

## SUNDAY Dec. 25, 2016

### SUNDAY, Dec. 25 – Christmas

8:30 Christmas Remembrance  
10:00 Christmas Remembrance  
11:30 Christmas Remembrance

### MONDAY, Dec. 26 – St. Stephen

7:00 Angela Gonzalez & Juan Rios Sola, Jr.  
9:00 Daniel Joseph Cuesta

### TUESDAY, Dec. 27 – St. John the Evangelist

7:00 Lino Kocovic  
9:00 Joseph & Louisa Malavenda

### WEDNESDAY Dec. 28 - The Holy Innocents

7:00 Dina Genovino  
9:00 Allan Lundberg

### THURSDAY, Dec. 29 – St. Thomas á Becket

7:00 Master Gunnery Sgt. Damon Christopher Grant  
9:00 Patrick Frawley

### FRIDAY, Dec. 30 - The Holy Family

7:00 Wanda Gautier  
9:00 Maria Scodes

### SATURDAY, Dec. 31 - St. Sylvester

9:00 Ariel Sarmiento (living)  
5PM Wanda Gautier  
12 Midnight – Nigerian Mass

### SUNDAY, Jan. 1, 2017 – Mary, Mother of God

8:30 Solemnity of Mary  
10:00 Thanksgiving  
11:30 DiPaolo & Petrullo Families  
1PM William R. Holland

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DEC. 31 / JAN. 1

#### LECTORS

5 PM	T. Andres	10:00	H. Corbie
12 Midnight	Nigerian Com.	11:30	L.DiJusto
8:30	A. Loscalzo	1PM	N. Vega

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

5PM	C. & J. Testa
12 Midnight	None Scheduled
8:30	C. Bele/E. Anthony
10:00	C. Harris/M. McCabe
11:30	N. Hill/M. Micalizzi
1PM	M. Burke/A. Corbie

#### ALTAR SERVERS

5PM	N. Mairs/F. Lavezzari
12 Midnight	None scheduled
8:30	E. Noel/N. Scotland
10:00	J. Carbonetti/D. Boucaud
11:30	C. Neil/J. Trocio
1PM	U., O. & D. Agwu

**On Sundays, confessions will be heard from  
9AM to 9:45AM**

## THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Christmas)

### First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Isaiah rejoices that God is bringing his exiled people home to Jerusalem. He calls out to the people to be glad because God will restore Jerusalem.

### Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Paul explains to the Hebrews that although God had spoken through the prophets, people could not always completely understand the message. Now God has spoken to us by sending Jesus, the son, a reflection of God's glory and forgiver of our sins.

### Gospel: John 1:1-18

John describes how the Word came into the world in the form of Jesus. All those who accept Jesus become children of God by sharing in Jesus' love. No one has seen God, but through Jesus, God was revealed to us.

The Rectory will be closed

Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

#### Sunday

Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

#### Monday

Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

#### Tuesday

1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

#### Wednesday

1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Mt 2:13-18

#### Thursday

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

#### Friday

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17;  
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

#### Saturday

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

*This week the Sanctuary Lamp is donated  
in memory of Rosella A. LoPresti  
The Bread & Wine is offered in memory of  
the Randazzo, Scaffidi & LoPresti Families  
donated by Maria Randazzo*

### Rectory Office Hours

**MONDAY – THURSDAY:**

**9:00AM – 9:00PM**

**FRIDAY: 9AM – 12 NOON**

**SATURDAY: 9:00AM – 5:00PM**

**SUNDAY: SEE YOU IN CHURCH**

**Church of the Holy Rosary / Nativity  
of Our Blessed Lady**

**Clergy**

Rev. Fr. Dennis Williams, Pastor  
Rev. Fr. Sebastian Pandarathikudiyil, V.C.  
Parochial Vicar  
Rev. Fr. Anthony J. Pleho, Nursing Home Chaplain  
Rev. Fr. Hippolytus U. Duru, Sunday Associate

**CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

The Lord's Day – Saturday, 5:00 PM Vigil  
Sunday: 7:15 AM, 8:30 AM,  
10:00 AM, 11:30 AM Solemn with Choir; 1:00 PM.  
Weekdays: Monday – Friday 7:00 & 9:00 AM  
Saturday: 9:00 AM

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**Please note:** Since Christmas & New Year's fall on Sundays this year there will be **two** collections at the Christmas & New Year's Masses, the regular Sunday collections & the Christmas & Solemnity of Mary collections. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.



