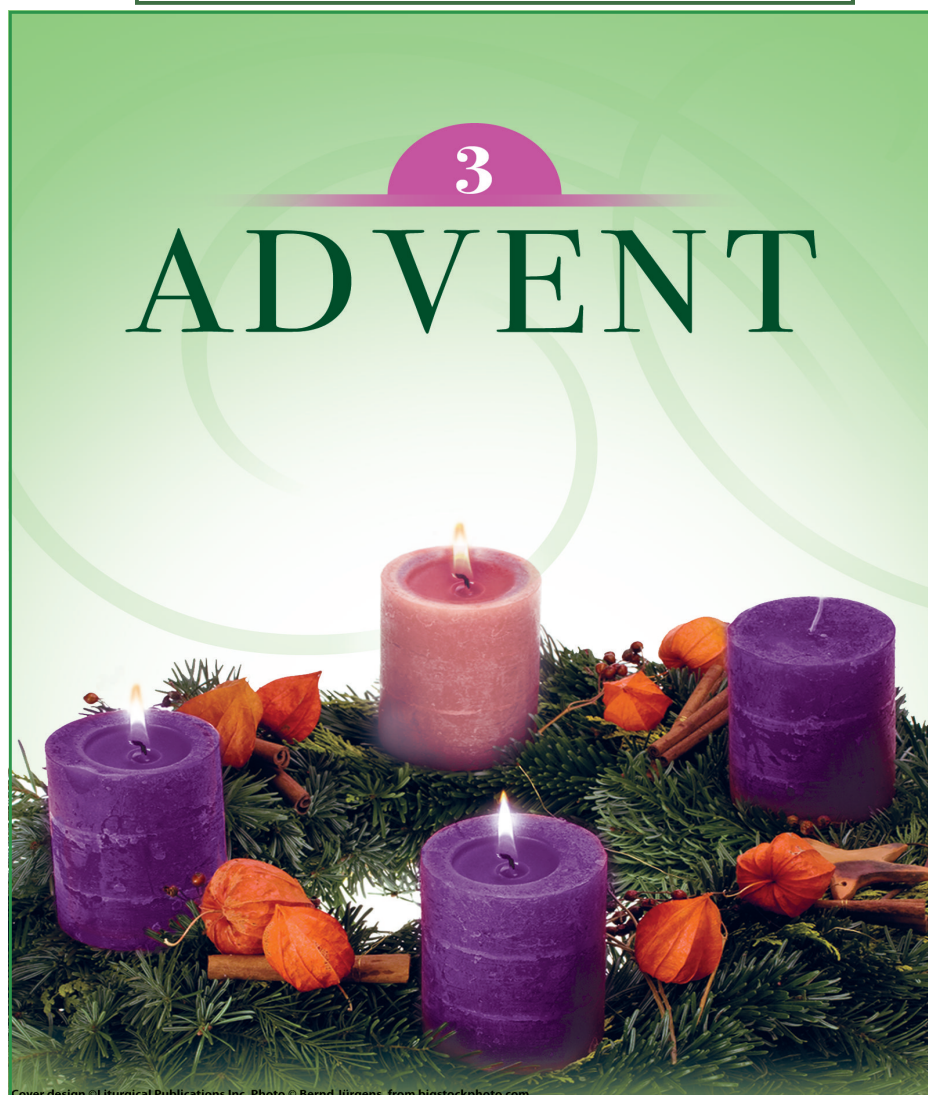


*The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Ann, Lenox, MA and
St. Patrick, West Stockbridge, MA*

