

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 18, 2011

THE READINGS FOR CHRISTMAS DAY ARE:

IS. 52: 7-10

HEB. 1: 1-6

JN. 1: 1-18

Please Pray for

Sunday, December 18, 2011

10:00 John Cristofani

Noon Burke Carroll

5:30 Mary Dafarra

Monday, December 19, 2011

5:30 Elizabeth Libby

Tuesday, December 20, 2011

12:15 Robert Yamartino

Wednesday, December 21, 2011

12:15 Patrick O'Leary

Thursday December 22, 2011

12:15 James & Hannah Daly

Murray

Friday, December 23, 2011

12:15 Agnes & Eileen Mullen

5:30 Frank Forde



ADVENT TAIZE PRAYER

On each Monday evening of Advent at 7:15 pm, we will pray together in candlelight, with simple singing, hopeful seasonal scriptures and peace-filled silence. Please join us in the Upper Church this last Monday of Advent for a forty-five minute escape from your busy life and enter into the peace of the season.

Advent Podcasts from the Jesuits

Enrich your experience of Advent and prepare for Christmas with these reflections by Jesuits on Ignatian Spirituality and the meaning of Advent.

In the first podcast, **Fr. Jack Butler, SJ**, **Fr. Robert Farrell, SJ**, and **Fr. Michael Boughton, SJ**, speak about Ignatian Spirituality, Advent themes and practices, and "Anticipatory Joy."

The second podcast episode features **Fr. Jack Butler, SJ**, and **Fr. Michael Boughton, SJ**, explaining the Examen and the importance of being more aware of God's action in everyday life.

Fr. Joseph Laramie, SJ, guides a meditation on the Incarnation and the Angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary that she would bear the Son of the Most High." (Luke 1:32) He utilizes St. Ignatius' method of slowly reading and praying with Scripture known as "Imaginative Prayer."

The final podcast episode features **Fr. William Russell, SJ**, and **Fr. Michael Boughton, SJ**, offering their thoughts on living in gratitude, giving gifts and caring for the poor during Advent and at Christmas.

Visit the New England Province on Jesuits website at <http://www.sjnen.org>

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Any choral singers who are interested in singing for midnight Mass should contact Michael Burgo, 617-552-6108 or burgo@bc.edu.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, December 18 th	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
Monday, December 19 th	Advent Taize Prayer – Upper Church	7:15 pm
Tuesday, December 20 th	Little Rock Bible Group	7:15 pm
Wednesday, December 21 st	Children's Carol Choir – Choir/Media Room	4:30 pm
	Parish Choir Rehearsal – Choir/Media Room	7:15 pm
Friday, December 123 rd	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

2011 CONTRIBUTION REMINDER

As December comes to a close, there is still time to make an end-of-the-year contribution. If you have any questions regarding your contributions to St.



Ignatius, please do not hesitate to call the Office, 617-552-6102 or email: blackbm@bc.edu. For tax deduction

purposes, contributions should be made by December 31st.

2012 PLEDGE REMINDER

If you have not yet Pledged for 2012, you can pick up a pledge card on the table in the Gathering Space in the Upper Church, or you can call the Office, 617-552-6102, or email: ignatius@bc.edu.

PARISH BUILDING COMMITTEE

Have you had experience with major building construction or renovations? Would you be willing to serve on our Parish Building Committee which meets two or three times a year? If you would like further information, please call or email Fr. Bob Ver Eecke 617-552-6110, email: frvereec@bc.edu or Richard Moynihan 617-552-6117, email: moynihar@bc.edu

ST. IGNATIUS WOMEN'S RETREAT

Looking for the perfect gift for that special woman in your life? Consider giving her the gift of a weekend away at the St. Ignatius Women's Retreat, February 4-6, 2012, at the Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham. The retreat will offer opportunities for silent and group reflection, communal and private prayer, both water and woods to enjoy, and massage. The retreat begins Friday with dinner at 5pm and ends Sunday after lunch at 1pm. The cost for the weekend is \$175 and includes all meals. Registration forms are available from Amy Chapman by emailing chapmaab@bc.edu or calling 617.552.6103.



BECOME AN ELF FOR CHRISTMAS!

Come help decorate the church for Christmas on Saturday, December 24th starting at 9:00 a.m. Come for a little time or come for the whole time: All ages and experiences are welcome to come. For more information, contact Catherine Downing at 617-782-5812 or at cfdesq@hotmail.com.

