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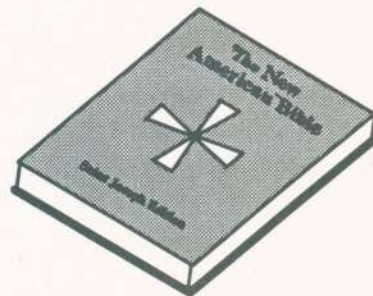
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(H.A.) 2:45-3:30 or anytime by asking.

**"Please remember your
parish in your will."**

FROM FATHER DAN'S DESK

The festival which celebrates the Lord's birth began Tuesday evening and continues through the feast of the Epiphany - in all, twelve days of Christmas. The readings, prayers and hymns assigned to these days are some of the most beautiful and inspiring of the entire church year. The Christmas homily of Pope Leo the Great is one of my favorites:

"Dearly beloved, today our Savior is born; let us rejoice! Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness. No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing. Our Lord, victor over sin and death, finding no one free from sin, came to free us all. Let the saints rejoice—seeing the palm of victory at hand. Let the sinner be glad—receiving the offer of forgiveness. Let the pagan take courage—being summoned to life... Christians, remember your dignity... (D)o not forget that you have been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom."

History is filled with men and women who believed these words and took their Christian dignity seriously. Some are honored within the Twelve Days of Christmas with special feasts including martyrs [Stephen and the Holy Innocents], an apostle and evangelist [John], two of the four great doctors of the Eastern church [Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen], an American woman [Elizabeth Ann Seton], and even a feast honoring Mary, the Mother of God.

These holy men and women were transparent reflections of Jesus to the world and encouragement for us as we work to become holy. Who knows, someday one of us may be celebrated in the church's calendar as a saint!

The Christmas season is only a few days old. Rejoice in the Lord's birth! Rejoice in God's generous gift of Life! Merry Christmas!

Father Dan

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MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, December 29, 1996 - THE HOLY FAMILY

- 8:30 - (H.A.) Pauline Padula - Kevin Walsh
 9:00 - (St.F.) Bennie Santangelo -
 M/M Gerald Martino
 10:15 - (H.A.) John J. Fedele - M/M Sam Fedele
 10:15 - (St.P&P) People of the Parish
 11:00 - (St.A.) (Vietnamese)
 12:00 - (St.F.) (Spanish) Donosio Martinez -
 Carmen Martinez

Monday, December 30, 1996

- 7:15 - (St.A.) Ann Brown - Estate
 8:00 - (H.A.) Bernard Dorsey - Anna Batz

Tuesday, December 31, 1996 - St. Sylvester I

- 7:15 - (St.A.) Sharon E. Platt
 8:00 - (H.A.) Rose Morinelli - Louis & Marian
 12:10 - (Ss.P&P) Thanksgiving for Blessings of the Year
 Ending

Wednesday, January 1, 1997 -

MARY MOTHER OF GOD

(Holy Day of Obligation)

- 8:30 - (H.A.) Bennie Santangelo - Harry &
 Mary Rehak
 9:00 - (St.F.) - For God's Blessing of Peace, Joy &
 Love during the New Year
 9:00 - (St.A.) - Gerald Pucillo - M/M Frank Sellitto
 10:15 - (H.A.) - World Peace
 10:15 - (Ss.P&P) - For Mothers
 11:00 p.m. - (St.A.) (Vietnamese)

Thursday, January 2, 1997 -

SS. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

- 7:15 - (St.A.) Christopher O'Leary
 8:00 - (H.A.) People of Our Parish
 8:00 - (St.F.) Mary Josephine Capuano - Frances
 Bonde & Minnie Vadala
 6:30 p.m. - (St.A.) (Vietnamese)

Friday, January 3, 1997 - First Friday

- 7:15 - (St.A.) Thomas Brown - Estate
 8:00 - (H.A.) Jacob & Joshua (Good Health) -
 Lydia Scialdone
 8:00 - (St.F.) Pauline Riley - Douglas & His Sister
 6:30 p.m. - (St.A.) (Vietnamese)

