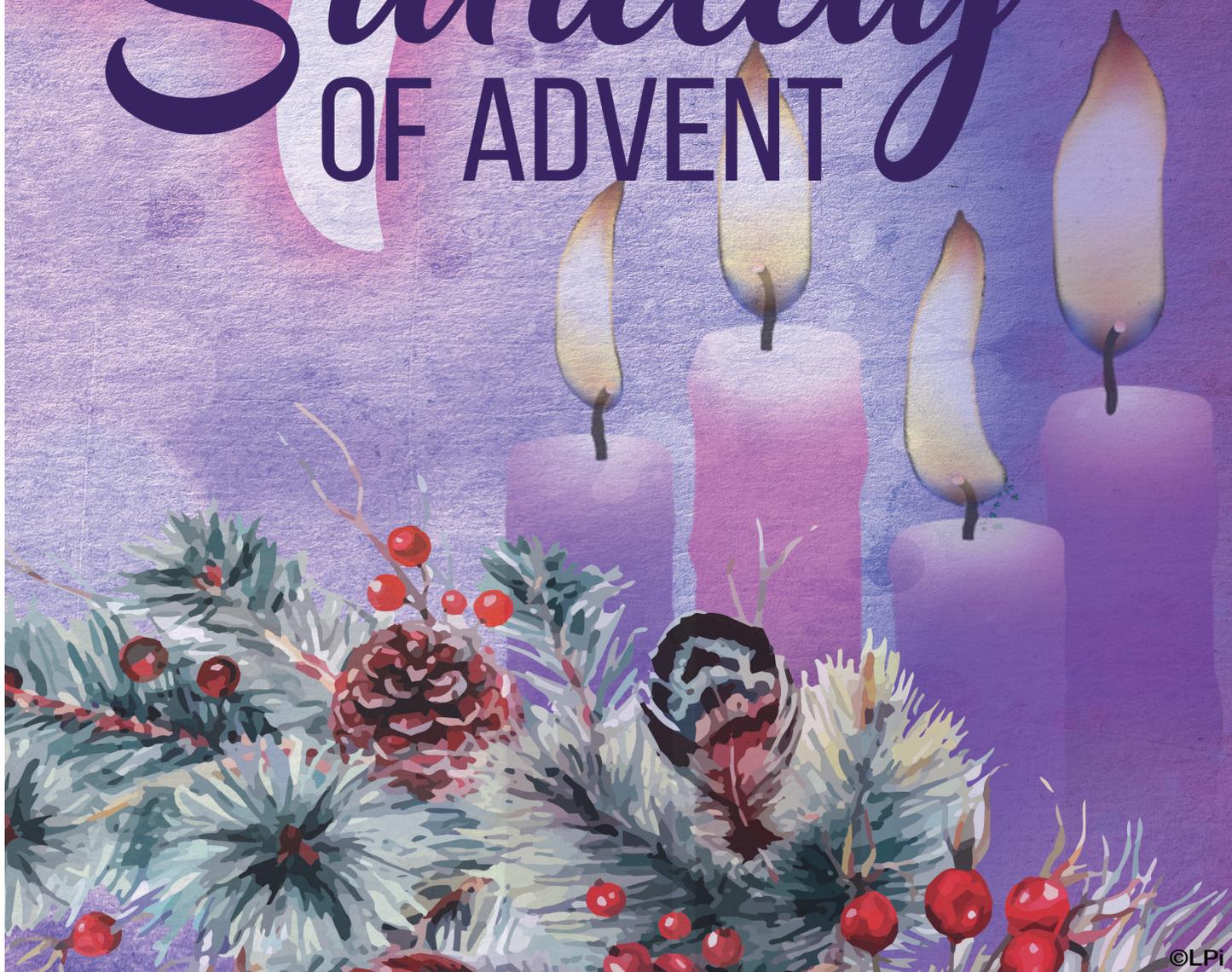


*The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. Ann, Lenox, MA and
St. Patrick, West Stockbridge, MA*

