



# FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY; JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



Dear Friends,

There's a story about a monastery in Greece perched high atop a cliff several hundred feet in the air. The only way to reach the monastery is to be suspended in a basket that is pulled up by several rather muscular monks on top. Clearly the journey up the steep cliff is a terrifying experience.

One day a tourist visiting the monastery was heading up the cliff in the basket when he got very nervous about half way up. He noticed that the rope by which he was suspended was old and frayed. With a quivering voice the tourist asked the monk who was accompanying him in the basket how often the rope was changed. The pious monk thought for a moment and then answered ever so politely, "Whenever it breaks!"

Many of us will find ourselves willing to change after the fact. That is, after we have experienced the pain that is a result of our prior inactivity. For example, it may take the scary diagnosis from our physician before we decide to surrender something that may have been damaging to our health. Or it may take a declaration from a spouse that a separation will soon occur that moves the other to get the help for the relationship that is sorely needed. It may take a deficiency report from the teacher before a student will realize that repeating a course is far more unappealing than maintaining a study discipline now. It may take time, but eventually so many of us realize that procrastination doesn't prevent pain.

As we begin a New Year, I hope you'll agree that God has indeed blessed our parish. My sense is that our future will be blessed as well, thanks to the marvelous dedication of so many.



Love,

Fr. Dave

**THE MARY AND JOSEPH STATUES** that belong in the nativity in the church are still missing. If you know where they may be, please call the parish office at 447-2087.

**PHOTOS TAKEN** at the Christmas Eve Family Mass can be viewed at our website, [stmarychurch.com](http://stmarychurch.com).

**THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION** on January 2. Adoration will resume January 9.

**PLEASE JOIN FELLOW 8TH - 12TH GRADERS** from around the country at this summer's Steubenville Youth Conference in June. The cost of \$190 includes the cost of the conference, lodging and transportation. Financial assistance is available. Please call Lea Frank at 448-4913 or Jane Borer at 448-8841 with questions or to register for this spirit filled weekend!

**ST. MARY FUNERAL ROSARY COMMITTEE** is in need of volunteers to say the rosary at least 20 minutes before each funeral. This may be a great way to earn extra points to get into heaven! Call the parish office for more information at 447-2087.

**IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS HOMEBOUND**, whether it be in a nursing home or a private home and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office at 447-2087.

## Schedule of Liturgies

### December 30 - January 7

<b>SATURDAY</b> , December 30, Vigil: Holy Family		
4:30 PM	Liv. & Dec'd of William Kowpak & Anthony Falter Fam; Carl Bouillon; Betty Bell; Albert & Philomena Herring	
6:30 PM	Evelyn Thorbahn; Hubert & Dorothy Elchert	
<b>SUNDAY</b> , December 31, Feast of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph		
8:00 AM	Irene Steinhauser; Pio Botton	
10:00 AM	Frank & Sara Ambrose; Charles & Corrine Thom	
11:30 AM	St. Mary Parish Family	
4:30 PM	Benjamin & John Hess; Fred, Kathy & Carmi Fabrizio	
<b>MONDAY</b> , January 1, The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God		
World Day of Prayer for Peace		
8:30 AM	Joseph Gaietto; Hubert & Dorothy Elchert	
<b>TUESDAY</b> , January, 2, Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, bishops, doctors		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	
8:30 AM	Zablocki - Huth Families; Tom Lonsway	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> , January, 3, Weekday		
8:30 AM	Carl Gosche; Zita Hohman	
<b>THURSDAY</b> , January 4, Elizabeth Ann Seton, religious		
6:30 AM	Communion Service	
8:30 AM	Francis & Daniel Breidenbach & Nicholas Watson; Fred Fabrizio	
<b>FRIDAY</b> , January 5, John Neumann, bishop		
8:30 AM	Maurice Lupica; Marie Feldman	
<b>SATURDAY</b> , January 6, Vigil: Epiphany		
4:30 PM	Berdell & Twila Falter; Edward Smith; Evelyn Thorbahn; Francis Theis	
6:30 PM	John Davidson; Michael Roth; Fred & Hazel Jacoby Family	
<b>SUNDAY</b> , January 7, Epiphany of the Lord		
8:00 AM	Joseph Keefe; Frances Reinhart	
10:00 AM	Marie Hartzell; Adam Michul; Fred & Kathy Fabrizio; Juliana M. Kern	
11:30 AM	St. Mary Parish Family	

**SCRIP WILL BE AVAILABLE** in the parish office over Christmas break. Parish office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**ST. MARY SCHOOL, CCD & CCE** will resume January 3.

**PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE** at noon December 29 and will be closed January 1 & 2.

**BIBLE STUDY WILL RESUME** after the holidays on Mondays beginning February 12 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**STUDY THE SUNDAY SCRIPTURES** every Tuesday with Sr. Paulette from 10:00 - 11:15 a.m. at St. Francis Spirituality Center. Come every week or when you are able.



**SCAT DRIVERS** for January 7 are Larry & Diane Wadsworth.

**"YOU'RE A BETTER PARENT THAN YOU THINK"** will be presented by expert Dr. Ray Guarendi on February 11 at 2:00 p.m. at Columbian Auditorium. This parenting presentation will provide practical parenting advice. Tickets are \$5.00 in the parish office. Sponsored by St. Mary's Mother Group.

**Sunday Night BINGO**


Held in the Recreation Room of St. Mary School  
**Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Early birds at 6:00 p.m.**  
**BINGO WILL RESUME JANUARY 7!**

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**


In today's gospel, communication problems and a teenager caused Mary and Joseph's three-day "sorrowful search." Did they feel negligent or blame each other? Did they reprimand or ground Jesus? Every family is challenged to search for Jesus in the normal bruises and disappointments of family life.

**Christmas Flowers**


<p><u>Donor</u></p> <p>Dorothy Welly</p> <p>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Merle Kyauss</p> <p>Mrs. &amp; Mrs. James Willman</p> <p>Mr. &amp; Mrs. James Taylor</p> <p>Welly</p> <p>Mrs &amp; Mrs. Frank Perna</p> <p>Joe &amp; Dorothy Schock</p> <p>Mary Antoinette Price</p> <p>Mrs. George Harvan</p> <p>Mrs. Carmela Monaco</p> <p>Mr. &amp; Mrs. William Sprau</p> <p>Mr &amp; Mrs. Ralph Weber &amp; Sons</p> <p>Mr &amp; Mrs. Rousseau Alda</p> <p>Brandon Gaietto</p> <p>Jim &amp; Vickie Gaietto &amp; Sons</p> <p>Their Children</p> <p>Their Children</p> <p>John &amp; Betty Ferstler</p> <p>Jeannine Gaietto</p>	<p><u>In memory of</u></p> <p>Louis &amp; Clara Frank</p> <p>Adam &amp; Clara Welly</p> <p>Donation</p> <p>Virgil Coleman</p> <p>Frank &amp; Florence Willman</p> <p>The Dell Family</p> <p>Leonard &amp; Vita Perna</p> <p>Ray &amp; Mary Zay</p> <p>Merle Homan</p> <p>Gilbert &amp; Erma Schock &amp; Fam.</p> <p>Frank &amp; Helen Wetzel &amp; Fam.</p> <p>Charles &amp; Helen Scholl &amp; Fam.</p> <p>Keith Price</p> <p>Parents of George &amp; Sally Harvan</p> <p>George Harvan</p> <p>Donato Monaco &amp; Fam.</p> <p>Nicole &amp; Rosa Patuto</p> <p>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Burton Sprau</p> <p>Anthony Gaietto, Jr.</p> <p>Shawn Weber</p> <p>Alda Family</p> <p>Shawn Gaietto</p> <p>Michael &amp; Maria Gaietto</p> <p>Alvin &amp; Norma Kimmel</p> <p>Gerald &amp; Marguerite Coleman</p> <p>Mary Danback</p> <p>Oscar Company</p> <p>Anthony Gaietto, Jr.</p>
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**Offering Total**  **December 23, 24 & 25, 2006**

