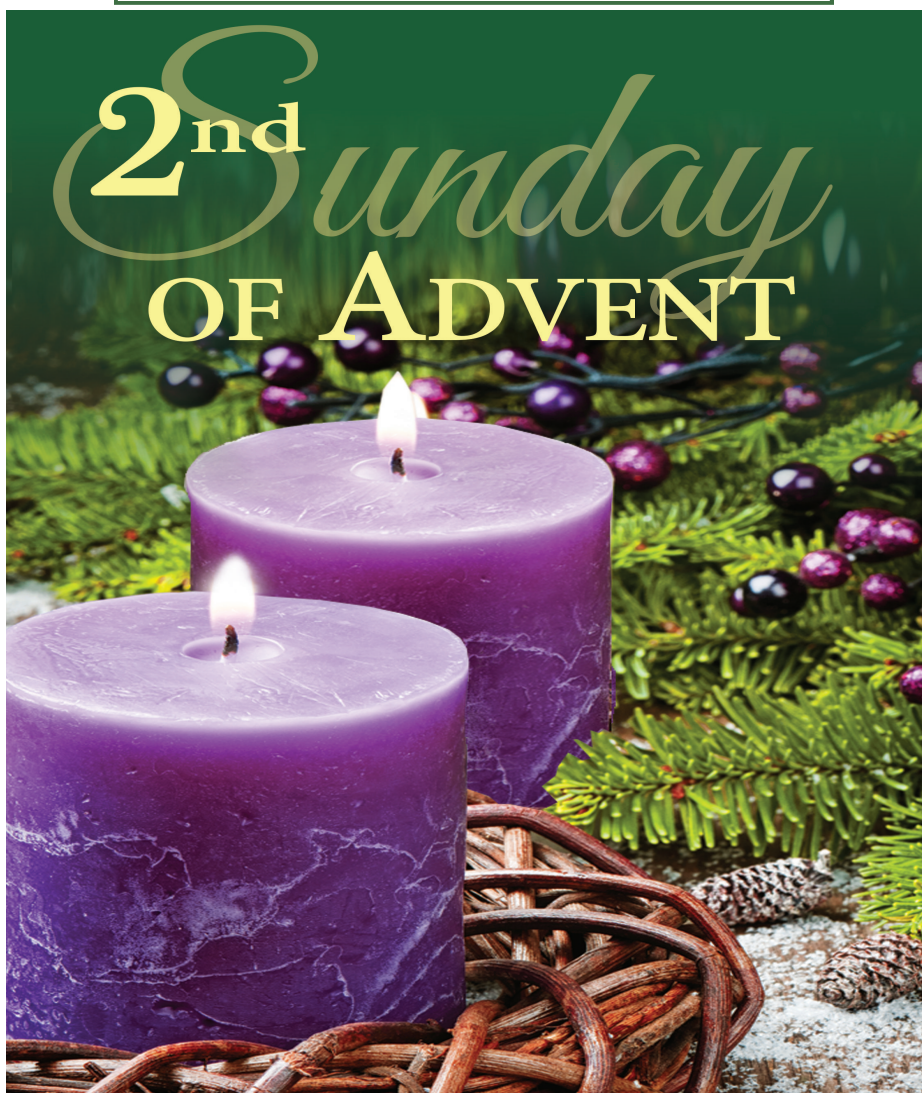


*The Roman Catholic Parishes of  
St. Ann, Lenox, MA and  
St. Patrick, West Stockbridge, MA*

Dec. 10, 2017



**Christmas Mass Schedule**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent:**

- Saturday, Dec. 23 Masses as usual, 4 at St. Ann and 5:30 p.m. at St. Vincent de Paul
- Sunday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve:
  - 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick Church
  - 10 a.m. **ONLY** St. Ann
  - 4 p.m. St. Ann
  - 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul
  - 10 p.m. St. Ann
- Monday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day:
  - 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick (This Mass time is tentative)
  - 10 a.m. St. Ann
- Tuesday, Dec. 26, No Mass or Communion Service Today.
- Saturday, Dec. 30th, & Sunday, Dec. 31st, The Feast of the Holy Family—Regular Weekend Schedule
- Monday, Jan. 1, 2018, 10 a.m. Mary Mother of God (Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.)

# MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday	Dec.	9	4:00 p.m.	<i>Laura Regnier, req. by Anne Motta</i>
Sunday	Dec.	10	9:45 a.m.	<i>Mary DeCroce, req. by her friend Grace</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Rose, John B. and Alice, req. by family</i>
Monday	Dec.	11	7:00 a.m.	<i>Isabel "Belle" O'Brien, req. by St. Ann's Morning Prayer Group</i>
Tuesday	Dec.	12	7:00 a.m.	<i>Dorothy Caldwell, req. by The Lanning Family</i>
Wednesday	Dec.	13	7:00 a.m.	<i>Anne Nesbit, req. by Genevieve Faski</i>
Thursday	Dec.	14	7:00 a.m.	<i>Mary Agnes Maciora, req. by her son Joseph</i>
Friday	Dec.	15	7:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service</i>
Saturday	Dec.	16	4:00 p.m.	<i>Alba Scarsi, req. by Leo and Pam</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>St. Vincent de Paul Church - Marie Leahy of Ireland</i>
Sunday	Dec.	17	8:30 a.m.	<i>St. Patrick Church — Troy &amp; Bettie Wilson</i>
			9:45 a.m.	<i>Michael Sarkis, req. by his parents and family</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Janette I. LeBeau, req. by her husband and family</i>

## ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE "Weekly Collection" Summary

### COLLECTION ON DEC. 2, 2017

"WEEKLY COLLECTION:" \$ 7,147  
AMOUNT NEEDED EACH WEEKEND: \$ 4,827

AMOUNT NEEDED JULY-NOVEMBER \$ 105,000  
AMOUNT RECEIVED: \$ 95,962  
TOTAL UNDER BUDGET \$ -9,038

Please consider using WeShare for your contributions

**THANK YOU!** WE DEPEND ON YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

Please pray for the sick.

## St. Ann's Music Corner

Hymn of the Week: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"  
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Youth Choir—9:45 a.m. Mass

Rehearsal: 8:30 a.m.

## Weekly Envelopes:

**This Weekend:** Regular Weekly/Christmas Flowers/  
Religious Retirement Fund  
**Next Weekend:** Regular Weekly/Christmas Flowers

OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE  
BURNS FOR  
**ED KENNEDY**

## CCD News

- **K-4th Grade** - Sun. Dec. 10, 9:45 a.m. Bring your child(ren) to Mass. Next class Dec. 17.
- **5-8th Grade** - Sun. Dec. 10, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the family center. Next class Dec. 17.
- **9 & 10 Grade** - Sun. Dec. 10, at 6:30 in the family center. Next class Dec. 17.

**ST ANN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2017** will be performed during the 9:45 Mass on Sunday, Dec. 17th. Rehearsals are tentatively scheduled for the afternoons of Wednesday, Dec. 13th, Friday, Dec. 15th and Saturday, Dec. 16th (however these are flexible). For any and all children in K-4th-grade who would like to participate in the pageant, please call, text or email Joan Hymanson at 561-339-0998 or [joanhymanson@msn.com](mailto:joanhymanson@msn.com). I will also be available after the 9:45 Mass on Sunday, Dec 10th for any questions or for any parent who wishes to sign their child up for the pageant.

