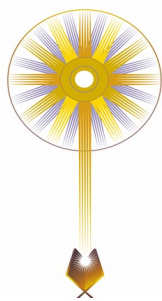


# SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Merry Christmas, 2014



*Peace on Earth*



**“And the Word became flesh  
and made His dwelling among us,  
and we saw His glory,  
the glory as of the Father’s only Son,  
full of grace and truth.”**

**- John 1:5-6, 13-14**

## FROM THE PASTOR ...

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On behalf of Father Winkel, Deacon Chordas, the Parish Staff and myself, please know of our prayers and good wishes for a most Blessed Christmas. I invite you to enjoy the letters from our seminarians, Brother Deacon Daniel Bowen, O. de M. and Abbé Matthew Weaver, which appear on the following page.

As you undoubtedly have heard by know, Bishop Pevec passed away last Sunday. His funeral Mass was celebrated at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist this past Saturday. Let us continue to keep Bishop Pevec in our prayers in remembrance of the many years he served our diocese.

May God's Blessings be with You this Christmas.

*Father Ireland*

## FROM THE PASTOR'S QUESTION BOX

### Did you know that ...???

Canon 924 states that the Most Sacred Eucharistic Sacrifice must be offered with bread and wine, with which a small quantity of water is to be mixed. The bread must be made of wheat alone and recently made so that there is no danger of corruption. The wine must be natural wine of the grape and not corrupt. The commentaries read, "in keeping with the Last Supper narratives, the Church has always regarded bread and wine as the only matter essential for the Eucharistic meal and sacrifice." In the Western tradition of the Church, the bread is unleavened and the wine may be either white or red. It has been the custom in Rome to use white wine.

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Deacon David N. Chordas, MA

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 6:45 a.m.

8:00 a.m. on First Saturday (in Extraordinary Form)  
followed by Rosary & Devotions

(Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

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

Monday-Friday:

6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m.

8:45 a.m. Fridays (during the school year only)

Holy Days:

Consult Parish Bulletin

Confessions:

Saturday: 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. (other times by appointment)

Please direct your questions or suggestions for the  
Parish Pastoral Council to  
[parishcouncil@sacredheartofjesusparish.org](mailto:parishcouncil@sacredheartofjesusparish.org)

### Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Friday, 5:00 p.m.

### 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.

**Funerals:** Call the Parish Office to arrange date and time.

### 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:** Mr. Thomas Adamowicz 216.262.3133

### 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. If married, the marriage must have been accepted by the Catholic Church.

### Sacred Heart of Jesus Academy

4478 Rushton Road, South Euclid, OH 44121

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Website: [www.sacredheartofjesusacademy.org](http://www.sacredheartofjesusacademy.org)

Principal: Mr. William DiBacco

### PSR Religious Education Classes

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

For information about the program call the Parish Office (216.382.7601)

### Sts. Margaret and Gregory Credit Union

1499 Dean Drive, South Euclid, OH 44121

216.691.0242, FAX 216.691.0435

Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



FROM BRO. DEACON DAN BOWEN, O. DE M.

*My dearly beloved friends in Christ,*

I wish each member of my wonderful Sacred Heart of Jesus family a most blessed and joyous Christmas season and the happiest of New Years!

The star the wise men followed was a light announcing the coming of Christ to the world. It was in the sky for everyone to see, but only the wise men saw it and followed it, hoping to find the King. They were not Jewish, yet they, too, yearned for the King's coming. Men and women of goodwill hope for unity and everlasting peace. Jesus is the only one in whom that great expectation is fully realized, for He is the way, the truth and the light.

How in this new year might we let His light shine more brightly through us without being obscured by our own judgments and prejudices? Our world, our country, our community, and our families are now more in need of God's great light and love than ever before.. May we never be shy about sharing our faith, and His love. God wants all people to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him. He is asking each of us to be His light to the world. This new year let us shine and become a revelation of Jesus Christ to all!



*This little light of mine...* 2014 has been a year of great blessing for me, and I share this joy with each of you, my beloved parish family. As you may recall, or well may have witnessed, it was May 6<sup>th</sup> that I professed Solemn perpetual vows of poverty, chastity, obedience, and redemption with the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy (Mercedarian Religious Order). And then on November 6<sup>th</sup>, I was ordained to the Sacred Order of Diaconate. Both of these momentous events occurred at the parish where I am presently assigned (Our Lady of Mercy Parish) in the town of Le Roy, NY. I thank each of you who were able to attend one or both of these. Your presence touched my heart profoundly.

