

*Blessed are they
who dwell in
Your house,*  *O Lord.*

Dear Parish Family,

The entire staff and I want to wish you a most blessed New Year. Although we tend to focus on the New Year and new beginnings, we should take time this weekend time to recall and give thanks for all the blessings we received this past year.

Today is the Feast of the Holy Family. For most of us, our family is one of our greatest blessings. Unfortunately, too often we take our family for granted. Perhaps one of our 2007 New Year's resolutions should be to respect and cherish our families more.

Tomorrow, New Year's Day, is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, a holyday. Because it falls on Monday this year, it is a holyday but not a holyday of obligation. Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, will be this Sunday evening at 6 p.m. and Monday morning at 9:00 a.m.

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is also the World Day of Prayer for Peace. As we celebrate New Year's, let us pray for peace in the Middle East. In an interconnected world, as long as there is war in any part of the world, the whole world, including us, is at risk. At the same time, we forget the message of Jesus that true peace comes from him and must begin in the heart of each individual.

Our Christmas Liturgies were beautiful as they always are. Special thanks to Teresa Eckrich and all the music ministers for the beautiful music at all our Christmas Liturgies. It was especially great to see so many young people participate in Christmas choir. I have never seen a church that is more beautifully decorated for Christmas than ours. Special thanks to Mary Martha Costello and the Art and Environment Committee and all the volunteers who helped decorate the church for Christmas.

Finally, on a less positive note, you may have noticed that the copper downspouts on the church have been stolen. Although it is little consolation, this is happening all over the city. In your neighborhoods and around the church, please keep your eyes open and call the police if you see something suspicious.

Have a blessed New Year.

fr. Bob

**HAPPY
NEW YEAR**

Mass Schedule

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JAN 1 - 7, 2007

- 01 Jan** **The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God**
9:00 am Michael Hawkins by Pat and Dale Hawkins
- 02 Jan** **Tuesday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Intentions of Mary Anne O'Bryan and Michael Morrissey by Madelynn Miller
- 03 Jan** **Wednesday**
8:30 am Mary Kot by Carl Madden
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 04 Jan** **Thursday**
8:30 am Pam Connel
5:30 pm Communion Service
- 05 Jan** **Friday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:30 pm Mary "Edie" Williams by John and Vickie Williams
- 06 Jan** **Saturday**
8:30 am Communion Service
5:00 pm **Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord**
Fred Pothast by Julia and Bob Ross
- 07 Jan** **Epiphany of the Lord**
8:30 am For The People
10:30 am Dorothy Moody by The Moody Family
6:00 pm Margaret Marion by The Little Flower Ladies Club

THE WEEK AHEAD IN OUR PARISH

JANUARY 1 - 7, 2007

DAY	ROOM	TIME	GROUP
Monday	HAPPY	NEW	YEARS
	Parish	Office	Closed
	Scout Room	7:00 pm	Webelos -
Tuesday	Scout Room	6 - 7:00 pm	Girl Scout #258
	Holy Family	6:30 pm	Daisy Girl Scouts
Wednesday	Scout room	2:30 pm	Jr girl scouts
	Holy Family	2:30 pm	Girl Scout #606
	Scout room	2:30 pm	Jr girl scouts
	St. Patrick	7:00 pm	Respect Life Committee
	John 23rd	7:00 pm	School Commission
	Scout room	7:00 pm	Wolf Scout Meeting
Thursday	Scout Room	6:30 pm	Tiger Boy Scouts
	St Patrick	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Adult Bible Study
	St. Therese	8:00 pm	AA
Friday	Scout room	7:00 pm	Bear Scouts
Saturday	St. Therese	7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group
Sunday	Parish Center	8:30 am	Children's Liturgy
	Social Hall	9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
	School	9:30 am	Religious Education
	Parish Center	7:15 pm - 9:00 pm	Confirmation Prep

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Adoration Chapel

As we celebrate the Season of Christmas, let us set aside time to spend with Our Lord in the adoration chapel. Current available hours are:

SUN	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1PM	11AM	1AM	10AM	10AM	11AM
2PM		10PM		10PM	3PM
5PM					

If you, your family, or a group would like to choose an hour in the chapel or have any questions, please call Bobbie Lawless @ 357-3546. If you cannot currently commit to a specific hour, please feel free to make a visit at any time. May God bless you!

