

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"



MONDAY Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25
TUESDAY Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a; Lk 1:5-25
WEDNESDAY Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38
THURSDAY Sg 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45
FRIDAY 1Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56
SATURDAY Mal 3:1-4,23-24; Lk 1:57-66
SUNDAY Mic 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45
VIGIL Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17,22-25; Mt 1:1-25
 Daily readings: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/index.htm>



*St. Michael's Vision statement:
 "A Eucharistic community in continual transformation, surrendering ourselves to God to be His instruments for world change."*

We will celebrate "the Posadas", the reenactment of Mary and Joseph looking for shelter in Jerusalem, on Tuesday December 19th at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center.

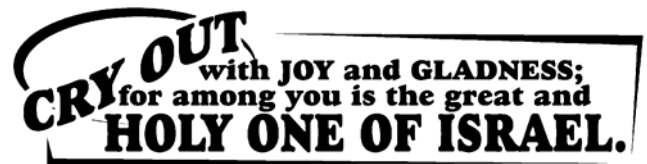


Penance Service



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at our Advent Penance Service this Monday, December 18, at 7:00p.m. in the church.

There will be at least 5 Priests to hear confessions.



DECEMBER 19 THROUGH DECEMBER 24

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Sidney & Sophie Walenta
WEDNESDAY	8:30A.M.	✠Luis & Sylvia Codina; ✠Elsie Janik
THURSDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Clark Flournoy; ✠Johnnie McGregor
FRIDAY	8:30A.M.	Fr. Leo & Staff
SATURDAY	5:30P.M.	✠Harold & Louise Muhl
SUNDAY	8:00A.M.	✠Terry Ditges; ✠Jerry LaCoume ✠Marie Peluso Hunter
	9:30A.M.	✠Barbara Batchelor
CHURCH	5:30P.M.	✠Albert & Rosa Romano; ✠Joe & Lena Mandola
HALL	5:30P.M.	✠Darcy Pawelka
	9:00P.M.	✠Virginia Kibodeaux

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Virginia Kibodeaux, wife of Thomas Kibodeaux, mother of Marcy Murrell, Lori David, Logan Kibodeaux, Tommy Kibodeaux, Denise Rogers, Paul Kibodeaux, Ginger Jones & Merry Symington; please pray also for the soul of David Richard Bellar, brother of Orville Bellar.



Carolyn Sue Allen, **Ryan Barnes**, Brenda Bartlett, Ann Bomba, Paul Bono, John Buettner, John Henry Cook, Barbara Dillon, Charlie Dirba, Jenna Dubec, Lenora Duval, Tom Elder, Marcia Flournoy, Margaret Flournoy, **Clarence Forse**, Ann Foster, Michael Gillman, Barbara Grant, Arthur Haas, Belia Hardesty, Doris Harpham, Maury Havlik, Pat Havlik, **Doris Hickner**, Alice Jasek, Vickie Kaatz, Mary LaCoume, Ray Langston, Sarah Langston, Mark Latta, Delia Luna, John May, Kerry Mulloy, Mary Pelliccia, Doris Perryman, Avis Quandt, Joe Ragland, June Ragland, Kenny Rentrop, **Bob Rogido**, John Rosser, Vince Rowan, June Stanke, Bill Stevens, Robert Swain, Tommy Tumlinson, Loyd Wainscott.
 (Bold denotes new on prayer list or in crisis.)

PLEASE NOTE: There will NOT be a Baptism Class in December. The next class will be held, in the church, on Tuesday, January 16, 2007, at 7:00p.m.



There is an empty hour in the Adoration Chapel on Thursdays from 7-8pm. If you would like to spend this hour with our Lord, call Arlene Becker at 798-8388.



YOUTH MINISTRY

Grades 6th – 8th 6:30-8:00pm Spiritual Learning Center
Coordinator: Lisa Ondrey 299/3509/297-3043
Grades 9th, 10th, 12th 6:30-8:30pm
Family Life Center Coordinator: Helen Buentello 299-3508/297-3043
Grade: 11th 6:30-8:30pm Spiritual Learning Center
Coordinators: John & Barbara White 265-6811



CALENDAR

December
17 NO CLASS Christmas Holidays
19 Toy delivery to Memorial & Salvation Army Day Care, 9:30a.m. Lunch at CiCi's Pizza \$6

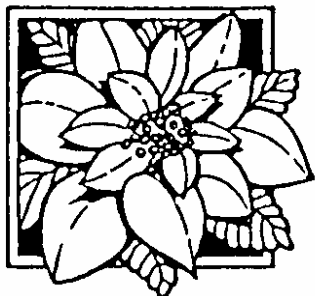


If you have any old calendars with nature scenes that you would like to get rid of, please don't discard them, but call or email Sheila Conner at 373-0776 or icsmconner@computron.net Thanks in advance!



Your Help is Needed

It is almost that time of the year; a time when we all take the time to do for those who are less fortunate. The Parish Family of St. Michael's will be manning the Salvation Army Kettle at Wal-Mart, Grocery Entrance in Lake Jackson. Beginning Friday, November 24 through Saturday, December 23 the kettles will be manned from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Gloria Millsap will be coordinating this worthwhile project for our parish. For any questions or to volunteer call Gloria at 388-9603.



Poinsettias

If you would like to make a donation toward the Christmas flowers, in memory of, or in honor of a loved one please contact the office. The flowers are \$15 each and will be in the church and in the hall. Deadline for Christmas bulletin Tuesday, December 19



2007 WOMAN TO WOMAN RETREAT

Mark your calendar, and plan to attend the 2007 Woman to Woman Retreat to take place February 16-18 at The Lodge of Danbury. If you would like to participate as a member of the retreat team, plan to attend the organizational meeting at 6:30 pm, Wednesday, December 13, 2006, at Luby's Cafeteria, or call Margaret Kana (265-9602) or Margaret Greene (297-7556/238-2265).



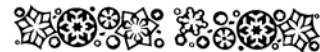
The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the December BLOOD DRIVE on WEDNESDAY, December 20. 3:00 to 8:00p.m. in the Family Life Center. Call Gilbert Bohuslav at 297-6800 for an appointment or make your appointment on line at www.GIVEBLOOD.org . Long sleeved T-shirts will be given as a Christmas gift to each donor! COME GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!!



Give Blood.
Give Life.



There is still time to make your appointment to have your family portrait made for our pictorial directory. Call Olan Mills appointment line at 1-800-883-1438 ext 7920. Craig Robinson will help schedule a sitting time for you and your family. If you should have a problem getting through, call Dinah Prochaska at 297-4139. Let's make this the best directory ever!



Attention ~ Calling all Catechists and Everyone Interested in Religious Education. The Office of Continuing Christian Education for the Archdiocese will be hosting *The Holy Work of Catechesis: Communion with Christ*, a Catechetical Conference offered on Friday and Saturday, January 19 & 20, 2007. The conference will be held at the Houston Marriott Westchase Hotel, 2900 Briarpark at Westheimer (77042). The keynote address on Friday will be given by Rev. Ronald Rolheiser and on Saturday, Archbishop DiNardo and Bishop Tamayo will offer the keynote addresses. Over thirty other learning sessions will be offered by national and local presenters, including many in Spanish. Friday night Fajita dinner and entertainment by John Angotti and Meredith Dean available for participants and guests. Numerous exhibitors will be present. For further details and registration information, please contact the CCE Office at (713) 741-8730 or visit <http://www.diogh.org/cce-new/pdf/whatsnew.pdf>

