

# Sunday Messenger



## FIRST SUNDAY

# OF Advent

Watch therefore: you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning.

Mark 13:35



### Mass schedule

Saturday (Sunday Vigil)  
4 p.m.

Sunday  
10 a.m.

Weekdays (Tuesday & Friday)  
8:15 a.m.

**Sick calls** — at any time

**Baptisms** — by appointment

**Confessions** — before Masses

**Weddings** — arrange 6 months in advance

### Parish Office hours

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Monday - Friday)  
Evenings - by appointment only

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Catholic Parish

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Parish Administrator  
Fr. Stipe Renić, OFM

*Santa Lucia,  
pray for us!*

**Saturday, December 2**

**4 p.m.**

- + Linda Catino ..... sisters
- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Richie Catezone ..... family
- + Enus Amelio ..... Scalise family
- + Lottie Christiano ..... Frankie & Michael
- + Nancy Calace ..... Elsa Mijares & Mary Carmona
- + Ann Kavalauskas ..... Rosa Scumaci
- + Geraldine Distasio ..... family
- ++ Frankie Marasso & Catherine Ferro ..... Belli family
- ++ Sam & Mary Nuzzo ..... family
- ++ Joseph & Carmela DiPiazza ..... family
- ++ John & Patricia O'Connell ..... family
- ++ Nick, Jennie & Pasquale Salerno ..... family
- ++ James Sr., Catherine, Michael, James Jr., & Jimmy Gurgone ..... family

**Sunday, December 3  
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10 a.m.**

- + Josephine Vitale ..... family
- + Rosa Folino ..... Ropke family
- + Nancy Calace ..... Jackie & Gary
- + James Tavolino ..... Vince & Marianne Scarlata
- + Rose Scalise ..... Tomasello family
- + Anthony Sinople ..... Ropke family
- + Ann Kavalauskas ..... Passi family
- + Frances Granato ..... Karen Vitale
- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- ++ Ronald Jr. & Theresa Ropke ..... family
- ++ Giovanni & Pina Spatafora .... Dominic & Rosa Scumaci
- ++ Raymond & Rose Russo ..... family

**Tuesday, December 5**

**8:15 a.m.**

- + Rita Suriano ..... family
- ++ Albert & Leonard Garbauski ..... Leonard Dorchek

**Friday, December 8  
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**8:15 a.m.**

- + Anne Walls ..... Cheryl Pinotti
- + Salvatore Sansone ..... Leonard Dorchek

**7 p.m.**

- + Carol Ordzowialy ..... Patricia & Roseann Jackowiak

**Saturday, December 9**

**4 p.m.**

- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Geraldine Maratea (1st anniversary remembrance)  
..... Margaret Gavin

- + Camille Kristich ..... Jeanie Ciaccia
- + Lottie Christiano ..... Frankie & Michael
- + Nancy Calace ..... Altar & Rosary Society
- + Fran Granato ..... Sam & Anne Spiguzza
- ++ Joseph & Carmela DiPiazza ..... family
- ++ Ralph & Carmella Senese ..... Angelo & Chris Catizone

**Sunday, December 10  
2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**10 a.m.**

- + Josephine Pascente ..... Altar & Rosary Society
- + Frankie Marasso ..... Marasso family
- + Josephine Vitale ..... family
- + Rita Suriano ..... Karen Vitale
- + Rocco LaMantia ..... Ropke family
- + Nancy Calace ..... Ropke family
- + Anthony Sinople ..... Ropke family
- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- + Pierina Infelise ..... sister Bridget Fratto
- + Ann Kavalauskas ..... Rosa Fratto
- + Rosario Fratto (anniversary remembrance) ..... family
- + Barbara Alberts (birthday remembrance) ... sister Connie
- + Antony Parilli ..... Arnie & Darlene Ramirez
- ++ Ronald Jr. & Theresa Ropke ..... family
- ++ Raymond & Rose Russo ..... family

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 4 p.m. – Mikel Garza, Mario Gonzalez
- 10 a.m. – Cecilia Claudio, Lydia Claudio,  
Juan DeLaMora, Ogbonna Ugwu-Uche

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- 4 p.m. – Pat Moran; 10 a.m. – Catherine Moy