*I'm gonna let it shine...* I now look forward, with you, to my Ordination to the Sacred Order of Presbyter (priesthood), which, God willing, will take place sometime in 2015. I am happy to announce that my ordination will be celebrated right here at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish! This is my gift to you for all that you have done and continue to do and be for me. Thank you for your continued prayers, sacrifices, support and love, during this Christmas season, as well as all these past years.

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FROM ABBÉ MATTHEW WEAVER

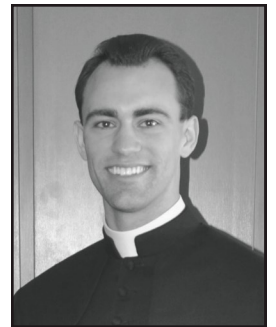
*Dear Faithful of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish,*

A most blessed and joyful feast of Christmas to you all from Rome! The feast of Christmas is the feast of the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ; it is the feast of the Incarnation. God the Son, eternally begotten of the Father, wished to unite to His divine self a human nature—that is a human body and a human soul—and was this very day brought forth from the virgin womb of our Lady, Mary Immaculate. The greatest joy of this most blessed day comes in understanding that without it, there would be no real joy at all; for without the birth of Jesus, we could never hope for the eternal joy of heaven.

The mystery of God becoming man is the very cause of our Christian joy, and the celebration of our Lord's birth is what distinguishes us as people of God and believers in the one true religion taught by God Himself. We are the religion of the Incarnation! The word "religion" comes to us from the Latin word *religare*, which means "to re-bind"; it is precisely the Incarnation which re-binds mankind to God after the Fall from Grace and which makes it possible for each of us to be "re-bound" to God when we repent from our sins. This is what we celebrate today throughout the Christian world.

By the Incarnation, it is God Himself who gives us a divine example that actions speak louder than words; today the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us. *Venite adoremus* – come, let us adore Him, and let us imitate Him in all our actions this Christmas Season so that we too may be known in word as well as in deed to be believers in the Incarnation – the cause of our joy.

May the Holy Infant Jesus never cease to bless you and your loved ones this Christmas and throughout the new year of His incarnate reign, 2015. Assuring each of you of my continued prayers for you and your families, while thanking you indebtedly for the innumerable graces of yours, I remain,



Yours devotedly in the Sacred Heart of our Divine Infant King,

*Abbé Matthew Weaver*

## LITURGICAL & SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

For Christmas Eve, December 24 Vigil

<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>		
4:00 L. Hart	S. Orteaca	M. Razayeski	
10:00 D. Schuele	T. Miller	L. Krajnak	S. Wolf

Altar Servers: 4:00 p.m. G. Majikas  
10:00 p.m. Fr. Ireland will schedule

For Christmas Day

8:00 M. Guzan	M. Weldon		
10:00 H. Gutter	M. Chordas	J. Verni	P. DeVito
11:30 J. Madigan	S. Gatchel	B. Pugel	J. Horton

Altar Servers:  
10:00 L. Stergar M. Ewing  
11:30 M. McCarron J. McCarron

### LITURGICAL ROLES FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 27 & 28

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

4:00 p.m. B. Pugel	A. Onutz	S. Orteaca
8:00 a.m. P. O'Neill	K. Winters	M. Weldon
10:00 a.m. M. Chordas	D. Miklic	E. DiNovo
11:30 a.m. D. Schuele	B. & A. Worsdall	
5:00 p.m. L. Krajnak	C. Cullen	A. Mullins

#### LECTORS

4:00 p.m. M. Guzan
8:00 a.m. M. Quandt
10:00 a.m. B. Mapel
11:30 a.m. D. Brunton
5:00 p.m. J. Madigan

#### ALTAR SERVERS

**Remember:** If you cannot fulfill your assignment, **YOU** must get your own sub. If you no longer wish to be a part of this ministry, please contact Father Ireland. Likewise, if you are a 5th, 6th, 7th, or 8th grader who would like to become a server, call Father Ireland.

