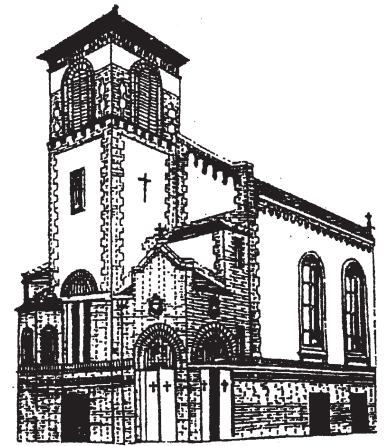




THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. PETER-ASSUMPTION-ST. PAUL

December 20, 2015

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Church of St. Peter
53 St. Mark's Place
Staten Island NY 10301
718 727-2672

Catechetical Center
15 Webster Avenue
Staten Island NY 10301
718 447-1290

Church of the Assumption
15 Webster Avenue
Staten Island NY 10301
718 447-6362

Served by:

Rev. Glendino Ragsag, Parochial Vicar
Janet A. Kelly, Parish Manager
Magdalena Centeno, Religious Education Coordinator and Pastoral Associate for Hispanic Ministry
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St Peter's Cemetery 718 442-2363

Margaret Moschetto, Pastoral Associate
Religious Education Office 718 447-1290
Rev. Michael W. Cichon, Pastor

CHURCH OF ST. PETER

Monday through Friday 7 a.m.
Saturday 5 p.m.
Saturday 6 p.m. La Misa en Espanol
Sunday 12 Noon

CHURCH OF ST. PETER

Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Sunday 11:15 to 11:45 a.m.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday through Friday 9 a.m.
Saturday 4 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m.
Sunday 5:30 p.m. La Misa en Espanol

CONFESSIONS

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.
Sunday 9:15 to 9:45

Holy Day Schedule

To be announced prior to each holy day

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 20, 2015



Saturday, December 19, 2015

4 p.m. Assumption Joanna Gigla
5 p.m. St. Peter Patricia Newman
6 p.m. St. Peter (Spanish) People of our Parish

Sunday, December 20, 2015

10 a.m. Assumption Cynthia Stumberger
12 Noon St. Peter Msgr. James Dorney
5:30 p.m. Assumption (Spanish) People of our Parish

Monday, December 21, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter James Dorney
9 a.m. Assumption Rev. Joseph Farrell

Tuesday, December 22, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Archbishop John Farley
9 a.m. Assumption Elizabeth Ann Hicks

Wednesday, December 23, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Msgr. James Dorney
9 a.m. Assumption Edward Antenucci

Thursday, December 24, 2015

7 a.m. St. Peter Rev. Robert Navins
9 a.m. Assumption Rev. Carmelo Crisci
4 p.m. Assumption People of our Parish
5 p.m. St. Peter People of our Parish
7 p.m. Assumption People of our Parish
12 Midnight St. Peter People of our Parish

Friday, December 25, 2015

10 a.m. Assumption People of our Parish
12 Noon St. Peter People of our Parish

Saturday, December 26, 2015

4 p.m. Assumption Joseph Agolia
5 p.m. St. Peter Frederick Sorensen
6 p.m. St. Peter (Spanish) People of our Parish

Sunday, December 27, 2015

10 a.m. Assumption Ann Marie Cotter
12 Noon St. Peter Rev. Marlon Lumanas
5:30 p.m. Assumption (Spanish) People of our Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Janette Aguilar, James Lawlor, Juanita Santiago, Margaret Barry, Margaret Ennis, Shirley Brockmeyer, Dolores DeLuca, Judy Trancucci, Joseph Albano, John Santore, Francine Rispoli, Frank Marrano, Jake Beurkle, Msgr. Vincent Bartley, Owen Harrison, Deacon James Stahlnecker, Zack Zayachek, Joyce Young, Beatrice Perera, Kenneth Courtney, Dianne Kinsella, Carla Buonviaggio, Elba Espinosa, Baby Joey Espinosa, John Perry, Jackie Guglielmini, Ann Napolitano, Bob Kozlowski.

Consider joining our Senior Center. They meet every Tuesday in Cohalan Hall (St. Peter-St. Paul School, 129 Clinton Avenue) at 10 for coffee, bingo games, cards and to talk about upcoming trips.

Catholic School Region Information

The 2016 Staten Island Catholic Elementary School Open Houses are January 12, February 2 and 23, March 8 and April 12 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. To locate a faith-based Pre-K, Kindergarten or elementary school program near you, call 646 794-2885 or visit www.buildingboldfutures.org

New Envelopes

We have received a number of phone calls from parishioners who have not received envelopes. You should have received a packet of envelopes for December and a mailing for Christmas. If you have not received these envelopes, please call the rectory. In the meantime, if you would like to receive credit for your donation, please use a plain envelope with your name, address and phone number. Thank you for your patience during this time of transition.

Do You Know?

If you make a pilgrimage, you may receive special graces if you also go to confession, receive Communion, pray for the Pope's intentions and perform a work of mercy within 20 days of the pilgrimage.

Abortion Pill Reversal Program

If you know someone who has taken RU-486, please let them know that there is now a successful method of reversing the pill's effect within 72 hours of taking this abortion pill— with no harm to the mother or the baby who has been conceived. For immediate help (time is of the essence), please call 347 495-3789 for assistance.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 20, 2015



The Feast of Christmas offers convincing proof of God's infinite love for us. For Jesus is God's greatest gift to all mankind in a long line of precious blessings bestowed on each of us. Indeed, we have much to be thankful for, even in these trying times.

