

ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

MESSENGER

JANUARY 2020



Sunday Worship – 8:15am and 9:30am
Sunday School – 9:30am

Calendar of Events:

Sun. Jan. 19	Worship services Souper Bowl of Caring begins	8:15 & 9:30am
Mon. Jan. 20	Yoga class	7:00pm
Wed. Jan. 22	Confirmation class	7:00pm
Thurs. Jan. 23	Choir rehearsal	7:30pm
Fri. Jan. 24	Junior Girl Scout Event	6:30pm – 9:00pm
Sun. Jan. 26	Worship (no 8:15am service) Sunday School *ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	9:30am 9:30am 10:45am
Mon. Jan. 27	Yoga class	7:00pm
Wed. Jan. 29	Confirmation class	7:00pm
Thurs. Jan. 30	Choir rehearsal	7:30pm

LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY:

Sun. Feb. 2	Souper Bowl Sunday food collection	
Mon. Feb. 3	Yoga class	7:00pm
Tues. Feb. 4	Knitting Circle	7:30pm
Wed. Feb. 5	Confirmation class	7:00pm
Thurs. Feb. 6	Choir rehearsal	7:30pm
Sun. Feb. 9	Scout Sunday	9:30am
Wed. Feb. 26	Ash Wednesday: Ashes to Go (Lynbrook Train Station) Ash Wednesday evening service	5:45am-8:45am 7:30pm

**All members are invited and encouraged to attend the annual congregational meeting on Sunday, January 26. We will review our ministry from 2019 and discuss our plans and goals for 2020. This meeting is open to everyone, but only confirmed members may vote.*

A Message from the Pastor...

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

By the power of his right hand and his holy arm, he has saved his people.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth, break forth into jubilant song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and the sound of melody,

with trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.

~ Psalm 98:1, 4-6

If you joined us for worship on Christmas Eve, you got to hear some very special music at the beginning of the service. Kaylee Palmer sang a beautiful a capella rendition of "O Holy Night." Parker Sloan played an awesome violin medley with our organist, Judy Markson, accompanying him on the piano. And speaking of our new piano, we were even blessed with an incredible duet by Judy and her husband, Oliver, played in four-hand! What a wonderful way to begin our celebration of Christ's birth! What a holy night, indeed!

Yes, we certainly love to sing and make a joyful noise to the Lord here at St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church. We love singing our favorite hymns in worship like "A Mighty Fortress," "Christ, Be Our Light," and "We Are Called." We enjoy singing the various parts of the liturgy each Sunday like the Kyrie, Gospel Acclamation, Lamb of God, etc. Our church choir sings an anthem as the Table is prepared for Communion, and our carillon rings sweetly as we enter the church.

Martin Luther believed that music was one of God's greatest gifts: "Next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise." He argued that music not only "puts to flight every spirit of sadness" and "drives away the devil and makes people cheerful," but it also has the power to bring us closer to God and make the words of scripture come to life. This was especially true with respect to singing as Luther once said, "He who is singing has no quarrel with the world and is not concerned with contentions in a law court. Singers are neither worried nor sad but shake all cares from their souls."

So if you're like me and you love to sing, perhaps you might consider joining our church choir? We are always seeking new members (especially men!) and you do not have to read music or even be a good singer in order to join. After all, the Psalmist tells us to make a joyful noise to the Lord, but that doesn't mean it has to be a beautiful one! All singing is pleasing to God. Or maybe this is the year that we start a children's choir? We definitely have some talented young singers in our congregation and the Sunday School Christmas pageant last month was further proof of that. Do you or your child play an instrument? Come and share a song in worship! Judy will be more than happy to help and provide accompaniment if needed.

May God bless our music and ministry as together we sing to the LORD a new song in 2020.