**Saturday 4:00** C. Bauman    **Sunday 10:00** J. DiNovo    **Sunday 11:30** B. Best    **Sunday 5:00** R. Benda

SANCTUARY GROUP #3 MARIA GIBSON

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, December 22 Late Advent Weekday**

6:45 a.m. Carolyn Clark (Anniversary)  
12:10 p.m. Biagio & Marie Brigneli  
**CONFESSIONS 3 TO 4 AND 7 TO 8 P.M.**

**Tuesday, December 23 Late Advent Weekday**

Optional: St. John of Kanty, priest  
6:45 a.m. Joseph, Jr. & Irene Gombita  
12:10 p.m. Florence Wank  
**CONFESSIONS 3 TO 4 AND 7 TO 8 P.M.**

**Wednesday, December 24 Late Advent Weekday  
Vigil of Christmas**

6:45 a.m. Edith Sankey & Carolyn Clifford  
4:00 p.m. CELEBRANT'S INTENTIONS  
10:00 p.m. CELEBRANT'S INTENTIONS

**Thursday, December 25  
The Nativity of the Lord**

Masses at 8, 10 and 11:30 a.m. ONLY ~ no 5 p.m. Mass today  
CELEBRANT'S INTENTIONS

**Friday, December 26  
St. Stephen, the First Martyr**

6:45 a.m. John Edward McGearry  
12:10 p.m. Amelia C. Prcela

**Saturday, December 27  
St. John, Apostle & Evangelist**

6:45 a.m. Poor Souls  
4:00 p.m. George & Beatrice Suchy

**Sunday, December 28  
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

8:00 a.m. Mary Kickel  
10:00 a.m. William A. Molnar (Anniversary)  
11:30 a.m. Parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus  
5:00 p.m. Kennedy Elizabeth Novak

### MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Vigil at 4 and 10 p.m. The 10 o'clock Mass will be preceded by a mini choral concert at 9:45.

Masses on Christmas Day: 8, 10 and 11:30 a.m. **ONLY**.  
The 5 p.m. Mass WILL NOT BE celebrated on Christmas.

## PRAYER APOSTOLATES

### PRAYER INTENTIONS FROM THE APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS ...

We remember in a special way these priests during this week:

Sunday:	Bishop Anthony M. Pilla
Monday:	Rev. Raymond Sutter/Rev. Ronald Turek
Tuesday:	Rev. Donald Snyder/Rev. Lorn Snow, S.J.
Wednesday:	Rev. Walter Hyclak/Rev. Robert Clancy
Thursday:	Our Holy Father
Friday:	Rev. James Huvane, M.M./Rev. Michael Smith
Saturday:	Rev. Joseph Cappelletti

### Community Recitation of the Rosary

- Parishioners, neighbors, and some employees of the University-Suburban Health Center gather in the Church at 11:45 a.m. on Wednesdays to pray the Rosary for peace.
- On Wednesday evenings at 8 p.m., a group gathers in the Chapel to recite the Rosary in Spanish.
- On the first Tuesday of the month, the Knights of Columbus invite families to join them in the Church at 7 p.m. to recite the Family Rosary.

### Eucharistic Adoration

We are blessed to have men and women praying before the Blessed Sacrament 24-hours each day, Monday through Saturday for your intentions and their own. Men and women serving in the Armed Forces are also included. You may write your special prayer intentions in the book on the shelf near the entry door.

### ENTHRONEMENT OF THE SACRED HEART ...

If your family would like an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus enthroned in your home, please call Father Ireland at the Parish Office (216.382.7601) to arrange for him to come to your home and lead this beautiful devotion.

Let us place ourselves under the watchful eye of Our Blessed Mother Mary, who will teach us to ...



**Love with the Heart of Jesus.**

### Remaining Opportunities for Confession before Christmas

Monday, December 22	3 to 4 and 7 to 8 p.m.
Tuesday, December 23	3 to 4 and 7 to 8 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE: CONFESSIONS WILL NOT BE HEARD ON CHRISTMAS EVE.**

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Collection for 12-14-2014: \$13,026.95

Sunday Collection for 12-15-2013: \$ 9,622.78

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your generosity.

*Thank you. Father Ireland*

*from the voices of the children ...*

submitted by children who used their offering envelopes last weekend ... *Reproduced as the children wrote them.*

- Cleaned my brother's room.
- Helped at the consession stand for my school.
- Helped Anna with her math homework.
- Taking out the trash for an elderly lady.

