

Sacred Heart of Jesus



Fourth Sunday

Advent

December 19, 2010

FROM THE PASTOR:

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who was so generous in supporting the giving tree. 70 large bags filled with gifts were sent to the Fatima Center; another 9 bags were delivered to Birth Right. Thank you for helping others have a wonderful Christmas. I also want to thank the Women's Guild for their hard work on this project.

It's hard to believe that Christmas is upon us! Please note the Christmas Schedule in the bulletin this week, especially the fact that there will not be a vigil Mass on the 25th for Sunday. This week we have the privilege of attending Mass for Christmas and then just the next day, for the Feast of the Holy Family. Please be sure to attend both celebrations. Father Winkel, Deacon Chordas and I look forward to seeing you and wish you a most Blessed Christmas.

I am very happy to announce that Bishop Pilla will be celebrating our "Midnight Mass." As is our custom, the Mass will be at 10:00 p.m.

We rely heavily on our Christmas donations. Please be very generous with your parish on Christmas and also the Feast of the Holy Family. Also, if you are looking to make a large end of the year donation, I would ask you to consider your parish. We are in need of your help to fund the many ministries (including our Academy) that are part of the parish. We need your help and generosity.

May God's blessings be yours this Christmas.

Father Ireland

Please note: The Parish Office will close for the Christmas weekend at 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 23, and will reopen on Monday, December 27.

Thank you for your kind understanding.

Father Ireland

The Sacrament Of Penance

To prepare our hearts to receive our Savior on Christmas, these opportunities are still available for individual confessions:

Monday 3 to 4 p.m.
December 20 7 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday 3 to 4 p.m.
December 21 7 to 8 p.m.

**Confessions will NOT be heard
on Christmas Eve**

Schedule of Masses

Christmas Eve Vigil at 4 p.m.
and 10 p.m. (aka Midnight Mass)
(Carols begin at 9:45 p.m.)

Christmas Day: 8, 10 & 11:30 a.m.
There is **NO** 4 p.m. vigil Mass for
Sunday, December 26.

Holy Family Sunday: December 26
Masses at 8, 10, 11:30 a.m.
and 5 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Sunday, 2:00 p.m., for publishing the following Sunday.

New Parishioners

Registration after each Sunday Mass in the Parish Office, or by appointment.

Baptisms:

First and third Sundays of each month at 1:00 p.m.. Pre-registration required. Parents expecting their first child should arrange to attend the required Pre-Baptism class. These are offered at the parish on the 4th Sunday of January, April, July and October at 1:00 p.m. in Mary's Room. Pre-registration is required. Call the Parish Office.

Marriages:

Engaged couples should make their arrangements with the priest at least 6 to 12 months in advance of their wedding.

Holy Communion for the Homebound:

Please call the Parish Office whenever a family member is seriously ill or hospitalized. Arrangements can be made to bring Holy Communion to the homebound weekly or monthly.

Music Director: Mrs. Gail Shirley 216.905.2788

Funerals:

Call the Parish Office to arrange date and time.

Sponsor Requirements:

All requests for sponsor certificates must be directed to a priest. Individuals must be registered and practicing members of this parish, at least 16 years of age, and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, and if married, the marriage must have been accepted by the Catholic Church.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Academy

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Website: sacredheartofjesusacademy.org

Principal: Mr. William DiBacco

PSR Religious Education Classes

Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Principal: Mr. Thomas Kelly, S.F.O. 216.382.3614

Sts. Margaret and Gregory Credit Union

1499 Dean Drive, South Euclid, OH 44121

216.691.0242, FAX 216.691.0435

Tithing IS God's Plan for Giving

Collection for December 12, 2010: \$11,334.37
Collection for December 13, 2009: \$13,795.23

2010 Collection for the
Missionary Cooperation: \$1,607.93

Your generosity is needed to support the important work of your parish. Let us always strive, if possible, to be more generous than the year before. The costs are higher and your generosity is greatly needed.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Father Ireland

...from the voices of the children

The children have shared these "Good Deeds for God", and they are exactly as the children presented them. Regrettably, space does not permit us to share all of the "deeds" submitted.

- ◆ Being a good listener.
- ◆ When people forget their snack, I have to share my snack with them.
- ◆ Praying for dad to be safe.
- ◆ Helping others
- ◆ I prayed for the poor and the sick.

