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***Happy
New Year***

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

New to the Area? Moving?
Recently Married?
Changed Address or
Phone Number?
PLEASE notify the Parish Office
(216.382.7601)

January 1, 2012

FROM THE PASTOR ...

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we gather today to celebrate Mary, Mother of God, let me take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you and your families a most blessed and joyous New Year. May this year of Grace be a time of great blessing for you and for our beloved parish. I would also like to thank you for your generosity to the parish this Christmas. Your kindness helps us to carry out the work of the Church in our area.

Thank you for your tremendous response to the Guild's Giving Tree project. We sent in excess of 50 bags of clothes and toys to the Fatima Center, and multiple boxes of infant clothing and nursery items to Birthright. Thank you for your generosity and kindness.

Fr. Winkel and I would like to thank you for your kind messages and gifts that were sent to the rectory.

Please find attached to this bulletin a packet containing a piece of blessed chalk and the Epiphany blessing. So many of you enjoyed this last year that I thought we would make this part of our annual parish practices.

Today I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate one of our parishioners, Judge Patricia Keri, who just retired from the Bench. Judge Keri was elected in 1993 and took office as the Judge of the South Euclid Municipal Court on January 1, 1994. She was then re-elected to a second term commencing January 1, 2000, and again re-elected to a third term commencing January 1, 2006.

Judge Keri, thank you for your service to the people of our area. Please know of our prayers and best wishes.

*May God's blessings be with you and your families this New Year,
Father Ireland*

In mid-December Mr. Di Bacco, principal of our Academy, and I received notice from the Drama Club board of their desire to take a year off and spend that time searching for the "best new direction." Throughout this phase of planning and developing a more stream-lined effort, their goal remains the same: to provide a valuable experience for the students. For their hard work and commitment to their goal, I say "thank you." For their promise to return to annual productions in 2013, I am grateful. The plays of the past have been wonderful productions, and I realize how very time-consuming they have been for the cast, crew and parent leaders. I look forward to being able to announce their return to our Academy stage in 2013.

Father Ireland

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 216.321.3694

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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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. to 6:00 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

REMINDER:

The Parish Office will be closed Sunday and Monday, January 1 and 2 for the New Year's holiday. We will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. We regret any inconvenience this may cause, and we thank you for your kind understanding.

Blessings in the New Year from the Parish Staff

AN OPEN LETTER OF THANKS FROM BIRTHRIGHT...

Marilyn Buckley, who chairs the Giving Tree event each year, recently received this letter from Birthright, and she wishes to share it with YOU ... WHO MADE IT THE GREAT SUCCESS IT WAS THIS YEAR!!!

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus Parishioners,

We, at Birthright, truly appreciate the many packages you have so kindly given us. You can be sure that many young women and their babies, who are in dire need, will be given new hope and comfort because of your great generosity.

Please accept our sincere thanks for your overwhelming kindness in support of our work with moms and their newborns!!

Yours Truly,

Jim Clark




Your Christmas Offering

Due to the extended Christmas weekend, the Christmas/Sunday collection was not opened and counted until Tuesday. Further, as usually happens, Christmas offerings will continue to come in through the mail until the end of the year; thus, we will not have a final figure until after December 31.

Matthew 5:13-16 reads:

"In the same way, your light must shine before men so that they may all see goodness in your acts."

May our light and goodness always be a reflection of the Light of Christ shining in the world.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ...

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE BISHOP ...

The Collection for Catholic University will take place the weekend of January 14-15, 2012. Every year, millions of Catholics across the country contribute to the National Collection for The Catholic University of America through their parishes. The collection raises millions of dollars that go directly to support student financial aid at Catholic University of America (CUA). Your response to this appeal is greatly appreciated.

