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**Gathering: Thursday, December 11, 2014 beginning
 EARLY at 6:30 PM with Evening Prayer**

This Month:

Fraternity Christmas Dinner

Please remember if you volunteered to bring water, soda, wine or dessert!

WINTER PROJECT FOR THE HOMELESS

Also, please remember to bring a new or gently used gift for our raffle!
 We are also helping the Youth Group by bringing an unwrapped new toy.

Closing Prayer: Jim Ferrara (You can sign up this month for the new year!)

Sign up this month for "Sweet Reminder"

**WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND IN A PARTIAL PAYMENT FOR OUR FAIR SHARE IN
 JANUARY. SEE TONY BUDA TO MAKE A DONATION
 (FULL OR PARTIAL; FOR YOURSELF OR SOMEONE ELSE)**

IF YOU DID NOT TURN IN THE DAY OF RECOLLECTION SURVEY, DO SO THIS MONTH.

HEALTH AND WELFARE: Karen Ferrari and Fam.; Mary Berrillo; Ramona Torres; Marie Sortino; Maria Terranova; Virginia Franco; Alice LeForest; Josephine Gebbia; Adelina Marino; Polanco Family; Eileen Ferrara; Pat Moclair; Anna Licamelli

Special intentions F. Cavallo. M. Sortino, Tumminia Family, J. Coralluzzo & T. Gassenheimer; K. Ferrari; Pat Moclair

Family Members: Marguerite Philips; Eddie Nash; Liz Cox; Joseph Stamilla; Michael Ferrari; David Ferrari; Ed McManus; Fr. Sylvester; Chelsea Rose Ferrara; Licamelli Family; Mimmi Parente; Patricia Davis; Fr. Damian Colicchio; Vincenzo Quasarano; Rosangela Tumminia; Fr. Pius; LoBue Family; Kathleen McGee; Carmela Schymanski; Monica & José Roman; Antoinette Casteluccio; Benedita Tineo; José Tineo; Joe Annarumma; Baby Ryan LoMuscio; Stefani Pedone; Joe Savoia; Sara Tripodi; Bill LoCascio; Karen (Lucy's niece); Mariano Ortiz (Migdania's brother)

Repose of the souls of: Rosa Morales and Charles Licamelli (Anna's brother).

Treasurer's Report

Common Fund \$ 1954.82 Balance + 61.00 * Income \$ 1954.82 - 79.79** \$ 1936.03 *Common Fund and Fair Share donations **Fraternity supplies	Good and Welfare \$25.50+12.00=\$37.50	Fair Share for 2014 \$36.50 \$50.00
		Spiritual Life Fund Bal: \$100

STATUE OF OUR LADY Dec. Karen (*Sign up this month for the new year!*)

BIRTHDAYS: December 6: Adelina Marino; **23:** Gene Ciaralli; Migdania Polanco; **29:** Joann Tumminia
January 7: Lucy Stamilla; **20:** Ron Romano; **27:** Ed Atwood

Correspondence

Apostolate of Prayer: Please pray for those on the **PRAYER LIST** and for their intentions.

Mark Your Calendar:

Council Members: **Next Council Meeting: NO COUNCIL MEETING IN DECEMBER**

**WINTER
 PROJECT FOR
 THE HOMELESS**

**DONATE NEW
 HATS, GLOVES,
 WHITE SOCKS,
 SCARVES,
 EARMUFFS
 & TOILETRIES**

**for
 MEN, WOMEN,
 & CHILDREN**

**FOR THE
 SHELTER IN
 HACKENSACK.**

Apostolate of Prayer list December, 2014:

Alicia	Marie Dragan	Alice LeForest	OLA Region	St. Anthony Frat.
All persecuted Christians	Ebola victims & Workers	Mary Ann Lenzi	Brian O'Regan.	St. Jos. Maint. Dept.
BARBIERI, Buda, Scordo FAMILY Ints.	John Faccione	Anna Licamelli	Brian & Lynn Ortale Fam..	St. Thomas More Frat. ints.
Buddy Bauer	Edwin Fehrs.	+Charles Licamelli	Ted O'Shaughnessey.	Jen Stepanek.
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI	Anne Ferro	Licamelli Family Intentions	Ralph Padovano	St. John Vianney intents.
Anne Bernardi.	FB friends	Lina	PAGE FAMILY INTENTIONS	Donald Sutton.
Zoila Blacio	Karen Ferrari (sp. int.)	Mark & Ondine Llewytin.	Padre Pio Pr. Grps. Int.	Fr. Sylvester
Pete Blake.	FERRARI FAM. INTENTIONS	LoBue family	Stefani Pedone	Syrian Christians
BLESSING BOARD INTS.	Bob Fitzsimmons	Rosemary LoCascio	Maria Pedreiro	Cheryl T..
Dallas Boushey..	Flora's intentions	Baby Ryan LoMuscio	Josephine Pedulla..	Tau Cross Region (all ints.)
BOYCE FAMILY INTS.	Robert Fox..	Richard and Margaret Lostritto	Marguerite Phillips	Maria Terranova
BROS. & SISTS. OF PRAYER	Jeff & Katherine Fracke Fam.	Dolly M.	Virginia Pichon.	Colin Then..
Dolores Bruno..	Pope Francis	Madden & Tillson	Ron Pihokker	Greg Thweatt..
Carmela Barbieri Buda.	Franciscan Missionary Sisters	Carl and Kathy Magnifico	Polanco Family	Benedita Tineo
Silvio Buda Family.	Virginia Franco	+Helen Magnifico	POOR CLARE prayer list	Ramona Torres
Brenda Capp	FRAZZA FAMILY INTS.	Julio Magnifico	PRIESTS, FRIARS & SISTERS	Silvio & Rachel Travia Family.
Joan Carbonneau.	Bro. Freddy and Formation class	Deacon Joe Mantineo	PUBLIC FIGURES	Sara Tripodi
Anne Castelluccio	Anne Gadoury	MARIE'S PRAYER INTS.	Vincenzo Quasarano	William Turner Family.
Cathy Champon	Frank Gallitano	+Gabe Mariniello	REC	Gerard & Ruth Villemaire.
Charlene and twins	Carol Garagliano	Jackie Marlow.	Regina Pacis (all ints.)	Lois Viola
Angelo & Rose Cincotta..	Trudy Gassenheimer (sp. int.)	Shirley Meacham.	Richard	Bill & Carmel Watson Fam..
Armand Cittarella.	Genaro	Charlie Mechanic.	Ada Rivera's intentions	Barbara Robb Whalen..
Paul & Lucille Clapps	GEORGE FAMILY INTS.	+Carl Mellone	Maddi Romaine	Dave White
Colleen.	Joe Geraci	Joe Mellone	Monica and José Roman	Katherine Wobby.
Joe Coralluzzo's ints.	Vincent & Maria Giambona, Sr. Fam..	MILITARY: LIVING & DECEASED	Rosa and Carlos	Anna Z.'s sp. intentions
Liz Cox	Linda Griffith	Barbara Miller, OFS	Keith Roy.	
Marguerite Cox	+Bill Harris	Misty's ints.	Sabrina's Sp. ints.	
Rachele Cuiuli.	Nancy Haskell...	Arthur "Chip" Mitiguy. \	Baby Sam.	
Lee D'Arminio	Elaine Hedtke	Pat Moclair (Sp. Int.)	Ilene & Neil Samuels..	
May D'Arminio	Ralph & Frances Henry..	+Rosa Morales	San Damiano Frat. Ints.	
Deacon Joe's group int.	Henry and Mary Elen	Leonora Mosca	Ramon Sesin.	
Bernie DePinto	Hospital Intentions	Mother Seton grp. Ints.	Andrew Shontz.	
Development Office Intentions	Bill & Rose Ingoglia	MS intentions	James & Andrea Smullens Fam..	
Diane (Sp. int.)	IPRAY INTENTIONS	Rose & Ed Mulder	John & Mary Smythe.	
Dolores's Intentions	Joan & Nick	Bill Mulqueen	Marie Sortino	
Dorcas	Deacon Joe's Intentions	NFC	SPIRITUAL FIGURES/LEADERS	
Doris and Bill	Violetta Kos	Nilda	St. Anne's Frat. Ints.	
+Jim Dougherty	Mildred Krapels.	Doug Noble	St. Francis Youth	
Mona Dougherty	Shawn Leddy	James and Lola Norton Fam.	Patricia Stitt	

Holy Father's Intentions for December 2014

Universal: That the birth of the Redeemer may bring peace and hope to all people of good will.

For Evangelization: That parents may be true evangelizers, passing on to their children the precious gift of faith.

"Rebuild My Church"



We have heard the message of our Lord and Savior just as St. Francis did while praying in front of the San Damiano Cross.

And so, we Pray:

IN THE NAME OF
THE FATHER, Our Creator,
THE SON, Our Savior,
THE HOLY SPIRIT, Our Sanctifier...

ABBA, FATHER! Thank You for the gift of our life and the wonders of Your creation.

We ask You to inflame the hearts of our brothers and sisters,
especially the young, to "Seek Your Face."

LORD JESUS, You are our Shepherd. We thank You for showing us the way,
for taking up the cross and conquering death.
May we have the grace necessary to take up Your cross

in order to bring back the members of our Catholic family who have strayed from the church.

O HOLY SPIRIT, may we be strengthened by the knowledge that
You will always be with us.

We pray for Our Holy Father, the clergy, religious and lay people.
Inspire and strengthen all of us so that through our prayers, love and sacrifices,
we may be able to reach out to our brothers and sisters and bring them back to the fold.

Only with Your help can we Rebuild Your Church so that, united, we may praise You forever.

We ask all this through the Intercession of our Blessed Mother, St. Francis, St. Clare and all Your Saints. **Amen**

ADVENT REFLECTION

Everyone Shall See the Salvation of God

By: Pope St. John Paul II

"All mankind shall see the salvation of God" (*Lk 3:6*).

“God's salvation is the work of a love greater than man's sin. Love alone can wipe out sin and liberate from sin. Love alone can consolidate man in the good; in the unalterable and eternal good.

It is exactly this God of our Advent: the Creator and Redeemer, who makes this profession of such love for man, for man the sinner: ‘Though the mountains leave their place, and the hills be shaken, *my love will never leave you.*’ (*Is 54:10*).

Let us make straight the paths of the Lord. And let us get ready for the meeting with this love which will reveal itself, during the night of the birth of the Lord, in the shape of a shelterless Child. Let us remember once again that this saving love, coming to man during the night in Bethlehem, and revealing itself in the Cross and the Resurrection, remains incessantly written in the Church's life as *the Sacrament of the Body and the Blood* as nourishment of souls.

Each time we receive this Sacrament, whenever we accept this food, we prepare the way of the Lord, we make straight his paths. May we always have hunger and thirst for this nourishment, above all in the period of Advent!

May we, through the Sacrament of the Body and the Blood, build the way along which God will come to us in the mystery of his majesty.”

Prayers and Devotions from Pope John Paul II

http://www.amazon.com/Prayers-Devotions-365-Daily-Meditations/dp/0140247254/ref=tmm_pap_swatch_0?encoding=UTF8&sr=&qid=



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