*Thank you, children, for sharing these .
Father Ireland*

2010 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL RESULTS ...

This week we received notice that our parish had exceeded its goal for the 2010 Annual Catholic Charities Appeal. The goal was \$62,000; we had pledges of \$63,287. Thank you for your tremendous generosity on behalf of those receive help from Catholic Charities.

I wish to extend a special note of gratitude to Don Schuele and Piero Capichioni who have co-chaired this appeal for our parish the past few years.

God Bless You All. *Father Ireland.*

Fr. Dave R. Ireland, S.T.L.
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday
6:45 a.m., (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 10:00 11:30 a.m., 5:00
p.m.

Monday-Friday
6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

Holy Days ~ Consult Parish
Bulletin

CONFESSIONS

Saturday
2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
or by appointment

New to the Area? Moving?
Recently Married?
Changed Address Or Phone
Number?

**PLEASE notify the Parish Office
(216.382.7601) of any changes
or of your desire to register .**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

A number of years ago, the teenage son of a friend of mine went on a trip to France. He was going to spend the summer in Taizé, the ecumenical religious community known for welcoming young people. When Harry arrived at Charles de Gaulle airport, he was totally lost. He didn't speak French, and like many a young college student, just imagined that he would breeze through everything without a problem. Travel from the airport to Taizé meant a subway, followed by a train, and then finally a bus. Luckily a helpful traveler at the transport center who spoke English helped Harry set off with the correct purchase for the right train. Later, Harry described the situation in this way, "God sent an angel to guide me!"

Angels can be consoling figures. They can also be challenging. In biblical tradition, Raphael is the guiding, consoling archangel; Michael is the defending challenger, the warrior. It is Gabriel who lies in the middle: the heralding messenger who shows up with puzzling news that requires a response. Imagine the reply of a fiancé today who might be told, "Oh, by the way, the person you're engaged to is going to have a baby, but it's not yours, but God wants you to marry her anyway." That makes it pretty evident why angels are not always welcome visitors!

These final days before Christmas are filled with so much running around and preparation that it is difficult to grab a moment of peace and quiet. But what would you do if an angel showed up on your doorstep? You'd have to stop!

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday: Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14/Lk 1:39-45
Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12,
14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79
Saturday Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14/Col 3:12-21
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

MASS INTENTIONS...

Monday, December 20, 2010 Late Advent Weekday

6:45 a.m. Luisa Gaudio (L)
12:10 p.m. Thomas Mancini, Jr.

Tuesday, December 21, 2010 Late Advent Weekday

Optional: St. Peter Canisius, priest & doctor of the Church

6:45 a.m. Fr. William Ring
12:10 p.m. Timothy Reynolds (Anniversary)

Wednesday, December 22, 2010 Late Advent Weekday

6:45 a.m. Carolyn Clark (Anniversary)
12:10 p.m. Earl Brashear (Anniversary)

Thursday, December 23, 2010 Late Advent Weekday

Optional: St. John of Kanty, priest

6:45 a.m. Florence Wank
12:10 p.m. Lorenzo Mastrangelo (Anniversary)

Friday, December 24, 2010 Late Advent Weekday Vigil of Christmas

6:45 a.m. Carolyn Clifford & Edith Stankey

Christmas Vigil @ 4 p.m. & 10 p.m. ~ NO INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 25, 2010 The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day

Masses at 8, 10 and 11:30 ONLY ~ NO INTENTIONS TODAY

Sunday, December 26, 2010

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:00 a.m. John Onchak
10:00 a.m. Amelia Prcela
11:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the Moraghan Family
5:00 p.m. Kennedy Elizabeth Novak



Rest In Peace ...

Domenic Ciarlillo and Lena Centrackio
who died this week
and for their families and friends in their time of grief.

May God Grant Them Eternal Rest.



Watch Special EWTN Christmas Programming

Join EWTN Global Catholic Television Network in celebrating the birth of the Christ Child. EWTN is proud to bring you LIVE Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses from Rome and the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington, D.C. Watch EWTN on *Time Warner Cable* channel #18, *DISH Network* channel #261 or *DIRECTV* channel #370. Program Schedules are available in the back of the Church. For more information, go to www.ewtn.com.

