

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

Dec. 1, 2019



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Mt 24:44

ST. ANN CHURCH, LENOX



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Nov.	30	4:00 p.m.	<i>Don Bilyeu, req. by his family</i>
Sunday	Dec.	1	9:45 a.m.	<i>Mass for the People of St. Ann, St. Patrick & St. Vincent de Paul parishes</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Kathryn Franzoni, req. by her family</i>
Monday	Dec.	2	7:00 a.m.	<i>Margaret Wheeler, req. by Adelene Cowhig Quigley</i>
Tuesday	Dec.	3	7:00 a.m.	<i>Dr. Roger Connor</i>
Wednesday	Dec.	4	7:00 a.m.	<i>Marguerite Wodarski, req. by her friends at St. Ann Parish</i>
Thursday	Dec.	5	7:00 a.m.	<i>Margaret Wheeler, req. by her friends at St. Ann Parish</i>
Friday	Dec.	6	7:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service</i>
Saturday	Dec.	7	4:00 p.m.	<i>Laura Regnier, req. by her sister Anne</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>St. Vincent de Paul — Rita and Tom L'Heureuz, req. by Kay & Marie</i>
Sunday	Dec.	8	8:30 a.m.	<i>St. Patrick Church - Frana and Sondrini Families req. by family</i>
			9:45 a.m.	<i>Dawn Ramsey-Jacobsson, req. by Ron Ramsay</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Mass for the People of St. Ann, St. Patrick & St. Vincent de Paul parishes</i>

Please pray for the sick.

Weekly Envelopes:
This Weekend: Regular Weekly/Grounds
Next Weekend: Regular Weekly/Religious Retirement/Immaculate Conception/Cemetery

SAINT ANN'S MUSIC CORNER
Song of the Week: "O Come, O Come Emmanuel"
M-317
 TODAY at 10:45 a.m. in the Family Center is the rehearsal for the Carol Sing to be held on Dec 15 immediately following the 9:45 Mass. All are welcome to join us for this fun event!

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
"Month of September Collection" Summary
AS OF OCTOBER 2019

"LAST MONTH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:"	\$ 15,353
OCTOBER WESHARE:	\$ 5,453
OCT. TOTALS: WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:	\$ 20,806
AMOUNT NEEDED FOR MONTH OF OCT.	\$ 23,731
TOTAL UNDER BUDGET	\$ 2,928
AMOUNT NEEDED JULY-OCTOBER	\$ 100,856
AMOUNT RECEIVED:	\$ 89,534
Amount over/under budget	\$ (11,322)

Pease consider using WeShare for your contributions
<https://stannlenox.churchgiving.com>

THANK YOU! WE DEPEND ON YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

**OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE
 BURNS FOR
 ANTHONY & GESUALDA DEFazio
 AND FAMILY**

Found: Are you missing a *Peak Performance* black insulated jacket, size large that was recently found in our family center? This lined, hooded jacket looks like a ladies jacket. If this could be your jacket, please check our family center.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-4: Next class is Sun. Dec. 8th.during the 9:45 a.m. Mass, in the Family Center.
Grades 5-10: Sun. Dec. 1st, 6 p.m. Family Center.

This year's Christmas Pageant will be held during the 9:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Dec. 15. Any child who would like to participate, can call, text or email Joan at 561-339-0998 or joanmhymanson@msn.com. The tentative rehearsal schedule will be Wed. Dec. 11th, from 3:30-5, Friday, Dec. 13th, 3:30-5, and Saturday, Dec.14th from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. These dates are flexible and a child does not need to attend every rehearsal. Thank you **-Joan**

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
WEEKEND OF NOV. 30 & DEC. 1			
Saturday	4 p.m. R. Casey	B. Bilyeu, J. Chague	JT Novitsky
Sunday	9:45 a.m. B. Corby	N. Armstrong, Volunteer needed	I. & J. Cooney
	11:15 a.m. J. Hobbs	A. & M. Antil	Volunteer needed
WEEKEND OF DEC. 7 & 8			
Saturday	4 p.m. J. Healy	C. Kirby, F. McClenachan	Volunteer Needed
Sunday	9:45 a.m. J. Hopper	C. Gallenberger, J. Lane	E. Saupé
	11:15 a.m. H. Biernacki	L. Franzoni, L. Loring	M. & T. Léger

COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Dec. 8: Team #2 Captain: Francine Shelhamer, Carol Kirby

Bakers: Vicky May, Anne Sarkis, Michelle Colvin & Christine Manarchik

Dec. 15: Team #3 Captain: Jeremiah & Christa Ames

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

**COLLECTION COUNTING TEAMS FOR
DECEMBER**

Mon. Dec. 2: Carol K. & Judi K.

