

Liturgy Schedule

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- 8:00 Our Lady of Grace Parish
- 9:30 Scarvace and Leive Families (Janet and Charlie)
- 11:30 Joe Wilhem (Zimecki Family)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 6:45 Maryanne Lucas (Jim and Joyce Walsh and Family)
- 9:00 Dorothy Hovanic (Bob Pegritz)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 6:45 Angie Swartz (George and Helen Hvizdos)
- 9:00 Helen Szelc (Bob Pegritz)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 6:45 Richard Kaczmariski (Wife)
- 9:00 Margaret Plank (Dorothy McClelland)
- 7:00 Elizabeth Williams (O.L.G. P.T.G.)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 6:45 John Bregon (Patsy and Gloria Battistone and Daughters)
- 9:00 Hilda Timczyk (Timczyk Family)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 6:45 Dolores Itzel (Mary Scanlon)
- 9:00 Jack Helbling (Family)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

- 9:00 Lynn Joseph (Doreen Catizone)
- 12:00 Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 6:00 Ralph Stromple (Lynor Robinson and Family)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

- 8:00 Our Lady of Grace Parish
- 9:30 Joyce and Rege Giel (Ginny and Lou Torchia)
- 11:30 Jane Muraco (Family)



MONEY COUNTERS

This week: B. Seli, C. Torisky, P. Hannan
 Next week: N. Black, P. Dorsey, G. Kodrich

ALTAR SOCIETY SCHEDULE - DECEMBER 4

V. Dunn



ADVENT CANDLES will be sold TODAY by the Women's Guild in Keefer Hall after Masses. This is the First Sunday of Advent.

CHRISTMAS CARD SALE—HELP SUPPORT THE MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP—Buy your Christmas cards from the O.L.G. Respect Life Committee and help support our parish bus trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 22, 2010! Beautiful, glossy cards, a variety of designs; only \$5 per pack of 10 cards. Cards are available at the rectory and school offices and in the vestibule after all Masses. Thanks for your help!

ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAKE SALE—Keefer Hall, December 12 and December 13, after all weekend Masses—All are invited to attend this festive annual event sponsored by the OLG Women's Guild. Donations of baked goods are most welcome from all parishioners who wish to share their favorite recipes! Your help and participation is what makes this sale a success. Thank you in advance.!

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS: Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11; Luke 3:1-6.

Activities Schedule

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

- No CCD
- Advent Candle Sale, Keefer Hall after Masses
- Christmas Card Sale, vestibule after Masses
- 7:30 AA, Conroy Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- Guild Bake Day, Conroy Hall (all day)
- 9:30 Catholic Scripture Leader Meeting, Rectory
- 10:00 St. Vincent DePaul, Staff Center
- 7:30 Parish Council Meeting, Church Upper Room
- 7:30 Little Rock Scripture Study, Staff Center
- 8:00 Catholic Men's Fellowship, Keefer Hall

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 6:15 Catholic Men's Fellowship, Keefer Hall
- 9:45 Little Rock Scripture Study, Staff Center
- 6:00 Religious Ed., School, Conroy Hall, Library
- 7:00 Rosary, Church
- 7:00 Catholic Scripture Study Meeting, Staff Center
- 7:30 Pgh. Civ. Orch. Mtg., Conroy Hall

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

- 9:30 Catholic Scripture Study Mtg., Keefer Hall, Church Upper Room, Rectory
- 12:00 Santa Shop Set Up, Keefer Hall
- 6:30 Religious Ed., School, Conroy Hall, Library
- 7:00 Pre-Baptism Class, Staff Center
- 7:00 Athletic Association, Conroy Hall
- 7:00 Advent Speaker, Church Upper Room

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

- Santa Shop (all day), Keefer Hall
- 7:00 Boy Scouts, Conroy Hall
- 7:30 RCIA, Staff Center

FRIDAY DECEMBER 4

- Santa Shop (all day), Keefer Hall

SATURDAY DECEMBER 5

- Santa Shop Clean Up, Keefer Hall
- Christmas Card Sale, vestibule after Mass
- St. Vincent DePaul Book Sale, Keefer Hall after Mass
- 7:00 Reverse Raffle, Miller Pavilion (gym)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 6,

- Christmas Card Sale, vestibule after Masses
- St. Vincent DePaul Book Sale, Keefer Hall after Masses
- 9:30 Children's Liturgy of the Word, Church, Keefer Hall
- 10:45 Religious Ed., School, Conroy Hall, Library
- 7:30 AA, Conroy Hall



Stewardship

Treasure - Last Week's Collection - \$12,088
 World Mission Sunday Collection - \$3,233

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS - In the past, the parishioners of Our Lady of Grace have made memorial contributions to the **Christmas Flower Fund**. This has become one of our loveliest traditions. Your contributions help defray the cost of the flowers and in a special way, present a beautiful, living memorial to your deceased loved ones. Please put your name, those to be remembered, and your donation in an envelope marked "**Christmas Flowers**" and place it in the collection basket.





The Church begins a new liturgical year with this First Sunday of Advent. The lighting of the Advent Wreath, the violet vestments and sanctuary accents and the hymnody all signal the anticipatory season leading to the wondrous celebration of the Word made Flesh come Christmas Day. We've already begun selling Christmas cards and home Advent wreaths as we await the solemnity of the mystery of the Incarnation. Some of us have even begun to do our Christmas shopping for family and friends.

Spiritually, at Our Lady of Grace Parish, we also have several opportunities to enrich our Advent Season. You'll notice at the doors of the Church, we, again, are distributing the free Advent prayer booklets that have been popular with our parishioners over the past few years. Please take one home for your use. They provide a thoughtful reflection on the daily reading and some prayers to strengthen your devotional life in Advent.