- § SOLEMN MASS AT MIDNIGHT WITH THE POPE FROM ST. PETER'S BASILICA IN ROME – LIVE Dec 24, 4pm; ENCORE on Dec 25, 8am & 6pm.
- § SOLEMN MASS OF CHRISTMAS EVE FROM THE BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, WASHINGTON, DC – LIVE Dec 24, 10:30pm.
- § URBI ET ORBI FROM ST. PETER'S SQUARE: THE POPE'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO THE WORLD – LIVE Dec 25, 6am; ENCORE 10pm; Dec 26, 10am, Dec 31 at 9pm.

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 24 & 25, 2010

MASS TIMES	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS			LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	
Christmas Vigil 4 p.m.	F. Androka	S. Orteca	J. Verni	D. Razayeski	T. Lawler J. Mohorcic	J. Lawler P. Mohorcic
Christmas Vigil 10 p.m.	D. Douglas	K. Sutula	R. Basilone	M. Douglas	N. Baldwin N. Wolf (?)	M. Wolf C. Casa
Christmas Day						
8 a.m.	M. Weldon	J. Clifford		J. Weiss	C. Day	C. Day
10 a.m.	M. Chordas	T. Donovan	M. Neumann	B. Mapel	~ Adult Servers ~	
11:30 a.m.	J. Palache	B. Pugel		P. Ridley	T. Radford W. Gielink	G. Gielink E. Gielink

SANCTUARY GROUP #2 ~ RITA KREBS

OPLATKI ... CHRISTMAS WAFERS

LAST CHANCE!! Oplatki is available at the Parish Office for a donation of \$3 per package of four (4) wafers.

The centuries-old custom of breaking and sharing this Christmas Bread serves as a reminder that Christ is the Unseen Guest in our homes. If this is not your family's tradition, why not think about beginning it this year.

URGENT NEED FOR CLOTHING...

Can you help? The need is urgent ...

The clothing reserves at the Ozanam Center are in very short supply. Even though Communion of Saints Parish recently responded very generously to a clothing drive, the need for clothing will exceed our current reserves. On any Saturday, at least 500 articles of clothing are distributed among our clients. Two weeks ago, that number reached 750.



Please help if you are able.

Items can be left in the vestibule at Saint Philomena Church, or brought to the distribution center at St. Philomena Rectory on Saturdays 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

THE CARING CONNECTION ...

This apostolate was developed to serve as a prayer support for parishioners who are experiencing personal crises of any kind.

If you would like to be part of this new apostolate or if you have needs you would like to have included in the prayer intentions for our volunteers, call Tricia Brunton (216,798.5777) or e-mail her at tbrunton24@yahoo.com.

FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Monday, December 27, is the **Feast of St. John the Evangelist, our Diocesan Patron and the Patron of our Cathedral Church and Parish.**

You are invited to join with Bishop Richard Lennon in the celebration of this Feast at the **12:00 Noon Mass and at Solemn Sung Vespers at 7 p.m.** amidst the splendor of Christmas at St. John Cathedral.

Following Vespers there will be a brief tour of the Cathedral.

Come and celebrate the Feast of St. John the Evangelist in the beauty of the Cathedral. **FREE, SECURE parking will be available for the evening Vespers service in the Cathedral Plaza Garage on the southeast corner of Rockwell Avenue and East Ninth Street.**

THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL GOD'S LITTLE ONES ...

The Women's Guild would like to thank all those who participated in our Giving Tree event this year. Once again, your generosity was overwhelming! Your gifts will surely provide many needy children in our diocese with a joyful Christmas.



Special thanks to our school children and their teachers at Sacred Heart of Jesus Academy for the many items they collected and their help with getting things ready to be delivered. A heartfelt *Thank You from Birthright, Inc.*, too, to those parishioners who brought baby items, including one generous woman who began crocheting baby blankets in January and was able to give 28 of them to the new mothers.

May God bless all of you for your kindness.