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Budget Goal	\$ 13,650.00
Collection of December 24 th and 25 th	\$ 16,786.93
Electronic Contribution 12/19 to 12/26	\$ 391.00
Year to Date Budget Goal	\$ 341,250.00
Year to Date Collections	\$ 341,771.20
Year to Date (current fiscal year)	\$ + 521.20

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION \$ 13,231.70

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Home Improvement Fund

August Contributions	\$ 1,484.50
September Contributions	\$ 1,229.00
October Contributions	\$ 1,260.08
November Contributions	\$ 1,233.00
December Contributions (to date)	\$ 1,632.00

Legacy for our Mission Capital Campaign

As of 11/30/2006

Amount Pledged	\$862,045.00
Amount Received on Pledges	\$322,061.00

It is not too late to pledge if you have not done so or if you recently have joined the parish. Extra pledge cards are available at each of the doors. Also, if you made a one-time gift last year in lieu of a three-year pledge, perhaps you are in a position to repeat that gift this year. You may donate at any time and mark your donation "Church Brick Project."

The confirmation class will meet on Sunday, January 7th from 7:15 pm until 9:00 pm. Only candidates and team members need to attend this session.



**HELP
Needed**

Senior lady in the 9th and Emerson area needs a ride to Saturday evening Mass. Please call Georgia if you can help. Thank you

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, January 1st.**

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
HOLY DAY**

Anticipation Mass, Sunday, December 31st at 6:00 pm
Monday, January 1st at 9:00 am

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Anticipation Mass, Saturday, January 6th at 5:00 pm
Sunday, January 7th at 8:30 am, 10:30am, and 6:00 pm
Christmas Choir Christmas Music at 10:30 am Mass

COME TO OUR UN-DECORATING!

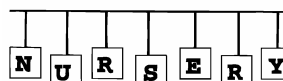
Helpers are needed to take down our Church Christmas Decorations. Meet at 6pm in Church on Monday, January 8th

ATTENTION PARISH YOUTH

(eighth grade through twelfth grade)

YOUTH CHOIR - Youth Choir will meet on Sunday January 7th at 5pm to sing at 6pm Mass.

YOUTH ROOM - After a long absence, youth room will be open on Sunday January 14th after the 6pm Mass until 8:30 pm. Plan to drop in for pizza!



Although the nursery during 8:30 am Mass has been somewhat inactive recently, we'd like to announce that this ministry has been reinstated. Children up to 4 years of age are welcome. The nursery is located in the parish center. If you have any questions, please call Georgia at the Parish Center.

Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House

"Table for Three"

January 6, 2007

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Fr. Troy Overton, OFM

As the title indicates, married couples need to continue to look for ways to make room for Jesus at their table. This unique one-day retreat will focus on how to invite Jesus deeper into your relationship. Program includes presentations and time to reflect both alone and together as a couple. The evening will end with mass, a candlelight dinner, closing vespers, a renewal of vows and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Cost is \$125.00 per couple. Call 545-7681 or e-mail wagner@archindy.org to register!

"The Rule of St. Benedict 101"

January 7, 2007

7:00-9:00 p.m.

Sr. Kathleen Yeadon, OSB

The Rule of St. Benedict is still used today in many monasteries and convents around the world. The monastics of today do not follow The Rule literally, but still find in it much wisdom by which to live the common life and accept it as their basic inspiration. It offers good understanding of the spiritual life and practical ways to grow in one's faith. There is no cost for this program, but good will offerings are appreciated. Call 545-7681 or e-mail wagner@archindy.org to register