

John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."  
- Jn 1:26-

**Readings for the Week of December 11, 2011**

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28  
Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47  
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32  
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Lk 7:18b-23  
Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30  
Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Jn 5:33-36  
Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17  
Next Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

**Stewardship:** All of the people in today's readings—the prophet Isaiah, the Virgin Mary, St. Paul, St. John the Baptist—seemed to understand clearly and rejoice in what God was calling them to be and to do. Do I?

**A Big Thank You!!**

On behalf of the Parish Music Ministry, I would like to thank everyone involved (all musicians, Adult, Children & Brazilian Choirs, our parishioners and guests, Pastor John Kiley, and our Vicar, Fr. Matthew Green) who made this Advent/Christmas concert such a joyous celebration.



Thank you, and PEACE to all.

Thomas Misuraca, Director of Music Ministry

**Hospitality Ministry**

The Hospitality Ministry would like to recognize and thank the many volunteers who have been greeting this past year at all Masses. Greeting has been well received, and perhaps there are more of you out there who would like to volunteer. Please call Pamela Schwartz at 978-282-1416 for St. Joachim Church or Barbara Kozel at 978-283-2609 for St. Ann Church.



**Christmas Giving Tree**

The Giving Trees, sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society, have been set up in the vestibules of St. Ann and St. Joachim Churches. Each tree is decorated with colored stars describing a gift, which may be donated for the people of Cape Ann. Each gift should be new and unused and returned unwrapped with the original star attached. The trees will be up until Sunday, December 18, and all the gifts should be returned to the office no later than noon Monday, December 19. **We are sorry, but no gifts can be accepted after this date, as we are a volunteer organization, and all gifts will be distributed on Tuesday, December 20.**



**Confessions in Preparation for Christmas**

Sunday, December 18: 9:45-10:30am St. Joachim  
Monday, December 19: after 9:00am Mass at St. Joachim  
9:30-10:30am at St. Ann  
Wednesday, December 21: 6:30-8:00pm at St. Ann  
6:30-8:00pm at St. Joachim  
Saturday, December 24: 10:30-11:30am at St. Ann  
10:30-11:30am at St. Joachim

**Christmas Masses**

Saturday, December 24: 4:00pm St. Ann  
5:00pm St. Joachim  
6:00pm St. Ann  
8:00pm St. Ann (Brazilian Mass)  
Sunday, December 25: 12:00am Midnight St. Joachim  
10:00am St. Ann  
10:00am St. Joachim

**Clothes Closet Secret Santa**

Mr. & Mrs. Santa Claus invite you to visit the Clothes Closet and explore what we have to offer on Wednesday, December 14 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm and on Saturday, December 17 from 10am to 1pm. Perhaps there may be a special gift for you. We'll be open, weather permitting, and hope to see you and wish you a Merry Christmas and thank you for your continued support.



We are happy to announce the following Baptisms which recently took place in our parish:

Conor William Contrino  
Brody Raphael Remington  
Emma Hope Aspesi  
Mia Louise Moginot

**Thank You**

The pewter Communion Set for St. Joachim Church has been donated in memory of:  
Col. Peter J. Foss from the Foss Families  
and  
Mary Catherine Webber from daughter Nan Webber

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



DECEMBER 10 ~  
DECEMBER 18,  
2011

Saturday, December 10

4pm St. Ann.....**Giambanco, Romeo & Ciluffo Families**  
From Family

Sunday, December 11

8:00am St. Ann.....**Maria D'Amico**  
From Children & Grandchildren

8:30am St. Joachim.....**Gerald O'Connor**  
From Wife & Family

10:30am St. Ann .....**Ralph & Josephine Pratt;**  
**Grandsons Charles, Thomas & Seamus**  
From Family

11:00am St. Joachim.....**Pro Populo**

6: 30pm St. Ann Mass in Portuguese

Monday December 12

9am St. Joachim.....**Maria & Salvatore Gucciardi**  
From Brother & Family

Tuesday, December 13

9am St. Joachim .....**Antonia Kaminsky**  
From Daughter-in-Law Ellie

Wednesday December 14

9am St. Joachim.....**Dorothy Hagstrom**  
From Judy, Sandra & Tom Corcoran

Thursday, December 15

9am St. Joachim.....**Gail Randazza**  
From Godmother Nina & Godfather Paul

Friday, December 16

9am St. Joachim.....**Hope Heck**  
From Mother, Father, Uncle & Family

Saturday, December 17

4pm St. Ann.....**Rose Testaverde**  
From Family

Sunday, December 11

8:00am St. Ann.....**Rosaria & Pietro Cannavo**  
From Cannavo Family

8:30am St. Joachim....**Salvatore Loiacano, Phyllis Toppan &**  
**Angela Strescino**  
From Family

10:30am St. Ann .....**Joseph Nicastro**  
From Family

11:00am St. Joachim.....**Pro Populo**

6: 30pm St. Ann Mass in Portuguese

**Nursing Home Masses**

Seacoast—December 12, 3:15pm  
DenMar—December 19, 3:30pm  
Golden Living Center—December 28, 3:00pm



We commend into God's care those who were buried from our Parish recently:

- Marilyn LeBlanc
- Francis "Joe" Flood
- Natale Misuraca
- Denise San Paolo
- Helen T. Chadwick



