

# CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION-ST. JAMES

## Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>SATURDAY,</b> SJ 4:00 PM	<b>NOVEMBER 29, 2008</b> Kathryn B. Filidore By Alicia Filidore Margaret Battaglia By Patricia Puliti I 5:30 PM John Pierdinock By Zampirri Family
<b>SUNDAY,</b> I 7:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 30, 2008</b> Anna L. Cenni By M/M Don Smith SJ 9:30 AM Anne Gowaty By Florence Perrine Lucy Chiantese By Peter & Josephine Zangrilli & Maria I 11:00 AM Donald T. Harney By M/M Clarence Gilbert, Jr. I 5:30 PM Samuel Slowinski By Peter & Theresa Krawiec
<b>MONDAY,</b> I 6:45 AM	<b>DECEMBER 1, 2008</b> Geremia & Antiope Gentile By Family SJ 8:00 AM Stella Cegielski By Edith Ann Mrazik Susan M. Riehl By Dolores Sebasto
<b>TUESDAY,</b> I 6:45 AM	<b>DECEMBER 2, 2008</b> Theresa Giambrone By Family Victoria Gudebski By Gene & Alex Spring SJ 8:00 AM Parishioners of ISJ Rosalie Cegielski By Ron & Joyce Raymond
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> I 6:45 AM	<b>DECEMBER 3, 2008</b> Edward B. Trainor By Sister, Kathleen A. Trainor SJ 8:00 AM Margaret Battaglia By Rose Falzone Stephen Gowaty, Sr. & Stephen Gowaty, Jr. By Daniel & Nina Gowaty
<b>THURSDAY,</b> I 6:45 AM	<b>DECEMBER 4, 2008</b> Harry Culliton By Wife, Veronica SJ 8:00 AM Americo Silvestri By Michael Lanzoni Rosalie Cegielski By Harold & Grace Lanzoni

<b>FRIDAY,</b> I 6:45 AM	<b>DECEMBER 5, 2008 FIRST FRIDAY</b> Kathy Piscopo (Anniv) By Mom & Dad SJ 8:00 AM Americo Silvestri By Patricia Puliti Natalina "Edith" Convenio By ISJ Seniors John Brady School Mass By Joan Carlin <i>Adoration following Mass until close at 4:00 p.m. with Vespers and Benediction.</i>
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<b>SATURDAY,</b> SJ 8:00 AM	<b>DECEMBER 6, 2008 FIRST SATURDAY</b> Albert Lanzoni By Rose Persichetti Kathleen M. Kolesar By Donna & Eddie Bucci <i>First Saturday Devotion begins before Mass.</i> I 8:45 AM John Paul Rooney I 9:00 AM By Sally & Joe Bogdan & Family <i>First Saturday Devotion concludes following Mass. Please join us in this Devotion to our Blessed Mother.</i> SJ 4:00 PM Mildred Fruscione (Anniv) By Family Lucy Cicchetti Chiantese By Rose & Christopher Neubert I 5:30 PM Helen Haney By Russ & Sue Totaro
<b>SUNDAY,</b> I 7:30 AM	<b>DECEMBER 7, 2008</b> Donald T Harney By Marie & Steve Agocs SJ 9:30 AM Louis LiMato, Jr. By Mother, June Enza Riggi By San Calogero Society I 11:00 AM Bette Pagano By Paul Betsy Piscopo I 5:30 PM Helen Rose Haney By Elizabeth Morgan



*The Incarnation Sanctuary Candle, and the Bread & Wine used at Mass are:*  
In Loving Memory of:  
Victoria Gudebski  
By Gene & Alex Spring  
*The St. James Sanctuary Candles, Bread & Wine used at Mass and Altar Flowers are:*  
In Loving Memory of:  
Stephen Gowaty, Sr. & Stephen Gowaty, Jr.  
By Dan & Nina Gowaty

### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

Please pray for the repose of the soul of: *Florence Sperrazza and Genevieve Haggerty*. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

## From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Parishioners and Friends of ISJ,

*"This is the day that the Lord has made and we rejoice and we are glad!"*

Beginning with this Sunday, brothers and sisters, the holy Season of Advent unfolds for us over four thousand years of the history of salvation, from the fall of our first Parents, Adam and Eve, to the dawn of our Redemption in Jesus Christ with His birth in Bethlehem. Of all the seasons of the Church's Year of Grace, Advent is, by far, the most beautiful and poetic. For those faithful to daily Mass the best of the Scriptures will be proclaimed, as our hearts thrill with longing for the coming of the Messiah. In this holy Season, we will meet three of the greatest individuals in all of the Bible.

