

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, December 16, 2013

NOON Thomas J. Toal III

TUESDAY, December 17, 2013

6:30am Royton Joseph

NOON Yvita Francois

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 2013

6:30am Remedios & Augusto Miguel

NOON Vincent Gatens

THURSDAY, December 19, 2013

6:30am God Blessing

NOON Brian Charles Khan

FRIDAY, December 20, 2013

NOON Maria Robles

SATURDAY, December 21, 2013

8:30am Josephine Craig

5:30pm Edna Mackiewicz

SUNDAY, December 22, 2013

8:00am Purgatorial Society, People of the
Parish, Gabriel Nau, James &
Joan Nelson, John Salanitro

11:30am Catherine Beninati

5:30pm Jimbert Shaffer

REMEMBER IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The Sick: Christine Walker, Stacy Lapenna, Ellen M. Lehane, , Edwin H. Walsh, Joseph F. Galli, Ed Morrissey, Baby Anthony DelRe, Baby John Richard Delfino, Marge Taunton, Angelo Sciannameo, Audrey Smith, Robert Clark, Vincent Cioffi, Carl Nott, Deborah Alexandre, Gay Delvecchia

For those who have died:: Veronica Hyacinth

Those in the Armed Services—in these difficult times, let us lift up in prayer our brave men and women who fight for our freedom all over the world.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Altar Bread and Wine— In memory of **Luis Loperena Sr.** donated by Ana Maria Sanchez

Sanctuary Lamp— In memory of **Dora Torres De Martinez** donated by Ana Maria Sanchez

HOLY NAME SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Holy Name Society trip to Atlantic City on **December 17, 2013** to **Showboat**. **Has Been Cancelled** For more information please call Bill or Dorothy at 1-718-377-4061.

ROSARY SOCIETY ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Rosary Society is sponsoring a trip to **Showboat** in Atlantic City on **January 9, 2013**. The bus leaves from in front of the Church at **8:30am**. For more information please call Noreen at 718-253-7824. Please leave a message. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN LENTEN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

March 25-April 3, 2014

Msgr. McGuirl, Msgr. Harrington, Fr. Vassalotti, Fr. K Sweeney, Chaplains
For a brochure call: Lucille 1-800-228-4654
Ext. 208 lucille@groupist.com

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS COLLECTIONS

- **Christmas Flowers** - help us decorate the Church this Christmas through your generous donation to this collection. A complete list of all those who donate will be published in an upcoming bulletin.
- **Christmas Mass Remembrance** - your loved ones and friends will be included in our Christmas Mass Remembrance this Christmas season.
- **Christmas Gift to the Parish** - this important annual collection helps us to meet the extraordinary expenses we face at this time of year. Please be as generous as your means permit.

LIGHTING OUR WAY TO CHRISTMAS

For the past few years we have lit our way to Christmas with the lighting of candles down the center aisle of the Church during the Christmas season. This year we would like to offer this opportunity again.

From Christmas Eve through the end of the Christmas season, candles will be lit in memory of or in honor of family members or friends; a donation of \$150.00 per candle is requested. Please place this donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Candles" and drop in the collection basket. A complete list will be placed in the Christmas bulletin.

During the season of Advent after every Mass, there will be Religious Christmas items available for purchase and a chance to enter into our Christmas Raffle Drawings. The raffle drawings will be conducted after December 23rd and winners will be announced in our bulletin.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

CALLING ALL YOUTH IN JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL

St. Thomas Aquinas Youth Group meets every First, Third and Fifth Friday of the month from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Aquinas Center. In the world we are living today, there is a great need for a teenager to have a place where he or she can feel safe in expressing their faith as well as to have fun among other teens their own age. All are welcome to come, so please invite your friends!

Our next meeting will be our Youth Group Christmas Party on Friday, December 20th in the Gym. In order to attend you must return the youth group consent form. You can get the consent form at the back of Church or on Our Website.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Holy Name Society, Mini-Retreat, will be held on Saturday, January 4, 2014. 8:30-12:30PM Are you a man searching for something greater? The St. Thomas Aquinas Holy Name Society invite all men of the parish that are 18yrs or older to our Mini-Retreat (Morning of Prayer) on Saturday, January 4, 2014. It begins with Mass at 8:30 in the Church and continues at the Aquinas Center. Breakfast will be served. The Holy Name Society is open to all men in the parish. Cost: **Free**

For more information or to sign up please see Fr. Dwayne

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME FOR THE
CANONIZATION OF POPES JOHN PAUL II
& JOHN XXIII

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Come and join St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in our pilgrimage to Rome for the occasion of the canonization of Pope John Paul II & Pope John XXXIII. We will also visit Assisi.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR FATHER DWAYNE DAVIS

Depart April 24th -Return May 1st, 2014

Trip Includes:

- *Round trip air fare including all taxes;
- *4 nights in a Hotel in Rome centrally located to Vatican
- *Breakfast buffet and Dinner daily (wine included at dinner & mineral water)
- *Tour of Eternal City including Coliseum, Trevi Fountain, Roman Forum, etc. ;
- *Participation at the canonization, with tour guide escort
- *Tour of Vatican including Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museum
- *2 Nights in Assisi- St Francis Basilica, St. Claire Basilica, Our Lady of Angels & Portiuncola
- *Round Trip transfer to and from hotel including luggage handling.
- *Including tour escort and First Class Coach



\$2990.00 Per Person based on double occupancy

For more information please call

Elizabeth Mathew 718-253-4404 ext. 30

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Due to limited seats \$300 deposit required by December 20th.