

MONDAY Gen 3:9-15,20; Eph 1:3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38
TUESDAY Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14



WEDNESDAY Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
THURSDAY Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:39-47
FRIDAY Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19
SATURDAY Sir 48: 1-4,9-11; Mt 17:10-13
SUNDAY Is 61:1-2a,10-11; 1Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8
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The symbolism of the Advent Wreath can be found in our Parish Advent Booklet available near the Nativity scene in the back of church. Read all about it and then volunteer – as a family or with special friends – to light the candles of our Parish Advent Wreath. A sign up sheet is located in the back of church. The dates are December 7/8, December 14/15, and December 21/22.
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- December 2002
- 1 First Sunday of Advent – Light one Candle
 - 8 Second Sunday of Advent – Light two Candles
 - 9 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 - 10 Reconciliation Service at St. Mary's 7:00pm
 - 15 Third Sunday of Advent – Light three Candles
 - 16 Parish Reconciliation Service -5 Priests hearing Confessions – 7:00pm in the church
 - 22 Fourth Sunday of Advent – Light four Candles
Decorate Xmas Tree in church 6:30pm

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 

- 24 Vigil of Christmas Masses:
 - 5:30p.m. in the church
 - 5:30p.m. in the Family Life Center
 - 9:00p.m. "Midnight Mass" in the church
- 25 Christmas Day – Mass at 10:00a.m.
- 26 Feast of Stephen, first Martyr
- 27 Feast of John, Apostle and Evangelist
- 28 Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- 29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
- 31 New Year's Eve - Mass at 5:30pm

- January 2003
- 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation
Mass at 10:00a.m.



*Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.*

MASS INTENTIONS
DECEMBER 9 THROUGH DECEMBER 15

MONDAY	8:30A.M.	✚Marilyn Husch by M/M M.D. Havlik
	5:30P.M.	✚Josie Wleczyk by the Mon. Night Rosary Group
TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	✚C.J. Vitek by Dorothy Vitek
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	✚Ed Carmody by Elaine Edmonston
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	✚C.J. Vitek by M/M Joseph Pasztor
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	✚Kirk Rutkowski by the Rutkowski Family
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	✚Tommy Pham by his Family
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	Claire & David Cromeans By the Badeaux Family
	9:30A.M.	✚C.J. Vitek by M/M M.D. Havlik
	11:00A.M.	✚Melda Havlik by M/M M.D. Havlik

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frances Bosche, sister of Gene Bosche.

Those of our community who have requested our prayers:

Savana Allen, Hugo Arevalo, Billy Ray Barnett, Janet Barone, Robert Behr, Scott Blanchard, Josephine Bogo, Bennie Paul Bono, Jeremy Bump, Maria Castillo, Larry Cavaness, James Christie, Ruth Cleaver, James Conalty, Jay Cormier, Mary Coxle, Cecil Cromeans, Lorene Cromeans, Anita Cromis, Gene Curtis, Dorothy D'Augusta, Pete D'Augusta., Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Terry Dittges, Cody Drapela, Lenora Duval, Clarence Ebey, Isabel Evans, Payton Ewald, Marcella Ezell, Clark Flourmoy, Marcia Flourmoy, Jared Floyd, Norma Forey, Clarence Forse, Lucille Fourrier, Colette Easter Garcia, Emily Garcia, Paul Garcia, Craig Garrison, Robert Goodpaster, Barbara Grant, Dolores Haack, Arthur Haas, Dorothy Harnden, Mary Harnden, Maury Havlik, Lorraine Hayes, Vince Henderson, Wanda Henry, Adela Hernandez, Kristen Hinojosa, Pam Hocutt, Mike Jankowiak, Rae Holt, Brenda Kelley, Rebecca Kelly, Taylor Kibodeaux, Gloria Kissinger, Jerry Lacoume, Joe Langston, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Tristan Cade Lawson, Tim & Larry Loftus, Robin Loftus, Dionisio Martinez, Mary Martinez, Chaulzie Massie, Mary McClintock, Irene McGaughey, Ed McGuckin, Vicky Melton, Ounida Muniza, Heloise Murray, William Neely, Jean Newport, Natalie Pena, Johnny Peres,III, Doris Perryman, Cecelia Peterson, Anna Mae Reixach, Hattie Richter, Christina Robinson, Gabriella Rodriguez, Mary Rogers, John Rosser, **Doris Rutkowski**, Sandy Sendejo. Bud Stover, Coletta Stover, Billie Stricklin, Joshua Teague, Linda Thompson, Evelyn Tumlinson, Jennifer Villarreal, Anna Mae Walters, Evelyn White, John Edward White, Shane Williams, Reese Williams, Ed Windler, Harold Wolf, Margaret Young and Jack Yonge.

