov. 15th – Jan. 2nd featuring the traditional Christmas of many nations exhibit. One of our parishioners, Joe Taranto, has his beautiful Neapolitan Christmas crèche on exhibit there. Open Tues-Sat. 11-4. Call 283-2494 for more information.

ADVENT TREE OF HOPE



The Human Resources Advent Tree of Hope is up. Please take home a star

or two to help out a family that is struggling to have a Merry Christmas. This year is especially important because of our economic crisis. Please return your unwrapped gift with the star attached to the Parish Center during the week of December 7th. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH PROGRAMS

FRANCISCANS

The Secular Franciscans meet on the third Sunday of the month, after the 11 AM mass in the Parish Center. Would you like to know what we are all about? Please come to our meeting. Bring a bag lunch and we will supply the coffee.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study Group meets in the 2nd floor meeting room of the Parish Center at 1 PM. **No Meeting this week because of the holyday.**

New members are always welcome!

SPIRITUAL BOOK GROUP

The Spiritual Book Group meets every Tuesday from 1-2 PM in the dining room of the Parish Center. New members are always welcome!! **No meeting this week because of the Holyday.**

Second Sunday of Advent

Dec. 6, 2009

Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126: 1-2,2-3,4-5, 6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

In times of darkness, we await the new light of day. Then we can take off the sack cloth of mourning and robe ourselves in God's justice and glory. Though it may seem like an impossible dream, we try to remember the "great things the Lord has done for us." Though we went forth weeping, we will return to a joyful homecoming.

Though he was behind prison walls, Paul asked his community to rejoice. His prayer was that his experience of loss would teach them how to value what really mattered. When a harvest of justice ripened in them, they would stand before the Lord with a "clear conscience and blameless conduct." God would bring to completion the good work begun in each one.

Though the powers of the world threatened to destroy him, John the Baptist continued to proclaim God's message: "Make ready the way of the Lord." With Christ, the desolate valleys can be filled, obstacles can be overcome, and the twists and turns of our lives can be straightened out. Then together, we will rejoice at Christ's coming and see the salvation of God.

For reflection: How can I practice the virtue of courage this Advent? Whom do I need to encourage today?

HUMAN RESOURCES OF THE HAMPTONS

DUE TO MASSIVE DUMPING OF GARBAGE AT THE CLOTHING BINS, THE BINS HAVE BEEN REMOVED.

Donations of clothing will be accepted Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10 AM – 12 Noon at the food pantry or Parish Center.

To receive clothing please call 283-6415 for an appointment.

We are not accepting yard sale items.

20TH ANNUAL NIGHT OF PRAYER

Will be held on December 8th and conclude on December 9th at St. Rosalie's in Hampton Bays. The hours are from 9 PM to 1 AM. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy are some of the devotions, allowing time for individual prayer. Come for an hour or just drop into church for a moment. It will be time well spent. Call Jim Drew 728-6144 for information.

OUR LADY OF THE HAMPTONS

Information leading toward placement in grades K-8 at OLH for the 2010-2011 school year is now available at the school. Personal interviews will be scheduled for January 2010.

The School Community of **Our Lady of the Hamptons** cordially invites all neighbors and friends to attend the **Family Advent Service** on Wednesday evening, December 9th at 7 PM. Prayers, Scripture readings, hymns and liturgical dance will be offered at this lighting of the Christmas tree and presentation of the Advent wreath and crèche. This is no admission. Refreshments and fellowship will follow.

"**A Black Tie Christmas**" will be presented on Sunday, December 20th, at 2 PM & on Monday, December 21st at 7 PM. This is an original musical performed by the students of OLH and choreographed by Marcia Krenznel and Elyse Curro, under the musical direction of Joseph Basar. The show is a gift to the community at Christmas.



TEEN MUSIC MINISTRY

Currently joins in the Sunday 5 PM Mass every second and fourth weekend of the month. All are welcome to attend this liturgy and join in the celebration.