	<u>Total \$</u>	<u>Env.</u>
<b>Amount Needed Each Sunday</b>	<b>\$ 13,000.00</b>	
<b>Sunday Offering</b>	<b>\$ 9,568.14</b>	<b>424</b>
(Includes loose money & checks )	\$ 994.64	
Difference	-	<b>\$ 3,431.86</b>
Christmas	\$ 28,159.45	506
Immaculate Conception	\$ 10.00	2
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 19.00	3
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 73.00	8
<b>Deposit</b>	<b>\$ 27,829.59</b>	
Tuition Assistance	\$ 30.00	2
Retirement for Religious	\$ 5.00	1
Campaign for Human Develop.	\$ 5.00	1
Children's Offering	\$ 82.35	37
High School Offering	\$ 141.85	56
<b>Total Sunday, 2006</b>	<b>\$ 38,093.79</b>	
<b>Total Sunday, 2005</b>	<b>\$ 32,818.00</b>	



**January 6 & 7 Mass Minister Schedule**

<p><b>Mass Coordinators:</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Barb Borer</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Sheila Jeffrey</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Ruth Bowman</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Mark Zimmerman</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Jean Tackett</p>	<p><b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Lynna Focht, Marilyn Mangano, Anne Steinmetz, Jenny Steyer, Birdie Zimmerman.</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Theresa Martorana, Allen &amp; Suzanne Reinhart, Patti Roland, Matthew Gaietto, Jenny Zoeller</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Jack Houck, Margaret Hoyda, Cindy Kin, Alvin &amp; Carol Ringlein, Don Schalk, Harold Shultz, Amy Traxler, Becky &amp; Merv Wilhelm.</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Karen Behm, Barbara &amp; Peter Bronson, Dave &amp; Marge Fisher, Denny Foes, Marilyn Gangluff, Kate &amp; Paul Lapczenski, Nancy Warnement.</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Laura Kommick, Bev Martin, Beth &amp; Patrick Mullen, Helen Mullins, Anneliese Rochester, Connie Saxton, Tracey Sherman, Mary Shultz, Howard &amp; Ruthann Stultz, Kelly Webster.</p>
<p><b>Lectors:</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Bernie Steinmetz</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Lois Palau</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Joan Kimmel</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Kathy Felton</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Jeanne Tackett</p>	<p><b>Student Lectors:</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Valesha Province</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Claire Huffman</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Amanda Traxler</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Clay Magers</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Jacob Reyes</p>
<p><b>Servers:</b></p> <p>4:30 p.m. Team D</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Team G</p> <p>8:00 a.m. Team K</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Team N</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Team V</p>	


**IF YOU WOULD LIKE A STATEMENT** of your contributions for the 2006 year, please call the parish office at 447-2087.

**CATHOLIC IDENTITY: OUR FAITH** is a basic overview of the Catholic faith incorporating prayer and reflection for lay people interested in deepening their faith. Sessions focus on Scripture, God, Jesus/Holy Spirit, Church, Prayer, Mariology, Sacraments, Morality and Social Justice. Each session is presented by a trained facilitator and is divided into three hour segments. Sessions are held on Tuesdays beginning January 9 – March 27 from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Consolation Office Bldg., Carey. Cost is \$30.00 and includes textbook. For more information, contact Michelle at 396-1523.

**CALVERT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** tuition raffle is underway. Tickets are \$10.00 each and a limited amount will be sold. The winner receives free tuition for 2007-2008 school year at St. Mary, St. Joseph or Calvert. Tickets are available at any of the three schools' office.

**THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS** that decorated the church for Christmas. Many thanks to Tom Rodgers, Pat Cepeda, Shirley Theis, Ron Rochester, Jim Omlor, Herman Reamer, Mario Iannantuno, and Dennis Benner. It looked beautiful and we appreciate all your hard work.

**LIMA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** presents *Mozart by Candlelight* on January 19 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Michael Church, Findlay. Tickets can be purchased in the parish office and are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students.



**52 CLUB TICKETS** have been mailed. If you did not receive your tickets in the mail or if you would like additional tickets, please contact Nancy Warnement in the Alumni Office at Calvert, 447-3844. The new drawings begin the end of January.

**"52" Club Winners**

1. Jane Wilson	2. Pete Krupp
3. Brandon Northcutt	4. Mary Alice Bouillon
5. Merre Phillips	