**Next Weekend's Advent Community Mission** will be to donation to our local Food Pantry. Please bring your donations to the Altar.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

		<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
<b>WEEKEND OF DEC. 9 &amp; 10</b>				
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	N. Roche	R. Casey, L. Decorie	M. & T. Léger
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	J. Hopper	P. Archey, N. Armstrong	E. Saupé
	11:15 a.m.	J. Healy	M. Wilser, D. Zola	volunteer needed
<b>WEEKEND OF DEC. 16 &amp; 17</b>				
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	J. Tremblay	M. Tremblay, L. Decorie	B. Ames
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	M. Nejaime	C. Gallenberger, J. Lane	S. Herman
	11:15 a.m.	J. Hobbs	J. Coxon, K. DeVylde	volunteer needed

### COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

#### **Dec. 17—Team #3 Captain: Jeremiah & Christa Ames**

Bakers: Joanne Lane, Kathy Face, Mary Conlon, Sandy Morley.

#### **Dec. 24—Team #4 Captain: Andrew & Melissa Minkler**

Bakers: Penny Saupé, Jeanne Schnackenberg, Jen Jaehnig, Mark & Molly Elliot, Maren Jacobs

### Changes to our Online Giving Program

Liturgical Publications Inc., has recently purchased ParishPay, our on-line giving program. The new name is **WeShare** and the new link to sign up or make changes to an existing account is:

<https://www.churchgiving.com/?pc=e6vr8501>

### SEMINARIAN GIFT CARDS

Our diocese presently has 15 men studying in the seminary for the priesthood. Our seminarians have little or no earning power during the first four years of seminary and none in the last two years, but they still have personal expenses. To help them with these expenses, we have placed 15 envelopes on our giving tree inside the main doors of the church. Please consider taking one and participating in this Christmas program. **Envelopes should be returned to St. Ann's office no later than Dec. 17th.**

**Twelfth Night Festival**—The Twelfth Night Committee is happy to announce that the 57th celebration of the festival will begin at the 4 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church on Jan. 6, followed immediately with appetizers, dinner and dancing at the Parish Center. Tickets are \$35 and are very limited in the number available. They are now available at St. Joseph Rectory through Dec. 29th, between 9 and 3, Mon.-Fri. Reservation may be made by calling LouAnn at 447-7911. Tables are set for 8 to 10 people.

### **National Memorial March for the Pre-Born and Their Mothers and Fathers.**

The 24th Annual National Memorial for the Pre-Born and their Mothers and Fathers **March for Life** in Washington, DC, will be held on Jan. 19, 2018, at historic DAR Constitution Hall. The walk will be from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., at 1776 D. Street, NW (18th and D St.). Admission is free. Doors open at 7 a.m. and a Catholic Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. Homilist will be Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life. Mass Citizens for Life N. Adams Chapter is again sponsoring a bus to the March. Join us as we stand up for the right to life of unborn children. We are accepting early reservations, by phone only. Call Robin at 743-1329 for more information and to reserve your seat today. We ask for a \$25 donation per person, and will gladly accept donations to help defray the cost of the bus. (Donations should be sent to MCFL, 6 Bob's Hill, Adams MA 01220) Thank-you for your support.

### **Short Excerpts**

**Taken from *Pope Francis Speaks to Families Words of Joy and Life***

#### **“A Link In The Chain”**

In Effect, as from generation to generation life is transmitted, so too from generation to generation, through rebirth at the baptismal font, grace is transmitted, and by this grace the Christian people journeys through time, like a river that irrigates the land and spreads God's blessing throughout the world. From the moment that Jesus said what we heard in the Gospel reading [Mark 1:29-39], the disciples went out to baptize; and from that time until today, there is a chain in the transmission of the faith through Baptism. And each one of us is a link in that chain: a step forward, always, like a river that irrigates. Such is the grace of God and such is our faith, which we must transmit to our sons and daughters, transmit to children, so that once adults, they can do the same for their children.

This excerpt was taken from the book, “Pope Francis Speaks to Families Words of Joy and Life” by the Word Among Us.

DECEMBER 10, 2017

## Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA  
Mass Intention for Dec. 10, 2017

Bernard W. Fallon, Sr.