Dec. 17, 2017



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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.	16	4:00 p.m.	<i>Alba Scarsi, req. by Leo and Pam</i>
Sunday	Dec.	17	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>
Monday	Dec.	18	7:00 a.m.	<i>Jennifer Szewczyk, req. by Josephine Michalek</i>
Tuesday	Dec.	19	7:00 a.m.	<i>Mass for the People of St. Ann, St. Patrick & St. Vincent de Paul parishes</i>
Wednesday	Dec.	20	7:00 a.m.	<i>George Hamilton, req. by his family</i>
Thursday	Dec.	21	7:00 a.m.	<i>Llew & Sandra Armstrong, req. by their family</i>
Friday	Dec.	22	7:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service</i>
Saturday	Dec.	23	4:00 p.m.	<i>Bill Dinan, 20th Anniversary, req. by his family</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>St. Vincent de Paul Church - Joseph Carroll & Mary Ann Kelly</i>
Sunday	Dec.	24	8:30 a.m.	<i>Mass at St. Patrick Church—Deceased Members of St. Patrick Church</i>
			10:00 a.m.	<i>Mass at St. Ann Church</i>
			4:00 p.m.	<i>Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at St. Ann</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at St. Vincent de Paul</i>
			10:00 p.m.	<i>Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at St. Ann</i>
Monday	Dec.	25	8:30 a.m.	<i>Christmas Day Mass St. Patrick Church</i>
			10:00 a.m.	<i>Christmas Day Mass St. Ann Church</i>
Tuesday	Dec.	26		<i>No Mass or Communion Service today</i>

Please note the time change

Christmas Vigil Masses

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE “Weekly Collection” Summary

COLLECTION ON DEC. 10, 2017

“WEEKLY COLLECTION:”	\$ 6,089
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/
Next Weekend: Regular Weekly/Christmas/ Christmas
Flowers

**OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE
BURNS FOR
ED KENNEDY**

CCD News

- **K-4th Grade** - Sun. Dec. 17, 9:45 a.m. Bring your child(ren) to Mass. Next class Jan. 7.
- **5-8th Grade** - Sun. Dec. 17, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the family center. Next class is Feb. 18.
- **9 & 10 Grade** - Sun. Dec. 17, at 6:30 in the family center. Next class is Feb. 18.

Next Weekend’s Advent Community Mission will be to donate to the Elderly. Please leave your donations on the Altar.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

		<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
WEEKEND OF DEC. 16 & 17				
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. DeVlyder	volunteer needed
WEEKEND OF DEC. 23 & 24				
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	H. Cowhig	C. Kirby, F. McClenachan	M. Ward
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	N. Roche	N. Armstrong, G. McCormack	I. & J. Cooney
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	4:00 p.m.		Please sign up in the sacristy	
	10:00 p.m.		Please sign up in the sacristy	
Monday	10:00 a.m. <i>Christmas Day</i>		Please sign up in the Sacristy	

COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Dec. 24—Team #4 Captain: No Coffee hour this weekend.

Team #5 Captain: Amy Novitsky

Helpers: Dick and Jean Drees, Marybeth Mitts.

Bakers: L. Vitale, Gaye Weinberger.

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://stannlenox.churchgiving.com>

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.

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.**

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.

Are you sending Christmas Cards this year? If you are, you might be interested in extending Seasons Greetings to the priests and deacons who have been such important parts of our parish life.

Rev. Daniel B. Brunton
St. Mary's Parish
30 Bartlett St.
Westfield, MA 01085

Rev. Bill Rousseau
69 Mitchell Drive
Chicopee, MA 01022

Msgr. John Bonzagni
P.O. Box 209
Lenox Dale, MA 01242

Rev. C.J. Waitekus
St. Mary's Church
519 Longmeadow Street
Longmeadow, MA 01106

Deacon John Zick
30 Albany Road
W. Stockbridge, MA 01266

Deacon Dan Romanello
P.O. Box 417
W. Stockbridge, MA 01266

DECEMBER 17, 2017

Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA

Mass Intention for Dec. 17, 2017

Troy & Bettie Wilson, req. by Sean Wilson

LECTOR

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

ALTAR SERVER

WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 17

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	K. Davis	L. Fields	L. O'Gara
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WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 24

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	J. Kujawski	K. Davis	L. O'Gara
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ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection on Dec. 10, 2017

Weekly	\$	1,050.00
Fuel	\$	105.00
Immaculate Conc.	\$	114.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	5.00
Religious Retirement	\$	80.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	74.00
Christmas	\$	10.00
Bldg & Maint.	\$	5.00
	\$	1,443.00
Cemetery	\$	45.00

Thank you for your continued support!

WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

THIS WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Bldg Maint./
Christmas Flowers

NEXT WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Christmas
Flowers

DEC. 25TH: Christmas

UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER

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

SUN. DEC. 24: No Coffee Hour

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.

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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.**

Christmas Flowers—If you would like to help with decorations for the Christmas Season, you can use the envelope found in your monthly packet or one found in the pews. Names listed in memory of, will be published in our bulletin a week or two following Christmas. **Please print very clearly and consider including a contact phone number for questions we may have.**

Your support pays for the lovely decorations and floral arrangements we display during this wonderful holy season. Thank you in advance for your support!

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 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- **PRIVATE PARTY:** Friday, Dec. 22: 6-10 p.m.
- **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.

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.

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.



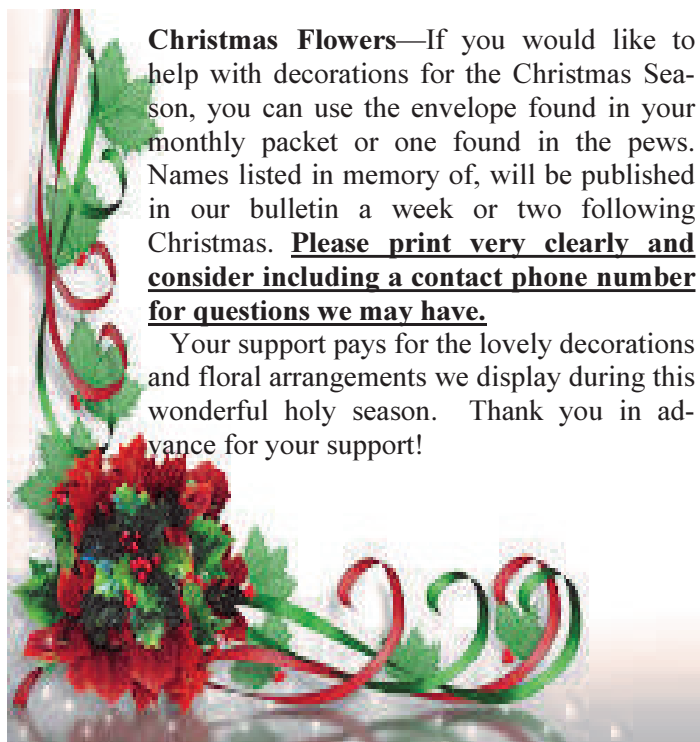
Winter Address Update:

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!

Thank You Steve!

St. Ann's Parish would like to express our gratitude to Steve Maggio for his talent and generosity in donating his time, talent and material to build us a beautiful table. This table will be used during funerals in a variety of ways. Steve's craftsmanship is unparalleled. The table is beautiful and we will find many uses for it for many years to come. Thank you so much Steve!



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Short Excerpts

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

Forgive one Another

This is important—to know how to forgive one another in families because we all make mistakes, all of us! Sometimes we do things which are not good and which harm others. It is important to have the courage to ask for forgiveness when we are at fault in the family. . . We all make mistakes, and on occasion someone gets offended in the marriage, in the family, and sometimes, I say, plates are smashed, harsh words are spoken, but please listen to my advice: don't ever let the sun set without reconciling. Peace is made each day in the family: "Please forgive me," and then you start over.

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

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
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E-Mail: 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

E-mail: stannlenox@verizon.net

E-mail: stpatricksws@verizon.net

KID'S CORNER



Do you know what color to color three of these Advent candles? And what color to color the last one? If not, maybe your parents can help you. Or, maybe you can find the answer somewhere within this bulletin.