

WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 5/6, 2009

Mass Intentions For The Week

Monday	Dec. 7	7:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	Dec. 8	8:15 a.m.	Patricia Stover
		7:00 p.m.	James Reneer
Wednesday	Dec. 9	7:00 a.m.	Carl & Mary Nix
Thursday	Dec. 10	7:00 a.m.	George Lemmons
Friday	Dec. 11	7:00 a.m.	Bob Pegram
Saturday	Dec. 12	6:00 p.m.	Clarence Wetzel
Sunday	Dec. 13	7:00 a.m.	St. Joseph & Blessed Sacrament Parishes
		11:00 a.m.	Rock Horrall



Gifts for God

Nov. 29, 2009 Collection = \$6,526.20
Fiscal Year to date: \$92,360.47

Liturgical Ministers for next week:

7:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

Lector: Rick Coleman
Hosts: J. D. Wildt, Kyle Gilbert
Presenters: Keith Wagner Family
Servers: Gabrielle Glavich, Anna Griesemer, Madison Pflug

6:00 p.m. Saturday, December 12

Lector: Roxann Coleman
Hosts: Rick Coleman, Julie Koberstein
Presenters: Marion Koberstein Family
Servers: Seth Stevens, Matthew Dove, Zachary Dove
Head Usher: Mark Tuley
Greeters: Jeff Binhack, Richard Paul, Alan Weiss

7:00 a.m. Sunday, December 13

Lector: Dan Gilbert
Hosts: Ed Alldredge, Bob Eckert
Presenters: William Thompson Family
Servers: Dalton Halbig, Payton Halbig, Ryan Wade
Head Usher: Dave Weber
Greeters: Dave Specht, Ken Halbig, Dennis McGraw Families

11:00 a.m. Sunday, December 13

Lector: Brad Schmitt
Hosts: Debbie Neufelder, Jennifer Schneider
Presenters: Jeff Fortner Family
Servers: John Fischer, Jaydon Edwards, Heath Dame
Head Usher: Jerry Marx
Greeters: Mary Collins, Norma May, Mike Pflug Families
CLW Bryan & Maegan Edwards

SCRIPS

6:00 p.m. Mass Saturday, December 12 Tamrun Sokeland
7:00 a.m. Mass Sunday, December 13 Pat Kermode
11:00 a.m. Mass Sunday, December 13 Karen Fischer

PLEASE CONTACT PAT KERMODE IF YOU CAN'T WORK YOUR
SCHEDULED TIME AT 664-5496.



The Week Ahead

Sun., Dec. 6 – Second Sunday of Advent

- RCIA from 9:15 – 10:45 a.m. in the Celestin Center.
- Religious Ed today from 9:30-10:45 in Parish Center.

Monday, Dec. 7 –

- Joseph'ines meeting from 9:00-10:30 in the Celestin Cr.
- Boys home Basketball Game at 6:00 with St. James.

Tuesday, Dec. 8 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

- Men's Basketball in the Gym at 6:00 p.m. Welcome men
- D of I Christmas Party at Grandma's Kitchen at 6:30 p.m.
- Holy Day Masses at 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 –

- Adult Choir Practice at 6:30 p.m. in Church.
- K-5 School Advent Program at 6:30 in the Gym.

Thursday, Dec. 10 –

- PIE meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Celestin Center.
- Blessed Mothers Prayer Group at 6:15 p.m. in Chapel.

Friday, Dec. 11 - Church Cleaning Crew #3 –

Kathy Eckert, Jane Fichter, Pat Kermode.

Saturday, Dec. 12- Matt Turner/Andrea Dillion Wedding at 3:00 in Church. Congratulations!

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Second Sunday of
ADVENT

Within the next day or two, you will receive a special letter with our Advent and Christmas schedule. You will also find an envelope for our Christmas Flower Memorials this year. You may remember a deceased loved one or honor someone living who is special to you.

We will publish the memorials in a special Christmas folder - one for each parish. Please return the flower memorial envelope by December 22nd. We will accept memorials after that date - but they may not be published. The Mass Intention for each Christmas Mass will be the "Christmas Memorials."

Father Ron

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- The K of C is taking advance orders for their fresh ground Pork Sausage. You can place an order by calling the Club at 385-5732 after 4 p.m. or contact any Knight. Orders will be ready for pick-up after 12 noon Jan. 16.
- K of C Meeting Dec. 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hall.

Did you know that since 1994 through the effort of their Tootsie Roll Drive that your Knights of Columbus Council 1131 has been able to donate \$71,886.60 to GCARC?

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Nicholas, whose feast day is December 6th, is best remembered as a lover of children. While he lived, he gave the little ones he met small gifts—some candy, a toy. His kindness, which always managed to surprise them, touched their hearts and they learned from this holy man what a beautiful thing giving is. In the figure of Santa Claus, whose name and activity St. Nicholas inspired, we have this saint with us today.

THE ADVENT WREATH (part 2)

Last week we read that the first candle lit is called the prophet’s candle and reminds us of the hope of Jesus’ coming.