Peace +

Pastor Alex

WORSHIP SERVERS SCHEDULE

SERVERS FOR JANUARY 2020

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
5	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Christopher Dunn	Christopher Dunn	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Robert Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
12	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Kaitlyn Gavin	Kim Carlstrom	Kim Carlstrom	Suzanna Thomas & Victoria Ramirez
19	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Tyler Rouse	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Robert Reckhart & Carol Clemente
26	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Dorothy Criscuolo	Chris Shelton	Doug & Kristina Palmer

SERVERS FOR FEBRUARY 2020

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
2	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Kaitlyn Gavin	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Janet Powell & Kristen DeStefano
9	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Christopher Palmer	Susan Masciello	Anna Lenz	Doug & Kristina Palmer
16	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Suzanna Thomas & Carol Clemente
23	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Sam Barry	Christopher Dunn	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Robert Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
26	7:30 pm			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Ash Wednesday		Victoria Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Kim Carlstrom	Kim Carlstrom	Alexandra & Andrew Dunn

SERVERS FOR MARCH 2020

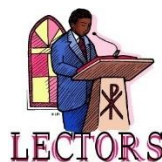
DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
1	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Lent 1	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Tyler Rouse	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Robert Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
8	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
Lent 2	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Janet Powell & Kristen DeStefano
15	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Lent 3	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Kaitlyn Gavin	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Susan Masciello & Dorothy Criscuolo
22	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
Lent 4	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Christopher Palmer	Dorothy Criscuolo	Chris Shelton	Doug & Kristina Palmer
29	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
Lent 5	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Suzanna Thomas & Carol Clemente

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator: Claire Lenz: Lectors & Assisting Ministers - 872-2063; Pauline Feltkamp: Ushers- 599-2273 Andrea: Acolytes, Crucifers, Torch bearers and Gospel bearers- 599-0778 .

If you are making a change in the schedule, please notify the office so all information can be updated.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

We are in need of more members to volunteer as worship servers. Please consider helping out during our services. We need assisting ministers, lectors, ushers, acolytes and crucifers. Anyone can serve regardless of age! We can accommodate your schedule. These are easy ways to serve on a Sunday morning and will add to your worship experience



Pastor Alex will be offering training for those who would like to serve in worship as acolyte, ushers assisting ministers and lectors. Please contact the church office or see Pastor Alex if you are interested in serving.



CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS!

Sign up in the narthex or email the church office at stjohnincarnation@gmail.com to schedule your appointment.

Pictures are usually taken on Sundays after church or can be scheduled on weekdays during office hours.



THE GIVING TREE THANK YOU

BRINGING THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS TO FAMILIES IN NEED

Thank you to all who donated to the Giving Tree, and also to those who helped with the gift wrapping and the tags: **Ursula Lipitz, Kristen DeStefano,** and our Church Secretary, **Andrea.**



Thank you to all those who donated to the ELCA Good Gifts Advent Tree. Through your generosity we can provide:

- 1 family will get a pig
- 4 families will get 10 chicks
- 1 family will get a rooster
- 3 families will get Honeybees
- 2 families will get a goat
- 3 families will get a pair of goats
- 1 family will get a latrine
- 1 woman will get a microloan
- 1 girl will get year of school fees and a uniform
- 3 children will get school supplies
- 2 refugee families will have food for a week
- 1 child will be vaccinated
- 1 family will get a fruit-tree seedling
- 2 families will get a backpack filled with food



Thank you to **Dorothy Criscuolo** for helping to collect donations.

The total collected was an amazing \$1000.00!

Your generous gifts will surely go far to help the hungry and the poor.



We are collected a total of 74 coats and jackets this winter!

Twenty-four coats were donated to the **United Veterans Beacon**

Fifty coats were donated to the **New LIFE Center.**

CHRISTMAS 2019

dear people who got us this presents

Thank you for doing this for us and others in the world. You are sweet nice and caring for others that are in need. So you can continue helping people that are in need. We are happy and in joy when we see the presents. And I wrote this letter for you can be happy.

I TRY MY BEST.