**LECTORS**

- 4 p.m. – Marge Piegari; 10 a.m. – Genesis Romo



**LET US PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE ILL  
AS WELL AS FOR THEIR CARETAKERS**

- Kati Kaup, Tony Giglio, Mary Mannella, Annie Maggio,  
Jeanine Briatta, Nicholas Tobar, Dolores Levielle,  
Gail Wodarski, Jerry Pizzotti, Ida Ruffolo, Maria Senerchia,  
Irene Burich, Kate Drost, Gianina Alberto, Paride Infelise,  
Barb Stack, Katie Santello, Pat Hoffman, Lizzy Kaup,  
Breck Neiswender, Jose Lara, Ofelia Lara, Fr. Nick Marro,  
Pat Petrizzo, Carmen Llamas, Mary Balestri,  
Shane O'Connell, Juanita Perez, Marie Floros,  
baby Ella Velasquez, Carmen Pinto, Kevin Bingham,  
Margaret Gavin, John Senerchia, Richard Valentine

**1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT****GOD HAS A DIFFERENT PLAN**

Advent begins with a call for repentance. We remember God's faithful love for us, and call upon God to help us to turn back. For *behold, you are angry, and we are sinful* (Is 64:4). We recall God's promises and lament our unfaithfulness and our guilt. We call upon God's might and power in order to save us. With Isaiah, we ask God to *rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you* (Is 63:19). Yes, God is faithful to us, because we are the work of God's hands. God is the potter, we are the clay. And yet, our concept of how God will come to save us is rooted in our own expectations of a warrior God who crushes mountains and thunders into our lives with great noise and glory. But God has a different plan: the Incarnation.

**LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

**Anna Marie Arcieri** (nee Fittante), **83**. Daughter of ++Frank and Clara Fittante; mother of Daniel (Cindy) Monaco, Diane (Gene) Lopez, and Julie (Dean) Tognoni; grandmother of Laura, Nicole, Michael, Danny, Anthony, Brittany and Gianna; great-grandmother of six. She was buried on Monday, November 27, at Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Hillside, IL.

**Leonard Dorchek**, **92**. U.S. Navy Veteran WWII; husband of +Alice (nee Sansone); father of Jackie (+lack) Barrett; grandfather of Michael Barrett; great-grandfather of Jacob and Jessica; brother, brother-in-law and uncle of many. He was buried on Tuesday, November 28, at St. Mary Cemetery, Evergreen Park, IL.

**Carol M. Ordzowialy** (nee Florez), **63**. Daughter of ++Edward Sr. and Rose Florez; sister of Edward, Jr. "Butch", +Joseph Gilbert, and +Joseph Peter; cousin to Joseph (Lucy) Ursetto; godmother to Patricia Jackowiak; aunt to Thomas C. Florez, Mary Florez, and Nicole Hale; "adopted aunt" to Keyona, Adrianna, Briana, and Ciera; friend of Norma Jean Martinez, Deborah Barrett, Kimberly Speer and many others. She was buried on Saturday, December 2, at Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Hillside, IL.

May they rest in peace.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK**

On December 9 and 10 we will have second collection for the RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS. Your contribution will assist senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests in Chicago area and across the USA who benefit from this Fund.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT**

Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Christ and the best way to prepare is to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation to confess our sins and to receive the graces to live holier lives.

On Tuesday, December 5, we will have 3 or 4 priests available for confessions from 9 to 11 a.m.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

On Friday, December 8, we celebrate the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - patronal feast day of the USA. Because this feast celebrates one of the most important events in salvation history, it is a holy day of obligation. We will have Mass at 8:15 a.m., pray rosary at 6:30 p.m. and celebrate Mass at 7 p.m.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DAY**

On Tuesday, December 12, we will have our monthly exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 a.m. (after 8:15 a.m. Mass) until 3 p.m. Jesus is inviting each of us to come and spend some time in prayer with him. During that time our relationship with him will grow and the desire to have him at the center of our lives will increase.

**FEAST DAY OF ST. LUCY PATRON SAINT OF OUR PARISH**

On Wednesday, December 13, we celebrate the feast day of St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr - patron saint of our parish. This year we will have a vigil Mass on Tuesday, December 12, at 7 p.m. Since St. Lucy is patron saint of those who are praying for the health of their eyes, we will have a special celebration of sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

On Wednesday, December 13, the feast day of St. Lucy we will celebrate two Masses: 8:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**WINDOWS CAMPAIGN AT SANTA LUCIA SCHOOL**

*Windows Campaign is still in progress. We are still looking for donations to cover the cost of the windows for the Santa Lucia School building. If you have not yet seen the windows, please check out the north-side of the school building. The windows look beautiful! The school is already saving money on the energy bills! The new windows offer better insulation for our children, keeping them warm during these cold months. We appreciate all the help we can get!*

