



# Advent Family Day!

## An Afternoon of Family, Fun, Faith

This year is a *Year of Faith* for the Church celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Second Vatican Council. The Diocese invites all parishes to offer programs that celebrate the faith life of their parishioners. So, please mark your calendar for an afternoon of *Family, Fun & Faith* as we prepare the way for the Lord!

***Sunday, December 2nd 2:00 - 4:00 pm***

Join us for:

- \* Activities
- \* Entertainment
- \* Pizza
- \* and much, much more!

There will be *no* Religious Ed classes on Sunday, December 2nd in order for as many families as possible to join us!

### *We Prepare For...*

**Next Sunday:** First Sunday of Advent - December 2nd  
**Readings:** Jer 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2 Luke 21:25-28, 34-36  
**Theme:** *Christ, the Center of Advent Hope*



The messianic hope of Israel, launched with Nathan's oracle to David (2 Sam 7:11-16) is repeatedly echoed in the prophets. Today's reading from Jeremiah is a clear illustration. Christian belief centers on Christ as the realization of Israel's hope, as it sees the return of Christ at history's end as part of that same faith. Today's gospel, taken from Luke, which will be heard throughout this liturgical year, speaks of this second coming of Christ. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, the first of his writings, composed in expectation of Christ's proximate return, sees a life rooted in authentic Christian conduct as the best preparation for that eschatological moment.

*(Reflecting on next Sunday's readings before you come to Mass can bring so much more meaning to your experience of liturgy. How do the Scriptures touch your life?)*

**ASSUMPTION'S  
SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS GALA**

**Saturday, December 8, 2012  
Tickets - \$55 Raffle Book - \$55**

Our "ticket agents" will be in the back of church after each Mass.

Join us for an evening of:  
**Delicious Food & Drink,  
Silent Auction  
Music  
Raffles  
Mini-Snowflake Auction  
and much, much more**

**Reminder to Parents:**

Marianne & Joseph Bellucci will be hosting  
**Kidz Kare!**

So, when you are enjoying yourself at the Gala you can be assured that your children are enjoying an equally exciting evening upstairs with pizza, movie, games and snacks. Please call the Rectory to let us know, if you child / children will be here that evening.

If you are unable to be with us that evening, please consider making a donation to this important  
**Parish Fundraiser.**



**THE ADVENT GIVING TREE**

Each year the parishioners of Assumption have been generous in helping the many families in need in our Diocese. Beginning next Sunday, we will again offer you the opportunity to take an ornament from our **Giving Tree** and purchase a gift for a child in need. Attach the ornament to the gift and place it under the tree. Please do not wrap the gift.

Join us this Advent for an

**ADVENT REFLECTION SERIES:**

**"Mary of Nazareth, Who is She Really?"**

Guided by Sister Bernadette Sullivan,  
Franciscan Sisters of the Poor

We will use the groundbreaking book entitled:  
**Truly Our Sister, A Theology of Mary  
in the Communion of Saints**

by Sister Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ,  
Theologian & Professor at Fordham University

Fridays: November 30, December 7, 14 & 21

Following the 8:00am Mass

Location: Assumption Parish Auditorium

RSVP: Sister Bernadette Sullivan, 718-935-9611,



**HOW TO CELEBRATE THIS YEAR OF FAITH**

**Study the teachings of the Church.** Our faith magnifies as we respond to the Word of God. During this year we are called to immerse ourselves in the Gospels, as well as the Vatican II documents and the Catechism.

**ATTENTION: LECTORS**

**The Lector Workbooks** for our new Liturgical Year have arrived. We ask our Lectors to pick up a workbook in the Sacristy after Mass. Please sign your name on the pick-up sheet so we will know that everyone has received their book. Thank you.

**NEW HYMNALS/MISSALETTES**

We are offering you an opportunity to memorialize or simply help defray the cost of the new hymnals. The cost is \$5 per book. A dedication label will be placed in each book. Please print all information. If considering more than one, please list your requests on a separate sheet of paper.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

- I wish to memorialize \_\_\_ hymnal/s : **"In Loving Memory of** \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
 I wish to help defray the cost of \_\_\_ hymnal/s : **"A Gift from:** \_\_\_\_\_

  
**Tithes & Offerings**  
**Sunday, November 18, 2012**

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 3545.00  
 Weekly Amount Needed: 5,000.00  
 Envelopes mailed out: 294  
 Envelopes received: 78

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

Goal (Phases I & II) - \$ 250,000.00  
 Pledged - \$ 177,110.00  
 Received - \$ 131,155.00  
 Parish Participation - 65 Donors



We ask *every parish household* to make a pledge payable throughout 2013. Capital Campaign Pledge forms can be found on the table in Church or on our website.

**SAINT BONIFACE CHRISTMAS FAIR**

Do your Christmas shopping with local merchants and craftspeople.

Lots of Brooklyn-made and other local-made items.

Location: **Saint Joseph High School**  
 80 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn NY

December 1<sup>st</sup> (9am till 4pm)

December 2<sup>nd</sup> (9am till 3pm)

For a list of vendors, go to [www.oration-church.org](http://www.oration-church.org)

Events/Christmas Fair.

Call: 718-875-2096

*A Little Church Humor~*



"Dad took so long trying to explain the Trinity, I didn't have the heart to ask him about the Electoral College."

*Mass Intentions*  *for the Week*

**SUN** **FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**  
 10:00 Moises Abad  
 By: Gil & Lut Vasquez  
 12:15 Mary & Louis Hahn  
 By: Marie Hahn

**MON** **NOVEMBER 26, 2012**  
*Readings* Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Luke 21:1-4  
 8:00: Fr. Serverino Lopez  
 By: Terri Eoff & Jeff LaMarre

**TUES** **NOVEMBER 27, 2012**  
*Readings* Rv 14:14-19 Luke 21:5-11  
 8:00: Personal Intentions  
 By: Gil & Lut Vasquez

**WED** **NOVEMBER 28, 2012**  
*Readings* Rev 15:1-4 Luke 21:12-19  
 8:00 Personal Intentions  
 By: Gil & Lut Vasquez

**THURS** **NOVEMBER 29, 2012**  
*Readings* Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21:20-28  
 8:00 Nancy Robinson  
 By: Terri Eoff & Jeff LaMarre

**FRI** **NOVEMBER 30 - ST. ANDREW**  
*Readings* Rom 10:9-18 Mt. 4:18-22  
 8:00 John Vekassy  
 By: His Children

**SAT** **DECEMBER 1, 2012**  
*Readings* Rv 22:1-7 Lk 21:34-36  
 8:00 Deceased of The Del Genio Family  
 By: Nancy Del Genio  
 5:00pm Moises Abad  
 By: Gil & Lut Vasquez

*We Remember and Pray For...*

- Those who are sick, injured, homebound, in care centers, undergoing treatments, tests, or recovering from surgery:  
     *Frank Macchiarola, Dominic Beltran*
- Those who have died.:
- The brave men and women who fight for our freedom all over the world.
- We pray for all of the priests of Assumption Parish - past, present and future; and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood.
- And, for those who have no one to pray for them.