Collecting Presents

Thank you for the generous gifts. My family and I really appreciate it. It will be a wonderful Christmas thanks to your church. Thank you for your prayers and kindness.



I give thanks to the Lord Jesus for all the goodness. My family and I have been receive from you all these years.

Thanks to your love and effort my kids enjoy the happiness of a gift for Christmas.

May God pay you in abundance what you had give us and fill you with health and Joy.

Hillo my name is Jestin Cruz. on the reason for this umilde letter is to thank you for all the surprises you gave me. I liked it a lot and I ask God to pour many blessings on each of you. Thank you very much. A Happy New Year.

Church, thank you for the gifts and for the food every year, and for helping us for every thing. Things for school and clothes. God bless you. Thank you for everything. My mom and dad give thanks. Thank you for helping a lot of people. God bless you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Larry Lipitz
Anthony Posimato
Donna Valenti
Stephen Suppa
Eleanor Haslett
Scott Masciello
Sherry Powell
The Carver Family
John Michael
Vivian Monaco
Larry Rienecker
Al Essex
Lisa
May
Mary Rebando

Arlene
Sandy
Bill
Joe
Joanne
Ryan
Grace
Sue
Faith
Joshua Emswiler
Charles
Heather
Bea
Bob Dickie

Bernadette Harten
Carmel Wright
Karissa Heap
Orlando Castrence
Alisa Queen
Tad Sheppard
Harold Walker
Bob T.
Bill Gibbs
Amie Hanna
Mary Rebando
Levy Messinetti
Marina
Sandy Garafola

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request card or call or email the office at 599-0778 or stjohnincarnation@gmail.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks. Feel free to repeat your request at any time; we can all use prayers.



At St. Jacobi Evangelical Lutheran Church which located in SE Brooklyn, from the last 18 months we're blessed have had 30 new members, our goal for 2020 is 100 people from outreach to our pews, please remember us in your prayers!

Thanks be to God for your concern in Christ Love!

Epiphany joy,
Pastor Mary Chang

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Since 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring has been working to transform Super Bowl Weekend into the nation's largest celebration of giving and serving. Each year thousands of groups and passionate individuals unite across the country to #TackleHunger in their local communities.

On January 19th, 26th & February 2nd, please bring canned goods in our pantry located in the narthex and place your monetary contributions into the soup kettle at the doors to our sanctuary.

All donations that are collected will be given to our charity of choice - the New LIFE Center in Uniondale. Thank you!



LOOKING FORWARD...

1st Communion Classes – If you or someone you know would like to receive first communion, please contact the church office at 516-599-0778 or stjohnincarnation@gmail.com. Classes will begin in February!



ASHES TO GO! – Look for Pastor Alex at the Lynbrook Train Station on Wednesday morning, February 26th. He will be giving out ashes for those who cannot attend worship and/or would like to receive their ashes early that morning.

Ash Wednesday worship will begin at 7:30pm at SJILC.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2019

We would like to thank all the Sunday School children who participated in this year's Christmas Pageant. Great Job!

Emily Artusa
Lola Artusa
Cassie Barry
Sam Barry
Noah Berkowitz
Skyla Berkowitz
Gabby Bohringer
Justin Bohringer

Kayla Bohringer
Bobby Clark
Lucas Clark
Nicole Henshaw
Lauren Henshaw
Cassie Larke
Kayden Larke

Clara Larke
Jacob Lebron
Bella Lebron
Christopher Palmer
Andrew Reitler
Shaun Rouse
Charles Sheppard
Thaddeus Sheppard



YOGA CHRISTMAS PARTY!



CHRISTMAS EVE AT ST. JOHN-INCARNATION!





CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



*Thank you to all those who donated poinsettias that adorned
our church during the Christmas season!*



In Memory of:

Ruth Wakuluk &
Christina Wakuluk

All who have gone before us
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Sal Criscuolo, Dorothy & Julius
Roll & Nelma McMenamin
John & Eleanor Ciervo
George & Lea Dietrich
Brenda Essex
Frank Feltkamp
Frank Feltkamp

Peter Maioliwi
Robert Koehler
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
John and Doris Kortlang
Amy and Shelli Kortlang
Tony and Katie Posimato
Susan Reckhart &
Kimberly Paolillo
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Loved Ones
Louise Vincent

In Honor of:

Karen and Anthony Posimato
St. John-Incarnation Yoga Class
Our Grandchildren
The Glory of God

Given by:

Kimberly, Kristina &
Stephanie Carlstrom
Robert Clark
Carol Clemente
Charlene Comastri

Dorothy Criscuolo

Richard Dietrich
Alois Essex
Pauline Feltkamp
Bruce, Karen, Carrie,
& Karl Feltkamp
Gina Iannarelli
Allison Koehler
The Lipitz Family
Susan & Vinnie Masciello
The Palmer Family
Janet Pescatore
Joan Pirrone

Judy & Anthony Posimato

The Reckhart Family
The Richetti Family
Don Roth
Cora & Don Sarver
Blanche & Chris Shelton
Andrea Sommella
Caroline Vincent

Given by:

Judy and Anthony Posimato
Jeanette Richetti
Blanche and Chris Shelton
Paula Williams

SJILC BOWLING OUTING!

Sunday, March 8, 2020

1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

RVC Lanes in Rockville Centre

2 hours of bowling w/ shoes + slice of pizza & soda

ONLY \$14 per bowler!

*To register, please sign the sheet in the narthex or contact the church office at 516-599-0778 or stjohnincarnation@gmail.com
Friends, relatives, and neighbors are all welcome!*

Deadline to RSVP is Friday, March 6th.

Please make checks payable to St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church.



As we are updating the member directory for 2020 we want to be sure we have your correct contact information. If you would kindly help by filling out the following form and returning it to the church office it would make our task of updating your information easier. We appreciate your help.

First name _____ Last name _____

Home address _____

Landline phone # _____ Cell phone # _____

Email address: Primary _____

Additional email address: _____

WE REACHED OUR GOAL!

January 13, 2020,

Thank you so much to all who contributed to the Roof Fund of St. John – Incarnation. We have reached our goal and are thankful for all those who supported this project. Without your financial support any capital improvements to our building would be impossible. Like owning a home there is always expected and unexpected projects that are needed to be done.

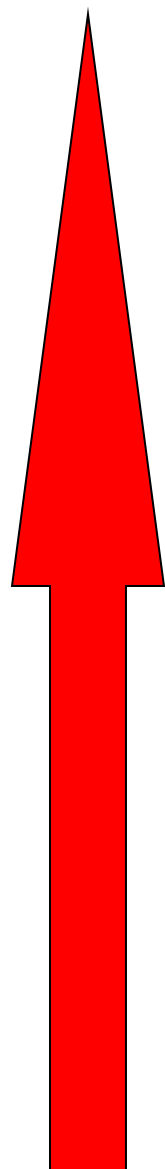
St. John – Incarnation is our church and we are so grateful for all who help monetarily and physically to keep our house of worship the beautiful home it is. Thank you again!

God Bless You Always,

Joan Pirrone

Financial Recording Secretary

St. John-Incarnation ROOF APPEAL with Matching Funds



Members & Friends

\$20,000.00

\$19,000.00
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\$1,000.00

12/31/2019

THANK YOU!

Matched
Fund

\$5,000.00

8/26/2018

**We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have contributed to the
Roof Fund of St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church!**

IN HONOR OF...

Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th birthday

*Karen & Anthony Posimato
Dot & Vito Richetti 50th Wedding Anniversary
Loved Ones
Pauline, Bruce (my godson) & Karen Feltkamp
An Offering
St. John-incarnation
Our grandchildren
Paula Williams
Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th Birthday
The 50th Anniversary of Dot & Vito Richetti
Raquel, Robert Sr., Robert Jr. & Lucas Clark
Cuffia B. Reitler
Joyce, Gregory & Andrew
My children Allison & Joseph &
Grandchildren Giovanni & Gabriella
Gerda Weber
An Offering
St. John-Incarnation
Carol Clemente's 75th Birthday
Cora Sarver's 75th Birthday
St. John-Incarnation
My Grandchildren*

BY:

*Carol Clemente, Allison Koehler,
Joan Pirrone, Cora Sarver, &
Judy and Dave Opatow*

*Judy and Anthony Posimato
Dot & Vito Richetti
The Lipitz Family
Grace West
Anonymous
Anna & Dan Lenz
Chris & Blanche Shelton
Heidi Scalza
Joann Leone
Dorothy Criscuolo
Virginia & Arthur Clark
Edward G. Reitler
Edward G. Reitler*

*Joan Pirrone
Parker Sloan & Jane Sloan
Anonymous
Edward Reitler
Dorothy Criscuolo
Dorothy Criscuolo
Edward Reitler
William Wakuluk*

IN MEMORY OF...

*Loved ones
Loved one
Herbert Lynn
Anthony Masciello
My siblings Joan, Al & Bill
Robert Weber
Sam & Alice Bachelor*

BY:

*The Lipitz Family
Don Roth
Elfriede Lynn
Susan & Vinnie Masciello
Carol Clemente
Gerda Weber
Gabrielle Barry*

*Glenn Heap
Loved ones
Ralph F. Williams
Loved ones
Loved ones
Frank Feltkamp
Cappy & Jack Sheppard
Loved ones
Our mothers-Dorothy Jackson & June Conklin
Dorothy & Julius Roll, Sal Criscuolo,
& Nelma McMenamini
Loved Ones
Kimberly Ann Paolillo
Susan K. Reckhart & Kimberly Ann Paolillo
Merle Williams
Louis Clemente
Louis Clement
Irma & Bob Kaempf
Louis Clemente
My wife Ruth Wakuluk
Allen & Dorothy Jimmerson
Loved ones
Bob & Irma Kaempf
Bill Davison
William J. Telesky
Loved ones
Gerda Weber*

Harry Obst

Irma and Bob Kaempf

*Claire & Hank Lenz
Chris & Blanche Shelton
Florence Williams
Doris Hild
Paul & Christel Hild
Pauline Feltkamp
Anne & Tad Sheppard
Arlene & Ed Moglia
Ken Jackson & Kathy O'Mara*