*Thank you, children, for sharing these.*

*Father Ireland*

### End-of-Year Giving Reporting Contributions



The IRS has very clear rules as to when a charity can recognize a year-end gift. Checks must be **written, dated and postmarked by December 31** in order to qualify as a 2014 contribution.

All check donations collected through the offertory baskets must be recorded as contributions on the date they are received **regardless of the date on the check.**

**Please be sure that all contributions you wish to apply to the tax year 2014** are received by the parish no later than the close of business on December 31 (which is 12 NOON).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Tuesday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Wednesday:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79
Thursday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
Friday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
Saturday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Next Sunday:	Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 /Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 /Lk 2:22-40

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*Brother Deacon Dan Bowen, O. de M.*

*Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine...* On behalf of my Mercedarian religious family, and myself please be assured of our kindest affection, prayers and best wishes to you and all your loved ones. I thank God for all, and I wish each and every one a most blessed and joyous Christmas season and the happiest of New Years. God love and God bless.

To Jesus, through Mary,  
*Brother Deacon Daniel Bowen, O. de M.*

### Education: Academy News

*Update by William DiBacco, Principal*

Our students are officially on Christmas vacation. They will be off school through Sunday, January 4<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Monday January 5<sup>th</sup>.

I thank Fr. Ireland and Fr. Winkel for taking the time to hear the confessions of our students in Grades 3-8 during these past 3 weeks. They are well prepared to receive Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist on Christmas Day. We know they, and their families, will continue Advent prayers throughout this week.

Praise and thank God for becoming one of us. Share your joy with your family and others this Christmas.

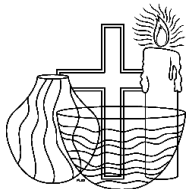
**HAVE A VERY BLESSED AND JOYFUL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY !!**

*Peace Be With You,*  
*William DiBacco*

### Education: Adult Education, RTF (Reaffirming the Faith), Bible Study

**Bible Study** continues to meet on Monday mornings at 10 o'clock in Mary's Room. This group is always ready to receive new members who are seeking an opportunity to share the Word of God with fellow parishioners. Please stop by any Monday morning. We'll be happy to see you.

### PRE-BAPTISM CLASS ...



If you are expecting your first child, or have already welcomed a first child into your family, we invite you to attend our next Diocesan-required Pre-Baptism class on Sunday, January 25, 2015, at 1 p.m. in Mary's Room.

Please call the Parish Office (216.382.7601) to register.

## Parish Community Bulletin Board

### Oplatki ~ Christmas Wafers

We still have a supply of Oplatki available at the Parish Office for a donation of \$3 for a package of four (4) wafers. Please plan to get yours EARLY.

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 a new tradition. Each wafer is imprinted with the story of Oplatki and the ritual associated with the custom of breaking and sharing this Christmas Bread.

### PLEASE NOTE OFFICE CLOSINGS

<b>Tuesday, December 23</b>	<b>Closes at Noon</b>
<b>Wednesday, December 24</b>	<b>Closed all day</b>
<b>Thursday, December 25</b>	<b>Christmas (closed)</b>
<b>Friday, December 26</b>	<b>Closed all day</b>
<b>Wednesday, December 31</b>	<b>Closes at Noon</b>
<b>Thursday, January 1</b>	<b>New Years (closed)</b>
<b>Friday, January 2</b>	<b>Closed all day</b>



Christmas is coming quickly and our bulletin publisher has imposed early deadlines. By the time you read this notice, the bulletin for December 27-28 will already be on its way. The deadline for articles for the January 4, 2015, bulletin is Monday, December 22. **PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**

Announcements for inclusion in the January 4 bulletin can be emailed to [office@sacredheartofjesusparish.org](mailto:office@sacredheartofjesusparish.org) or dropped off in the Parish Office. Please note that information regarding the offertory collections for the weeks of December 21 and 28 will be delayed, but will appear in a later bulletin.

## CARING APOSTOLATES

### Annual Giving Tree Event

*Sponsored by the Women's Guild*

**Thank You!**

The Women's Guild thanks all who participated in the Giving Tree event this year. We collected a tremendous number of beautiful and useful items that the needy children in our diocese will enjoy.

Special thanks to the students and staff at our Academy for their donations and help, and to all of you who brought baby items for Birthright, Inc. Several people shared their time and talent to hand crochet and knit many needed baby items which most certainly will be treasured by the new mothers.

May God bless you for the kindness you have shown to others and fill your hearts with peace and joy this holiday season.