Throughout the Advent Season, on each of the four Wednesday nights, we will hold a 7:00 p.m. Mass for anyone who is looking for a spiritual opportunity to prepare for Christmas. Following this week's evening Mass on Wednesday, December 2nd, Sr. Rosemarie Yao, Lsp, will offer a talk entitled "Humble Love: St. Jeanne Jugan, Foundress of the Little Sisters of the Poor" beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Upper Room of the Church. Sr. Rosemarie recently led a group of pilgrims from Pittsburgh to Rome to attend the canonization Mass for Sr. Jeanne Jugan celebrated by Pope Benedict in October. There will be time for questions and answers, as well as some holiday refreshments.

Rev. Richard A. Infante
Pastor

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY - Pvt. John Gallagher, Spc. Brendan Gallagher, SO2 David Balistreri, Sgt. Michael Gangone, SFC Richard F. Lawrence, Spc.4 Nicholas Talarico, Lt. Michael Makrucki, Cpl. Ronald S. Strang, II, Lnc. Cpl. Gregory Halloran, 2nd Lt. Adam Ewoldsen, Adam Ginter U.S. Army, 1st Lt. Kendall Seli, Lnc. Cpl. Daniel Mulvihill, Master Sgt. Daniel Mulvihill, Sr., Airman 1st Class Tim and Kate Mulvihill, Capt. William J. Shields, Sgt. Anthony J. Laitta, Pvt. 1st Class Angelo Morasca, Capt. Kelsey Rousey, 2nd Lt. Christopher Lauff, 1st Sgt. Rick Oddi, Sr. Airman Dion Julian, Capt. Aaron L. B. Cox, Maj. Steven Tingley, Lt. Steve Fichter, Capt. Sam Gazzo, Lnc. Cpl. Ryan Kelsey, Sgt. Dustin Huff, 2nd Lt. Meghan Cumpston, Gnry Sgt. Stephen Lorenzetty, Lt. Jason Simon, Maj. J. J. Serowik, Sgt. Matthew Tardio, PV2 Erik Lind, Maj. Thomas H. Huzzard, Lnc. Cpl. Mark Grosso.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

those who are sick especially Mildred Adams, Owen Cernetic, Minnie Barkley, Sue Segeleon, Donna Poplowski, Joseph J. Bachurski, Reed and Liam DeLange, Sarah Kleifgen, Margaret Hoffman, Daniel Turkall, Joanna Dorio, Julia Zombek, Sadie Pizzuto, Jack Corton, Paul Walsh, Dennis Hough, Dolly Emy, Bill Kelly, Helen Knuth, Charlie Scarvace, Bill Snyder, Karlie, Mary Weidl, Carl Rupprecht, Marge Wallace, Glenn Mamula, Alberta Taylor, Rosemary Serowik, Ron Morris, Paul Weinheimer, Carl Apone.

CYM BASKETBALL REGISTRATION—Pick up team packages on December 6th at 7:00p.m. Cost is \$200 per team. First game is January 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Six (6) team minimum—8 team maximum. Call Mike Durr at 412-276-5971.

ADVENT SPEAKER, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2—Sr.

Rosemarie Yao, LSP—St. Jeanne Jugan, foundress of the Little Sisters of the Poor, was remarkable for her humility and love for the poor. As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, come hear the story of St. Jeanne, whose mission of caring for the elderly poor continues in 205 homes around the world, including one right in Brighton Heights! Little Sister Rosemarie Yao will share about the life of St. Jeanne Jugan, explain the process of her canonization, and share about the life and work of the Little Sisters. Sr. Rosemarie led a group of pilgrims from Pittsburgh to Rome to attend the canonization Mass celebrated by Pope Benedict on October 11, 2009. Sr. Rosemarie's presentation will take place in the Upper Room of the church, following the 7:00 p.m. Mass, Wednesday, December 2. Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION - Mass times for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be: Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 7, and 6:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL BOOK SALE IN KEEFER HALL—DEC. 5 & 6

—Looking for the perfect Christmas present? Let us help! The OLG St. Vincent de Paul Society will host a book sale in Keefer Hall after the vigil Mass on Saturday, Dec. 5 and all three morning Masses on Sunday, Dec. 6. A selection of beautiful and inspiring books from Ignatius Press for children and adults will be available at a 25% discount!

WOMEN'S GUILD REMINDER—TOMORROW,

Monday, November 30, is **BAKING DAY**. The ladies meet in Conroy Hall at 9:00 a.m. to make some of the cookies sold at the Annual Bake Sale. All hands are appreciated. Please join us for as little or as long as time allows.

The Women's Guild **ANNUAL BAKE SALE** will be **December 12 and 13** after all Masses. Donations should be dropped off in Keefer Hall on Friday, December 11, and Saturday, December 12, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. All Women's Guild members and members of the parish are invited to participate...with donations, trying cookies, setting up the sale Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., selling after Masses and, of course, **BUYING** all the goodies! Thanks in advance! We look forward to this all year!!

FROM THE DESK OF SISTER GRACE MARIE



The Christmas Sharing Project

provides gifts for children who might not otherwise receive any. We currently have **30 children who need a sponsor** to provide gifts. If you can help in any way with this effort, please complete the form below by placing it in the collection basket or mailing to Sr. Grace Marie, 310 Kane Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15243. Thank you!

I will be happy to sponsor: ___ a child
 Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____

Please return this form by November 30. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 412-279-7070.