

**Peace
On Earth**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2008

Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 8:00 AM ✕ Pasquale Gallucci, Jr.
- 10:30 AM ✕ Rose Bolduc
- ✕ Arthur Benoit (Anniv.)
- 5:00 PM ✕ Bethany R. Cyr (1st Anniv.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2008

Late Advent Weekday

- 7:00 AM ✕ Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2008

Late Advent Weekday

- 7:00 AM ✕ Francis J. Silva

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2008

Vigil of Christmas

- 4:00 PM Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement
- 11:30 PM SACRED CONCERT
- 12 Midnight Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2008

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

- 8:00 AM Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement
- 10:30 AM Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2008

Stephen, first martyr

- 7:00 AM ✕ Robert V. Hannan (21st Anniv.)
- 1:30 PM West Bay Manor Mass
- 4:00 PM Haun/McMahon Wedding

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2008

John, apostle & evangelist

- 4:00 PM ✕ Lionel Fournier (8th Anniv.)
- ✕ Rose Costantino (2nd Anniv.)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2008

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

- 8:00 AM ✕ Rev. Richard A. Donnelly
- 10:30 AM ✕ Harold Geary, Jr.
- ✕ Beverly Shallcross
- 5:00 PM ✕ Michael Bevilacqua (12th Anniv.)

Dear Parishioners,

“Joy to the world the Lord is come. Let earth receive her King!” Is there a season more beautiful, more hope-filled than Christmas? The carols, the decorations, the gifts, the smiles on people’s faces—all this because a little boy was born. But not just a little boy—rather the Son of God become one of us. It is a great mystery that we celebrate and ponder year after year, a mystery that has inspired the minds and hearts of billions of people throughout our world. May that mystery take deeper root in our hearts this Christmas and renew our Faith, Hope and Love. Emmanuel—God is with us—today and every day in the Eucharist!!

My thanks to all who will make Christmas so beautiful here at our parish, especially our good Deacon Noel Edsall; our music director Mr. Thomas Hogan & our ever-faithful parish choir; Mr. Anthony DiSaia and all our church mice who help decorate and keep the church so beautiful; the altar servers, lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion; the ushers and greeters and, of course, all of you!

Please keep in your prayers this week all those who are sick, suffering, lonely or separated from family and friends this Christmas. May the joy of this sacred season penetrate their hearts and fill them with hope and strength.

Our Christmas Concert last Friday was a night to remember! Everyone who came left with a smile on their face. A special word of thanks to Mr. Thomas Hogan, whose leadership, dedication and expertise make this amazing concert possible each year; to the Wakefield Civic Band, who were an inspiring addition to our program this year; to the melodious ladies of “Six-in-the-City”; to our Children’s Chorus, the highlight of the night; to our wonderful parish choir, who outdid themselves yet again; to our Rosary & Altar Guild, who hosted the wonderful reception; and to all of you who support our parish so faithfully! May God deepen the presence of Jesus in our hearts this Christmas!

Please notice how much you gave to our Annual Collection this year (and that’s following the \$86,780 you gave to the “Raise the Roof” campaign!))!! My sincerest thanks for your incredible generosity despite these difficult economic times. I am continually humbled and inspired by your love and support of our parish!!

In my name and the name of all the parish staff, I wish you a very happy and holy Christmas. *Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace to all of good will!*

Fr. Wilson

December 14, 2008	
Sunday Collection.....	\$9,845.50
Retired Religious Collection.....	3,059.00
Immaculate Conception Collection.....	2,266.00
Annual Collection (to date).....	\$26,026.00
<i>A sincere thank you for your support.</i>	



Christmas Mass Schedule

Wednesday, December 24th (Christmas Eve)

Confessions: 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM
(with Children's Choir)

Thursday, December 25th (Christmas Day)

Masses: Midnight, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
(No 5:00 PM Mass)

Sunday, December 28th (Holy Family Sunday)

Vigil Mass (Saturday Evening): 4:00 PM
Masses: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

Thursday, January 1st (Mary, Mother of God)

Vigil Mass (Wed., New Year's Eve): 4:00 PM
Masses for Holy Day: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD CLASSES will not meet on December 28th and 29th due to Christmas vacation. **ALL CLASSES WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2009 AND MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2009.**

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: YOU MUST CONTINUE TO SIGN-IN FOR MASS EACH WEEKEND. If you attend another Church, please turn in the bulletin on January 5th. Thank you!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER PARTNERS

We are looking for adults who would like to be a prayer partner for a child making his or her First Holy Communion. If interested or if you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Cheryl Berube at 739-0212. For those who have signed-up already, you will be receiving a mailing shortly with the necessary information. Thank you.



WEDDING BANNS

III David J. Haun (St. Peter, Warwick) &
Kathleen M. McMahan (SS. Rose & Clement)

From the Desk of Mrs. Fuller

Christmas vacation starts this week. The last day of school will be Tuesday, December 23rd. Students will be dismissed at 11:45 AM. There will be no after-care or hot lunch on December 23rd. School will resume on Monday, January 5th. Students, faculty, staff and parents—enjoy your well-deserved vacation!!

Christmas Blessings to All!

This messages carries much more than simple words. It holds prayers and best wishes for all who read it. Our school community of St. Rose of Lima is blessed to have a parish community that cares so much. May the Lord bless you and keep you safe at Christmas and throughout the New Year.

Did You Lose a Camera?

An Olympus Stylus 80 camera in a black Polaroid case was found after the Christmas Concert on Friday, December 12th. Please call the parish office or stop-by to claim it. Thank you.

MEN of ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St. Joseph will hold their bi-weekly meeting on Saturday, December 27th at 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the church hall. The meeting will begin with a Eucharistic Service in the main church. Coffee and pastry will be available afterward. **ALL MEN IN THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!** Questions? Please call Malcolm Vakalis at 884-5565.



Christmas Prayer

Hail and blessed be the hour and the moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires [here mention your request] through the merits of our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

DECEMBER 21, 2008

"SHARE THE SPIRIT" GIFT SHOP

Our Gift Shop will be open this
**Monday & Tuesday from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM and
before & after the Christmas Eve 4 o'clock Mass**
for all your last minute shopping needs.

The volunteers and Gift Shop Manager, Mrs. Eileen Kennedy, wish to express our gratitude to you for all your support this past year. May Jesus bless you and your family in a special way this Christmas as you spread the true meaning of the Christmas Season!



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Remember to Smile!

A smile. . .

- increases your face value.
- is a little curve that can straighten out a lot of things.
- is the shortest distance between two people.

EIGHT MONTH CLUB

Week #16 \$50 Winner

Mr. Frank Iadevaia – Ticket #25

Thank you to all who support Saint Rose School.

YOUR WILL

***Please remember SS. Rose & Clement Parish
in your Will and Estate.***