

FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF



A heartfelt thank you goes out to all of you for your prayers, cards and good wishes following my recent surgery. Your prayers have been answered and I am healing well. Please continue to pray for me as I am in the process of follow-up treatments. This season of Advent is a season of waiting and patience. Healing takes patience!!! I have had several meetings in recent weeks with the Share the Vision, Shape our Future Campaign Team. I am very grateful for their dedication of time, talent and treasure to this endeavor. As you know the cost of \$1.5 million has been guaranteed through the Spring of 2006. We have raised over two thirds of our goal thus far. However, the last third is not coming in as rapidly as we had hoped. I know that patience is a virtue—but if we do not reach our goal soon, the price may go up. I am asking those of you who have not yet pledged but have told us that you intend to make a pledge to do so in the next few weeks. It will put us in a better position to make needed decisions regarding the bidding process and project schedules. Your generosity and support are gratifying. Let us walk this Advent with hope and patience! Fr. Bober

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| MONDAY | Advent Weekday | Dec. 5 |
| Reading | Is 35:1-20; Lk 5:17-26 | |
| 8:15 a.m. | John Burello | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Maria (Mitzi) Furlan | |
| TUESDAY | Advent Weekday | Dec. 6 |
| Reading | Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14 | |
| 8:15 a.m. | Patrick Matteo | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Gregory Smiley | |
| WEDNESDAY | Ambrose, bishop | Dec. 7 |
| Reading | Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30 | |
| 8:15 a.m. | Mary Contini | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Stephen Rico | |
| THURSDAY | Immaculate Conception of Mary | Dec. 8 |
| Reading | Gn 3:9-15,20; Eph 1:3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38 | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Jean Turk | |
| 9:00 a.m. | Frances Gazvoda | |
| 12:00 noon | Elizabeth Abazia | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Ann Evanetich | |
| FRIDAY | Advent Weekday | Dec. 9 |
| Reading | Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19 | |
| 8:15 a.m. | Mackenzie & Michaela Bretz | |
| 7:00 p.m. | All Souls | |
| SATURDAY | Advent Weekday | Dec. 10 |
| Reading | Is 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a,10-13 | |
| 8:15 a.m. | Keith Stafford | |
| 5:00 p.m. | Mary Seman | |
| SUNDAY | Third Sunday of Advent | Dec. 11 |
| Reading | Ils 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28 | |
| 8:00 a.m. | Ann & Victor Urankar | |
| 9:45 a.m. | Erma DiMarco | |
| 11:45 a.m. | Bill & Jeanne Garry | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Margaret & Jacob Zajc | |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hosp.-Wed. Dec. 7.....Martin
 Grande Pointe-Sun. Dec. 11.....Legion of Mary
 Counter-Sun. Dec. 11.....“C” Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE — DECEMBER 10-11,2005

| MASS | HOSPITALITY | COMMENTATOR | LECTOR | EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS | SERVERS | MANNA |
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| 5:00 | M. Monger / B. Oyaski H. Baldini / N. Baldini | K. Sullivan | M. Freas | B. Pophal / D. Abreo J. Borkey | C. Malta J. Malta | PLEASE PURCHASE |
| 8:00 | C. Otters / K. Stih S. Bohus / H. Drozin | C. Hainrihar | W. Nalepka | T. Brokamp / T. Ogrinc / D. Toth C. Preto / T. Wetzel / J. Kirchmeir S. Organiscak | T. Henry A. Gaser | MANNA |
| 9:45 | L. Peters / A. Guarino D. Guarino / L. Guarino | L. Cooke | A. Krutko | M. Wagner / S. Davisson T. Davisson / C. Gates | M. Musk T. deHaas | CERTIFICATES |
| 11:45 | G. Slogar / V. Whitmore L. Babuder / M. Greaves | S. Greaves | J. Klemens | M. Crowley / I. Klemens S. Johnson | K. Schmidt C. Fowle | AT THE |
| 7:00 | A. Abranovich B. Breshnaham | T. Isabella | L. Bochenek | J. Schmidt / M. Luboski L. Yama / J. Martin | D. Brogdon J. Kern | RECTORY, THANK YOU |



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PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE
216-289-6456**

Call and leave a short message regarding your request. Let us know when your request has been answered, we can offer prayers of thanksgiving.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

PSR for Grades 1-6 will be held on Saturday, December 10th. Parents are reminded that Mass will take place at 10:30 am followed by a social in the Hall. Students should be in the building by 9:15 am and will be dismissed at 11:30 am. If you did not receive Giving Tree Tags in the mail, please contact the rectory.



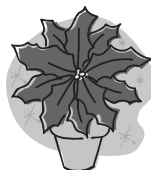
**ADVENT REFLECTION
PREPARE OUR HOMES**

Our call to prepare for the Lord's coming continues today as we reflect on preparing OUR HOMES. As we get ready for Christmas we take time to decorate our homes with lights, trees, wreaths, and our precious Christmas mementos from years past. This leads us to cleaning and rearranging furniture in our rooms to make room for our decorations. Our Advent journey calls us to look at our homes and our family life together and reflect on whether or not we need to do some cleaning and rearranging to make room for the Lord in our lives. We may need to ask ourselves what needs to be cleaned up or cleared out during this time. Can we make room for the Lord by giving away unneeded stuff that we have accumulated? Perhaps this unneeded stuff is material goods or toys that we no longer need and could be of real help to those who have very little. Perhaps this unneeded stuff is the grudges or angers that we hold against one another in our family. Perhaps this unneeded stuff consists of so many activities in our lives that we no longer have time to spend with one another sharing our lives in meaningful ways.