Also in the winter months, the diocese's annual Latin America-El Salvador Collection is taken up. This collection supports the diocese's mission commitments in El Salvador. The collection will be taken up the weekend of February 4-5, 2012. Again, your generosity in contributing to this collection will be appreciated.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR ADULTS

For Roman Catholics, the Sacrament of Confirmation is one of three Sacraments necessary for full initiation into the Church. Along with the graces and gifts of the Holy Spirit received in this Sacrament come certain rights and privileges. Among the most commonly used is the privilege to serve as a Godparent for Baptism or a Sponsor for Confirmation. The Sacrament of Confirmation should also precede entering into marriage.

Adults (18 years and older) who have been baptized and have received some formal religious education along with First Communion, but for whatever reason have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wish to do so, are invited to attend a series of classes to prepare for the Sacrament.

Preparation for Confirmation is a joint effort with our cluster parish, Holy Rosary, and the classes will be held at that parish in the Adult Ed Room on four consecutive Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. The dates are January 18 and 25 and February 1 and 8. Participants will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation here at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish along with our eighth grade students at the Academy and in our PSR program during the 5 p.m. Mass on Sunday, April 22, when Bishop Quinn will come to confer the Sacrament.

If you wish to attend these classes at Holy Rosary Parish, please call Anne DeMarco at 216.421.2995. She will be happy to answer your questions and take your registration. You will need to bring a recent copy of your Baptismal Certificate to the first session on January 18.



Please remember to use our recycle containers to place your newspapers and other paper (but not cardboard) items. That paper is returned to us in "other paper" (namely, the green, spendable kind). Every sheet counts!!!

MASS INTENTIONS...

Monday, January 2, 2012**Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,
bishops/doctors of the Church**6:45 a.m. Bob Del Rosa
12:10 p.m. Anthony Rendina**Tuesday, January 3, 2012 Christmas Weekday**

Optional: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

6:45 a.m. Nancy Saada
12:10 p.m. Anthony Rendina**Wednesday, January 4, 2012 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,
religious**6:45 a.m. Gerald Hasmann
12:10 p.m. Salvatore Masi (Anniversary)**Thursday, January 5, 2012 St. John Neumann, bishop**6:45 a.m. Ed Paiewski
12:10 p.m. William Quandt**Friday, January 6, 2012 Christmas Weekday**

Optional: St. André Bessette, religious

6:45 a.m. Joseph Rieck
8:45 a.m. Celebrant's Intention
12:10 p.m. August Siemer (Anniversary)**Saturday, January 7, 2012 Christmas Weekday**

Optional: St. Raymond of Penyafort, priest

6:45 a.m. Lorenzo Gaudio
4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Rondini Family**Sunday, January 8, 2012****The Epiphany of the Lord**8:00 a.m. The Quandt Family
10:00 a.m. Parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus
11:30 a.m. Anthony Giancola, Sr. (Anniversary)
5:00 p.m. Elaine Michel Stevens

READINGS FOR THE WEEK...

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Jn 1:43-51
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 2:1-11
Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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LITURGICAL ROLES FOR THE WEEKEND OF
JANUARY 7 & 8, 2012

SANCTUARY GROUP #4 ~ HELEN GERVINSKI

Lectors:4:00 p.m. Vigil M. Guzan
8:00 a.m. L. Krajank
10:00 a.m. E. Seddon
11:30 a.m. P. Ridley
5:00 p.m. H. Gutter**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**4:00 p.m. Vigil R. Basilone A. Onutz S. Orteca
8:00 a.m. T. Donovan J. Rieck K. Gallitto
10:00 a.m. E. DiNovo R. Gibson P. DeVito
11:30 a.m. A. Gilliam P. Urbon M. Capichioni
5:00 p.m. A. Mullins C. Cullen C. Welsh**Altar Servers:**4:00 p.m. Vigil J. Wunsch J. Kohl M. Szejkowski
8:00 a.m. E. Gielink W. Gielink
10:00 a.m. ~ Adult Servers ~
11:30 a.m. M. Urbon K. Cappotto K. Shaughnessy
5:00 p.m. C. Ewing M. Ewing D. J. Lasher

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES ...