Dec. 22, 2019

4th Sunday OF ADVENT



ST. ANN CHURCH, LENOX



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	Dec.	21	4:00 p.m.	<i>Fr. Matt O'Connor, 3rd Anniversary, req. by the Goggins Family</i>
Sunday	Dec.	22	9:45 a.m.	<i>Michael Sarkis, req. by his family</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Cliff & Virginia DeBlois, req. by their family</i>
Monday	Dec.	23	7:00 a.m.	<i>James Prince, req. by Marge and family</i>
Tuesday	Dec.	24	4:00 p.m.	<i>Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Ann Parish</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Parish</i>
			7:30 p.m.	<i>Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Patrick Parish</i>
			10:00 p.m.	<i>Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Ann Parish</i>
Wednesday	Dec.	25	10:00 a.m.	<i>Christmas Mass at St. Ann Parish</i>
Thursday	Dec.	26	There will be no Mass at St. Ann Church today	
Friday	Dec.	27	7:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Service</i>
Saturday	Dec.	28	4:00 p.m.	<i>Alice Rennie, Birthday Remembrance, req. by her family</i>
			5:30 p.m.	<i>St. Vincent de Paul - Living members of the Larrivee family</i>
Sunday	Dec.	29	8:30 a.m.	<i>St. Patrick Church - Paul Skorput</i>
			9:45 a.m.	<i>George Hamilton, req. by his wife and family</i>
			11:15 a.m.	<i>Peggy Mahoney, req. by her family</i>

Please pray for the sick.

Weekly Envelopes:
This Weekend: Regular Weekly/Flowers/
 Christmas
Next Weekend: Regular Weekly

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

AS OF NOVEMBER 2019

"LAST MONTH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:"	\$ 15,227
NOVEMBER WESHARE:	\$ 5,101
NOV. TOTALS: WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:	\$ 20,328
AMOUNT NEEDED FOR MONTH OF NOV.	\$ 23,731
TOTAL UNDER BUDGET	\$ (3,403)
AMOUNT NEEDED JULY-NOVEMBER	\$ 124,587
AMOUNT RECEIVED:	\$ 109,862
Amount over/under budget	\$ (14,725)

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

**OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE
 BURNS FOR
 MICHAEL SARKIS**

SAINT ANN'S MUSIC CORNER
Song of the Week: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"
 M-317
 Christmas Music Rehearsals Monday 12/23:
 3:30 to 5:30 Bells & Youth Ensemble
 5:30 Adult Ensemble

Song for our Christmas Masses
 Dec. 24 & 25: **O Come All Ye Faithful - M316**

**Joint Penance Service Planned
 at St. Mary's Church in Lee**

Please mark your calendars today to join us today, Sunday, Dec. 22nd, at 3 p.m. along with St. Mary's parish in their church for a joint penance service. There will be multiple priest available to hear your confession.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Grades K-4: Next class is Sun. Jan. 5th.during the 9:45 a.m. Mass, in the Family Center.
Grades 5-8: Sun. Dec. 22nd, 6-7 p.m. Family Center.
Grades 9-10: Sun. Dec. 22nd, 6-7:30 p.m. in the Church

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
WEEKEND OF DEC. 21 & 22			
Saturday	4 p.m.	C. Meisberger	B. Bilyeu, R. Casey
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	G. Prescott	N. Armstrong, Vol. Needed
	11:15 a.m.	M. Wilser	M. Wilser, L. Franzoni
DEC. 24:	4 p.m.		C. Kirby, D. Romanello, J. Lane
	10 p.m.	R. Fitzgerald-Casey	
DEC. 25:	10 a.m.	J. Healy	D. Romanello, T. Romeo
WEEKEND OF DEC. 28 & 29			
Saturday	4 p.m.	S. Merlino	J. Chague, J. Healy
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	B. Corby	C. Gallenberger, J. Lane
	11:15 a.m.	J. Hobbs	A. & M. Antil
			Volunteer Needed
			E. Saupé
			M. & T. Léger
			Volunteer Needed
			I. & J. Cooney
			M. & T. Léger

COFFEE HOUR TEAMS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Dec. 29: Team #5 Captain: Amy Novitsky
 Helpers: Dick and Jean Drees, Marybeth Mitts.
 Bakers: L. Vitale, Gaye Weinberger

Jan. 5: Team #1 Captain: Carol Kirby & Millie Kirby
 Bakers: Tracy Reis, Sarah Williams, & Gina Kirchner

2019 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

- St. Ann: Dec. 24th - 4 p.m.
- St. Vincent de Paul: Dec. 24th - 5:30 p.m.
- St. Patrick: Dec. 24th - 7:30 p.m.
- St. Ann: Dec. 24th - 10 p.m.
- St. Ann: Dec. 25th - 10 a.m. *Merry Christmas*
- **There will be no 7 a.m. Mass at St. Ann on Dec. 26th.**

**COLLECTION COUNTING TEAMS FOR
DECEMBER / JANUARY**

Mon. Dec. 23: Joanne L., Rete B., Kathy P.
Mon. Dec. 30: Carol K. & Judi K.
Mon. Jan. 6: Sherry W., Nancy C., Bernie M.
Mon. Jan. 13: Carol K. & Barbara B.
Tue. Jan. 21: Joanne L., Rete B., & Kathy P.



