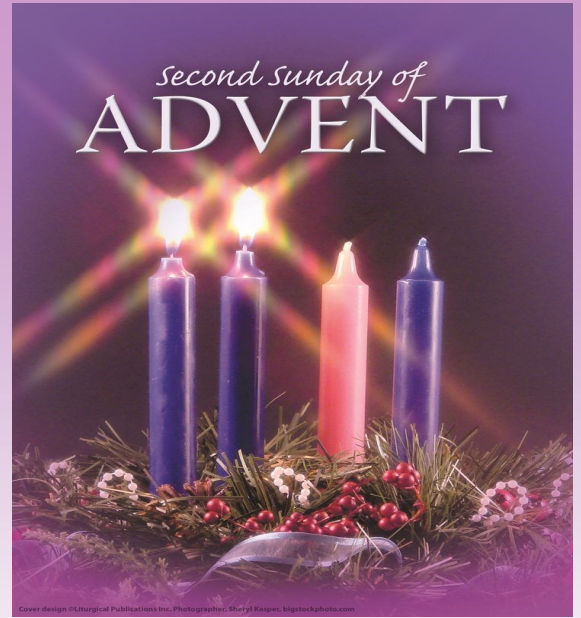


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Schedule of Masses

Masses:
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:30 am and 12:00 pm
Monday-Thursday: 12:15 pm

National Holidays: Mass at 9:00 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:40 pm

Anointing of the Sick: First Saturday of the month at the 5:00 pm evening Mass.

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RCI Program:
Are you interested in becoming a Catholic, or are you a baptized Catholic seeking to complete the Sacraments Initiation?
For an application or any questions, please send an email to dre.stmarylic@gmail.com or call 917-832-6104.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Wednesday 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Baptism:
4th Saturday of the month at 1:00 pm. For courtesy please arrive fifteen minutes earlier.

Please note– For December 2023– Baptism will take place on December 16 at 1:00pm.

Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor.

Weddings:
Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance in prior to the wedding date. Please call the Rectory for an appointment with the Pastor. All couples are required to attend the online Pre-Cana and present the certificate when completed.

Funerals: Monday through Saturday

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“ Make straight his paths, “Isaiah cried out, prophesying that the Lord would come to rescue and comfort the people of God. Centuries later, Mark quotes this call at the very beginning of his Gospel, presenting John the Baptist as the prophet who took this to heart, preparing the way for the Lord. Now, two millennia later, during this season when we prepare for the Lord’s coming into our lives and into our hearts, how can we “make straight his paths”?



Mass Intentions For The Week

Saturday December 9, 2023

5:00 pm JoAnn Walker

Sunday December 10, 2023

9:30 am Maureen Murray

12:00pm Michael T. O’Brien

Monday December 11, 2023

12:15pm Steve Garger

Tuesday December 12, 2023

12:15pm Sister Annette and Elaine Marie Roeder

Wednesday December 13, 2023

11-12pm Blessed Sacrament

12:15pm Sister Lucy-St. Roses Home

Thursday December 14, 2023

12:15pm Bridget O’Donnell

Friday December 15, 2023

No Mass

Saturday December 16, 2023

5:00pm Marion and Joseph Acerno

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Church Pledged the Amount \$ 29,309



Goal: \$ 17,344
Pledged: \$ 29,309
Amount needed to



Statistics for December 2 and December 3, 2023

Count	351
1st Collection	2,167
2nd Collection	680

Pray for the sick

Teresa Ortiz, Joe Sullivan, Martha Catel, Jimmy O’Neil, Robert Keegan, Joan Pacheco, Madelaine Sullivan, Mary Roedner, Tina Stare, Kelly Wallace, Kevin and Stan Wallace

Pray for the Deceased

Ines Cano, Salvatore Caiaccia, Elizabeth Crumish DeMartine, Emily Loiacono, Joan O’Brien, Anthony Walsh Jr., William F. Walsh, Antonio Natale, Antonio Magri, Mary and Daniel McCarthy

Purgatorial Intentions

Tom DeQuatro, Felino Francisco Alamani, Dorothy, Marinelli, Anna Mangino, Anthony DeFelica, Evarito Sipin, Frank Carrado, Yolanda Sipin, Genevive Roeder, Pasqual Cafiero, Robert Rohan, Tommaso Valese, Leonardo Antonio, Donna Vova, Vincenza Rios, Mildred Schifano

Christmas Masses

Sunday, December 24, 2023

5:00pm Christmas Vigil Mass
“Vigil Mass of Christmas”

9:30pm Musical Prelude with Strings and Cantor
10:00pm Christmas Mass at Night
“ **Mario Manna and Family**”

Monday, December 25, 2023

9:00am Musical Prelude with Strings and Cantor
“ **Genevieve and James Roeder**”

9:30 am Christmas Mass at Dawn

11:30am Musical Prelude with Strings and Cantor
12:00pm Christmas Mass at Daytime



ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

In person AA Meetings
held in St. Mary’s Church Basement,
gather Mondays at 7:00 pm
Wednesday meetings take place via Zoom at 7:30 pm
For more information, please visit the website:
Licgroupsaa@gmail.com
Live Hotline from 9:00 am-2:00 am at 212-647-1680
Monday-Sunday



Daily Readings: First Reading Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Catholic news Agency-December 10, 2023

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken." Second Sunday of Advent Donate 12/8/23, 3:20 PM Second Sunday of Advent - Liturgical Calendar 2023 - 2024 <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/calendar/2023-12-10> 2/8 10 11 8 9 10 11 12 13 8 9 10 11 12 Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd, he will gather the lambs in his arms, he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young. Responsorial Psalm Psalms 85:9-14 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints, to those who turn to him in their hearts. Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky. Yea, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before him, and make his footsteps a way. Second Reading 2 Peter 3:8-14 But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise as some count slowness, but is forbearing toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and the works that are upon it will be burned up. Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of persons ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness, Donate 12/8/23, 3:20 PM Second Sunday of Advent - Liturgical Calendar 2023 - 2024 <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/calendar/2023-12-10> 3/8 13 14 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be kindled and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire! But according to his promise we wait for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you wait for these, be zealous to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace. Gospel Mark 1:1-8 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight -- " John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Donate 12/8/23, 3:20 PM Second Sunday of Advent - Liturgical Calendar 2023 -



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Following the Mass, we invite parents to let their **kids explore and grow in their faith** by attending our **Catholic faith classes for all ages**, which commence at **10:30 a.m.**

If you have any questions, please reach out to:
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May God bless you and your family abundantly. Yours in Christ, Giovanna Varlese, Director.

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

St. Mary Parish Choir
12:00 pm Sunday Mass weekly
11:15 am–11:40 am Rehearsal in the church

Do you like to sing? If so, we would like to hear from you!
 Our Parish Choir is up and running with 5 dedicated parishioners helping to lead the congregation in song (along with our Cantor) at the Sunday Noon Mass every week.
 There is a painless and quick audition with Dr. Bischof our Director of Music to sing through a hymn and is discuss the Parish Choir commitment.
 To sign up for an audition, please contact Dr. Justin Bischof at 646-206-7638 or justin@justinbischof.com