Mon. Dec. 9: Sherry W., Nancy C. Bernie M.

Mon. Dec. 16: Barbara B., Carol. K. & Judi K.

Mon. Dec. 23: Joanne L., Rete B., Kathy P.

Mon. Dec. 30: Carol. K. & Judi K.

St. Ann's 2020 Calendars are in. Feel free to take a few as you leave church this weekend. Thank you to Roche Funeral Home for sponsoring them again this year.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS: Please feel free to join us **Friday, Dec. 6th** for our First Friday Devotions. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following 7 a.m. Mass and conclude with Benediction at noon. If you would care to sign up for an hour and be present in the Family Center during that time, the sign-up book is located inside the Family Center.

CANDLELIGHT LESSONS & CAROLS

The 20th Anniversary of Candlelight Lessons & Carols will take place on Dec. 14th, with Bishop Rozanski presiding. Bishop Rosanski cordially invites the diocesan family to join him on this spiritual journey to truly prepare for the birth of Christ at Christmas. The service includes beloved carols, choral works connected to the readings, the lighting of candles, and the prayers led by Bishop Rozanski. Music will be provided by the Cathedral Choir of Boys & Adults accompanied by members of the Springfield Symphony Orchestra and the Community Music School faculty. The service will take place at The Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel, 260 State Street, Springfield on Saturday, Dec. 14th at 7:30 p.m.

**CHARTERED BUS TRIP TO
NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE**

MCFL is providing 2 bus itineraries to the 2020 National March For Life, January 24, 2020

Bus One: 1 Day Only. Departs Thursday, Jan. 23 ~8pm from Riverside Station, arrives in time for Vigil for Life Mass, National Shrine, Friday morning. Returns Friday night and arrives back at Riverside Saturday, January 25, 6 a.m.

Bus Two: 3 Day / 2 Night Hotel Stay. Departs Wednesday, Jan. 22 ~9pm Riverside Station, arrives in time for daily mass, National Shrine, 8a.m. Individuals will have the chance to attend March for Life Expo, Youth Rally, and the historic PROLIFE SUMMIT (Saturday) Returns Saturday, Jan. 25, 7 p.m. from National Shrine.

Group rate for hotel rooms (limited number!): \$139/night (double occupancy) Full bus fare: \$170 (1 day)/\$180 (3 day) Questions? Need a scholarship?

Email: cj@masscitizensforlife.org .

Or for more details, visit our website at: https://www.masscitizensforlife.org/2020_marchforlife_dc

DECEMBER 1, 2019

Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA

Dec. 1, 2019

Please Pray for:

Sarah McDonald

	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>
WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 1			
8:30 a.m.	K. Davis	L. Fields, V. D'Aniello	L. O'Gara
WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 8			
8:30 a.m.	M. McMahon	K. Davis, V. D'Aniello	L. O'Gara

ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection on Nov. 24, 2019

Due to Thanksgiving, we had an early publishing deadline, and these numbers were not available. We will publish them in next weekends bulletin.

Thank you for your continued support!

Mark your calendar! St. Patrick's Church is holding its 22nd Annual Holiday Cookie Walk (Cookie Bake Sale) on Saturday, Dec. 14th from 9 to 11 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. 13th, between 5 and 7 p.m. or before 9 a.m. on Saturday. Please label your cookies. Thank you.



UPCOMING EVENTS SCHEDULED FOR ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER

- SUN. DEC. 1:** Coffee Hour following Mass
- SUN. DEC. 8:** Coffee Hour following Mass
- TUE. DEC. 10:** Parish Council Meeting.
- WED. DEC. 11:** St. Francis Society, 1-4 p.m.
- THU. DEC. 12:** Council on Aging Meeting
- SAT. DEC. 14:** St. Patrick Cookie Walk, 9-11 a.m.
- SUN DEC. 15:** Coffee Hour following Mass

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.

