December 17, 2023

Third Sunday in Advent



#### Mass Schedule

Sat.	5:00 PM	Delores Patrie memorial by Linda Salome
Sun.	8:30 AM	Special Intention of Samek family
	10:30 AM	Antonio Montefusco memorial by Ray & Rose Thurber
	5:00 PM	Pro Populo – for the people
Mon.	7:30 AM	Dec. Long, Forkin, Wilson families memorial by Diane Santaniello
Tues.	7:30 AM	Msgr. Nicholas J. lacovacci memorial
Wed.	7:30 AM	Angela Simeone memorial
Thurs.	7:30 AM	Dec. of Roy and Madonna families memorial by Diane Santaniello
Fri.	7:30 AM	
Sat.	5:00 PM	Normand & Georgiana Lachapelle memorial by Celeste
Sun.	8:30 AM	·
	10:30 AM	Leo & Doris Robidoux memorial by Gerry & Fran Robidoux
<b>Christmas</b>	5:00 PM	Robert Messier memorial by wife and family
Vigil		•

**SANCTUARY LAMP:** For a special intention of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Carignan



Weekend of December 10, 2023 Weekly Offering: \$1713.00

Christmas Flowers: 947.00

Holyday – Immaculate Conception: 464.00

Thank You!

#### **Lector Workbooks**

Lector Workbooks for the new liturgical year are available for pick-up in the Sacristy. Let us be very grateful to our Lectors for their generosity and dedication in serving in this privileged role in the Mass and wish the Lord's special blessing on them and their ministry.

# Advent Lessons and Carols at Chesterton Academy of Our Lady of Hope

Chesterton Academy of Our Lady of Hope invites you to come celebrate the anticipation of Our Lord's incarnation! Hear the Chesterton student choir sing **The Festival of Lessons** and **Carols on Wednesday**, **December 20**, **2023 at 6:30pm** 

in the St. Francis Chapel at 610 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick RI. This beautiful and festive tradition began in the 19th century. Through scripture readings (or "lessons"), hymns, carols, and prayers, the Festival tells the story of the Fall, the Messianic promise, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission.

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DEC. 24<sup>TH</sup> - CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASS AT 5:00 PM.

MONDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY - 8:30 AND 10:30 AM,

AND MASS IN VIETNAMESE AT 1:30 PM

### Please Give to Annual Collection – only 2 weeks to go!

THANK YOU! to all who have thus far contributed to our parish's 10th Annual Collection, giving us a total \$13,025 from 69 households so far. Please keep the importance of this collection in mind. Hopefully, you are able to help us match or exceed last year's total of nearly \$15,000! We kindly ask all parishioners to contribute \$100.00 or more according to your means. If you can give a little more to make up for those less able, it would be most appreciated. Your tax deductible donation may be returned anytime between now and December 31. The collection is a vital component of our parish's annual financial resources. Your contribution will help our parish's to carry on Christ's ministry here at St. Anthony's. Please pray for the appeal's success. Thank you.

-Msgr. Simeone

#### 2024 CHURCH CALENDARS

Church calendars for <u>2024</u> are available to be picked up at the doors of the church. This year's calendar is a special edition commemorating the <u>100<sup>th</sup></u> Anniversary of the founding of Saint Anthony Church! It contains some images and information that will remind us throughout the year of our parish's members, history, and activities over the years –most of all, God's providence and graces.

#### PRIESTHOOD VOCATIONS RETREAT

# "The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus Christ." – St. John Vianney.

God has a plan for each of us! This retreat is for high school seniors, college, and post-college age men interested in or curious about the priesthood. The retreat will be held <u>Friday-Saturday</u>, <u>January 12-13</u>, <u>2024</u> at the Seminary of Our Lady of Providence, 485 Mount Pleasant Ave., Providence, RI. Pre-registration required. To recommend a man for the retreat or if interested for yourself, please contact Rev. Ryan J. Simas, Director of Vocations, at 401-331-1316 or rsimas522@icloud.com.

# Keep the Heat On: Help or Be Helped

Bishop Henning recently kicked off this year's Keep the Heat On heating assistance campaign, a program that helps struggling families with heating assistance who have exhausted all other public and private means to keep their families warm during the Rhode Island winter. Since 2005, your generous support has provided more than 3.25 million in assistance to more than 14,681 Rhode Island households in need. If you would like to help local families this winter, please send tax-deductible donations to: Keep the Heat On, One Cathedral Square, Prov., RI 02903 or visit <a href="www.heatRl.com">www.heatRl.com</a> to make a secure credit card donation. If you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, visit <a href="www.heatRl.com">www.heatRl.com</a>, or call 401/421-7833, ext. 207 for more information.