



# Second Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2013

## WE GATHER THIS WEEK

Saturday 4:30 Eucharist (4PM Reconciliation)  
7P Sacred & Classical Concert—St. C's  
Sunday 10AM Eucharist  
11AM, K-6 Gathering and Stories  
2-4P: afternoon of Advent Reflection  
Tuesday 10AM Adult Home Comm. Service  
6:30-8P Christmas Choir Rehearsal  
8 PM AA Jaracz Hall  
Wednesday 7 PM Women's Spirituality  
Thursday 12N AA Jaracz Hall  
(No Spanish Service -will resume January 9)  
6:30-8:30P Pastoral Council Mtg.  
Friday 9AM Eucharist  
2PM Inquiries into our Catholic Church  
Nxt.Saturday 4:30 Eucharist (4 Reconciliation)  
Nxt Sunday 10AM Eucharist  
11AM, Faith Formation K-6 Reg Session  
4-7PM 7-12th Graders.....

### COMING SOON

December 24 4:30P Christmas Eve Mass  
December 25 10A Christmas Day Mass

## WE WORSHIP

### Mass Intentions

Saturday, 12/7 4:30PM **JEAN CHAPIN**  
Req. by Jackie Strasser  
Sunday, 12/8 10AM **Intentions St. Cecilia's Parishioners**  
Friday, 12/13 9AM **Available**  
Saturday, 12/14 4:30PM **GERTRUDE FRICK**  
Req. by family  
Sunday, 12/15 10AM **LYND COX**  
Req. by Father Paul Cox, brother

Friday Mass is now at 9AM. Welcome!!

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Alice Damp  
623-3618 or edaldamp@yahoo.com



In memory of **Milly Byrne**, December's candle will burn at the request of her husband, Walter.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Sacred Heart Church

Every Wednesday, 8:30am – 9pm  
Chaplet Divine Mercy - Wednesdays 3pm.



## WE TEACH

### Faith Formation Schedule

**This and Next Sunday: Gathering, K-6**  
**11AM= "Catholic Culture & Customs"** (Leigh Cain)  
**11:20– 11:45AM = Bible Story**  
(Storytellers = Margaret Carroll and Ann Murphy...TY!)  
**11:45-12Noon = Biblical Snack**

**Gathering 7-12th Graders**  
4-7PM Next Sunday, 12/15

### ADULTS...

#### TWO THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

- 1) Information Classes about the Catholic Faith began last Friday. at the rectory. The gatherings are now regularly scheduled for Fridays. Next week it will be at 2PM. After that, it will regularly be at 1PM on Fridays. We have one young woman who is fully initiated, but wants more catechesis. Another young man is of a different tradition, but wants to know more. Would you like to join us as a support person? (The more parishioners who share their faith, the better!! Only faith is needed.) Do you or someone you know want to know more about the Catholic Faith? Either just come, or speak with SLH this week.
- 2) Regarding how the new understanding of the Universe is effecting Spirituality and Theology, a group is forming to study this. The book is Field of Compassion by Judy Canatto. Order the book and let SLH know you want to be involved.

#### It may look small, but it isn't!

#### Every little bit helps, for sure. THANKS!

Thank you to **Emily Kladis**, who contributes to the community as a lector, Eucharistic Minister, High School Teacher, Student of the Kateri Diocesan Formation Program, and as an active member of the Pastoral Council. More and more things are crowding in on **Emily**, so she had to cut back. **Emily** has stepped back from the Pastoral Council. Her insights and challenges will be missed!!! Thanks, **Emily!** Thank you to **Richelene Morey** for the "heads up" about the broken fence and trees, and to **John Franchini** for graciously analyzing the overall health of the trees. Thank you to **Rich Eaton** for taking our broken fence apart and to **Ed Gaiotti** for cutting down the cedars. While he was at it, **Ed** also replaced the bulb that shines on our Rose Window and a bulb in the bell tower to light the tower at night. (Looks great!). Most heroic of all, **Ed** climbed into the church rafters and placed the tarp over the summer exhaust fan to prevent some of the heat loss. THANKS! And thanks to **John Santiago** for bringing the old fence and broken trees to the dump. Thank you to all who notice when the sidewalks need clearing—and then do something about it! We thank **Ron Boccieri, Mike Nissen, Sean Cunniffe, Ed Gaiotti**, who helped out last weekend. (and one other mystery person) Thank you to **Robert Peck** who noticed the ladder and large wreath last Sunday... voila! As easy as can be, he put the wreath up and the ladder away! Thank you to **Ed and Alice Damp** for delivering our monthly donation of food and detergent. As good as gold, they are! Thank you to all who have taken a tag for the Giving Tree! Consider this your gift to Jesus, whose birthday it is! **Joseph and Elizabeth Schuster** put our mammoth Christmas tree together this past week (phew!). [Where in the world did that come from? All Saints in Albany—a parish friend took it off their hands and put it in our garage! It just appeared! Oh well.] Thank you to **Harriet Bunker** for the donation of the balsam garland on our railing and the wonderful Norfolk pines around the font and manger. These gifts are given in loving memory of Harriet's sister, **Nancy Morrison**. Thank you to **Dawn Brunner** and **Gail DeMarsh** for leading the "RCIA" meeting. And thanks to **Gail DeMarsh** for all her hard work organizing the efforts of the Mission Families toward this weekend's fundraiser. Thanks to all the parishioners and family members who helped out. Thank you to **Tina Gosselin** for her weekly donation of church vacuuming! Thanks to all who are writing the cards to our homebound.