The second candle is called the Bethlehem candle and represents our longing for peace. Bethlehem means “house of bread”. Jesus came to earth in the house of bread and remains as Living Bread for all of us in the Eucharist.

The third candle is the shepherd’s candle. This candle, rose in color, is lit on the third Sunday of Advent or Gaudete Sunday. *Gaudete* is the Latin word for “rejoice” and it is the first word of the entrance psalm for Mass on that day.

The last candle lit on the Advent wreath is the angel’s candle, which announces the love of the Father to send his only Son to dwell among us. Advent wreaths are a part of our Catholic heritage. Many families still place them in prominent spots such as the dining room table or in the living room. As each candle is lit, the family might sing a chorus of “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” or recite a daily prayer, or read a passage from Scripture. May you and yours enjoy all the blessings of this holy Advent season.

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASSES

Monday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, December 8 at 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. at St. Joe

PENANCE SERVICE

Thursday, December 10 at 6:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec. 7 Boys Basketball Game 6 p.m. in Gym against St. James. **Go Wildcats!**
- Dec. 9 K-5 Advent Program - *The Not-So-Silent-Night* begins at 6:30 p.m. in the Gym. All invited.
- Dec. 10 PIE Meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Cel. Center
- Dec. 16 PreSch/PreK Advent Program - *The Christmas Story* begins at 6:00 p.m. in the Gym. All invited.

For Sale:

- Pumpkin Rolls** \$8.00 each while supplies last.
 - White Gravy Packets** \$3.50 each.
(Packet will make 73 servings, but it can be divided).
- Contact any PIE Committee member or call the school office at 385-2228.

St. Joseph School is seeking a part-time person to fill the position of Cafeteria Manager beginning January 4th, 2010. Applicants should have some experience in food service. Starting pay is between \$8.00 - \$10.00 per hour. Please contact the principal, Dan Gilbert, at 385-2228 or by email at dgilbert@evdio.org.

CHURCH & SCHOOL WEBSITE:

www.stjosephprinceton.com

Check out our calendar of events anytime on line!



NEWLY BAPTIZED

CONGRATULATIONS

to Aiden Richard Burek - child of Douglas & Rachel (Neufelder) Burek on his baptism on 12/6/09. We welcome Aiden into our faith family here at St. Joseph's.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tuesday, December 8th at 6:30 p.m. at Grandma's Kitchen. Please call Wendi Gonyer at 386-8419 for questions. Cost is \$10.00. Members are encouraged to bring a guest.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- D of I Kuchin Sale Jan. 16/17, 2010
 - St. Joseph Dinner/Dance/Auction Feb. 13, 2010
- (if you want to donate to the auction contact Jennifer Schneider at 385-0124)*

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH

December 6, 2009

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday December 06 9:00 a.m. Jerad McConnell
Monday December 07 7:00 p.m. Immaculate Conception
Thursday December 10 6:30 p.m. Penance Service
Sunday December 13 9:00 a.m. Fred Hyde

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Friday before the following week.



Gifts for God

WEEKLY GIVING Dec. 06, 2009

- Adults \$ - Loose \$

Total - \$ Last Week - \$

Weekly Budget Need: \$2061.00

Amounts not available at time of printing.

Liturgical Ministers:

9:00 a.m. Sunday, December 13, 2009

Lector: High School Class
Euch. Mins.: Presider
Host: John Davis
Gift Bearers: High School Class
Greeter: Josh Stolz Family
Ushers: High School Class
Servers: Kelsey Reising

Weekly Readings

Second Sunday of Advent

Baruch 5:1-9, Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11, Luke 3:1-6

Monday: Isaiah 35:1-10, Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday: Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

Genesis 3:9-15, 20, Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12, Luke 1:26-38

Wednesday: Isaiah 40:25-31, Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10

Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday: Isaiah 41:13-20, Ps 145:1, 9, 10-11, 12-13

Matthew 11:11-15

Friday: Isaiah 48:17-19, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6

Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11, Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Matthew 17:10-13

**No Parish Council Meeting on December 10.
Parish Council will meet again on January 14,
2010.**

CATHOLIC CULTURE

Artists frequently portray John the Baptist pointing, for his prophetic role is to point the way to Jesus. In the new world, John the Baptist is revered as the patron saint of Puerto Rico. Medieval cathedrals were deliberately designed to show the place of the prophets in the economy of salvation. The prophets, whose challenging words were associated with the chill north wind, were depicted on the north wall, while the wall to the south, associated with warmer and gentler climates, was reserved for depictions of the saints.

John the Baptist is traditionally considered the last of the Old Testament prophets and the first of the New Testament saints. For this reason, anyone who bears the name of an Old Testament figure (such as Adam, Ruth and Jacob) may consider the solemnity of the birth of John the Baptist (June 24) as their saint's day in the Christian calendar. There are only three births celebrated in the Christian calendar: Jesus, Mary and John the Baptist. For all other saints we celebrate the day of the saint's death as the saint's "birthday in heaven".