Saturday, January 4, 1997 -

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (First Saturday)

- 8:00 - (H.A.) John G. Hutzler - Wife

Saturday, (Evening)

- 3:30 - (H.A.) Patrick David Paris -
 M/M Samuel Di Tucci
 4:30 - (St.F.) Charles Lauricella - Parents
 4:45 - (St.A.) Angelo D'Ambrosio - David &
 Pietrinna Veltri

Sunday, January 5, 1997 -

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

- 8:30 - (H.A.) Lieselotte Reeners - Ed & Elaine
 Reeners
 9:00 - (St.F.) Angelina & Frank Passalacqua -
 Peggy & Joseph Calabro
 10:15 - (H.A.) Joseph Argentina - Wife & Daughter
 10:15 - (St.P&P) People of the Parish
 11:00 - (St.A.) (Vietnamese)
 12:00 - (St.F.) (Spanish) Eubaldo Mataeo - Irma Mateo

EUCCHARISTIC MINSTERS & LECTORS JANUARY 11TH AND JANUARY 12TH

- 3:30 - LEC: Virginia LaMagro - HOST - Marie Fiorini
 - WINE - Marie Hammer & Deacon
 John/Lucille Hollis
 4:30 - LEC: Jean DiGiovanni - BREAD - Sam
 Ognibene - CUP - Shirley Gatti & Frances
 Delconte
 8:30 - LEC: Carolyn Mastrella - HOST - Barbara
 Huber - WINE - Betty Juliano & Deacon
 John/Steve Staub
 9:00 - LEC: Dick Thorpe - BREAD - Minnie Vadala -
 CUP - Phyllis Burruto & Betty Ann Cordero
 10:15 - LEC: Audry Renna - HOST - Ursula
 Lippa-Allen - WINE - Mary Ellen Hursh &
 Deacon John/Barbara Stifter
 10:15 - LEC: Sr. Mary Sullivan & Michael Mott -
 BREAD - Mary Ramos - Diane Hayes, Luke
 Perrone, Barbara Hoffman & Jenkins Hart

DECEMBER 21ST AND DECEMBER 22ND

CHURCH	OFFERING	ATTENDANCE
Holy Apostles	\$N/A	N/A
St. Anthony	N/A	N/A
St. Francis	N/A	N/A
Ss. Peter & Paul	N/A	N/A

PERSONAL MEMORIAL DONATIONS

This week the HOLY APOSTLES SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn in loving memory of ANGELINA CAGLE requested by GENTILE FAMILY.
 This week the ST. ANTHONY BLESSED VIRGIN VIGIL LIGHT will burn in memory of LAURA SNOW requested by BERTIE & PETER FEOLA.

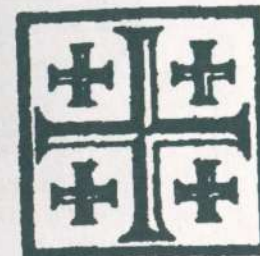
This week the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY VIGIL LIGHT will burn in memory of HUSBAND requested by Mrs. Ann Turchetti.



Pray for...

The Sick of Our Parishes

June Roviso (St.F.) (Rochester General)
 Pietro Sciortino (St.F.) (St. Mary's)
 Robert Bianchi (St.A.) (Strong)
 Angelina Bianchi (H.A.) (Highland)
 And all who are sick at home and in nursing homes.



CALENDAR

Sun - December 29

- 9:30 - 10:30 - Vietnamese RCIA Class
 2:00 - 5:00pm - Visit Sibley Nativity (St.A.)

Mon - December 30

- 7:30pm - Bingo Team #8 (H.A.)

Tues - December 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE

- 7:00pm - Folk Group Practice (H.A.)
 7:30pm - Bingo Team #4 (H.A.)