God desires to bless us. Mary is called the "Blessed Mother" because as she received God's blessing she became a blessing to all of us. Receive the blessing of God in the Eucharist and be a blessing to your family. Pray the blessing from today's first reading at home:

"The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let His face shine upon you and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!"

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 which will be held on Sunday, January 29, 2012 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 26**. Thank you.

REPORTING OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND YEAR-END TAX STATEMENTS...

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 2011 gift. All checks collected through the offertory baskets must be recorded as contributions on the date they are received, regardless of the date on the check.

This year the last weekend of the year is split between 2011 and 2012. Collections received at Saturday's (December 31) 4 p.m. Mass will be counted as 2011 gifts, while collections received on Sunday, January 1, will be counted as 2012 gifts. Please keep this in mind as you finalized your year-end tax planning and as you review your contributions statements.

As in the past, we will not mail out year-end tax statements to parishioners unless we are requested to do so. Please call the Parish Office (216.382.7601) if you need a statement, and we will be happy to prepare one for you. Tax statements will be available beginning February 1, 2012.

DONATE THAT OLD CAR TO ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.



By donating your used car, van, or pickup truck to the National SVDP Car Donation Program, you can avoid the hassles and headaches of trading it in or selling it yourself. Your vehicle will be sold, and the proceeds will be used by the SVDP in the Diocese of Cleveland in their charitable programs that assist the needy and suffering. You may also be eligible for a tax deduction.

To arrange a pick-up or for more information, call 1.800.322.8284 or visit www.svdpusacars.com.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO BOOST YOUR CHARITABLE GIVING LINE ITEM ON YOUR 1040?

Please, consider an extra donation to your parish. We are experiencing a decline in weekly offertory contributions and will find it difficult to meet our financial obligations and support the Academy in the future if this trend continues. Your generosity is always sincerely appreciated.

Have you considered including Sacred Heart of Jesus as a payee for your on-line banking? It's so easy!! Just make us one of your payees when you pay bills. Your bank and ours will take care of everything else.

If you don't do on-line banking ... or you don't do computers at all ... there is an option. Make a direct payment through the Credit Union. Please stop by the Parish Office or the Credit Union to pick up an application. Call **216.691.0242** or stop by the Credit Union any Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; or Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 3 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 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).

DISCOVERY DAYS AT THE CENTER FOR PASTORAL LEADERSHIP ...

Each year the Diocesan Vocations Office offers a program for 7th and 8th grad students at the Center for Pastoral Leadership (CPL) in Wickliffe. The girls and boys have the opportunity to meet and talk with priests, seminarians, sisters and brothers.

The day will include an introduction to and tour of the CPL, prayer, a time for questions and answers, celebration of Mass with the seminary community or a group prayer service and a homemade pizza lunch.

The Days are held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on these dates: 2012 Wednesdays ... January 25, February 8, March 14, April 11. Cost is \$6/student, payable to the Center for Pastoral Leadership. For more information or group opportunities call the Vocations Office at 440.943,7600.

RETREAT OPPORUNITY ...

A 24-hour retreat experience for Adults in their 20s and 30s:

- ◆ **Are you in your twenties or thirties?**
- ◆ **Looking to deepen your faith & create lasting connections?**

Join us for a Charis Seekers' Retreat from Friday, February 17, at 7 p.m. through Saturday, February 18, at 7 p.m. at the Bethany Retreat House in Chardon, OH. Listen to young adults from the Suburban Southeast parishes of our diocese share how they find God in their lives. Enjoy conversations in small groups and take some quiet time to pray and reflect.

The cost of the retreat is \$25 and includes meals and supplies. Scholarships are available. For more information or to register, visit www.CharisMinistries.org or contact Sr. Kate Hine, SND at sndcuvilly@ndec.org or Sr. Susan Javorek, SND at susan@holyangelschurch.com.

CATHOLIC SINGLES GAME NIGHT ...