We who serve you, thank you for your talents freely given, your cooperation, your financial sacrifices and most of all your prayers. It is our hope that Christ will be born anew in your minds and hearts on Christmas Day. May the Infant bring you His peace, joy and love.

Fr. Michael & Staff



Christmas & New Year's Schedule 2015



December 24 Christmas Vigil Masses

4:00 p.m. Assumption Church

5:00 p.m. St. Peter Church

7:00 p.m. Assumption Church (Spanish)

12 Midnight St. Peter

December 25 Christmas Masses

10:00 a.m. Assumption Church

12 Noon St. Peter Church

December 31 Holy Day Vigil Masses

4:00 p.m. Assumption Church

5:00 p.m. St. Peter Church

January 1 Holy Day Masses for Mary, Mother of God

10:00 a.m. Assumption Church

12 Noon St. Peter Church

The Mass book for 2016 is now open. If you would like to intention a Mass either in the Church of St. Peter or the Church of the Assumption, please call the parish office to make the arrangements.

St. Peter's Cemetery

St. Peter's Cemetery offers the purchase of future use graves. These future use graves will be limited to the graves available in Section R only (at the intersection of Tyler Avenue & Clove Road. Other sections of the cemetery will still be available for the purchase of immediate need of burial space. For individuals who prefer cremation, St. Peter's Cemetery also offers cremation niches that can hold two standard sized urns. The niches are available in St. Peter's Columbaria Garden for pre-need or immediate need. For more information, please call the cemetery office at 718 442-2363, Monday through Friday. Office hours are 8 a.m. to Noon, and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING, SUNDAY JANUARY 3rd, 10AM

On Sunday, January 3rd at 10 a.m., the Parish Holy Name Society will be holding its monthly breakfast meeting in the Rectory at 53 St. Mark's Place. Men of all ages are welcome to attend. It does not matter if you are a current member or a guest or even if you have never heard of us before! The Holy Name Society is happy to have all men of the newly merged Parish join us for a hearty breakfast and to find out more about all that we can accomplish together in the name of Christ Our Savior. Again, that's Sunday, January 3rd at 10 a.m.. The monthly Holy Name Mass will follow at 12 noon at St. Peter. Please join us!

Ladies of St. Mary

A cleaning service based out of St. Mary of the Assumption, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel-St. Benedicta parish, offers home or office cleaning services performed by trustworthy, qualified, responsible, hardworking members of the parish (serving the community for over 16 years). Services include deep, thorough cleaning of bathroom kitchen, floors, including dusting, vacuuming, polishing, tidying and much more, all for a reasonable price. Makes a great gift! For service or information contact Mrs. Contreras at 718 273-6934 or 718 442-3411. Also offering Adult Home care.

Don't forget: Coffee, Cake and Fellowship every Sunday after the 10 a.m. Mass at Assumption Church in the Church Hall.

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Food Pantries

There is a mobile food pantry outside St. Peter Church on Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. You need proof of residence to take advantage of the pantry.

If you are in need of food, the parish food pantry is open on Tuesdays from 3 to 4 p.m. Go to the back of 145 Clinton Avenue and someone will assist you.

Project Hospitality offers a meal every Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption Church in Assumption Hall. All are welcome.

Need help caring for yourself or someone else, but not sure where to turn with questions about:

- Housing for seniors and disabled persons
- Access to healthcare
- Health-related legal and financial issues
- Dementia care
- Transportation options
- Caregiver support groups
- Food and nutrition
- Volunteer opportunities

Call ArchCare

ArchCare Care Navigation Center
855 951-CARE (TTY/TDD: 711)

Care Navigators are here for you from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m., seven days a week. Help from a Care Navigator is totally free.

Separated & Divorced Support Group

This Support Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month. The next meeting will be on Friday, Jan. 8th at 7:30 p.m. at 145 Clinton Avenue. Please call 718 447-6362 should you wish to join the group. The facilitator will return your call.



Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast

POSADAS

Our Posadas are going to be held from December 16 to December 22 in the St. Peter-St. Paul School Gym at 7:00 p.m. December 23 at Assumption Church.

December 24: Mass at 7:00 p.m. Last Posada after Mass.

Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe

POSADAS

Las Posadas serán del 16 al 22 de diciembre en el gimnasio de la escuela de St. Peter-St. Paul. a las 7:00 p.m.

Diciembre 23, la posada será en la Iglesia de Asunción. Diciembre 24, misa en español a las 7:00 p.m. y la última posada será después de la misa.

PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY, SUNDAY JANUARY 3rd, 1PM

The Parish Holy Name Society will be hosting its second annual Christmas celebration on Sunday, January 3, 2016 after the noon Mass at St. Peter. The celebration will be held downstairs in Farrell Hall. All Parishioners and future Parishioners and friends of the Parish are welcome! Food and beverage will be served until 3:00pm. We look forward to seeing you and your family members on January 3.

Readings for the Week of December 20, 2015

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-8/Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/Lk 1:57-66

Thursday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Lk 1:67-79

Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-3, 11-13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3-4, 6, 8, 16-17/Mt 10:17-22

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28 or Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52