Weds - January 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR - OFFICES CLOSED

Thurs - January 2

Fri - January 3 - FATHER EHMANN'S 92ND BIRTHDAY - HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 5:30pm - Liturgy of the Word (H.A.)

Sat - January 4

- 10:00am - 12:00 pm - Religious Education Classes (St.F.)

Sun - January 5

- 8:30am - Coffee Hour - Al Fantauzzo - Members of the
 Men's Club
 11:30am - Children's Liturgy of the Word Training (Ss.
 P&P)

PARISH NEWS

HOLY DAY

- JAN. 1ST - 8:30 A.M. HOLY APOSTLES
 9:00 A.M. ST. ANTHONY
 9:00 A.M. ST. FRANCIS
 10:15 A.M. HOLY APOSTLES
 10:15 A.M. SS. PETER AND PAUL
 11:00 A.M. ST. ANTHONY
 (VIETNAMESE)

THANK YOU - Your priests and all the parish staffs sincerely thank you for your kind holiday greetings, gifts and treats. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are deeply appreciated. May God bless you and your loved ones throughout the new year! We offer you our thanks and our prayers.

(STA.) - All are welcome to visit St. Anthony's Church to see the memorable Sibley's Nativity figures. The church will be open today, Sunday, December 29th from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. specifically for this purpose. Please come.

(H.A. & STA.) - We are very grateful to Bartolomeo Funeral Home for supplying our 1997 calendars, which begin on January 1st, as usual.

(St.F.) - QUE PASA, Les deseo a todos desde mi bella Isla del encanto un prospero Ano Nuevo "1997" y que les traiga mucha PAS, AMOR, PROSPERIDAD Y MUCHA FELICIDADES!

Felicidades, Brun

(H.A.) - Next Sunday, January 5, special coffee hours honoring Father Ehmann on his 92nd birthday will follow the 8:30 and 10:15 Masses. All are invited. (Friday, January 3rd is his birthday.)

(ST.F.) - Anytime between today and the feast of the Epiphany gifts may be left at the Giving Tree. Welcomed items are: mittens, gloves, hats, socks, soap, shampoo, etc. which will be distributed through the winter by Charles House.

(Ss.P&P) - All parishioners are invited to a Liturgy Listing Session on Sunday, January 12 following the 10:15 a.m. Mass. The numerous liturgy questions and ideas raised at our recent Parish Council Town Meeting indicated interest in employing a similar format for this topic. The purpose is listening to one another and raising for the Liturgy Committee, Parish Council and staff current questions and ideas. Suggested general headings will be: Devotions; Music; Environment; Ministers and Ministries; Other. The goal is to raise questions and ideas, not discussion or responses. Please plan on participating.

The Liturgy Listening Session will be summarized and follow up will be discussed at the Parish Council Meeting (January 14, 7:00 p.m.) and Liturgy Committee Meeting (January 18, 1:00 p.m.), with details reported back to the parish. All these meetings are open to parishioners. Please begin at the January 12th session. Thank you.

(ALL) - St. Helen School will be holding a Kindergarten 1997 Information Meeting on Wednesday, January 15th. Families with children who will be five by December 1, 1997 are invited to meet in the Parish Center (located in the school building) from 7-8:30 p.m. During the course of the meeting, you will have the opportunity to learn about the whole day and half kindergarten programs being offered at our school. In addition to hearing an overview of the curriculum, you will be able to meet the kindergarten teachers and the principal and visit the kindergarten classrooms. We will provide free babysitting in our Preschool classroom for the meeting. For more information about this meeting, please call the school office. We hope to see you there!

(ALL) - All Saints Catholic Junior High is planning an information night for anyone interested in 7th and 8th Grades for 1997-98. The information night is January 9th at 7:00 p.m. at All Saints Junior High, 170 Spencerport Road. Call 429-6010 for further information.