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“God is the Greatest Giver in the Universe, and He won’t let you out give Him.”
**Weekly Collections**

**Sunday, November 25, 2018**

- **Budget**: $1,797.00
- **Poor Box**: $301.00
- **Capital Improvements**: $1,000.00
- **Candles**: $55.00
- **Campaign for Human Development**: $25.00
- **Online Giving**: $537.50

**Thank You for your generosity!**

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**GIFT COLLECTION FOR OUR "NEIGHBORS IN NEED"**

Our Annual Advent ‘Christmas Gift’ collection will take place at each Mass during the offertory on the weekend of:

- **December 9 – 16, 2018**

These gifts, new and *unwrapped*, will be brought to the Lincoln Town Hall and will be distributed to our neighbors in need in time for Christmas.

Please consider making a donation for a child between the ages of 0-16. **UNWRAPPED TOYS for Boys and Girls and COLD-WEATHER CLOTHING are always appreciated!** Teenagers are often forgotten during this season but they too appreciate gifts such as department store gift cards, long distance phone cards, Movie Cinema cards, restaurant cards, etc.

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**Parish Faith Formation**

**R.C.I.A.**

**Adult Faith Formation**

St. James & St. Ambrose Parish

Are you interested to become a Catholic or have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Please contact Moira McCarthy at the St. James Faith Formation Office to discuss this most wonderful journey of initiation into the Catholic faith.

**Faith Formation Classes Update**

- **December 2 – Sessions Resume K-7**
- **For more information on any of the programs of the St. James Parish Faith Formation Office – Contact Moira McCarthy at moira.stjames@gmail.com or 401-766-1558 Ext. 3 for more information.**
- **Reminder to 8th grade: Classes for 8th grade will meet on December 9th from 6 - 7pm at St. Ambrose Parish.**

**Congratulations to Keigan Morin, on making “Search,” a weekend-long retreat for teens that helps them grow and develop in their faith.**

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**We offer our Deepest Sympathy to the family & friends of John Bruno Kurowski,**

A native son of Mansville and the son of Bruno & Nancy Kurowski, who was stricken suddenly in Florida.

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**Christmas Concert**

St. Charles Borromeo Church, Woonsocket

Sunday, December 16, at 3pm

Orchestral music and choral presentations are under the direction of the Kilcline family, featuring the adult choir, with special guest appearance by the Providence Youth Guitar Ensemble.

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**Christmas Eve Choir**

As we have done for the past years, we are looking to assemble a group of singers to enhance and lead the music for our 4:00PM Christmas Eve Children’s Liturgy on December 24. We are especially seeking those who have sung in the past and welcome new singers of any age. The music is traditional and should be familiar to all. There will be no scheduled rehearsals but ask that you arrive at 3:00PM in order to review the music program before the Mass which will include the Christmas Pageant. Please see our organist, Phil Desrosiers or e-mail him [brphil50@aol.com](mailto:brphil50@aol.com) if you intend on joining us for this special liturgy.

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**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

(Patronal feast of the United States of America)

Crossmas Mass will be celebrated on

- **Saturday, December 8, 2018**
  - St. James Church 8:00 a.m.
  - St. Ambrose Church 8:00 a.m.

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**Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

During the 4 weeks of Advent, different families will be invited to help light the candles of the Advent Wreath. If your family wishes to participate please contact Ms. Moira McCarthy at the parish office.

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**St. James Parish**

2018 Christmas Concert

**Christ is Born!**

**Let us Rejoice!**

On the Feast of the Holy Family the St. James Parish Choir under the direction of Ms. Fern Dery and accompanied by Mr. Philip Desrosiers will celebrate the joy of the Christmas Season in music and song.

St. James Choir Christmas Concert on December 30

(Feast of the Holy Family) at the 3PM. So please mark your calendars and join us in the beauty and joy of the Christmas Season.