



Pastor's Notes

Dear Parish Family,

I hope that all of you enjoyed the candy canes given out this weekend in honor of the feast of St. Nicholas. It is a tradition that I hope you enjoy. This coming Wednesday is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM. At the conclusion of the evening Mass we will have a Eucharistic Procession, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 10:00 PM. In anticipation of the Feast of Blessed Juan Diego on December 9th, the replica of the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will also be available for veneration. Please plan on joining us!

On Thursday of this week we will be having our Advent Penance Service at 7:00 PM. Included in the bulletin is an Examination of Conscience to help you prepare to receive this important sacrament. With all the preparation going on for Christmas it is also important for us to prepare ourselves inwardly to celebrate the birth of Christ. I do hope that all of you will take advantage of this opportunity to go to Confession, especially if you have been away from the sacrament of Reconciliation for awhile. Please note that there is no Mass or Communion Service scheduled for Thursday evening.

Next Sunday is also the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. As patroness of the Pro-Life movement this day has been set aside as a National Day of Prayer for Life. All East Deanery parishes are invited to pray in front of the Indianapolis Women's Center (located at 1201 North Arlington) from 3:00 PM- 3:45 PM. For more information please call the Parish Center. Finally, don't forget about our parish Christmas party next Sunday, December 12th following the 10:30 Mass. God's love and peace be with all of you!

Fr. Vince

ANNIVERSARY FLASHBACK: In 1975 many parishioners traveled to Rome for the Holy Year and to celebrate the ordinations of Father Jim Farrell and Father Bob Gilday. They are both sons of the parish.

† **Newly Baptized:** Kathleen Marie, daughter of Kim (McMullen) and Steve Griffin; Ryan Edward Adkins, son of Jeanine (Haigerty) and William Adkins; and Justin Gabriel, son of Beverly Aileen (Williams) and Patrick Shannon Moran.

ADVENTURESOME GROUP

This Wednesday, December 8th, the Adventuresome Group will be meeting at the rectory for a Christmas gathering. Call the Parish Center to RSVP and for more information. At least \$2.00 will be collected and donated to the giving tree. This will replace our regular \$3.00 gift exchange.

CORPUS CHRISTI ADORATION CHAPEL



The Chapel will be filled with prayer this Advent season as we anticipate the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ



Masses For The Week

6 December	Monday	8:30 a.m. Helen (Moorman) Wernsing - Scecina Bd. Of Directors 5:30 p.m. Mary Porten by Bob & Pat Ashmore
7 December	Tuesday	7:00 a.m. Robert E. Bloser by 753 rd Chaplain 5:30 p.m. Mark Kline & Mary Holmes by Janet Kline
8 December	Wednesday – Immaculate Conception	8:30 a.m. Mary Conder by Inez Conder 11:00 a.m. Adventuresome Group - Pat Striby by Mr. & Mrs. Bob Hasty 6:00 p.m. Michael Miller & Family by Madelynn Miller
9 December	Thursday	7:00 a.m. John Ashcraft by 753 rd Chaplain 7:00 p.m. Parish Penance Service
10 December	Friday	8:30 a.m. Margaret Mayo by Margaret Gold 5:30 p.m. Communion Service
11 December	Saturday	8:30 a.m. Intentions of the Sweeney Family by Gerrie Sweeney 5:00 p.m. Clancy Richardson by Josephine McCoy
12 December	Sunday	8:30 a.m. Howard Bockelman by Mr. & Mrs. Claude Bockelman 10:30 a.m. Aaron Arney by Mr. & Mrs. John Arney 6:00 p.m. For The Parish



This Week in our Parish

December 6 - December 12, 1999

Monday	Wolf #1 3:15 p.m. – Scout Room Legion of Mary 3:45 pm - St. Pat's Room SVDP 7:00 pm – Holy Family Room School Christmas Program 7 pm - Church
Tuesday	Brownies #1654 3:00-4:30 pm – Scout Room Den #2 Tigers 6:00 pm – Holy Family Room Family Program 6:30 pm – Social Hall RCIA 7:30 pm – St. Pat's & St. Therese Room Christmas Choir Practice 7:30 pm – 2nd ^d Rehearsal FAMILIA (Moms) 9:15 - 10:30 am – St. Therese Rm. Adventuresome Group 11am Mass & Christmas Party PTO Board Meeting 7 pm – Holy Family Room ***Note: Parish Council Meeting Cancelled
Wednesday	Parish Penance Service 7 pm – Church Brownies #195 6pm – Scout Room AA Mtg. 8pm – St. Therese Room
Thursday	Wolf #2 7pm – Scout Room
Friday	Men's Prayer 7 am – St. Therese Room
Saturday	Private Event in Social Hall – 4-midnight
Sunday	Third Sunday of Advent Children's Liturgy & Nursery Building & Grounds Mtg. 9:30 am – Social Hall Parish Christmas Party 11:30 am – Pitch-in Youth Group 7 pm – Youth Room – Parish Center Winter Band Concert 8 pm – Church