As we decorate our homes—let us choose to decorate them with less tangible—but very essential items. Let us add joy that brings laughter and warmth to our lives and affirmation that acknowledges the goodness and God-given dignity of each family member. And most essential of all—love which binds us together making our house much more than the building we live in—but the place where each person is valued, feels secure and is enabled to become the loving person God has called them to be. This week as a family let us take the time to share with one another how we can prepare our home for the Lord's coming.

COLLECTIONS

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| Sunday Envelopes—Nov. 27 | \$11,227.00 |
| 45 Children's Envelopes | \$39.00 |
| Human Development | \$471.00 |
| Thank you for your generosity. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated | |
| Special Collection-December 2005 | |
| Religious Retirement Fund | Dec. 11 |



**TUESDAY
DECEMBER 6TH
6:00 PM
SCHOOL HALL**

You are invited !!! It's hard to believe but the Annual Christmas dinner is just around the corner! Tickets are available at the Rectory for the Dinner which will be held on Tuesday, December 6th in the School Hall. Doors will open at 6:00 pm and dinner will be served at 6:30 pm! So stop in the Rectory and get your ticket for a great dinner and a fun evening! Tickets are only \$11.00 per person and include chances at door prizes.

FROM ST. VINCENT dePAUL: We thank you for your generosity in dropping off food for our food pantry. However, we would like to remind you that we are unable to take used clothing donations. Please contact the central office at 216-696-6525 ext. 3150

YOUTH CORNER

Thanks to all who helped with the turkey soup at the Villa! It was a huge success!!
Upcoming events for the 7-12 graders : everyone is welcome.

S u n d a y , D e c e m b e r 1 1
Prayer service and refreshments with Euclid Youth Groups followed by an open gym at Holy Cross from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM.

S u n d a y , D e c e m b e r 1 8
Movie Night 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM
\$2.00. Refreshments provided.

Events in the planning stages:
Pancake breakfast after church and a Youth Group Lock In. Stay tuned to the Youth Corner for more updates!

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



Dolores Anderson, *Estelle Bousquet*, Concetta Brozak, Betty Calevich, Joseph DiMarco, Lovre Dzolic, Burton Emig, June Feldkamp, Andy Floria, Mary Floria, Phyllis Freeh Leslie Grano, Sally Hansen, Andrew Jarm, Connie Klinko, Helen Kinkopf, Helen Kramer, Tony LaMaccia, Helen Lawrence, Lisa Morek, Joe Osborne, Donna Presnel, Mary Presnell, Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Anna Scaletta, Theresa Szolek, George Sheldon, Mary Yates, Catherine Yert, Robert and Mary Zanagra,

Please notify the rectory when a name can be removed from this list.

PARISH NEWS

Christmas Concert Next Weekend

Please join on **SUNDAY, DEC. 11th** from 4:30-5:30 PM for St. Felicitas "Musicians for Life" Christmas concert featuring the Contemporary Music Group, St. Felicitas Bell Choir and a sing-along of favorite carols. This concert is free and open to the public.

REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

The annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection will be taken up next weekend, December 10/11th, at all Masses. Please share in the care of our elderly religious by giving generously to the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. The escalating costs of health care have driven the cost of skilled care and assisted living for frail, elderly religious in the United States beyond \$1.3 million dollars a day! Your gift helps relieve a genuine crisis in many religious institutions.

Students will be selling \$1.00 Candy Bars, Entertainment Books and the Weekly Lottery Tickets. after all Masses this weekend. All fundraising efforts are supported by the St. Felicitas PTU. The money raised is directly used for our school children. We appreciate your stopping by the back of the church after Mass and supporting our fundraising efforts.

"SHARE THE VISION, SHAPE THE FUTURE"

PLEDGE UPDATE

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| Pledge Total | 1,022.882 |
| Campaign Goal | \$1,500,000 |
| Percent of Goal | 68% |
| Cash Total | 394,351.57 |
| No. of Pledges | 465 |
| Average Pledge | 2,199.75 |

Thank you for your generosity!

NEW PARISHIONERS

We Welcome our New Parishioners in November Elizabeth Huber—Julius Open—Mr. & Mrs. William Turk/Family—Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Vento

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to our Newly Baptized & Parents in November Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Sero Charles Joseph

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

Holiday 'Walk in the Park'-Richmond Hts. Community Park on Highland Road. The Park will be decorated for the Holiday season with lights and displays. There will be schools, churches and local organizations caroling and performing for a 15-minute presentation at the Richmond Hts. Gazebo. There will be free hot chocolate and cookies available. If interested in performing or attending, please contact Teri Drda at 216-701-1469, November 18

RAFFLE WINNEERS

Congratulations to Rich & Mary Schulz of Euclid, winners of the **Nov. 20 PTU Weekly Raffle** And **Congratulations** to Tracy Druscensky of Euclid, Winner of the **Nov. 27th Raffle**. Lexi Perex was the seller winner.