

November 30, 2014 First Sunday in Advent (B)



From The Desk of Msgr. Corrigan:

Many thanks to all who made our Annual Dinner Dance so successful- socially and financially. Our total profit from the Dinner Dance and the Journal was \$9,917.23. Thanks especially to all the volunteer workers at the dance. It was a beautiful night. Special thanks to Esther Rodrigues, our secretary, who did most of the work on the Journal.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY: On December 15th in all the churches of the Archdiocese of New York, there will be a special time for the hearing of confessions: 4:00pm-8:00pm. You can choose to go to any Catholic Church. Here at our church, confessions will be heard in English. Between 6pm-8pm, Fr. Hattar will hear confessions in Arabic and Fr. Reyes will hear them in Spanish. We will have our usual confessions before the 12:05 Mass but we will extend the time by starting the confessions (English-Spanish) at 11:30am.

It should be noted that on Monday, Friday and Saturday at our daily confessions –fifteen minutes before the 12:05 Mass- confessions will be heard in English and Spanish.

For those who are uncertain of the ritual of the Sacrament of Reconciliation here is an outline:

- ❖ *Begin with “Bless me father for I have sinned it has been (give an approximation) since my last confession. These are my sins...”*
- ❖ *Tell the priest your sins. Then say “I am sorry for these and all the sins that I cannot remember”*
- ❖ *The priest will then give you a penance which is usually said outside the confessional in the church.*
- ❖ *Then you say the Act of Contrition. If you don’t have it memorized, you can read it from the printed sheet of paper that is beside the confessional screen.*
- ❖ *The priest will then give you absolution. After you hear “I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit”. You answer “Amen”. Say “Thank you Father” and exit the confessional.*

You can choose to speak directly-face to face –to the priest by sitting in the chair in the confessional. Or be anonymous (priest can’t see you) by kneeling before the screen.



COLLECTION:

The collection for last Sunday, November 23, 2014 was \$3,103.03

The second collection next Sunday December 7, 2014 will be our Christmas Flower Offering.



Monthly Food Collection:

Next Sunday will be our monthly food collection, so please remember the needy of our community when you shop this week.



First Sunday in Advent:

Welcome to Advent, the beginning of another year in the Church! Therefore we begin this new year of grace by willingly and trustingly putting ourselves into God’s hands, to be formed into vessels that bring God’s word into the world.

In the first reading, repentant people address a prayer to God. They know now they are God’s children.

In the second reading, Paul’s greeting reminds us of all God’s special blessings. We look forward to Jesus’ glorious coming with confidence.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells his followers that they must wait patiently for the second coming of Christ by living their faith each day.

Religious Education:

We would like to thank all the parents that participated in our Family Catechesis Day it was a very enjoyable day. On December 6th Religious Education has an urgent Parent Meeting at 9:45 in the Church Hall. Please be on time!



Question of the Week

Whatever the feelings we ourselves may bring to this year’s real-world “Advent”, **how** can we “step outside ourselves” to become Jesus’ Advent “servants on the watch” to transform someone else’s anxiety and fear into promise and hope?

Christmas Flowers:

We are taking names for the memorial which will be placed on a Christmas plaque in the rear of the church. Your donations, in memory of loved one, or for a special intention, will be placed on this plaque to be remembered by the faithful during the Holy Season. Arrangements can be made by placing your intentions and donation in the flower envelope in your December set of envelopes.

The flower offering helps to defray the cost of decorating our altars for Christmas.



Large Poinsettia Plants	\$50.00
Medium Poinsettia Plant	\$25.00
Small Poinsettia Plant	\$20.00

Day of Obligation-December 8th Feast of the Immaculate Conception-

Monday December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and a day of Obligation the Masses will be at 8:15 and 12:05 and 7:30p.m. The rectory office will also be closed that day.

Flock Notes: If you are interested in resiving emails from the Archdiocese of New York all you have do is email the our church at icmary103@gmail.com , along with giving us your email address if you would like to receive text messages just include your mobile phone number when you email us.

**UNEXPECTED PREGNANCY? If you are in a crisis pregnancy, please
Call 914-620-4464 LIFE OPTIONS CENTER 24 HOURS, 7 DAYS A WEEK.**

**MASS SCHEDULE
November 30, 2014-December 7, 2014**

INTENTIONS :

REQUESTED BY :

Sun.30

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Piedad Rios

11:00 Rose Kunny

Son

Family

Mon. 01

8:15 In Thanksgiving

12:05 Dennes M. McMahan

The Dougan Family

Bonanno Family

Tues.02

8:15

12:05 Jim Stanley

Mary Devitt

Wed.03

8:15

12:05

Thu.04

8:15

12:05

7:00

Fri.05

8:15

12:05 Edward Raff

John Eshoo

Sat.06

8:15

12:05 Margaret DeBenette Mother&Father

5:00 Elizabeth & Daniel McGlynn

7:30

Daughter Angela

Mary Buckley & Family

Sun.07

7:30 For the Parishioners

9:00 Piedad Rios

11:00 Eileen Ledrick

Son

Catherine Reid