CELEBRATING THE WISDOM OF OUR ELDERS

This Tuesday, December 8th, at 2:00 p.m. Blessed Sacrament will host it's First Celebrating the Wisdom of Our Elders Tea Party! Senior women of Blessed Sacrament Parish are invited to join us as our own Sister Kim Mandelkow presents an afternoon of reflection on our Blessed Mother's unconditional "YES" to become the Mother of Jesus. There is still space available for this wonderful day of spiritual renewal...and "refreshment!" "Word on the street" is that there will be some amazing food and tea (or coffee if you'd prefer)!

EVERYONE'S INVITED!

Please join us downstairs immediately following Mass today for an Advent Family Gathering. The Religious Ed classes will present their Christmas/Advent skits for your entertainment. Following the skits, a delicious breakfast will be served. The children have worked very hard on their skits, Come join us!

ANGEL TREE

If you would like to buy a gift for someone in need please take an "Angel" off the tree. Buy a gift, (suggestions of sizes etc are on the "Angel Card") then return it to the tree by the deadline of December 20th. The gift are going to help folks in need from: The House of Bread & Peace and Ozanam Shelter. Both are Catholic Organizations very much in need.

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ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH IN JASPER WILL BE HOSTING A PARISH MISSION with Father Denis Robinson, OSB and President-Rector of Saint Meinrad School of Theology. On Sunday, Dec. 6, the Parish Mission will begin following the 6:30 p.m. Bilingual Mass. On Monday, Dec. 7, and Tuesday, Dec. 8 the Parish Mission will follow the 6:30 p.m. Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On December 9th, the Parish Mission will begin at 6:30 p.m. His theme is "Getting Christ Back in Christmas". Father Denis presents with humor, inspiration and compassion. The event is held inside St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper. For more information call the Parish Center at 482-1805.

Here's a gift idea that is appropriate for all and especially those folks on your list that are difficult to buy for. Purchase for them a one-year subscription to the Message. It is only \$24 for one entire year. We make up a beautiful gift card for the recipient and we mail it if you want, OR, you give it to them personally. Just email Diane Csukas at dcsukas@evdio.org or Steve Halbig shallbig@evdio.org with the name of the individual you wish to gift, and we do the rest. You may also call 1-800-637-1731.

ANOTHER GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE

The operational cash reserves of the Ozanam Family Shelter (1100 Read Street, Evansville, IN - www.OFSEvv.org) has reached a critical state.

2009 has been "the perfect storm" of financial challenges for this family homeless shelter. If the shelter cannot find much needed donations by January 2010, the board will be asked to consider cost-cutting measures, including closing residential rooms and staff.

Ozanam Family Shelter is spin-off project of Saint Vincent De Paul, and the organization still maintains its traditional ties to that organization, with a majority of board members from Saint Vincent De Paul. Ozanam is rather unique in its mission to maintain the integrity of families who have stumbled into financial crisis. The shelter can house 17 families and 6 single-women (without children). The adults are provided a case manager to help them become financially viable into the future, and the shelter keeps careful records so that its services cannot be abused by those who are not intending to improve their own situation.

This email was sent out to all the parishes in the Diocese this past week. If you are looking for a way to give to someone in need this Christmas, this is a very worthwhile cause. Send your check to the above address or you may call this number 1-812-422-2214 to arrange to drop off your gift. A list of needed items are on the bulletin boards.

UPCOMING DEANERY SERVICES:

(Holy Days of Obligation)

Immaculate Conception Vigil (December 7)

Sts. Peter & Paul 6:30 p.m.
Blessed Sacrament 7:00 p.m.
St. James 7:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception (December 8)

Sts. Peter & Paul 5:45 a.m. & 8:00 a.m.
Holy Cross 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
St. Joseph 8:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
St. James 8:20 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
St. Bernard 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Vigil (December 24)

Holy Cross 4:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.
St. Joseph 4:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.
Sts. Peter & Paul 4:30 p.m. & 12 Midnight
Blessed Sacrament 7:00 p.m.
St. Bernards 10:00 p.m.
St. James 10:30 p.m.

Christmas Day (December 25)

St. James 7:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Sts. Peter & Paul 7:15 & 10:30 a.m.
Holy Cross 8:45 a.m.
St. Bernards 9:30 a.m.
St. Josephs 10:00 a.m.

New Years Vigil (December 31)

St. Joseph 4:00 p.m.
Holy Cross 4:30 p.m.
St. Bernards 6:00 p.m.
Sts. Peter & Paul 6:00 p.m.
St. James 6:00 p.m.

New Years Day (January 1)

Sts. Peter & Paul 8:00 a.m.
St. James 8:20 a.m.
Holy Cross 8:45 a.m.
Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m.
St. Joseph 11:00 a.m.

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December 9 St. Bernards 7:00 p.m.
December 10 Blessed Sacrament 6:30 p.m.
December 13 Holy Cross 4:30 p.m.