



MON 1/2	8:00 am	† Steve Kaba Joseph & Liz Giampietro
TUES 1/3	8:00 am	† Gary Miller Wife, Michelle
WED 1/4	8:00 am	† Thomas Levandoski Phil Armstrong
THUR 1/5	8:00 am	† Bridie O'Connell The Harty Family
FRI 1/6	8:00 am	† Patrick Tierney The Barna Family
SAT 1/7	4:30 pm	† William R. Sundermann & Sons Wife & Mother
SUN 1/8	8:00 am	† Daniel Friedland Betty & Eddie McHugh
	9:30 am	Parishioners
	11:00 am	† Rosary Altar Society

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS:
Due to an early deadline to the publisher, collections for December 24th & 25th will be posted in next week's bulletin.



Jennifer Husar, Linda Leggatt, Lael McGrath, Susan Weidl, Ray Sites, Debbie Dolci, Lillian Faust, Joshua Thomas, Irene Andrews, & Dolores Miller

MONTHLY:
Rosary Altar Society (Hall) – 1st Sunday @ noon
Prayer Shawl Ministry (Kolbe Room) - 3rd Thursday @ 6:30pm
K of C (Hall) - 1st Tuesday @ 7pm
WEEKLY:
Adult Choir (Church) – Saturday @ 3:00pm
Children's Choir (Church) - Sunday following the 9:30am Mass
Legion of Mary (Kolbe Room) – Tuesdays @10:30am

Family members of those for whom a Mass is offered are welcome to bring the offertory gifts to the celebrant. Please sit in the front left pew on the E St side of the church.



Sponsor of the Week
Villano Realtors
Thank you for placing an ad!



Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the GLORY AND HONOR OF ALMIGHTY GOD in memory of Eric Nelson Requested by McGrath & Nelson Families

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE NEW YEARS' HOLIDAY, MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2017.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**Minister Schedule
January 7 & 8, 2017**

4:30pm 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

T Zurawski	C Hourihan	S&B	T Reynolds
J Procaccini	M Miller	Kosakowski	M Dzibela
C Alston	M Salt	L&F Rodgers	K&S Wood
C Martowlis	R&M Carroll	L Smith	D Nysztor
G Guito			

LECTORS

M Meneghin	G Stefanacci	A Vahey	C Meyer
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ALTAR SERVERS

E Beaudry	D/E Goodfriend	D Smith	A&F
S Kapp	K Knoetig	J Monahan	Tortoriello

Dear Parishioners,

*Have A
Blessed
New Year!*

Can you believe that it's 2017 already! How the years pass us by!

2016 was a year filled with blessings and some sadness too. We welcomed new children into the world, and said goodbye to old friends and loved ones who now journey the last and longest phase of their eternity. May God bless them all.

Renovations to the friary here continue. At this writing we still await the needed generator, the completion of the friary chapel, window treatment, and some furnishings which will help keep the friars safe and more comfortable especially those in retirement here.

Although we are grateful to Fr. Bart and OLPH for use of the house in Seaside Heights, I know the elder friars are looking forward to returning home here to St. Catharine's.

We are now in the second year of our 5-year Capital Campaign "Where Faith & Community Grow". The response to this Campaign to renovate our parish hall has been good thus far with over \$600,000.00 pledged. We still have a way to go to reach our goal of 2 million but I remain hopeful.

2017 will no doubt bring blessings and sadness too. We hope and pray that God's will be done through us. As Cardinal Newman said "To grow is to change; to become perfect is to change often." 2017 will bring us changes which hopefully will help make us more faith-filled Christians.

May you and your loved ones have a happy and blessed New Year, filled with the answers to your prayers.

Fr. John



January 4 - Classes in session including Confirmation Class
January 11 - Classes in session
January 18 - Classes in session including Confirmation Class
January 25 - Classes in session including Confirmation Class

ELECTRAFLAMES



Our electraflame candles are located on either side of the altar. A gold band is placed on the red glass of the candle with an inscription of your loved one's name and who it was donated by. The band is placed for 1 year. The cost is \$65. Please call the Parish Office if you are interested in obtaining a candle @732-793-0041.

DONT MISS



A great trip to Resorts Casino sponsored by the Rosary Altar Society on Tuesday, January, 10, 2017. Cost is \$26 and rebate is \$25. For reservations call Mary @ 732-929-2690.



Exercise class will resume
Tuesday, January 3, 2017. Classes
take place on Tuesdays and
Fridays at 8:30am & 9:30am in
St. Catharine's Parish Hall.
All are welcome.

Simon's Soup Kitchen

Our Lady of Perpetual Help in
Seaside Heights serves free
meals every Tuesday and
Friday nights: 5:30 to 6:30pm in
the Quonset Hut. Full free meals, and a breakfast
program for children.
All are welcome.



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



ON SUNDAY, JAN. 8TH, WE ARE ASKING ALL
CHILDREN TO ATTEND THE 9:30 AM
CHILDREN'S MASS AND TO PLEASE BRING WITH
THEM A SMALL BABY ITEM. THESE ITEMS WILL BE
DONATED TO BIRTHRIGHT.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL
TAKE PLACE FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017,
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE 8:00 AM MASS
WITH ADORATION TO BENEDICTION AT 9:30 AM.

TAX TIME



If you would like a statement of
your 2016 contributions for your
tax return, please place a large X
on the front of your church
envelope or email your request to
stcatharines@optonline.net and one will be
mailed or **emailed** to you.



St. Francis Food Pantry at
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Church in Seaside Heights
is in *urgent* need of volunteers!

Volunteers needed for:

- Reviewing stock and ordering food
- Pick up and delivery of food to and from resource locations
- Unloading food from cars
- Stocking shelves
- Helping clients bag food
- Intake/Recordkeeping
- Minor maintenance
- Recycling Center trips

If you would like to volunteer for this very
worthy cause, please contact Friar Greg
Spuhler at 518-573-1649 or 732-793-6881.