### News from Neighbors

#### North Country Ministry 623-2829

3933 Main Street Clothing Center & Baby's Place  
9-12 Mon/ 9-12 Tues/ 1-4 Wed, Thurs, Fri.  
Every Tuesday and Friday, NCM serves a hot lunch.

**Volunteers are needed by North Country Ministry.** Please consider giving 2-3 hours a week of your time to help NCM provide services essential to the ministry's effectiveness. If interested, please call Barbara Mahaffey at 623-2829.

## We Serve

### SHARING TREASURE

Last Sunday: \$2,716

(Thank you to all who "make up")

Make-Up = \$120 Gifts = \$95 Fuel = \$125  
Maintenance/Repair = \$80 Mito = \$5  
Faith Formation = \$10 Youth Mission = \$60  
Debt Reduction = \$100  
No. Country Ministry = \$355.15  
Parishioners in Need = \$50  
Campaign Human Dev = \$30  
Christmas = \$25 Christmas Flowers = \$10



**OUR GIVING TREE has many tags left for PARISHIONERS IN NEED and FUEL MONEY FOR LOCAL FAMILIES**

### Our Homebound this Christmas:

- 1) Donate your extra Christmas Cards for folks who want to send one to the Homebound (Thanks Pat Leonard and Alice Damp!!)
- 2) Underneath the Green Mailbox in the narthex is a list of parishioners. For as many as possible, write a Christmas Card and return to the box by noon on December 22. (This simple project is always a "hit." They love having so many greetings to show off!!) AND/OR
- 3) After Mass on December 22, bring the cards and the parish gifts to one of our homebound parishioners. Visit for about fifteen minutes, sing a song, and wish them a blessed Christmas! Easy...and a good thing to do. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. (It might be nice to visit someone you don't already know.)

**10% BACK!!!** When you bring this bulletin to dinner at Lizzy Keyes, 10% of the cost of the entrees will be donated back to St. Cecilia's Church, kindness of Tom and Amber Grace.

### The Priory in Chestertown

(www.prioryretreathouse.org)

Go to the web page for details, See flyers on the bulletin board, or call 494-3733.

### The Dominican Retreat House

located in Niskayuna offers many opportunities... details are on the bulletin board or at www.dslcny.org

### CEMETERY SALE...

#### Just two more weeks

It costs less than anywhere to buy a cemetery plot at St. C's Cemetery. Right now, one grave costs \$400. For many reasons, the cost will increase to \$500 on January 1. Interested in "taking care of this sooner than later?" Please contact Dawn Brunner on Tuesdays at St. C's Cemetery Office (623-3021) or anytime at brunner\_dawn@yahoo.com. (If you snooze, you lose.)

### FAIR TRADE CATALOGS

Catalogs available in the Narthex to order Fair Trade gift items.

Deadline is this Tuesday

December 10. For more info see or call Gail DeMarsh.



## Concert Today, Saturday, 7PM, St. C's

Our high school singers, under the direction of "Mr. C," will offer a concert of sacred and classical music right here at St. C's. The Tree Lighting and Blessing will be at the bandstand at 6PM. The Concert will follow, free.

**Please support Christmas in Warrensburgh And our YOUTH! Thanks.**

## Support Our Mission Kids' Tree Raffles...Today

During Christmas in Warrensburg, our Mission Kids will offer the "Annual Tree Raffle." Please stop by in the narthex and support our kids.