The first of our Advent guides is the Prophet Isaiah. He lived about six hundred years before the birth of Jesus and his writings are among the most beautiful in all of the Scriptures. Songs and poetry, filled with longing and hope for the coming of the Just one, saturate these passages and the Church uses them to prepare the way of the Lord. Long after Mass is over, these readings deserve to be reflected on again and again. Isaiah perfectly reflects our Advent longing for Jesus. Who cannot but thrill at the words: "Comfort, comfort my people and tell them that their slavery has come to an end for the Lord has come to his people and lives with them." In just a few words, the spirit of Advent is summed up.

The second of our Advent guides is St. John the Baptist. He was a cousin to Jesus and began his ministry of preaching and baptizing at about the same time as Jesus. In fact so popular was John with the people, that many thought he was the promised Messiah. John would tell them: "What you suppose me to be, I am not. One greater than I is coming after me." John would prepare the hearts and lives of the people for the greater work and ministry of the Lord Jesus. And that is the work of the Baptist in our own lives – he prepares us for the greatest Gift of all – Jesus Christ. Take John the Baptist with you Christmas shopping and you'll get more than you bargained for. His Advent call to conversion resounds throughout our lives: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His Paths."

And the last and the greatest of our Advent guides is the most Blessed among all women, our Blessed Lady. She brings us right to that Silent Night, Holy Night when all is calm and all is bright. On the greatest day of human history when an Angel of Light came down from the Throne of Light and asked this young girl not yet a woman if she would give God a human nature in which to suffer and die, all creation, as St. Bernard writes, "...held its breath waiting for her reply." And, at her assenting nod, God gave to the world His Son. At that moment the dawn of hope burst over the world. What a Savior we have in Jesus.

During these four holy weeks, if it is possible, try to attend daily mass or as often as you can to hear the great words of the Bible and to be fed with the Bread of Life. We have the Giving Tree in both Churches to enable each of us to remember those who are not as fortunate as we are. If God gave us the Gift of His Son should we not do the same and give gifts of love to others? And even though we are not in the Season of Lent and the Church does not impose fasting by law, in this season of excessive eating and drinking perhaps we could fast from certain foods and activities until Christmas and afterwards in order to prepare our hearts and souls for Jesus. These and many other ways will help keep this season holy and not just one devoted to shopping and decorating. Long after the Christmas tree is taken down, Jesus will remain.

May this holy Season of Advent make us a holy People of God. May your week be blest in every way.

*In the Love of Jesus and  
our Blessed Lady,  
Father Daniel, O.S.S.T.*

**THESE OUR  
GIFTS  
OF LOVE** 

**COLLECTION TOTALS FOR:**

**NOVEMBER 22-23, 2008**

**NOVEMBER 29-30, 2008**

**And Campaign for Human Development will be published in the next bulletin due early press deadlines for Thanksgiving.**

Thank you for your ongoing Catholic Stewardship and support of our Incarnation - St. James Parish Family. Nothing can be done without you, your participation and generosity in time, spirit and financial support

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### INCARNATION-ST. JAMES LAY MINISTRIES

#### Saturday, December 6, 2008

- 4:00 PM EMHC: Deacon Frank Golazeski, M. & C. Calderone  
Reader: Dan Gowaty  
Server: M. Crum
- 5:30 PM EMHC: Deacon Tom Rivella, K. Barbiero, Tim Rivella  
Reader: Diana Ionata  
Server: C. Barbiero, B. Ford, C. McManimon

