



FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF

“Glad-tidings to You” and a “Happy New Year”

Yes, keep Christ in C*H*R*I*S*T*M*A*S and in His Spirit all year thru. Today, I just want to share with you, two Christmas messages which were sent to me. I have kept these as “treasures”, which I have shared with parishioners, wherever I have served these past 33 years. I am hoping that they will speak to your heart and mind, as well:

God Sent Us a Saviour

If our greatest need
had been information,
God would have sent us an educator.
If our greatest need
had been technology,
God would have sent us a scientist.
If our greatest need
had been money,
God would have sent us an economist.
If our greatest need
had been pleasure,
God would have sent us an entertainer.
But our greatest need
was forgiveness,
So God sent us a Saviour.

—Roy Lessin

JESUS is.....

is pleased to come to us
as the truth to be told
and the life to be lived,
as the light to be lighted
and the love to be loved,
as the joy to be given
and the peace to be spread.

—Mother Teresa

A Prayer for the New Year and for the Old

Loving Father, You have sustained me in the year that soon will end.
As I reflect on the many blessings You have bestowed upon me,
My heart is filled with gratitude.
Thank you for Your loving care.
As I look forward to the New Year,
I pray that You will continue to sustain me and those whom I love.
I pray, too, for the courage to answer Your call to serve You and Your people,
especially the world’s poor.

I pray these things in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Bless you.....Fr. John





**ST. FELICITAS
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.

**REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK
OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**



Anthony Brodnik, Pat Conway, Krum Dimitrov, Charlotte Farinacci, Cindy Gates, George Halgash, Packy Hyland Sr., Andrew Jarm, Cindy Kinley, Ruth Lamm, Dottie Maher, Robert Popvic, Sr., Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Norma Sedar, and Milton Taisey

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

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

GOD'S PROMISE TO ALL PEOPLE

Today Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and that they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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FR. MEHOK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY: Will resume on Monday, January 12th at 7:30pm in the School. Topic: "The Book of Job".

TODAY'S READINGS

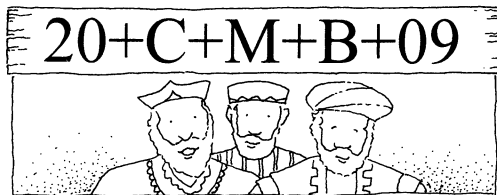
First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalms — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

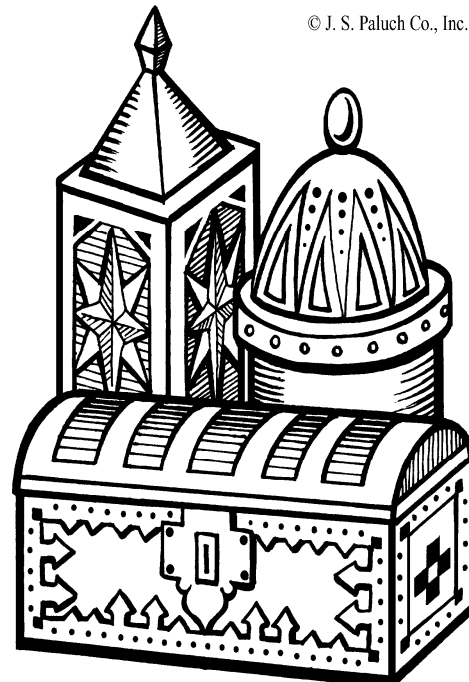
Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY	John Neumann, bishop	Jan. 5
8:15 a.m.	John Argento	
7:00 p.m.	Gregory Smiley	
TUESDAY	Weekday after Epiphany	Jan. 6
8:15 a.m.	Helen Campolieti	
7:00 p.m.	Victor Suster	
WEDNESDAY	Weekday after Epiphany	Jan. 7
8:15 a.m.	Jim Proctor	
7:00 p.m.	Joseph Mullally	
THURSDAY	Weekday after Epiphany	Jan. 8
8:15 a.m.	Linda Rossino	
7:00 p.m.	Berenice Frate	
FRIDAY	Weekday after Epiphany	Jan. 9
8:15 a.m.	Joseph Osborne	
7:00 p.m.	All Souls	
SATURDAY	Weekday after Epiphany	Jan. 10
8:15 a.m.	Joe Osborne	
5:00 p.m.	Filomena & Egidio Colicchio	
SUNDAY	Baptism of the Lord	Jan. 11
8:00 a.m.	Anthony & Ann Modic	
10:00 a.m.	Mary Ann Wagner	
12:00 p.m.	Clara Zampino	