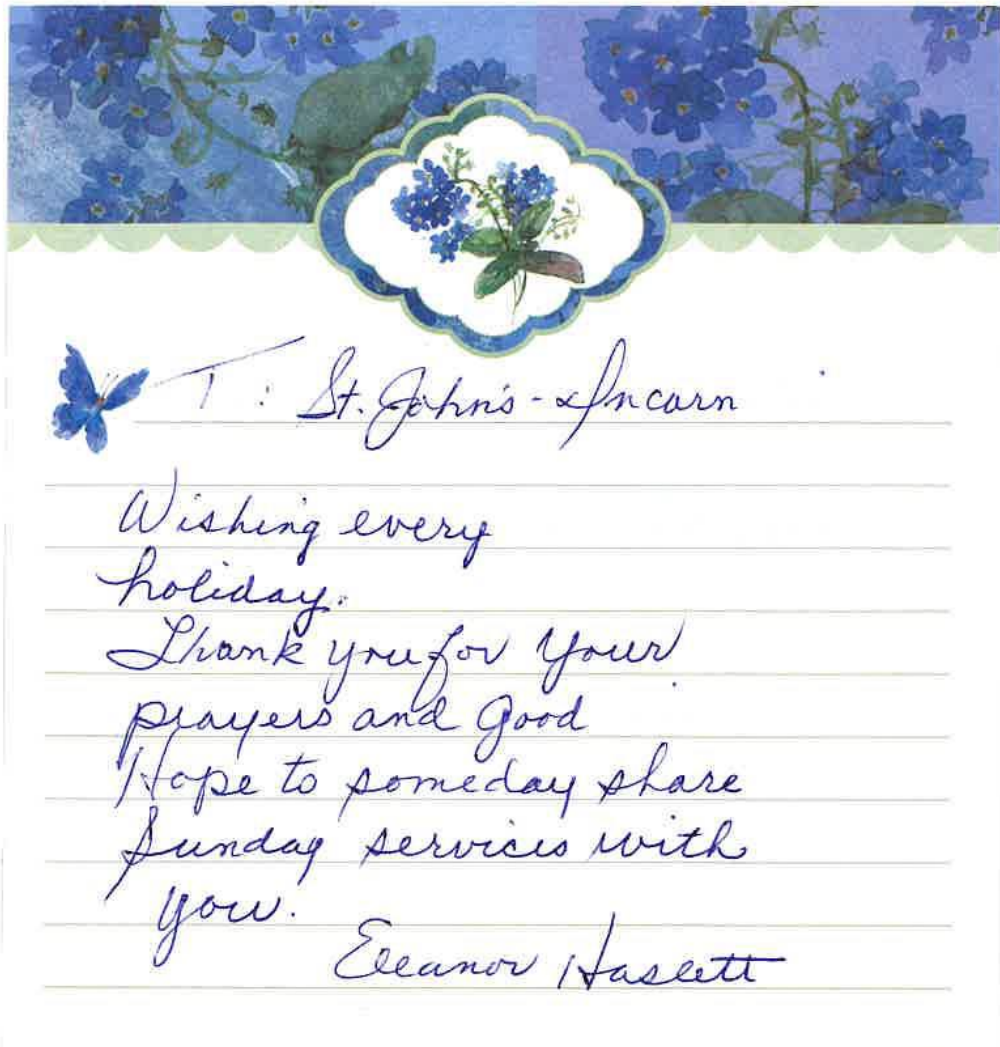
*Dorothy Criscuolo
Charlene Comastri
John Paolillo
Robert Reckhart
Paula Williams
Judy & Dave Opatow
Dorothy Criscuolo
Bob & Diane Kaempf
Carol Clemente
William Wakuluk
Joan Pirrone
Cora Sarver
Karen & Norm Irving
Sue Ellen Coyle
Mary Ann Dodd
Eleanor Haslett
Carol Clemente, Dorothy
Criscuolo, Sue & Vinnie
Masciello, Joan Pirrone,
Cora & Don Sarver,
Catherine Ruzika, Jerry Esposito
Christel & Paul Hild, Marilyn
Sobel, Don Roth, The Tripodi
Family, Kerry & Glenn Kaplan
Louise Sasso, Sharon & Steve
Sarelson, The Stegman Family,
Lisa Crowley, Pauline Feltkamp
Muriel Roth, Debra Roth
Dorothy Criscuolo, Joan Pirrone
Carol Clemente
Brian, Christine, Joanne & Noah*

Doris Oelschlager

Loved Ones
John Fernéz

Charles Henshaw
Patricia Ayres & William McKinnon
Loved Ones
Vincent Sommella

Dot and Vito Richetti, Cora Sarver,
Dorothy Criscuolo, Joan Pirrone,
Vinnie & Susan Masciello,
Carol Clemente
Walter F. Wright Jr.
Dorothy Criscuolo, Joan Pirrone
Cora Sarver
Dorothy Criscuolo
Dorothy Criscuolo
Ed & Arlene Moglia
Carol Clemente, Sue & Vinnie
Masciello, Joan & Tony Pirrone,
The Richetti Family, Cora & Don
Sarver, Anne & Tad Sheppard,
Judy & Dave Opatow, Allison
Koehler, Dorothy Criscuolo
Chris & Blanche Shelton,



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Wishing every
holiday.

Thank you for your
prayers and good
Hope to someday share
Sunday services with
you.

Eleanor Haslett