**Father Williams, Father Sebastian,  
Father Pleho, Father Hippolytus,  
the Parish Staff  
and Pastoral Council Members  
wish you and your families  
a very Merry Christmas and  
every blessing for the New Year!**

**MASS ATTENDANCE CARDS** – The pink Mass attendance cards for students will be stamped after Mass in the vestibule. **After the 10 AM Mass**, cards will be stamped in Father Winters Hall.

**Correction - Please Note: The meeting for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be Tuesday Jan. 10, 2017 at 7:30PM**

**Parish Meetings this Week  
Tuesday - Ex. Bd. Mtg. Parish Council in  
the Rectory**

**THE CHRISTMAS CRECHE**

*Look at the humility of God...  
Therefore hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves,  
so that He who gives Himself totally to you  
may receive you totally.*  
- St. Francis of Assisi (*Letter to the Order*)



St. Francis of Assisi began the tradition of the Christmas crèche near Greccio, Italy in 1223. He brought live animals to a cave where Midnight Mass was celebrated, and the local people who were present saw the baby Jesus appear in the manger he had prepared in front of the altar. The crèche helps us to focus in on the true meaning of Christmas.

**THE PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF  
FATIMA** will be with:

Collet Ohakamnu – Dec. 25 – Dec. 31

The **TRAVELING DIVINE MERCY IMAGE**  
will be with:

Mrs. Duque – Dec. 25 – Dec. 31  
Millicent Amma Opokua Edvsei - Jan. - 7

*Christmas Schedule  
Christmas Eve  
Saturday, Dec. 24th*

Confessions ~ 3PM to 4PM

Prelude & Carols at 4:40PM  
**5PM ~ Family Mass**  
with Children's Choir

Festive Prelude at 9:20 PM with Adult Choir  
**10 PM ~ Solemn Mass**  
(No Mass at Midnight)



*Christmas Day  
Sunday, December 25th*

8:30 AM & 10:00 AM  
**11:30 AM ~ Solemn Mass**  
(No 7:15 AM; no 1 PM Mass on Christmas Day)



**Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Saturday, Dec. 31st**

*Confessions from 3:45 to 4:45PM*

New Year's Eve ~ 5PM Vigil Mass  
12 Midnight Mass ~ The Nigerian Community

**Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day**

8:30 AM, 10:00AM, 11:30 AM & 1:00PM  
(No 7:15AM on New Year's Day)

**RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE**



Confessions will be heard  
Saturday, Dec. 24 from 3 to 4PM and  
Dec. 31 from 3:45 to 4:45PM  
No confessions on Christmas Day  
or New Year's Day  
Come and prepare the way of the Lord in  
your hearts.

**CHRISTMAS MASS REMEMBRANCE**

The Christmas Masses (5:00 PM Family Vigil, 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM) will be offered for those enrolled. If you wish to have a loved one remembered, please fill out the envelope and drop it in the collection or leave it at the Rectory. Envelopes are available in the lobby.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS**

Traditionally offerings are made in memory of a deceased loved one. The funds collected help to cover the sizable cost of the greens and flowers for the entire Christmas Season. Envelopes are available in the church lobby.

**2017 CHURCH CALENDARS NEXT SUNDAY**

The calendars come to us through the kindness of Sal Farenga and his staff at Farenga Bros. Inc Funeral Homes 920 Allerton Avenue, The Bronx, 718.654.0500.

**CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT HOLY ROSARY  
CHRISTMAS EVE ~ DECEMBER 24**

**4:40 PM** ~ Prelude Music with the Children's  
Choir & Congregational Carols

**5PM ~ Sung Vigil Mass**

**9:20 PM** ~ Prelude Music with the Adult Choir &  
Brass, Congregational Carols

**10PM ~ Solemn Mass**

**CHRISTMAS DAY ~ DECEMBER 25**

**8:30 & 10AM** ~ Sung Masses with Cantor &  
Organ

**11:20 AM** ~ Prelude Music with Brass & Organ  
**11:30 AM** ~ Solemn Mass with the Adult Choir &  
Brass

We welcome Hannah Stone, Melissa Gerstein, and James Plante to sing with our Adult Choir this weekend. We are glad to have Warren Wernick, Peter Kuan, Brian Hill and Steve Davis to provide the brass music. A big thank you to our cantor, Lane Johnson and members of the Adult Choir and the Children's Choir and the choir parents for their commitment and the extra effort in putting together the Christmas Music.

*The complete Music program is available on the  
parish website.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Estella & Myrna Alvarez, Shawaun Ali Aviles, Salvatore Amedio, Rachel Acre, Francis Bele, Kim Benack, Joseph Bonocore, Linda Bravo, Sidney Brown, Mary Alice Burgan, Phillip & Anthony Capano, Ana Caturano, Christina Celantano, Lorna Courtney, Theresa Coutain, Anna Cristina, Fitzroy Daniel, Michael Dannauci, Maureen Darnier, Audia DeJesus, Helen De Alto, Rosemarie DeNegriz, Ben Diaz, Gina DiLorenzo, Bob & Cynthia Dukes, Marie Echevarria, Rosa Echevarria, Laticia Elliot, Vivian Ezugwu, Irene Farenga, Marie Ferrari, Albert Ferri, Beatrice Galeano de Maduro, Iris Grubler, Amelia Gugliotta, Grant Haile, James Heame, Donna Hellgrone, Erik Hernandez, Marilyn Iarossi, Mary Iorio, Kay Johnson, John Joseph, Camille Knight, Singh Latchman, Theresa Lewis, Maurice Lisby, Fey LoPresti, Connie Lorelli, Debbie Lorelli, Bonita McSchane, Brunilda Mandozza, Frank Matice, Jim Messenger, Anthony Militello, Lucille Montemuro, Demarco, Donyae, Damika & Donya Murray, Alisa Nicovic, Dorothy Oliver, Carmen Ortiz, Jose Ortiz, Jennifer Padro, Beth Pagan, Carol Ann Pascucci, Elena Pascucci, Millie Perota, Mary Pirro, Angelina Rader, Michael Ramirez, Giuseppe Regina, Iris Rivera, Pablo Rodriguez, Amelia Ascenio Ruiz, Dorothy Santomauro, Arthur Simmons, Hopeton Williams, Karen Williamson and all of our homebound and the residents of our local Nursing Homes.

**Our parish has a Website!**

**Please check it out at  
<http://holyrosarybronx.org>**

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**SECURITY NOTICE** – Parishioners are reminded to always keep an eye on their belongings when attending Holy Rosary Church or events in Father Winters Hall. ....Please turn off all free WiFi applications from your mobile devices in order to prevent criminals from gaining access to your personal information.

**PARISHIONERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**

In order to make attendance at Mass easier and more pleasurable for you we encourage you to consider two things:

1) Those with walkers, canes, or who cannot get up for communion: Please sit in the front pews. We will bring Holy Communion to you.

2) **Those with wheelchairs – Please place your chairs in the Baptismal area to the right of the sanctuary. We will bring Holy Communion to you.**

**HOLY ROSARY CHURCH IS  
HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE.  
ALL ARE WELCOME!**