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. Jan. 7.....VanGorder
 Grande Pointe-Sun. Jan. 11.....Audrey & William

COUNTERS

Counters for Sun. Jan. 11....."C" Team
 Counters for Mon. Jan.12....."F" Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE — JAN. 10-11, 2009

MASS	PRESIDER	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS
Sat. 5:00pm	Fr. Sal	S. Lonchar	M. Freas	K. Sullivan	D. Abreo, C. Barni, J. Barni, J. Barteld, M. Malta	R. Melvin A. Schmitt
Sun. 8:00am	Fr. Sal	N. O'Toole C. Otters	T. Hlabse	M. Muehle	R. Eppich, C. Hainrihar, T. Ogrinc, R. Tepley, F. Zalar	S. Henry T. Henry
Sun. 10:00am	Fr. Mehok	K. Brozovic V. Kostelec	T. Bluntzer	G. Haritonovich	S. Davisson, T. Davisson, E. Edelman, P. Gallagher, M. Luboski	H. deHaas W. Fistek
Sun. 12:00pm	Fr. John	K. McMahon	J. Bretz	J. Solpa	D. Thomas-Greaves, K. Wetzel, T. Wetzel, J. Berquist, S. Thomas-Greaves	M. Wagner V. Wagner

GOOD NEWS "ON THE HILL"

GIVING TREE: Dear Saint Felicitas Parishioners, Once again your generosity shines through. Since 1985 you have been contributing to the Giving Tree and outdoing yourselves each year. Thank you ever so much. This year gifts and gift cards went to parishioners, Birthright, Rose Mary Center and group homes, Saint Aloysius Hunger Center on Saint Clair Ave, the Prison Ministry, the Legion of Mary for nursing homes and the Thea Bowman Community Center of Epiphany Church in the Mount Pleasant area of Cleveland. The Thea Bowman Center was added at the last moment as there were so many wonderful gift cards. You put smiles on many faces and helped to provide warmth for the coming year. Please continue to keep them all in your prayers.

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me. Matthew. 25:40

THANK YOU: to all who purchased Manna gift cards over this past year. Your support of this program benefits all of St. Felicitas School and Church.

ST. FELICITAS PRESCHOOL: St. Felicitas Preschool is offering an eight week program for you and your 2 or 3 yr. old non-preschooler beginning January 14, 2009 from 9:00-10:30am. Registration begins Wednesday, January 7, 2009 from 8:00am to 2:00pm. Cost is \$80.00. Call 216-732-9116 for further information.

RAFFLE**MONTHLY TRIPLE PLAY
50/50 RAFFLE:**

Did you remember to turn in your tickets for the drawing next Sunday? If not, you can still turn them in at the Parish Office by Thursday. Good Selling.

St. Felicitas PTU would like to thank all those who donated games, toys, and books during the annual Breakfast with Santa. All of the items were donated to the Euclid Toy Drive. Your generosity was greatly appreciated. Thank you again.

**Readings for the Week**

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:13-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
 Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11;
 Ps 29 or Is 12:2-6; Acts 10:34-38
 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

Parish Mission Statement

Saint Felicitas is called to be a diverse, faith-filled Christian community. Rooted in the Eucharist and Catholic tradition, we are unified in the Spirit of hope and love.

Individually and collectively, we are responsible to fulfill God's will as Jesus did by striving to grow in unconditional respect for, acceptance of, and service to everyone.