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR HOLY FAMILY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2010

MASS TIMES

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

LECTORS

ALTAR SERVERS

No Vigil on Saturday

8 a.m.	L. Krajnak	M. Weldon	K. Sutula	J. Weiss	J. L. Gibson	DJ Lasher
10 a.m.	D. Douglas	M. Neumann	J. Verni	M. Douglas	~ Adult Servers ~	
11:30 a.m.	A. Gilliam	D. & C. Schuele		F. Andorka	A. DiPaolo	C. Foush
					A. DiPaolo	M. Shaughnessy
5 p.m.	M. Razayeski	R. Martin	C. Cullen	D. Razayeski	M. Rahill	C. Ewing
					N. Vavro	T. Vavro

SCHOOL NEWS ...

“Principal’s Corner”

This past week we saw some inclement weather that closed our school Monday and Tuesday. Yet, we continued our preparation for the coming of our Lord. On this fourth Sunday of Advent we relight the candles of hope, love and joy and then lit the last Advent candle, the candle of peace. Along with the rest of our faith community Sacred Heart of Jesus rejoices that the birth of Christ our Savior is close at hand.

The past weeks at Sacred Heart of Jesus have been filled with preparation for and celebration of Christmas. All of the students in third through eighth grades received the Sacrament of Reconciliation in an effort to prepare their hearts for Christmas. Thanks to the generosity of our PTC, all of our students had the opportunity to shop for family and friends at the Twinkle Shop. On Thursday, the students in grades two and four sang, danced and celebrated Christmas during our annual Christmas program. Our Student Council students entertained residents of Homewood with Christmas carols and conversation. Many of our young students attended the Santa Breakfast, and they were thoroughly entertained. They listened to a story, ate well and sat with Santa and Mrs. Claus. A fun time was had by all. We gathered one last time in 2010 as a faith community to light the fourth Advent candle and to pray together at Mass on Friday, the 17th.

Advent is a time for kindness, thinking of others, and sharing with others. We have not forgotten that Jesus is the Reason for the Season, that He is the Light of the world, the Light of our families, the Light of our heart. In the name of the faculty, the staff, our children and families of Sacred Heart of Jesus Academy, I wish all of our parishioners a Blessed Christmas and a Peace-filled New Year!



Merry Christmas (Buon Natale) to All!

William DiBacco

Mr. William DiBacco

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ...

All men of the parish are invited to attend the next general meeting of the Knights of Columbus this coming Tuesday, December 21, at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall (Knight’s Hall).



FAMILY PERSPECTIVES ...

Without the angel’s intervention, a confused and hurt Joseph was planning to quietly divorce Mary. Those people who come into our lives at times of confusion and help us find our way are truly angels to us. Like Joseph, we need to listen to them.

Frequently those angels are in our own homes.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL OF PSR,

MR. THOMAS KELLY

Fortunately, the Parish School of Religion was not affected by the winter storms of the past week. Classes were held without interruption. However, should there be a need to cancel classes at any time in the future, parents will be notified by telephone before 9:00am on the day of class. Because of the limited time we have with your children, we do not like to cancel class, and will only do so in extreme circumstances.

As we begin our Christmas recess today, the faculty and staff of the PSR would like to extend to our students and their families our wishes for a blessed – and restful – Christmas season. We look forward to seeing you in the new year when classes resume on Sunday, January 9th.

Attention Second Grade Parents: There WILL be class for your students on Sunday, January 2nd to prepare for First Penance on January 15th. It is very important that your students attend.

Attention Eighth Grade Parents: Please make sure that your student brings ALL of the documents required for Confirmation, including sponsor certificates, when they come to class on January 9th. Remember, the deadline for submitting these to the parish office is January 10th.

As always, I am available to answer your questions by calling 216-382-3614.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASS ...



If you are expecting the birth of your first child, or have already welcomed a first child into your family, we invite you to attend our next Pre-Baptism Class Sunday, January 23, 2011 at 1 p.m. in Mary’s Room.

This class is required by the Diocese of Cleveland of all parents who are requesting baptism of a first child or of those parents who did not attend a class before a previous child’s baptism.

Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office (216.382.7601) **no later than January 20**. Thank you.

FROM THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

This week we learned of the down side of “cut & paste.” While it is a nice convenience to be able to just import an article or document by cutting and pasting into a new document ... it’s not always the safest or most accurate option to error-free communications.



We apologize for the omission of Kaylen Durham, third place winner from PSR in the recent LifeWorks Art & Essay Contest. We apologize, as well, to Kaylee Byrd whose name was misspelled in last week’s article.