*Thanks for the kindness extended to me by Little Flower parish members at the going away party on November 13th and through the many cards and gifts I have received. My dad will have heart by-pass surgery on December 8th. Please keep him in your prayers.
God Love You! David Burkhard*

SCHOOL NEWS

- December 6th School Christmas Program 7:00 p.m.

- December 8th Holy Day Mass 8:30 a.m.
- December 9th First Reconciliation
- December 10th School Penance Service
- December 12th Christmas Concert 8:00 p.m.
- December 17th Middle School Dance
- December 23rd Last Day of School – Dismissal at 3:00

First Reconciliation will be Thursday, December 9th at 7 p.m. in conjunction with the Parish Penance Service. A reception will follow in the Social Hall.

Penance Service for grades 3-8 will be held on Friday, December 10th.

ATHLETIC EVENTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 – BOYS BASKETBALL

Cadet A vs. St. Gabriel @ LF 3:00 pm

Cadet B vs. Nativity @ LF 12:00 p.m.

56B Blue vs. St. Mark @ LF 1:00 p.m.

Fr/Soph. Vs. Holy Spirit @ LF 1:00 p.m.

Jr/Sr. vs. St. Thms. Moore @ LF 4:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11 – BOYS BASKETBALL

56A vs. St. Lawrence @ Lawrence 2:00 p.m.

56B Blue vs. St. Jude @ Jude 1:00 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE

The next opportunity for the sacrament of confirmation will be in September 2000. We will be scheduling a call-out meeting in January for those who wish to be confirmed. We will also be looking for youth who have already been confirmed to help with the program. Your involvement will be very important. Watch the bulletin for further details after the holidays.

Any youth, age 7th grade through high school, who would be willing to help with the parish “*Breakfast With Santa*” on December 19th, please call Kurt or Mary Hunt at 352-1693.

Our Youth Choir is always open for new members. The next practice is Sunday, December 19th from 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Call Tom Costello at 352-0704 with any questions.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

TIME and TALENT

TREASURES

The Legion of Mary faithfully prays together each Monday afternoon. We praise you for your continued dedication.

Sunday, November 28	9,703.00
Collected Year to Date	254,275.33
Year Budgeted 7/1/99-6/30/00	629,200.00
Needed weekly to meet budget:	12,100.00

Your regular contributions are greatly appreciated!

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PREPARATIONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

★ “*Many hands make light work*” Help us prepare for the celebration of the birth of Christ by **decorating our worship space**. We will gather at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22nd to decorate the Church. A light supper will be provided in the Church area.

★ **Poinsettia plants** will be used to beautify the Church environment. Orders may be placed until December 10th by calling the School Office – 353-2282.

★ **Parish Christmas Pitch-In Party – Sunday, December 12**
The parish is invited to this event. Please bring a dish to share. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided. Join us for this cheery occasion.

★ **The 75th Anniversary Christmas ornaments** are available after Mass this weekend at the rear of the Church. Extras are available for purchase at \$7.00 each.

★ **CHRISTMAS MAS SCHEDULE**

December 24th 8:30 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

10:00 p.m.

December 25th 9:00 a.m.

★ **SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 23 – JANUARY 10TH**

★ **PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 27 – JANUARY 3RD**

PARISH ENVELOPES FOR YEAR 2000

Your envelopes for contributions to the parish will be distributed after **all** Masses on these weekends: December 11 & 12 – December 18 & 19.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED FOR HOLIDAY MASSES

All Eucharistic Ministers are asked to select a Mass for the Christmas season. A sign-up sheet will be available in the sacristy.

We need you for these Masses:

Christmas Eve – 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day – 9:00 a.m.

New Year’s Eve – 11:00 p.m. – New Year’s Day – 9:00 a.m.

ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL AND HEALTH CENTERS are in need of Communion Ministers who would like to bring Holy Communion to the sick. Call Rev. Fred Deters, Spiritual Care Department at 783-8356

PRAYER AT ABORTION SITES DECEMBER 12TH

On the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, people from across the nation will pray an intercessory prayer for unborn children. Please join us at the abortion clinic at 1201 N. Arlington to pray for an end to abortion. Call 894-4134 with any questions regarding this prayer vigil.