(Bold denotes new on prayer list this week.)

DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 8 Class 6:30pm
- 9 Spirit/Jr. Team Rosary 7-8pm in church
- 11 Confirmation I
- Candidate/Sponsor mtng 7pm church
- 14 Toy Drive Return new/wrapped/tagged gift
- 15 Class 6:30pm Toy Drive Return new/wrapped/tagged gift
- 22 No class Xmas Holidays
- 23 Toy Delivery to Memorial Day Care & Salvation Army Meet 9:30am/Lunch at CiCi;s Pizza Bring \$6
- 25 Christmas Day
- 29 No Class Xmas Holidays



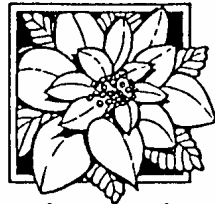
Rejoice,
favored one,
the LORD is with you.

**Total consecration to Jesus through
His Mother, Mary**

Monday, December 9th
7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
St. Michael's Church

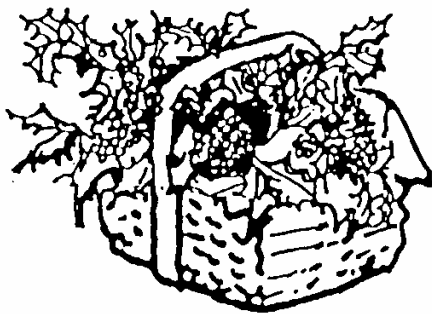
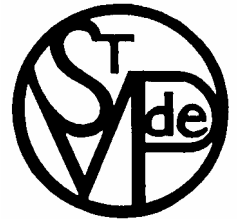
Confirmation I Candidates will be presented to the Parish on December 8th at 11:00am Mass. Candidates and sponsors please come early at 10:45am to check in.

If you wish to donate a Christmas Poinsettia or a holly bush in memory or honor of a loved one, please come by the office and give the information and \$15 to one of the secretaries. The names of your loved ones will be published in the Christmas bulletin. There are 75 Poinsettias available and 4 holly bushes.



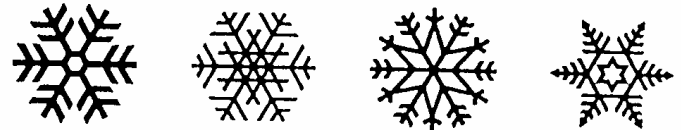
Poinsettias

As always, thank you for your generosity. Next week we will have our regular collection of food to assist us in feeding the needy of our area. Although the pantry is in good shape for most canned goods, items presently in short supply include: flour, sugar, tomato paste, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, jelly, tuna, canned fruit, paper towels, deodorant soaps, and bathroom tissue.

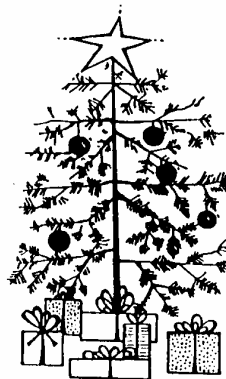


The use of holly as a religious tradition and Christmas decoration originated in northern Europe, where it became associated with

the burning bush of Moses and Mary's burning love for God. The red berries and prickly points also became symbolic of the crown of thorns and the bloody death that the Christ Child would eventually suffer.



We are the servants of God, each with his or her own task. We will be judged good steward if, at His coming, He finds us ready and conscientiously pursuing the tasks to which we have been called.



The Giving Tree

Please pick up a gift tag from the back of church to purchase a gift for a child either at Memorial Child Care or Salvation Army. We will collect the wrapped gifts December 14/15. Thank you in advance for your unbounded generosity.