#### Sunday, December 7, 2008

- 7:30 AM EMHC: Deacon Tom Rivella, J. Vandegrift, P. & L. Brennan, C. Rudnick  
Reader: Prayther Denson  
Server: M. Faherty, A. Soden, S. Stradling
- 9:30 AM EMHC: T. Cammarata, B. Fabe, J. LiMato  
Reader: Edith Mrazik  
Server: M. Brooks
- 11:00 AM EMHC: Deacon Joe Hannawacker, Sr. Francis, D. Sapp, M. Tovar, L. Silvestri  
Reader: Donald Cox  
Server: R. Hoyt, L. & S. Petersack
- 5:30 PM EMHC: Deacon Joe Hannawacker, B. & M. Seaman  
Reader: M. Bedard  
Server: G. Gehyeka, R. Totaro

#### Remember the Sick in Your Prayers....

Daniel Adams, Lucille Altamare, Josephine Amico, Maribel Aromin, Mary Aveni, Bob Bark, Gene Blicharz, Lucy Boczany, Rose Bonifazi, Margaret Ann Bruno, Lillian Bulanowski, Eileen Byrne, Steve Cebulko, Claire & Ugo Cesaro, Yolanda Ciprietti, Peter Corti, Jean DelVecchio, Richard Dotter, Tom Dzubek, Marie Emma, Eileen Fell, Nancy Ferrara, Rennie Funari, Alfredo Gentile, Josephine Geraci, Maryann Gibilisco, David Gillico, Constance Gizzi, Rose Gizzi, Sharon Gizzi, Vincent Guagliardo, Mary Hebert, Irene Infanti, Evelyn Kaltin, Barbara Kelly, Mary Lanzoni, Rogelio Lopera, Lynn Lippincott, Bill McKnight, Viola McGuigan, Eileen Meagher, Joseph Minotti, Terry Moulton, Helene Mule, Frances Nardone, Pia Paul, Bernice Pearre, Helen Persichetti, Laura Petroni, Amanda Radice, Kathleen Reed, Daisy Rivera Alicea, Dolores Rogers, Fena Romano, Grace Rossi, Nikki Russo, Carol Salender, Frank Sapio, Maureen Scibilia, Mary Frances Smith, Tina Taglireno, Angelo Vagnozzi, Anthony Vannozzi, Joseph Vocek, Stephanie Weightman, Theresa Wilde, Imelda Wollert and Nicholas Zuccarello.

Please call the parish office at 609-882-2860 to add a name to the prayer list and inform us when all is well so we may take a name off the list.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Religious Education Classes will be held this Monday evening from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Please have the children on time. Confessions will be heard.

### *First Penance*

Our parish children are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Penance for the First time on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Incarnation Church. Please keep our children and their families in your prayers as they prepare to meet Jesus in the Sacrament of Penance.

### ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

THANK YOU for "THINKING PIES". Your generosity is deeply appreciated and, as always, your support for our projects is welcomed.

Monthly Meeting for December.

When: Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Where: St. James Trinity Hall following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Look forward to attending.

### *First Friday Eucharistic Adoration*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on **First Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M. @ Incarnation Church** and will conclude at **4:00 PM with Night Prayer & Benediction.** Scheduled adorers are needed to fill time slots so that our Blessed Sacrament is not left alone. **Sign up sheets for half hour time slots are in the front vestibules of both churches.**



### SCHOOL NEWS

#### **Catholic School Financial Aid for 2009-2010**

For any families who would like to apply for PSAS, the Diocesan Tuition Assistance program for Catholic Schools, for the 2009-2010 school year please note that the application due date has been changed. The forms must be completed by December 31, 2008. **Each year, families interested must complete a new PSAS application form to be eligible.** Forms are now available in the school's main office, please call Sister Francis at 609-882-3228, or stop by the office for a form.

### *Parish Penance Service for Advent*

We will hold an evening **Penance Service** at Incarnation Church on Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Additional priests will be available for confessions. This is a perfect opportunity to prepare your heart for the coming of our Infant King.

Confessions during Advent are also available on Saturday at the St. James Church at 3:30-4:00 p.m. and at the Incarnation Church at 4:30-5:15 p.m.



