

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday, January 20 ♦ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. James Manley (Bill Morbitzer Family)
 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
 Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

Monday, January 21 ♦ St. Agnes

11:30 a.m. Edward Pardini (Melissa Rosado De Christenson & Paul J. Christenson)
 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday, January 22 ♦ St. Vincent

11:30 a.m. Living and Deceased of Cullinan Family (Jeanne Cullinan Brown)
 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday, January 23 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Kathleen Miller (Kristan Dove, Theresa Craft & Kathleen Bonfante)
 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday, January 24 ♦ St. Francis de Sales

11:30 a.m. Patrick & Martha Walsh (Nancy Walsh)
 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday, January 25 ♦ Conversion of St. Paul

11:30 a.m. James & Patricia Manley Family (Richard & Sharon Stilwell)
 Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

Saturday, January 26 ♦ Sts. Timothy and Titus

11:30 a.m. Martha Walsh (Mary Ann Walsh)
 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:20-21 or Lk 10:1-9

Sunday, January 27 ♦ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Patty Manley (Helen Bierberg Walsh)
 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
 Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

MASS SCHEDULING POLICY: In order to accommodate as many requests for specific dates as possible, we cannot schedule more than five at one time. Requests without a specific date are scheduled as openings permit. Please include the suggested offering of \$10.00 (for each Mass) when the request is made. Thank You!

+ **Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners and those who are ill: Hilda Barrett, Charles "Sonny" Bellamy, Sara Fingerlin, Holly Gardner, Marianne Garrison, Chris Igel, Jestina Jones, Mary Knapp, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Mary Scholl, Bob Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker, Elizabeth Webster.

THANKS!	
JANUARY 13, 2008 OFFERINGS	
Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory.....\$2,359.57 Votives..... 68.50 Novena/1st Friday 0.00
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 90 11:00 a.m. = 160	Repair..... 1,118.00 Less Tax (177.30) Net to Parish..... \$3,368.70

Congratulations!

Last Sunday, January 13th, on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Fr. Stluka baptized three young children at Holy Cross:

Lindsey Marie Beckner
 Noah Thomas Davis-Holsinger
 Justin Roderick Tripp

Many blessings to these children of God, their parents, and family members.

Repair Fund Collection Results

Thank you for the generosity and support of the Repair Fund collection held last week. \$1,118.00 was contributed.

Join in the Worldwide Mission of Jesus!

Join the Propagation of the Faith

The 2nd collection will be for the Propagation of the Faith. Through the Propagation of the Faith, we can reach those at work at "the end of the earth" as we help to support the Church's evangelizing work in more than 1,150 mission dioceses worldwide. Thank you for your generosity.

World Marriage Day – February 10, 2008

The Marriage and Family Life Office and Marriage Ministries Leadership Council call your at attention to World Marriage Day, February 10, 2008. Plan to celebrate this special day at St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Boulevard, 2:00-4:30 p.m. Reverend Rod Damico, Parochial Vicar at St. Paul the Apostle Parish and Spiritual Director at Ss. Peter and Paul Retreat Center, will be the presenter. Contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 to register or for additional information.

More Needed!!

Having recently celebrated the Feast of gift offering at the Epiphany and today reflecting on our Baptismal call, please consider sharing your talents or gifts in ministry on Sunday. We need greeters at the 11:00 a.m. Mass and readers and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist at both Masses. Please contact Sr. Pat or place the following in the collection basket:

 I, _____ would like to offer my gifts/service as:
 Greeter _____
 Reader _____
 Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist _____

THE WORD

Some time ago, a Wisconsin man had the questionable good fortune of winning a casino jackpot worth 7.4 million dollars. An intriguing comment was offered by Jacob Lonetree, chair of the Ho-Chunk Nation that operates the casino. He advised the winner that such unexpected fortune does not free one to go out and do what one wants with the money. "There is a certain sense of responsibility that goes with becoming a select member of the community," Lonetree said. "When an individual ascends into the realm of financial independence," he has an obligation to society, a call to care for more than himself.

In the course of our lifetimes, we all get chosen for something or other, if not for fame or greatness or even a jackpot, then at least to care for more than ourselves. That's when the Spirit comes upon us, usually out of the blue, and we find ourselves called to something we never dreamed of doing, something genuinely good and, in our own way, even heroic.

God's Spirit comes to each of us in a different way. Yet, when the Spirit comes, we seem to have no choice. It's as if we were meant for this moment, as if all of the nearby history surrounding us at that instant hangs upon our yes. It becomes very clear that we can't help but say yes, even in the face of the suffering that the yes will bring. And be sure of this, it will be accompanied by suffering. The only difficulty with all of this is that it seldom feels like greatness, but more often like obligation or responsibility or imposed burden. Sometimes, it even feels like utter foolishness and sets us apart and alone. Nevertheless, that's how the Spirit works.

–from "Living the Word"

✠ 20 January 2008 ✠
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

❖ Hymns are not announced ❖
The first reading begins on page 58
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Dan Di Santo, organist

Gathering Hymn *The Church's One Foundation* (#743)

Responsorial Psalm *Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.* (#39, page 59)

Gospel Acclamation (#40, page 60)

Offertory Hymn *The Servant Song* (#800)

Communion Hymn *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life* (#625)

Closing Hymn *Lift High the Cross* (#748)

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) Sunday, February 3, 2008 – Pancake Breakfast.
- 2) Wednesday, February 6, 2008 – Ash Wednesday – Masses at 8:00 and 11:30 a.m.
- 3) Sunday, March 2, 2008 – Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.
- 4) Sunday, March 9, 2008 – Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.
- 5) Parish Mission – Sunday, April 20, 2008 through Tuesday, April 22, 2008.

Mardi Gras

On Sunday, February 3rd, two unique parish events will occur. First is the special ceremony to burn the old palms from last year to prepare ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please plan to bring your old palms next Sunday, January 27th, and deposit them in the marked baskets for this purpose. Second is the annual Pancake Breakfast and Bake Sale after each Mass. There are sign-up sheets in the church for your participation. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

St. Blaise – February 3rd

The Feast of Saint Blaise is being celebrated on Sunday, February 3rd. The "Blessing of the Throat" will take place at the end of each Mass. After everyone has had their throats blessed, then Fr. Jerry will direct everyone to process to the location outside the Cum Christo Center for the special ceremony to burn the old palms from last year.

2007 Contributions

You can contact the office at 224-3416 and request a copy of your contribution record to Holy Cross Church and Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2007.

Martin Luther King Observance

On Monday, January 21, our nation will observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We are invited to join our neighbors at Holy Rosary/St. John for the Mass and celebration at 12:00 noon Monday. The Rev. Charlene Watkins of Second Community Church will be the guest preacher. If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Newberry at (614) 252-5926, ext. 251.

Respect Life Mass

On Tuesday, January 22, 2008, at 10:30 a.m., Bishop Campbell will celebrate Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral for the intention of Respect for Life. All are invited to attend. January 22, anniversary day of the U.S. Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade* which legalized abortion, is recognized as a day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. For more information, contact the Office of Social Concerns (614-241-2540).