Gesu Catholic Singles is having a GAME night on Saturday January 14 after the 4:30 p.m. mass at Gesu. Come join other Catholic Singles for fun, food and laughs! Please call **Nancy Agacinski** at 216-408-1148 or contact her by e-mail at nagacinski@yahoo.com with any questions and to sign up by Thursday, January 12.

Parish & School Activities Calendar January 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>The Feast of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God MASSES @ 8, 10 AND 11:30 AM</p> <p><u>NO 5:00 PM Mass Today</u></p>	<p>2</p> <p>10 AM (MR) Bible Study</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Prayer Group</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Classes resume at the Academy</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7 PM (SGGMR) Respect Life</p> <p>8 PM (Chapel) Spanish Rosary</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7 PM (MR) Choir</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Marian Movement</p>	<p>6</p> <p>6:30 PM Parish & Academy staff celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany</p>	<p>7</p> <p>7:30 AM Confessions</p> <p>8 AM (Ch) 1st Saturday Mass in Extraordinary Form & Devotions</p> <p>10 (PFC) Market Day P/U</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8 (Ch) Holy Name Communion Sunday</p> <p>10 (School) PSR</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10 AM (MR) Bible Study</p> <p>7PM (PFC) PTC</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Prayer Group</p>	<p>10</p> <p>6:30 PM (ChH) Boy Scouts</p> <p>7 PM (SGGMR) Women's Guild Mtg.</p> <p>7 PM (SMMMR) Knights of Columbus Board Meeting</p>	<p>11</p> <p>6:30 PM (PFC) Girl Scouts</p> <p>8 PM (Chapel) Spanish Rosary</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7 PM (MR) Choir</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Marian Movement</p>	<p>13</p> <p>NO SCHOOL Preschool thru Grade 8</p>	<p>14</p> <p>7 (Café) Catholic Men's Fellowship Breakfast Meeting</p> <p>8:30 AM (Ch) First Penance Grade 2</p>
<p>15</p> <p>10 (School) PSR</p> <p>10 (Ch) Women's Guild Communion Sunday Mass</p>	<p>16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School</p> <p>10 AM (MR) Bible Study</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Prayer Group</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7 PM (Knights Hall) Knights of Columbus Meeting</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7 PM (SGGMR) St. Vincent de Paul</p> <p>7 PM (Library) Advisory Bd. Mtg.</p> <p>8 PM (Chapel) Spanish Rosary</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7 PM (MR) Choir</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Marian Movement</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:45 AM (Ch) All School Mass</p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p> <p>6:30 AM Bus leaves parking lot for the March for Life in Washington, D.C.</p> <p>10 (School) PSR</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10 AM (MR) Bible Study</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Prayer Group</p>	<p>24</p> <p>6:30 PM (ChH) Boy Scouts</p> <p>7 PM (SGGMR) Liturgical & Spiritual Dev. Meeting</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8 PM (Chapel) Spanish Rosary</p>	<p>26</p> <p>7 PM (MR) Choir</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Marian Movement</p>	<p>27</p> <p>8:45 AM (Ch) All School Mass</p>	<p>28</p> <p>7 (Café) Catholic Men's Fellowship Breakfast Meeting</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Catholic Schools Week Open House (School) 12:30-2:00 OPEN REGISTRATION DAY</p> <p>10 (School) PSR</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10 AM (MR) Bible Study</p> <p>7 PM (Chapel) Prayer Group</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Respect Life Dear Lord, we live in a world today that believes a person to be valuable only if they are useful to ourselves or others. Today, people who are inconvenient to some are believed to have no rights. We pray today that mothers considering abortion will instead let their children live and grow. We pray today that the elderly and infirm will be valued as members of our society. We pray for the poor, the condemned, the disabled, and the outcast. Help us, Lord, to build a culture of life because you, our Creator, are the author of us all. Amen.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">© Liturgical Publications Inc</p>				