**ISJ ATHLETIC ASSOC. –  
CHRISTMAS WREATH SALE**

Wreaths will be available for pick up Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup> after the 5:30 Mass and on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon at the Incarnation Campus. Please contact Patty

Petersack @609-439-3865 with questions regarding pick-up. Cost per wreath is \$16.00. Thank you for your support!

**SAN CALOGERO SOCIETY –  
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Everyone is welcome to join us for a wonderful afternoon of Good Food, Wine, Fun and Dancing.

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Cedar Gardens Restaurant, Rt. 33, Hamilton Township. \$30.00 per person. For more information, details, and tickets call:

Connie Fanelli 585-0575 or Jennie Alessi 586-2052

**SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON**

The Seniors will hold their Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Roman Hall. Cost per person is \$20.00 for members and \$22.00 for non-members. Music & Dancing. For reservations please call by December 3rd: Lucy Bogda: 882-0750, Mickey Calderone: 882-8117, Lidia Silvestri: 882-7131. Ho Ho Hope to see you there!



**ANNUAL INCARNATION-ST.  
JAMES  
GIVING TREE PROJECT**

**@ THE INCARNATION CHURCH  
CAMPUS**

The Giving Tree is up and awaiting your tag selection. In accordance with our Giving Tree Tradition we ask you to share your Christmas with someone less fortunate by providing a gift for them. We work through Anchor House, Martin House, Rainbow House, Morris Hall, Mt. Carmel Guild and our new neighbor, Care One Center. We have gifts tags on the Christmas tree at the altar indicating items that have been requested. Return the gift, wrapped, with the tag attached. Gifts must be returned by December 14<sup>th</sup>. Anyone who would like to help sort the gifts is welcome to join us on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> following the 5:30 p.m. Mass. If you have any questions concerning the gift items please call Rose Stevenson at 609-884-0749.

**@ THE ST. JAMES CHURCH CAMPUS**

The Giving Tree is up and awaiting your tag selection. Red Christmas gift tags are donated to Christopher House and Green Christmas gift tags are donated to the Children's Home Society. Gifts must be returned wrapped with the tag attached by December 14<sup>th</sup>. Gifts will be sorted following the 9:30 a.m. mass December 14th. If you have any questions concerning the gift items please call Maria Zangrilli at 609-883-8453.



# Saturday with Santa!



**DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>  
10:00 A.M. TO NOON**

Incarnation-St. James PTA's Annual Saturday with Santa will be held on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Come join us for light refreshments, games, crafts, and of course a visit from Santa! The cost is \$6.00 per child, \$7.00 at the Door.

If you would like to attend – please complete the bottom coupon portion of this column and return it, along with payment, to Annie Hoyt, c/o Rebecca in Grade 8, drop in the collection basket or take to the Rectory by December 8<sup>th</sup>. Checks may be made payable to I-SJ PTA.

## Saturday with Santa!

Yes, we would like to attend "Saturday with Santa"

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed @\$6.00 per child: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note: All children must be accompanied by an adult.

## PARISH CALENDARS

We would like to thank the M. William Murphy, Inc. Funeral Home for donating our 2009 Incarnation-St. James Parish calendars. Calendars are available at the entrances of both Church Worship sites.

*NOVEMBER 30, 2008*

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## Christmas Flower Fund



Each year we extend an invitation to the parishioners and friends of Incarnation-St. James Parish to contribute to the Christmas Flower Fund. Monies collected through this special fund pay for the flowers and decoration of both Church Sanctuary's for the Blessed Season of Christmas. Please be as generous as you can be, since the cost of flowers continually rises. Contribution to the Christmas Flower Fund may be made by direct donation or by a memorial donation or special intention. As always, your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Please complete the form and return it in the Christmas Flower Envelope or an envelope marked FLOWER FUND: to the Rectory, via the collection basket or mail to: Incarnation-St. James 1545 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ 08618. **Returns must be received by December 22<sup>nd</sup>** to be included in the Christmas Acknowledgment Booklet.



INTENTION:

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Memorial: \_\_\_\_\_

(Memorial - List intentions above)

