



Mass Intentions

- MON., 12/28 - FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**
8:00 A.M. - No Mass or Scripture Service
- TUE., 12/29 - FIFTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**
8:00 A.M. - No Mass or Scripture Service
- THU., 12/31 - SOLEMNITY OF MARY**
6:00 P.M. - Theresa Provasnik (Anniv) & Eger Family (Bob, Sandy Bazylak & Family)
- FRI., 1/1 - SOLEMNITY OF MARY**
9:00 A.M. - John Banks (Birthday) (Ann Koscelek)
- SAT., 1/2 - STS. BASIL THE GREAT & GREGORY**
8:00 A.M. - John Novosel Jr. (Novosel Family)
5:00 P.M. - Chuck Thellman (Jim & Doris Mushrush)
- SUN., 1/3 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**
8:00 A.M. - The Parishioners
10:30 A.M. - Bernadette Paradise (Florence Holler)



Last Sunday's offertory, \$3,182.00 (368 envelopes mailed and 175 envelopes received) and loose, \$439.00. Children's offering, \$22.88. Average gift of envelope users: \$18.18. **And also from our children . . .** "I helped decorate the house for Christmas . . . I helped my Gram pass out Christmas cookies to her friends . . . I helped to make our family Christmas card . . . I prayed for the souls in purgatory . . . I helped wrap Christmas gifts for my family . . ."

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Diocesan Goal: \$31,729

Pledged to Date: \$60,701

191% of Diocesan Goal

Amount Received to Date: \$53,768

271 contributors = 68% of Parish

Bob & Peg Schreckengost won last week's "300 Club" drawing for \$100—#180 for week 19. Congratulations!

Of course this **Friday is January 1st, the first day of 2010, and a Holy Day of Obligation** for us. It is the **Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**. It has once again been declared as a **World Day of Prayer for Peace**. Masses will be celebrated here at OLQA on Thursday evening at 6:00 and Friday morning at 9:00. Be sure to come to Mass as we close one year and welcome another!

The Week Ahead

- MONDAY** **NO** Religious Education classes today.
THURSDAY Holy Day Mass at 6 P.M. today.
FRIDAY Mass for the Holy Day at 9:00 A.M.
SATURDAY First Saturday Mass at 8:00 A.M. followed by coffee and donuts in the Church Hall.
SUNDAY Religious Education door blessings today.
RCIA after the 10:30 Mass.
Pastoral Council meets at 1:30 P.M. today.



Bible Quote: "And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor." *Luke 2:52*

* There are **NO** Religious Education classes today, Sunday, December 27th or Monday, December 28th. Have a Blessed 2009! * The winner of the Christmas Eve church pew raffle was **Sarah (and Justin and Charlie) Dickey**. The money raised will be used to buy new books for our Children's Library. **"Test your Catholic Knowledge"**: The name Emmanuel means (a) God is with us; (b) Hooray, lots of presents; (c) Happy New Year. Write your answer along with your name and phone number on a piece of paper and place it in the collection basket for a chance to win our monthly drawing! Good luck!

Be sure to take one of the **small prayer books** in the sanctuary as a gift from the parish. May it bring comfort and strength to all those who use it and may the prayers we offer from this book unite us and be heard by our loving God. Merry Christmas from OLQA! The **2010 calendars** are also now available in the sanctuary. They are particularly beautiful this year as the art masterpieces are from the life and words of Jesus Christ. A very special thank you to the **Ron Dickson Funeral Home** in town who provided these for our parish. When you see Ron, be sure to thank him on behalf of the parish!

This Friday is also the **First Friday of the month**. Because it is New Year's Day, the Eucharist will be taken to our parish homebound **NEXT** Friday instead of this one. Saturday of this week is the **First Saturday of the month** and there will be a Mass celebrated at 8:00, with coffee and donuts in the hall afterwards. Bob and Betty Harrison always facilitate this social (thanks to the funding of the Knights of Columbus). Thank you, Bob and Betty!

There is a bus that has been reserved to attend the **March for Life** in Washington D.C. The bus will leave Stk. Philip's in Linesville. The March for Life is on Friday, January 22, 2010. Anyone interested in marching for life, please call Rebecca at 382-6363. The **People for Life's annual Pro-Life Breakfast** will be held on Saturday, January 16th at the Ambassador Banquet and Conference Center. The main speaker will be **Serrin Foster**, president of Feminists for Life of America. Cost is \$12.50, \$6.50 for children 3 to 12, and free for children under 3. Purchase by January 12th. For more information, call (814) 882-1333.

		ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS	GREETERS
SAT	5:00 PM	Ryan Thomas Dominic Heasley	Claire Waldron	Pat Billingsley, Mary Beth Jacobs, Veronica Valentine	Dave Jacobs (c) Bob Slevin Terry Conlin Gary Humes	Jim & Doris Mushrush
SUN	8:00 AM	Nick & Christian Styborski	Dan Haylett	Barb Irwin, Lori & Jim Harrison	Bob Hilton (c) Ron Barton John Chuey Josh Dolnosich	Rocco Garnet
SUN	10:30 AM	Bryce Biase Brenna Prenatt	Beverly Zello	Ed Pieszak, John Skendall, Bernadette Verno	Earl Gross (c) Joe Arnett Mark Miller Chase Miller	Tim & Pat Kaider



HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK TO:
DECEMBER 27, Kimberly Darke; **DECEMBER 28,** Tabitha Davis, Sylvester Miller, Tom Pustelak; **DECEMBER 29,** Julie Burchfield, Catherine Chapman, Linda Prenatt, Noah Scott; **DECEMBER 30,** James Kullen, Dan Newell, Cynthia Perfett; **DECEMBER 31,** Kathy (a.k.a. Cindy) Barton, Roy Kurt, McKenna Longoria, Linda Wasson; **JANUARY 1,** Kathy Anderson, Lisa Ferenchak. **ENJOY YOUR DAY!**

I know a lot of the **WHY CATHOLIC?** Groups are now finished after 4 years of small group meetings. Congratulations on finishing the course and from what I've seen, many of the groups have really bonded together in unbelievable ways. We're looking for future possibilities of programs and suggestions for groups to continue meeting. We will be having a gathering sometime in January to discuss these possibilities. Watch for more news!

Please note that there will be **NO** Mass here this Monday or Tuesday of this week. Masses will resume again on Thursday morning.

Please remember that on **January 3rd, the Feast of the Epiphany**, we will be gathering items for newborn children and infants as a **"baby shower"** effort. You will be able to place these gifts near the Nativity scene that weekend and all gifts will be distributed to the Pregnancy Center. Wish list items include: diapers, wipes, lotions, shampoo, ointments, powder, newborn outfits, rattles, blankets, etc. Let's make this a real "shower" in honor of the Infant Jesus for the infants of today's world. Thank you!

Husbands, searching for a special gift for Christmas this year? Give the gift of yourself for an entire weekend. Bring your wife to **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** and enrich your relationship. Next Marriage Encounter is February 19-20-21, 2010. For more information call (814) 823-4600.

Please pray for the soul of **Ron Litke** who died this past week. May he rest in eternal life, happiness and peace.



I pray as you continue to celebrate this beautiful season of Christmas; you find joy and peace in all you do. We stand in the shadow of this feast until Sunday, January 10th, when we celebrate the Feast of Christ's Baptism. As everyone takes down all their decorations and ornaments, as Christians, be sure to continue the celebration all through this holy season! I pray your Christmas was wonderful! And this weekend, so soon after the Holy Day, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. We enjoy the love that was between Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. They stand as a model for us all of how to form community and how to love one another. They grew in love. Let's pray to them for all families—not only our own. So many families are in turmoil and great dysfunction (more than normal dysfunction!). So many families are broken and even in that brokenness, they cannot find protection and happiness. May the Holy Family live in the hearts and homes of us all. Have a blessed Christmas week!

Fa. Adams

Gabriel and I are extremely grateful for all the remembrances we received at Christmas. Gabriel's "treat drawer" is spilling out onto the floor and he doesn't know which to eat first! And I am grateful for all the "goodies" and gifts given to me. God bless every one of you!

Today's Readings

Reading I: Sirach 3:2-6,12-14. Show reverence for God by honoring your parents.

Reading II: Colossians 3:12-21. Serve the Lord by loving one another.

Gospel: Luke 2:41-52. The boy Jesus stays behind in the Temple.

Question of the Week: How are you, too, called to do the work given to you by God?