**RAFFLE WINNER**

Congratulations to Michelle Santarelli of Lyndhurst, our winner of the **Week #13 PTU Weekly Raffle**. Rhyan Santarelli of Lyndhurst was the seller.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Where on earth would you go to honor the magi? Iran or Saudi Arabia, Tarshish or the Isles come to mind, but Cologne, Germany would be a good choice. There the Shrine of the Three Kings has been the centerpiece of the city's cathedral since the fourth century. Today it is the largest reliquary in the world: a gilded and ornamented triple casket gleaming high above the altar. In the fourth century, the supposed relics of the wise men were taken from Constantinople to Milan, where they remained until the German Emperor with the unlikely name Frederick Barbarossa (Red Beard) gave them to the Archbishop of Cologne. Ever since, pilgrims have streamed into the city to honor the magi, the first of all pilgrims, and thus the heavenly patrons of all who have some holy wanderlust. This largest Gothic cathedral in Europe today was begun in the mid-1200s to house the relics. In medieval times, the relics in a city's possession were often the key to a sound international economy. The reliquary was last opened in 1864, and the remains of three men were indeed discovered. The cathedral is well worth a visit, with enormous twin spires forming the largest façade of any church in the world (it is the model for St. Patrick's in New York). Construction began in 1248 and ended in 1880, a six-hundred-year project. Today, it is a World Heritage Site, described by the U.N. as "an exceptional work of human creative genius." This great treasure of our tradition suffered fourteen direct bomb hits in World War II but did not collapse. It survived while the city burned around it, preserved, the townspeople say, by three heavenly patrons.

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"SHARE THE VISION, SHAPE THE FUTURE"

Capital Campaign Update
Matching Gift Program

Total Cost Church Remodel: \$1,724,205.67
 Cash Total: \$1,662,333.43
 Difference: \$ 61,872.24

Matching Gift Program Weekly Total

Pledge Payments & Other Contributions: \$4,153.15
 Matching Gift Contributions: \$4,153.15
 Weekly Total: \$8,306.30

COLLECTIONS

Last Week's Regular Collection.....\$10,878.72
 Weekly Collection Goal.....\$12,080.00
 Excess (Deficit).....\$(1,201.28)

Fiscal YTD Collection.....\$271,424.07
 Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$314,080.00
 YTD Excess (Deficit).....\$(42,655.93)

Thank you for your generosity.
Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS



CLEVELAND MARCH AND PRAY FOR LIFE; Saturday, Jan. 17th at Noon. Meet at Perk Park (formerly Chester Commons, E. 12th and Chester Ave.) in downtown Cleveland and march to Wyndham Hotel, 1260 Euclid Ave. to hear nationally acclaimed guest speakers on the Freedom of Choice Act, and other LIFE issues. Come to pray, march, and learn about the challenges facing the pro-life movement. This event is **free!** Optional boxed lunch may be purchased. Call 216-661-3000x13.

*LET US
 ADORE HIM*



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LOOKING AHEAD

C-Church
 P-Parish Office
 S-School G-Gym
 MR1-Meeting Room #1
 MR2-Meeting Room #2
 MR3-Meeting Room #3

WEEK OF JANUARY 5TH

MONDAY-JANUARY 5th

SFS-Classes Resume

TUESDAY-JANUARY 6th

2:30-4:00pm Girl Scout Meeting(MR1)
 5:30-6:45pm Children's Choir(C)
 7:00pm Liturgy Meeting(MR1)
 7:30pm Legion of Mary(MR2)

WEDNESDAY-JANUARY 7th

5:30pm Traditional Choir Practice(C)
 7:30pm CMG Practice(C)

THURSDAY-JANUARY 8th

6:45pm Bingo Team#2
 7:30pm Spiritual Development Mtg(MR1)

FRIDAY-JANUARY 9th

SATURDAY-JANUARY 10th

7:00-8:30am Men's Prayer Group(S)
 10:00am Caring Cooks (MR1)
 6:45pm Bingo-Team A(G)

SUNDAY-JANUARY 11th

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)

WEEK OF JANUARY 12TH

MONDAY-JANUARY 12th

7:30pm PSR Teachers Meeting(S)
 7:30pm Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study(S)

TUESDAY-JANUARY 13th

5:30-6:45pm Children's Choir(C)
 7:30pm Legion of Mary(MR2)

WEDNESDAY-JANUARY 14th

5:30pm Traditional Choir Practice(C)
 7:30-9:00pm Confirmation Formation (MR1-3)
 7:30pm CMG Practice(C)

THURSDAY-JANUARY 15th

6:45pm Bingo Team #3
 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting(MR1)

FRIDAY-JANUARY 16th

SATURDAY-JANUARY 17th

9:15am-12:30pm PSR Grades 1-8(S)

SUNDAY-JANUARY 18th

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)

The Epiphany of the Lord January 4, 2009

All kings shall pay him homage,
 all nations shall serve him.

— Psalm 72:11

