



I hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving celebration with family and friends. As I said last Sunday, we have so much to be grateful for even though the news reports and newspapers are filled with stories of other people's trials and difficulties. The difficult times of our lives, when faced with faith and prayer, can lead us to great things happening in our lives and those around us. We must always strive to have a greater trust in God. If we listen to Him and put Him first in our lives, then He will show us the way to peace and justice.

I was very happy to be able to celebrate Thanksgiving Day Mass with our parish family. It was so good to see so many familiar faces. Your presence and your prayers give me so much comfort and strength. Before you know it, I will be back with you, God willing.

The recent auction for the benefit of Sacred Heart School was a wonderful evening at the Galaxy Restaurant attended by over 200 people. Everyone seemed to be having a great time and all for a very good cause.

Our parish school is very important to our parish family. The school has provided a very fine education for many of you, your children, and grandchildren. The sacrifices of so many good people have made the school what it is today and our continued hard work will insure a bright future for Catholic education in our community. Thank you all for your continued generosity toward our parish and school. A special word of thanks to all who made our auction this year so successful, especially our WHYS organization, our students, teachers, staff, and parents. God bless you and reward you for your kindness.

Another word about funerals, concerning the readings and hymns that are used in the funeral liturgy: the readings that are used in the funeral Mass or service must always be taken from the prescribed readings set forth by the Church. In her wisdom the Church has selected several reading from the Old Testament and the New Testament that express what we as the Church believe concerning death and the hope of eternal life. It is not a time for us to choose a certain reading because it may reflect something about our beloved dead. A certain reading is chosen because it speaks to us about our faith in Jesus and what He teaches us about the mystery of suffering and death.

The same thing can be said about the selection of hymns to be used at the funeral liturgy. The Church has many beautiful hymns that express our belief in the resurrection and the promise of eternal life that Jesus won for us by His suffering, death, and resurrection. The important thing to consider here is what the words of the hymn are expressing and not so much whether we or our loved one liked a certain hymn. We must never resort to secular songs or lyrics because of sentimentality. Again, these songs are better left to times that the family gathers for a wake or after the funeral liturgy is finished.

The overall guiding principle here is to follow the wisdom and guidance of the Church. The funeral Mass or any Mass is about worshipping God. We give thanks and we remember what God has done for us by becoming one of us and offering His life so that we may have eternal life. No one person or event, be it a funeral or a wedding, should ever overshadow the true meaning of every Mass; the worship of God and our giving thanks to Him for all He has given us.

NFP CLASS FOR MARRIED & ENGAGED COUPLES

A Natural Family Planning Class, taught by the Couple to Couple League, will be offered for all interested married and engaged couples on Sunday, December 13. Class will be from 4-6:30 p.m. and will be located in the Andes Room. To register, go to www.celi.org and click on the Register for Class button. For more information, contact John and Julie Roberts at 330-598-1858 or jroberts0118@gmail.com.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM-In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament,

parents need to attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Sacred Heart offers this instruction on the first Sunday in September, **December**, March, and June, at 12:30 p.m., in the Conry Room. Preregistration for the class is not necessary. Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions, 336-3049. **Our next class is December 6!**



THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Altar & Rosary will hold its Christmas Luncheon at the Galaxy on Wednesday, December 9, at 11:30 a.m. We look forward to having you join us for lunch. Please make menu selection, enclose cash or check, place in envelope marked *Altar & Rosary Society*, and drop in the collection basket or deliver to the Parish Office.