2009 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL UPDATE

We are very grateful to the 98 families who made pledges and gifts.

Amount Pledged: \$43,530.00

Parish Goal: \$50,000.00

Amount to goal: \$6460.00

Any amount over goal will be returned to the parish at 85%.

If you have not made a gift or pledge, it is not too late. Please do so as soon as possible. A heartfelt thank you to all those who have made a gift or pledge. With your help, we have reached 98.4% of our goal. We would like to especially thank the families who have made a sacrifice to help those in need.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!



The First Presbyterian Church of
Southampton
Presents

THE CELTIC TENORS

The Celtic Tenors live show is an experience overflowing with vitality and variety from start to finish. Their unique voices, charm and wit combined with their talented Musical Director creates a thoroughly uplifting experience.

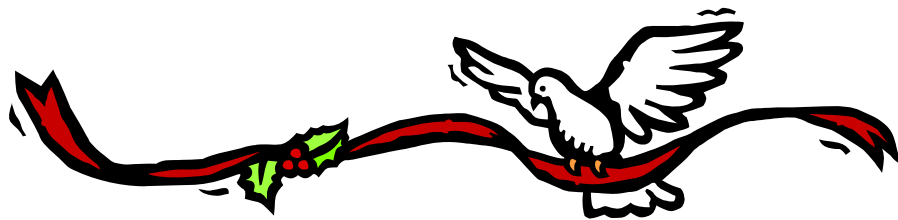
Tuesday, December 8th at 7 PM
Southampton High School Auditorium
Donation - \$50 or 10 tickets for \$450.
For information and tickets call: Box Office
631-587-3565 or Sue Birdsall 531-726-9537.

Website: www.larentr.com

For more information please call Carol Curreri at 283-2590.

DIOCESAN TWO SESSION PRE CANA CLASS

Most Holy Trinity Church, 57 Buell Lane, East Hampton will hold a 2 session Pre Cana Class on January 23 & 30th 2010 from 9 AM – 4 PM. There is a \$300 fee per couple. *FOCCUS* and lunch are included in the fee. To register or for more information please call Cindy at the Office of Faith Formation 516-678-5800 Ext 204 or www.drvc-faith.org/marriagePrep.html.m



Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary Youth

Advent is here! The language of Advent in the readings in Church seems to confront us with words like “patience,” “pray,” “hope”, “the Lord is near,” “Emmanuel—God is with us,” and so on. What we experience outside of Church is consumerism, stress, and making people happy with gifts. I find the real challenge is to find time to reconnect with God this Advent, and having an openness to making Christmas relevant in our lives and sharing that with our families and friends.

The Department of Agriculture’s annual report on hunger in America shows that 39 million Americans now face “food insecurity,” meaning they live in households which are uncertain of having, or unable to acquire, enough food to meet the needs of all their members because of lack of resources. This number is up from 36 million the year before. More telling is the fact that 1 in 4 for American children experience food insecurity. Please keep all those in need in your prayers, and if you would like to do something about hunger, please read below . . .

NEED HELP! SOUP KITCHEN—Just before Christmas!!!----Our Holy Redeemer “Community Meal,” Saturday, December 19th 8 AM – 2 PM. *“You have a great deal of fun while doing something good for others”* one teen recently wrote in an email. Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary Youth team of chefs, servers, and general helpers led by a Head Chef will plan, prepare, and serve a complete meal to those in need in a Soup Kitchen at the Our Holy Redeemer Parish in Freeport. This unique opportunity will allow our teens and adults to work side-by-side to actually feed the poor. We will depart Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary at 8:00 AM and should return at about 2:00 PM with a pizza stop along the way. An excellent experience for all. Please email your interest to freesiacjpp@yahoo.com and you will get an application.. Yes, NHS/Confirmation credits can apply. *Parents/Chaperones needed to drive and help!*

Peace in Christ,

Craig Ferrantino