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

WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

THIS WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Fuel/
Christmas Flowers/Cemetery

NEXT WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Retired
Religious/Immaculate Conception

Feel free to join St. Ann's **First Friday Adoration** on Dec. 6th., in the Family Center. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed following 7 a.m. Mass and conclude with Benediction at noon. All are welcome.

DECEMBER MEETINGS & EVENTS

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

- **LADIES MONTHLY LUNCHEON:** Mon. Dec. 2nd, noon
- **BIBLE STUDY WITH DEACON DAN:** Tue. Dec. 3rd, 6:30 - 8 p.m.
- **SHAWL MINISTRY:** Thursday, Dec. 5th, 1:30 p.m., St. Ann
- **PROM DRESS COLLECTION:** Sat. Dec. 7th from 3 to 3:30
- **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Monthly Meeting, Dec. 8th, 7 p.m.
- **ST. ANN'S WALKING GROUP:** Tuesdays at 8:30 a.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.

Short Excerpts

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

My First Christian Proclamation

I had the great blessing of growing up in a family in which faith was lived in a simple, practical way. However, it was my paternal grandmother, in particular, who influenced my journey of faith. She was a woman who explained to us, who talked to us about Jesus, who taught us the catechism. I always remember that on the evening of Good Friday, she would take us to the candlelight procession, and at the end of this procession, "the dead Christ" would arrive, and our grandmother would make us—the children—kneel down, and she would say to us, "Look, he is dead, but tomorrow he will rise."

This was how I received my first Christian proclamation, from this very woman, from my grandmother! This is really beautiful! The first proclamation at home, in the family! And this makes me think of the love of so many mothers and grandmother in the transmission of faith. They are the ones who pass on the faith. This used to happen in the early Church too, for St. Paul said to Timothy, "I am reminded of the faith of your mother and of your grandmother" (cf. 2 Timothy 1:5). All the mothers and all the grandmothers who are here should think about this: passing on the faith! Because God sets beside us people who help us on our journey of faith. We do not find our faith in the abstract, no! It is always a person preaching who tells us who Jesus is, who communicates faith to us and gives us the first proclamation. And this is how I received my first experience of faith.

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

To the Prom:

Every young woman should be able to go to and dress beautifully for her prom. With your help and generous donations of gowns and "bling," I want to make this dream come true by offering a variety of dresses in different sizes, styles and colors!

I am respectfully requesting donations of clean, gently used gowns, appropriate glamorous shoes and costume bling. We are accepting these donations at the Family Center every other Saturday. **Next collection will be will be Dec. 7th, from 3 to 3:30 p.m.** If you put your name & address on a 3x5 card, I will send you a tax deductible receipt.

Special Collections Next Weekend:

In your envelope packets you will find two special envelopes for the December 8th collection.

► The first is for our cemetery. Please prayerfully consider your donation to our Cemetery Fund next weekend. We depend on generous parishioner support to help us maintain our grounds and roads and buildings.

► The next envelope you will find is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This annual collection supports our retired sisters and priests who have given their lives to serve our spiritual needs without question. Most ministered in Catholic schools, hospitals, parishes and social service agencies, usually for little or no pay. Today, hundreds of religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care. Please be as generous as you can.

As always, we know your budget is as tight as ours, so we thank you for all of your support each week and any time we put out the call for extra. We appreciate all you do every week and all year long. *Thank you.*

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 Hymanson - DRE (St. Ann) (413) 637-4027
 Dianne Romeo, R.N., Parish Nurse — 637-2684

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

Rectory / Cemetery Office (St. Patrick)
 30 Albany Road, West Stockbridge, MA 01266-9200
 Tel / Fax (413) 232-4427

Rectory Office (St. Vincent de Paul)
 P.O. Box 3, Lenox Dale, MA 01242
 Tel (413) 637-0157

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday 7 a.m. in 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, 5:30 p.m. St. Patrick’s
 Holy Day, 7 a.m. St Ann’s, 5:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

Sacrament of Reconciliation: every Saturday 3 to 3:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church

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 Marriage. Please call either rectory office at **least 8 months** before the wedding date.

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KID’S CORNER

Advent Word Search

W	E	G	T	H	M	K	I	C	X	J	Q
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Words to Find

Words can be found left to right and up and down

- Advent
- Wreath
- Candles
- Purple
- Hope
- Peace
- Joy
- Love
- Mary
- Joseph
- Jesus