Game Day Returns

Join us for Game Day in St. Ann's Family Center at 1 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons beginning in January. Watch this bulletin for the start date. Feel free to bring a favorite game to share and a friend!

ST. ANN'S ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS:
Just a reminder that if you were a recipient of a St. Ann scholarship this year, your scholarship check will be mailed to you at your home address in early January 2020. Again, congratulations to our 2019 scholarship winners!

FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT PROGRAM

Elder Services of Berkshire County, Inc., provides assistance with one-on-one support, support groups, caregiver trainings and referrals to community services at no charge, for caregivers.

If you are caring for someone over the age of 60, someone with dementia or a disability, or are a grandparent caring for a grandchild under the age of 18, you may be eligible for this service.

Contact us to set up an in-home, in-person, or telephone assessment. We are here to support caregivers. Please give us an opportunity to help!

Contact Bea Cowlin or Joe Choon at 413-499-0524.

Feel free to join us this weekend 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.



DECEMBER 22, 2019

Saint Patrick Church

West Stockbridge, MA

Dec. 22, 2019

Please Pray for:

Patricia Malumphy

LECTOR

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

ALTAR SERVER

WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 22

8:30 a.m.

K. Davis

T. Fasano, V. D'Aniello

L. O'Gara

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS: DECEMBER 24

7:30 p.m.

M. McMahon

K. Davis

L. O'Gara

WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 29

8:30 a.m.

J. Biggs

B. Biggs, V. D'Aniello

L. O'Gara

ST. PATRICK STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Collection on Dec. 15, 2019

Due to an early publication deadline, these numbers were not available. We will publish them in next weekends bulletin.

Thank you for your continued 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.

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Rev. C.J. Waitekus
St. Mary's Church
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Deacon John Zick
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Deacon Dan Romanello
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WEEKLY ENVELOPES:

THIS WEEKEND: Regular Weekly/Bldg
Maintenance/Christmas Flowers

TUESDAY, DEC. 24TH: Christmas Vigil Mass/
Christmas Flowers

NEXT WEEKEND: Regular Weekly

THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLE

BURNS IN MEMORY OF

Ann Angelini

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

SUN DEC. 22: Coffee Hour following Mass

SUN DEC. 29: Coffee Hour following Mass

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Tues. Dec. 24th: 7:30 p.m. Mass at St. Patrick Parish

Wed. Dec. 25th: 10 a.m. Mass at St. Ann Parish

DECEMBER MEETINGS & EVENTS

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

- **BIBLE STUDY WITH DEACON DAN:** Tue. Dec. 24th, 6:30 - 8 p.m. *No class tonight*
- **PRIVATE MEETING:** Friday, Dec. 27th, 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.

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Keeping You in the Loop: WeGather Launched (December 12, 2019)

It's official – our NEW church management program, WeGather, launched on Dec. 12, 2019!

Soon, we will have our own social media software that allows parishioners to communicate directly with one another through online chats, private messaging, along with email and text notifications. Personal profiles for all registered members will allow you to customize and keep track of your parish involvement, financial gifts, and volunteer for and stay connected to ministries that speak to the heart. Our date to sign-up was Dec. 12, 2019 – we are so excited to share more updates with you as the timeline progresses. Stay tuned!

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.

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 Jan. 4th, 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.

On April 18th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. we invite all the young ladies that plan to attend their prom this coming year, to come by our Family Center, where the gowns will be sold for \$10 each, the shoes \$2 a pair and one set of bling free, to select a dress and accessory.

All money collected will be donated to the Food Pantries that serve the Berkshires.

Thank you very much for helping me make dreams come true. I hope this becomes a yearly endeavor.

Carolyn Jeffrey, 413-637-3630

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 back at Riverside Saturday, January 25, 6 a.m.

Bus Two: 3 Day / 2 Night Hotel Stay. Departs Wed., 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. For details, visit our website at: www.masscitizensforlife.org/2020_marchforlife_dc

KID'S CORNER

WHAT AM I?

Start with 10 points.
Deduct 1 point each
time you go down to
a new clue. See if you
can guess what I am
before the final clue.

1. I have a bushy tail.
2. I'm very thrifty and store food for future use.
3. Prairie dogs and chipmunks are in my family.
4. I might live high in a tree, in among the rocks, or under the ground.
5. I can be as small as a mouse or as big as a large cat.
6. I might be black, gray, or red.
7. In cold climates, some of my relatives sleep through the winter.
8. I am a mammal.
9. Some of my relatives seem to fly, though they really are gliding.
10. I can be found almost anywhere in the world, from the desert to the rain forests.

There is one continent that has no native creatures of this sort. Can you guess which one?

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