_____ Tarragon Chicken Salad on Croissant - \$11.50 _____ Cobb Salad - \$12.75

Name _____

Coffee, Tea, and Dessert included; **Reservation Deadline is December 6.**



I LORI HANNA, Sacred Heart
& ALEX MCILVAINE

Saturday, November 28

5:00 p.m. Frank & Estelle Witschey [Tom & Josie Witschey]

Sunday, November 29, First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. For Our Parish

9:30 a.m. Joseph Mifsud [Family]

11:30 a.m. LaVerne Sobie [Len]

Monday, November 30, St. Andrew the Apostle

8:00 a.m. Richard Top, Anniversary [Johnson Family]

Tuesday, December 1

8:00 a.m. ... Mario & Stacey Pace, 7th Wedding Anniversary
..... [Polly Watson]

Wednesday, December 2

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

5:30 p.m. Irene Toth [Elaine Daigle]

Thursday, December 3, St. Francis Xavier

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Theresa Golden [SHS Faculty & Staff]

Friday, December 4, St. John of Damascus

8:00 a.m. Helen Manternach [Bill & Rosie Nolan]

Saturday, December 5

8:00 a.m. Antoinette Cassar [Joan Dunning]

5:00 p.m. Margaret Warner [Barb McCaman]

Sunday, December 6, Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Peter Yahner [Peter & Vera Yahner]

9:30 a.m. For Our Parish

11:30 a.m. Rosina Muhl [Family]

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT -- NOVEMBER 22
[5% of our collection was given to Immaculate Conception Church, Kenmore].

Offertory.....	\$12,496.00
Support Our School.....	\$200.00
Capital Reserve Fund.....	\$32.00
Campaign for Human Development.....	\$228.00
Christmas Decorations.....	\$20.00
World Ministries.....	\$5.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$5.00
Number of envelopes used:.....	370

Your Sacrificial Offering

SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTIONS OF THE WEEK
FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
[WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29, 2009]

Question for Adults: What have been the strengths of your prayer life? What habit of prayer could you strengthen during this Advent season?

Question for Children: What prayers will you say each day and each week during Advent?



Flowers On the Altar

FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND ARE in loving memory of Laverne Sobie from Len.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS The friends and relatives of

Mario Palmer, father-in-law of Mary Beth Palmer, Richard Russell, husband of Margaret Ann and father of Mary Porter,

and Michael Beal, son-in-law of Richard & Raye Presz, who died recently. May our Lord grant them eternal rest in His heavenly kingdom.



THE PARISH ADVENT COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE will be on Thursday, December 3, at 7:00 p.m. There will be a number of visiting priests to assist Fr. Joe. Please plan on attending.

Readings for the Week of November 29, 2009

Monday	Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Tuesday	Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday	Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday	Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

First Sunday of Advent

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon and the stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish, distraught at the roaring of the sea and the waves. When these things begin to happen, stand erect and hold your heads high, for your deliverance is near at hand. The great day will suddenly close in on you like a trap. The day I speak of will come upon all who dwell on the face of the earth. So be on the watch. Pray constantly for the strength to escape whatever is in prospect, and to stand secure before the Son of Man.”

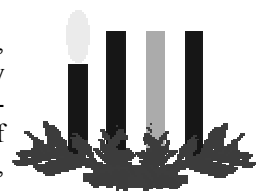
Luke 21:25, 28, 34-36

CCHD Thank you for your support of last week’s Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! Because of your generosity, more low-income people in the United States will be able to break the cycle of poverty and improve their communities. In these times when everyone’s budget is stretched, we are especially grateful for your support.

The First Week of Advent

Father: O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Each night the first purple candle is lighted by the youngest child of the household and is left burning during the meal.



LITURGICAL + ROLES

MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

Week of November 30

- 8:00 a.m. - **Monday - Wednesday**
- Jordan Frevola, Hannah Smith
- 5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday ONLY**
- Charles Hawkins, Jonathan Hawkins
- 8:00 a.m. - **Thursday - Saturday**
- Anna Masica, Peri Turk

Saturday, December 5

- 5:00 p.m. - Olivia Petrey, Joe Sablotny
- Elizabeth Sablotny, Steven Sablotny

Sunday, December 6

- 8:00 a.m. - Ali Beery, Caleb Busson
- Timothy Reed, Samantha Serfass
- 9:30 a.m. - John Johnenning, Ashely Johnenning
- Lauren Johnenning, Zachary Porter
- 11:30 a.m. - Elizabeth Edurese, Hayley McQuate
- Kevin McQuate, Bryan Uhl, Jr.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 5