### LECTOR

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

### ALTAR SERVER

#### WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 10

Sunday 8:30 a.m. K. Davis

V. D'Aniello

L. O'Gara

#### WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 17

Sunday 8:30 a.m. K. Davis

L. Fields

L. O'Gara

### ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

#### Collection on Dec. 3, 2017

Weekly	\$ 1,087.00
Fuel	\$ 125.00
Immaculate Conc.	\$ 5.00
Religious Retirement	\$ 5.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 85.00
Christmas	\$ 20.00
Bldg & Maint.	\$ 50.00
	\$ 1,377.00
Cemetery	\$ 70.00

***Thank you for your continued support!***

St. Patrick Church is holding its 20th Annual Holiday Cookie Walk (Cookie Bake Sale) on **Saturday, Dec. 16**, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Center.



We need Cookie Bakers to bake several batches of their favorite Christmas Cookies. If you are interested in baking, please sign up in the Church Vestibule or by calling Lucy Bellville at 232-4423.

**Cookies should be brought to St. Patrick's Parish Center on Friday, Dec. 15, between 5-7 p.m. or before 9 a.m. on Saturday. Please label**

### WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

**THIS WEEKEND:** Regular Weekly/Retired Religious Fund/Christmas Flowers

**NEXT WEEKEND:** Regular Weekly/Bldg Maint./Christmas Flowers

If you would like to reserve our Parish Center for your event, please start with a call to the parish office and speak to Margot to check for availability, 232-4427.

### UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER

**SUN. DEC. 10:** Coffee Hour following 8:30. Mass

**SUN. DEC. 12:** Parish Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

**SUN. DEC. 17:** Coffee Hour following 8:30. Mass

**SUN. DEC. 16:** Cookie Walk, 9-11:30 a.m.

**Prayer Line:** St. Patrick's parish has a prayer line network for anyone needing prayers. To request a prayer be said or if you would like to be a volunteer on the prayer network please call **Karen Zick at 413-232-0137.**

From the 2nd Reading of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Ephesians 1: **"as he chose us in him, before the foundations of the world ..."** As a community of believers, defend the gift of life.

### HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY?

If you answered yes to this question, we would appreciate it if you let our parish office know, 232-4427. It helps us keep our records in good order. Thank you.



## DECEMBER MEETINGS & EVENTS

(All events held in St. Ann's Family Center unless otherwise noted)

- **LETTERS OF ST. PAUL, BIBLE STUDY:** Thu. December 14, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- **BIRTHDAY PARTY:** Sunday, Dec. 10, from 1-6 p.m.
- **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Monday, Dec. 11, 7 p.m. Lenox Dale
- **SHAWL MINISTRY:** Thur. Dec. 14, 1:30 p.m. Methodist Church
- **ST. ANN'S WALKING GROUP:** Tuesdays at 8:30a.m.
- **ROSARY:** Tuesdays at 1 p.m.
- **EXERCISE CLASS:** Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. (except the first Friday of the month)
- **BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS:** 1st Sunday of the month between the 9:45 & 11:15 Masses.

### St. Agnes Parish will host an Advent Parish Mission "Making Advent Work for Us".

Fr. Gary Dailey will be the speaker on Mon. Dec. 11th. The event will be from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

For more details or to register, contact St. Agnes parish office, 684-0125.

**Christmas Mass Sign Up Sheet**—If you plan to attend one of our Christmas Masses this year, and you want to read or give out communion, a Christmas signup sheet is located in the priest's sacristy. Before or after Mass, please go in and sign up for the Mass and the ministry that you are interested in serving. Thank you in advance.

**Reminder**— Articles for our Tri-Parish Newsletter, December issue, are due Dec. 11th. If you plan to submit an article or have some community or parish news, please send it to me by that date. You don't even have to write it up, I can do that for you, if you want to just submit the details.