**Memorials & Donations**  
We gratefully acknowledge donations received in memory of:

**Lillian Novello**

Lydia Bertolino  
Rose & Gina Ciaramitaro  
Eleanor & Anthony Curcuru

**Rosalie Avelis**

Lydia Bertolino  
Rose & Gina Ciaramitaro  
Eleanor & Anthony Curcuru

**Catherine Stroman**

Louise & Charlie Ferazzi

**Eleanor Salah**

Joanne King  
Elizabeth Klein  
Jane Militello  
Mr.&Mrs. Leonard Orlando

**Michael Favazza**

Lydia Bertolino  
Mary Parisi

**Denise San Paolo**

Rose & Gina Ciaramitaro  
Eleanor & Anthony Curcuru  
Julie & John Rizzello

**Marilyn LeBlanc**

Michael & Gail Pratt

**Francis "Joe" Flood**

Lydia Bertolino  
Judith & Philip James  
Mr.&Mrs. John Nicastro  
Julie & John Rizzello  
Suzanne Seller  
Allyn & Jeanne Smith

**Charles Ciaramitaro**

Lydia Bertolino  
Mary Parisi  
Mary Russo  
Dorothy Williamson  
Donna Young & Family

**Natale Misuraca**

Lydia Bertolino  
Mr.&Mrs. Samuel Calomo  
Sam & Katy Ciolino  
Cecilia Gray  
Angie & Onofrio Maggiore  
Francesca Piraino  
Mary Pizzimenti  
Catherine Randazza  
Mary Russo

**Christopher Palazzola**

Mr.&Mrs. Sam Asaro  
Faye Curcuru  
Angie & Onofrio Maggiore  
Vincie Scola

**Charles Settiani**

Matthew & Mary Lou Settiani

**Grace Parisi**

Faye Curcuru  
Catherine Randazza



**Host & Wine**

The Host & Wine for December were donated in memory of

Lt. Col. Edward R. Ghidella  
and the Bendik Family  
From Wife & Family

## St. Ann School News

Please join us for our Annual Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 21, in St. Ann Church. Our preschoolers will sing at 12:45pm, followed by a performance by the students in grades K-8 at 1:00pm. All are welcome!



## Knights of Columbus News

The next monthly meeting will be held on December 13, at 7pm in St. Ann School.

## Cevicos Mission

Our parish missionaries will be visiting Cevicos during the week of January 14-21. This is a medical mission, and your donations make it possible for us to bring basic medical care to the people in the town of Cevicos and the surrounding villages. This could not happen without the support of the people of Holy Family, and we thank you for your continued generosity. Please keep our friends there in your prayers and be assured that you are constantly in their prayers as well. Here is a list of supplies that are needed (generic versions are okay):

- Acetaminophen for infants/children (chewable & liquid)
- Acetaminophen for adults (325 mg & 500 mg)
- Acetaminophen for arthritis (650 mg)
- Aspirin for heart (81 mg)
- Selsun Blue shampoo (used for skin rashes)
- Delsym cough syrup
- Benedryl ointment
- Hydrocortisone cream
- Antibiotic cream: Bacitracin, Neosporin (small tubes)
- Tums
- Claritin (Loratadine: 5 mg & 10 mg)
- Ace Bandages (4" & 6")

## Catholic Charities Needs Your Help

Help your Cape Ann neighbors by providing a donation to the local Catholic Charities office. We provide for basic needs (food gift cards, utility and rental assistance) during these difficult economic times. Please send donations to Catholic Charities North, attn: Sarah Gindel, 60 Prospect St., Gloucester MA 01930. Please put "basic needs" in the check's memo line. We also accept donations in memory of loved ones or to celebrate a wedding or anniversary and will notify the recipient of your gift. Thank you for your continuing generosity. For more information, call 978-283-3055.

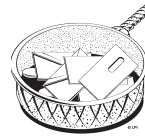
## Food Pantry Needs



The following items are needed for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry: cereal, canned meat, juice, tuna, crackers, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, baked beans, peanut butter, jelly, pancake mix and syrup. Your donations can be left in the boxes at the entrance to the churches.

## Bulletin Deadline

Just a reminder that items for the bulletin must be received by noon on Tuesday for the following weekend's bulletin.



## December 3/4 Collections

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4pm	198	\$1,805.33
8am	120	1,231.71
8:30am	168	1,167.30
10:30am	307	1,646.05
11am	109	779.75
	<u>902</u>	
<b>Weekly Offertory:</b>		<b>\$6,630.14</b>
<b>Office Offertory:</b>		<b>700.00</b>
<b>Dec. EFT donations (4 weeks)</b>		<b>1,047.42</b>
<b>Total Offertory:</b>		<b>\$8,377.56</b>
<b>December 2010 Average Collection:</b>		<b>\$6,358.28</b>

## Christmas Collection

The Christmas collection is for the priests of the archdiocese. These faith-filled men have dedicated their lives to serving the faithful; now it is our turn to be present for them. Please give generously to the Christmas collection, which directly benefits the health & retirement needs of our 715 active and senior priests.

## Did You Know ....?

Our second Grand Annual Appeal was mailed out recently. Did you know: **we spent over \$33,500 last year to heat our buildings? we spent over \$32,000 last year on property insurance for our buildings? And we spent over \$19,000 last year on utilities for our buildings?** We spent \$2,600 on cleaning and repairs to our parish boilers and installation of a new water heater for the parish hall last month. Holy Family Parish depends on your generosity to meet these expenses. We need each and every family and parishioner to contribute as generously as possible. Please prayerfully consider your donation and join the parishioners who have already given to our Grand Annual Collection. As of Wednesday, December 7, your donations amounted to \$52,635, which is 70% of our \$75,000 goal.

## Holy Family Parish Registration



If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

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

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

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me offertory envelopes \_\_\_\_\_

We look forward to hearing from you!