Eileen Sheedy, Principal

## SANTA LUCIA PARISH

### SANTA LUCIA PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2016 - JUNE 30, 2017

*Dear parishioners, thank you for your support of the mission of Santa Lucia Parish through sharing of your time, talent and treasure. This is a treasure (financial) report. May the Good Lord bless you abundantly for sharing of your time and talents, as well.*

Fr. Stipe

	July '16-June '17	July '15-June '16
<b>ORDINARY INCOME</b>		
Sunday & Holy Day Collections	84,625.38	95,098.21
Christmas & Easter Collections	6,535.00	6,874.00
Other Collections	7,761.00	9,265.30
Tuition & Fees	1,411.47	1,994.00
Rental Income	2,650.00	450.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00
Interest	214.98	219.32
Miscellaneous Income	18,818.06	28,803.36
<b>Total Ordinary Income</b>	<b>122,015.89</b>	<b>142,704.19</b>
<b>ORDINARY EXPENSE</b>		
Salaries	58,740.71	77,888.27
Health Insurance	9,713.50	12,352.40
Employer FICA	4,032.09	2,963.23
Fringe Benefits	2,984.00	2,538.00
Books & Supplies	1,171.00	2,122.84
Administrative Expenses	3,079.25	2,910.58
Food	50.00	2,961.00
Telephone	1,902.15	2,202.10
Heating Fuel	3,332.90	4,959.46
Other Utilities	767.49	1,467.86
Maintenance & Building Repairs	4,888.46	6,308.66
Interest Expenses	1,249.85	369.24
Altar & Liturgical Supplies	4,531.14	4,557.66
Furnishings & Equipment	5,000.00	0.00
Archdiocesan Assessment	19,530.96	17,628.00
Property/Casualty Insurance	22,788.00	24,420.00
Vehicle Insurance & Misc.	737.80	795.00
<b>Total Ordinary Expense</b>	<b>144,499.30</b>	<b>166,444.30</b>
<b>NET ORDINARY INCOME/EXPENSE</b>	<b>(22,483.41)</b>	<b>(23,740.11)</b>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>		
Sharing From Other Parishes	1,782.00	1,280.00
Arch. Required Collections	4,160.00	4,659.00
Other Extraordinary Income	15,694.45	21,581.85
Annual Catholic Appeal Rebate	11,908.02	10,714.70
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>33,544.47</b>	<b>38,235.55</b>
<b>OTHER EXPENSE</b>		
Payment Of Req. Collections	2,154.00	1,313.00
Other Extraordinary Expenses	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>2,154.00</b>	<b>1,313.00</b>
<b>NET TOTAL BALANCE</b>	<b>8,907.06</b>	<b>13,182.44</b>

## SUNDAY MESSENGER

### RENEW MY CHURCH

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#### NUT AND CANDY HOLIDAY SALE

The Parish and School are hosting a Superior Nut and Candy Holiday sale in Maratea Hall from December 2-12. The shop will be open on Saturdays from 1-6 p.m., on Sundays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and on December 12 from 3-6 p.m. Please, pick up a flyer in the back of church. This is open to the public, so please share these flyers with friends, family, and neighbors.

#### SANTA SECRET SHOP IN SCALABRINI HALL

This event is open to the public on weekdays from 3-6 p.m., on Saturdays from 1-6 p.m., and on Sundays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Come and get wonderful gifts to share with your loved ones this Holiday Season, while supporting Santa Lucia Parish and School.

#### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

On Sunday, December 17, at 10 a.m. Mass, come and be a part of our Christmas Pageant. There will be a Breakfast with Santa to follow in Maratea Hall. The entry is \$3 with a free, hot breakfast. Bring the little ones and take a picture with our special guest—Santa Claus.

#### SAVE THE DATE

- Tuesday, **December 5**  
Sacrament of Reconciliation in Advent
- Friday, **December 8**  
Immaculate Conception of the BV Mary  
- patronal feast day of the USA
- Tuesday, **December 12**  
Eucharistic Adoration Day
- Wednesday, **December 13**  
St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr  
- patron saint of our parish
- Friday, **December 22**  
Decorating the church

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#### WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT

**November 26**

Envelopes (62)	\$1,751.50
Online giving (1)	\$25.00
<u>Loose Donations</u>	<u>\$112.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,888.50

(average gift \$28.19)

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