- 5:00 p.m. - Caesar Carrino, Madeline Kelly
- David & Lucy Meager, John Toth
- Cup Ministers* - Ray Arnone, Chuck & Vera McEvoy
- Roger & Debbie Petrey, Brenda Sablotny

Sunday, December 6

- 8:00 a.m. - Phil Gerace, Rob Lewis, Rosa Owens
- Paul & Dolores Schafer
- 9:30 a.m. - Jerry & Sue Lichty, Eric McNeill
- Jeff Witschey, Frank Witschey
- 11:30 a.m. - Karla Bellinger, Darryl McQuate
- Mary Ciofani, Betty Ruppel, Bryan Uhl, Sr.

Wadsworth Hospital - Beerys

Altercare - Hunt

Liberty Residence II - Buccitelli

Magnolia - Krietemeyer/Strickler

Wadsworth Pointe - David Smith, Sr.

The Rosary is prayed at:

- Wadsworth Pointe on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 2:00 p.m.
- Magnolia on the 3rd Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m.
- Altercare on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 5

- 5:00 p.m. - Sue Bielawski, Tracey Arnone

Sunday, December 6

- 8:00 a.m. - Ginny Gegick, Jack Yard
- 9:30 a.m. - Matt Seifert, Teri Johnenning

ATTENTION, EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION! If you were unable to attend the November 19 commissioning, it is imperative to attend a commissioning on Sunday, December 6, at 10:45 a.m., in the church. Those not commissioned will be unable to serve in this ministry after January 1, 2010! Please call the Parish Office.

ADVENT EVENING PRAYER IS BACK!



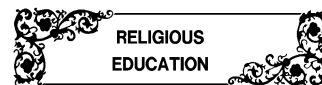
Determined to make your preparation for Advent more peaceful? Prayerful? Calm? Relaxed? Pray the Liturgy of the Hours. Pray as the priests, religious, monks, and laity pray. Come to Evening Prayer, Monday evenings in Advent, at 7:00 p.m., in the church.

THANK YOU! For those of you who donated baskets for Thanksgiving bread, *Thank you!* We received a variety of baskets in different shapes and sizes which accommodated our loaves quite well. As a reminder, if you have not already picked up your basket, please do so. They have been placed in the sacristy for your convenience. Blessings to all of you - Don Drouhard

THE GIFT OF YOURSELF We search all over looking for the perfect gift. Consider giving the gift of yourself to Him Who gave us the gift of Himself. Offer it as a gift to someone, as well as to Him. Call the Parish Office to choose: 11:00 a.m. Saturday, 3:00 a.m. Thursday, 2:00 p.m. Tuesday through winter, or 12 Noon Saturday through winter.



RETIREMENT FUND HELPS SENIOR RELIGIOUS "As expenses continue to increase and economic difficulties tighten our income, we appreciate more and more the help of the Retirement Fund," notes a woman religious. Your tax-deductible donation supports the care of elderly and frail religious and helps to provide such basic necessities as prescription drugs and medical services. Please give generously to next week's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. www.retiredreligious.org.



All Second Grade Parents of children preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation: Please find and bring your child's Baptismal Candle and a holder to the First Reconciliation Celebration on December 5. Thank you. Please call Diane Bruce if you have any questions at 330-335-0029.

DAILY GOSPEL for the year 2010 will not be ordered in bulk due to financial concerns. However, if you wish to order a **DAILY GOSPEL**, you may do so by completing the form below.

ORDER FORM

ORDER for 2010 *Daily Gospel* Reflection, \$10.00

Name: _____

Qty: _____

Total cost: _____ Paid: _____

Please enclose your check with the order form and send to: Diane Bruce, Religious Ed. Office.



CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP This year we will be going to the CHWC in Rockford, IL. The dates are July 4-11, 2010. There will be an information meeting for all who are interested next Sunday, December 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the Andes Room. Please bring \$75.00 to the meeting if you would like to go ahead and reserve a spot at this time. Remember, the cost goes up after December 1, and spaces fill up quickly!

FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY OF STEUBENVILLE FESTIVAL OF PRAISE Franciscan University of Steubenville will be having their monthly Festival of Praise on their campus next Saturday, December 5, at 7:00 p.m. Anyone interested in attending can call Matt Leahy at 330-714-0932 for more information.

MEETING: The High School Youth Group will meet next Sunday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m.

BIBLE STUDY Do you want to know more about the Scriptures? A High School Youth Bible Study is now forming. Call Vince Greczanik at 330-835-7657 for more information.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT Sacred Heart will join with other area parishes to sponsor a Middle School Retreat on Saturday, January 30. The retreat will take place at St. Sebastian's in Akron. Applications for Middle School youth interested in attending are available at the Parish Office. In addition, High School volunteers are needed to assist in putting on the retreat. Anyone interested can contact Keith Johnson at the Parish Office for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Middle School Advent Christmas Party, Sunday, December 13
High School Epiphany Party, Sunday, January 3

JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING - Original Artwork Sale benefiting our own St. Vincent de Paul Society. On Sunday, December 6, after the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses in McMahon Hall, original and inspirational greeting cards and matted prints will be available for purchase and order. Local Christian artist Linda Miller will be displaying her beautiful original artwork on greeting cards (\$4.00) and 11x14 matted prints suitable for framing (\$15.00). Come and see her mix of traditional and modern designs, all inspired by God and His creation. Linda will be donating 20% of her sales to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. Gift certificates for Linda's art classes and guitar lessons provided by her husband will also be available for sale. Stop downstairs after the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses to support St. Vincent de Paul and the wonderful work they do for the needy in our area and our parish. This event is sponsored by the women's Wednesday morning Bible Study group.



ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR DECEMBER will be on **Wednesday, December 9**, at 5:30 p.m., when we pray for all married couples, but especially those couples married during the month of December.

ST. ANDREW'S IN NORTON is having its 10th Annual Winter Wonderland Craft Show Saturday, December 5, from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Questions? Contact Pat Hopkins, 330-658-2695 or Tami Herman, 330-825-2750.

This Week...

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- **9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Red Cross Blood Drive, School**
- SHS Mini Mall setup, Andes Room
5:00 p.m. - Adoration for Vocations, chapel

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 10:00 a.m. - A & R mtg., Conry Room
- 3:15 p.m. - Jr. Presidium, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Advent Evening Prayer, church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

- SHS Mini Mall, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Cub Scouts, Conry Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts, McMahon Hall

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

- SHS Mini Mall, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIC, Conry Room
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIA, McMahon Hall

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

- SHS Mini Mall, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Advent Communal Penance, church
- 7:00 p.m. - Legion of Mary, Andes Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir, McMahon Hall
- 11:00 p.m. - Gethsemane Hour, chapel

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 6:30 p.m. - Families for Faith, Andes & McMahon Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

- 8:45 a.m. - First Reconciliation, church & McMahon Hall
- 11:00 a.m. - Confessions until Noon, church
- 3:30 p.m. - Confessions until 4:30 p.m., church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

- 10:00 a.m. - St. V de Paul Art Fund Raiser, McMahon Hall
- 10:30 a.m. - CHWC mtg., Andes Room
- 10:45 a.m. - Commissioning for Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, church
- 12:00 Noon - Catechists Gathering, Andes Room
- 12:30 p.m. - Baptismal Class, Conry Room
- 5:00 p.m. - Adoration for Vocations, chapel
- 7:00 p.m. - High School Youth Group, Humbolt House

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY The K of C will have an all-you-can-eat fish fry on Friday, **December 4**, from 4:00 to 7:30 p.m., at the K of C Hall. You can eat in or take it out. Come and enjoy the best fish in town!



CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS WITH WORLD RENOWNED COMPOSER, concert pianist and pro-life advocate **Eric Genuis**. He will be performing a free Christmas concert at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 10, at Our Lady of Grace Church in Hinckley. Experience a depth of faith through a distinctive sound ranging from majestic to meditative. Hear examples of his music at www.EricGenuis.com. For more information or directions, contact Theresa Piatt at 330-416-9905.