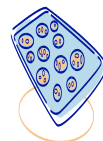
BOOK DISCUSSION - On January 8th in the Parish Office at 11:15 there will be a discussion of the book Compassion: A Reflection on the Christian Life by Donald McNeill, Douglas Morrison and Henri Nouwen.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES



CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE 2011: THANK YOU! All the gifts have been delivered. And please remember to pray for the great people who will receive your gifts!

SHATTUCK FOURTH TUESDAY: We will not be serving dinner, with our desserts, at hopeFound's Shattuck Shelter this month. Our monthly schedule resumes in January.



HABITAT BUILD: This weekend, a team of our parish family members are working at a Habitat site. Thanks to Anton Finelli, the Build Coordinator, and to the whole Team for representing us as St. Ignatius continues to support Habitat and to be a part of the process for enabling deserving families to become homeowners.

GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR PARISH RETREAT AT EASTERN POINT, GLOUCESTER

As you ponder gift-giving ideas this season, consider the gift of time, peace and stillness for that special friend or family member on your list. Beautiful Gift Certificate Packages are available for giving that person on your list the Parish Retreat experience at Eastern Point, scheduled for March 23-25th. Call the parish office to reserve and receive your gift package, 617-552-6102 or email, ignatius at bc.edu.

REFUGEE AWARENESS ON WORLD DAY FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Pope Benedict has designated 1/15/2012 as World Day for Migrants and Refugees. The St. Ignatius ARRUE group (Assisting Refugee Resettlement Using Parish Energies) will offer a refugee awareness session in the Media Room in the lower church at 11 am on 1/15/2012. Come see excerpts from "Lost Boys of Sudan," an award-winning film on the refugee experience. Find out what the Church does to help refugees: globally, around the US, in Massachusetts and right here at St. Ignatius Parish. Hear other parishioners share their experiences. Find out where to get more information. Come to the awareness session. If you can't make it on that date, but want to know more, email: engler @ bc.edu or devlin.jane @ gmail.com

POINSETTIA DONATIONS



For Christmas, we invite you to remember your loved ones by making a contribution for the purchase of poinsettias in their memory. If you would like to donate, please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory by December 23rd, with your donation. An acknowledgement will appear in the weekly bulletin.

Yes, I would like to donate \$_____ to remember:

Name of person to be remembered: _____

Name of Donor: _____

HOLIDAY



LITURGIES

CHRISTMAS EVE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

CONFESSIONS 2:30 – 3:30 PM – Upper Church

VIGIL MASS - 4:00 PM – Upper Church

6:00 PM – Special Children's Mass and the Christmas Pageant
Upper Church

11:30 PM Prelude – Upper Church

12:00 – Midnight Mass

If you are attending Midnight Mass, you should plan to come to church by 11:15 PM.



CHRISTMAS DAY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12 NOON – Upper Church

NOON - Misa en Español – Lannon Chapel

The church will be closed after the 12 Noon Mass

There will be NO 5:30 PM Mass today.

The special Collection will be directed for the support of Jesuit priests to provide for their sickness and retirement needs. Your assistance is especially needed for those priests who are permanently retired or disabled.

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31ST – Confession 3:15 – 3:45 pm

VIGIL MASS 4:00 PM – Upper Church

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1ST – 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM – NOON – 5:30 PM Upper Church

NOON - Misa en Español – Lannon Chapel

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THE CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

SUNDAY	UPPER CHURCH 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON, 5:30 PM LOWER CHURCH 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, FAMILY LITURGY 12:00 MISA EN ESPANOL EN LA CAPILLA LANNON
WEEKDAY	12:15 PM, 5:30 PM – LOWER CHURCH
SATURDAY	LOWER CHURCH 9:00 AM, UPPER CHURCH 4:00 PM (Vigil)

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Adults are baptized at the Easter Vigil as part of the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults. Infant and child baptisms are by arrangement.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation begins in Grade 1 and includes classes, retreats and home instruction.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation program begins in the 9th grade. Students are confirmed in the Spring of the 10th grade. Young adults who have been catechized but are not yet confirmed should contact the rectory for an alternative program.

MATRIMONY

Must be registered as a parishioner six months prior to beginning Marriage arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:15 – 3:45 PM Upper Church or by arrangement

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