The email is [stannlenox@verizon.net](mailto:stannlenox@verizon.net), the fax is 413-637-2945.

**DIAPER DROP OFF** - Much like the food donations, when shopping for diapers, take a few to Mass and drop them in the cradle that is located at the front entrance of the Church. Any brand in any amount and all sizes, especially 3-6, are welcome.



### Winter Address Update:

If you are planning to return to a warmer climate for the winter months, please drop a note to your

church office regarding an address change so that we can adjust your mailings and envelopes. Be sure to let us know when you plan to return, too!



Feel free to join us after the 9:45 Mass in St. Ann's Family Center for coffee, tea, light snacks and some good conversation.

Come meet up with friends you haven't seen in a while or meet some new ones.

## SEMINARIAN GIFT CARDS

Each year we try to defray some of their living expenses by donating gift cards to such places as Target, Wal-Mart, gas, etc. Our seminarians have little or no earning power during the first four years of seminary and none in the last two years, but they still have personal expenses.

PLEASE help us by taking an envelope marked "Seminary Christmas Gift" and participating in this endeavor.

If you choose to participate in this program, instructions are included in the envelope you select. Envelopes should be returned to the church office **no later than Sunday, Dec. 17th**. We have hung the envelopes on the Christmas tree inside the main doors of the church.

**Pastoral Directory**

Msgr. John J. Bonzagni, Pastor  
Deacon Dan Romanello  
Deacon John Zick  
Mrs. Deborah Kuni, Administrative Assistant (St. Ann)  
Mrs. Margot Towl, Administrative Assistant (St. Patrick)  
Mr. Ron Ramsay, Director of Music Programs (St. Ann)  
Mr. Art DeVyllder, Director of Music (St. Patrick)  
Deacon John Zick - DRE (St Patrick) (413) 232-0137  
Mrs. Joan Davis - DRE (St. Ann) (413) 637-4027 or (413) 841-5021  
Dianne Romeo, R.N., Parish Nurse — 637-2684

Rectory / Cemetery Office (St. Ann's)  
134 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240-2395  
Tel. (413) 637-0157 • Fax (413) 637-2945

Rectory / Cemetery Office (St. Patrick's)  
30 Albany Road, West Stockbridge, MA 01266-9200  
Tel / Fax (413) 232-4427  
E-Mail: [stpatricksws@verizon.net](mailto:stpatricksws@verizon.net)

**Daily Mass:**

Monday through Friday 7 a.m. at St. Ann Family Center

**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday 4:00 p.m. St. Ann's, Lenox  
Saturday 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul, Lenox Dale  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. St. Patrick's, West Stockbridge  
Sunday 9:45 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox  
Sunday 11:15 a.m. St. Ann's, Lenox

**Holy Day:**

Holy Day: Vigil, 7 p.m. St. Patrick's  
Holy Day, 7 a.m. St Ann's, 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Saturday  
3:00 to 3:30 p.m. at St. Ann's / 4th Saturday 2:15 to 3:15  
p.m. at St. Patrick's

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Call the rectory of your choice to  
register.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** We welcome the opportunity to  
prepare and celebrate with couples the Sacrament of Mar-  
riage. Please call either rectory office at least 8 months be-  
fore the wedding date.

**Web site:** [Stannlenox.org](http://Stannlenox.org)

**E-mail:** [stannlenox@verizon.net](mailto:stannlenox@verizon.net)

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**KID'S CORNER**

**Knock, Knock!**  
Who's there?  
Rabbit.  
Rabbit who?  
Rabbit up carefully, it's a present!

**Knock, Knock**  
Who's there?  
Donut  
Donut who?  
Donut open 'til Christmas!

**Knock, Knock**  
Who's there!  
Anna!  
Anna who?  
Anna partridge in a pear tree.

DOOLHOF

Hoe komen de herders en de drie  
koningen bij het Kindje Jezus.

