CHRISTMAS 2009, NEW YEARS & EPIPHANY 2010 AT OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL CHURCH



Thursday, December 24th

5:00 pm(St. Thomas Aquinas High School) for the repose of the soul of Catherine and Morris Hendricks by Bert & Rita Hendriks 8:00 pm For the repose of the soul of Hector Lamirande and Brendan O'Byrne by the O'Byrne Family

10:00 pm For the intentions of the Lehmen Family by the James Family

Friday, December 25th

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of Bernard Mascaro by Bob and Ginette Thomas and Family **10:45** am For the intentions of the Wolfert family's intentions by the James Family

Saturday, December 26th

4:30 pm For the repose of the soul of Bernard Neplen Brock by Family Annie and Bill Bouwhuis **4:30 pm** For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Sunday, December 27th, Holy Family

9:00 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

10:45 am For the repose of the soul of Lucyna Gajdowski on the 7th anniversary of his death by Helen Zurawski and Family

Tuesday, December 29th ,No mass Father Tim away

Wednesday, December 30th, No Mass Father Tim is away

Thursday, December 31st

9:00 am In prayerful memory of Gable Bernard Beaupre by his Family

Friday, January 1st, Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am For the repose of the soul of George Sturkenboom by Bep Versteeg

Saturday, January 2nd,

4:30 pm For the newlyweds Amanda Quenneville & Andrew Link by Ann & Kim Lapierre

Sunday, January 3rd, Epiphany

9:00 am For the intentions of Family & Friends by the Cogan Family

10:45 am For the special intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, January 5th,

For the repose of the soul of Bernard Mascaro by Michelle & Joe Baechler & Family Wednesday, January 6th,

For the intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Garry Curtis by the James Family

Thursday, January 7th,

For the repose of the soul of Francis Provost by Friends & Family

Friday, January 8th,

For the intentions of the Barnes Family by James Family

CHRISTMAS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"We have come to know and believe in the love God has for us" (1 John 4:16). Christmas, the birth of Christ, is one of the ways God proves His love for us. Now that we are done shopping, baking, decorating, (and generally stressing!), let us now take a break, arise from our daily cares, and pause before the Crib. In some time of silence, let us contemplate the sleeping child, in company with St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin Mary and the humble shepherds. Yes, we have come to know and believe in the love God has for us, and this makes all the difference in our lives.

Let us open our hearts to this love, made present not only in Bethlehem 2000 years ago, but also made present in every Eucharist. "We love, because He has first loved us" (1 John 4:19). We can only share the "joy of the season" if we receive God's love first, then share it with others.

As we accept gifts from one another, let us above all accept and appreciate the person behind the gift, and the love that went into the gift, however simple the gift might be. Let us accept one another as gifts from God, despite all our weaknesses and failures. I pray that all of you will have some time of rest and peace this Christmas season, to truly enjoy all the gifts of God: life, family, friends, and the peace and joy that God offers the world through the coming of His Son.

OFFICE CLOSURE FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Parish Office is closed between Christmas & New Years, Regular office hours resume Tues., Jan. 5th. A Joyous Christmas & God's Blessings in the New Year!

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REGULAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Closed Monday Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:30 am - 3:00 pm.

CHOIR DIRECTOR NEEDED: Can you play the piano? Can you sing? Have you ever thought of becoming a choir director? We have a paid position open for this position at the 9:00 am Mass. Please contact the office for information at 445-3054. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to Mass.

BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP: We encourage parishioners to patronize our bulletin sponsors who advertise on the back page of the bulletin.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THE SICK among our family and friends:



Joyce Piovesan, Alex Bennett, Monica
Baker, Brenda Henke, Kathy Mack, Mark
Brewer and Pat Gates.

If you would like a name added to this list please call the office.

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Thurs., Dec. 24th 5:00 pm Ben, Hannah, Brody
8:00 pm Daniel K, Samuel, Jacob
10:00 pm Daniel C, Michael C.
Fri., Dec. 25th - 9:00 am Sarah H
10:45 am

Sat., Dec. 26th - 4:30 pm Brody, Sarah C. Sun., Dec 27th-9:00 am Samuel, Jacob, Sarah H.

10:45 am Hannah, Sarah S.

Thurs., Dec. 31st - 4:30 pm Sarah S, Sarah H. Fri., Jan 1st -10:45 am Daniel K, Hannah Sat., Jan 2rd - 4:30 pm Brody, Sarah C.

Sun., Jan 3rd - 9:00 am Gordon, Grant, Robb 10:45 am Hannah, Sarah S.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to everyone who helped the Parish this Christmas Season. During this very busy time of year we are very appreciative for your time spent here at the Parish. Special thanks goes out to Donna McKlusky, Kathy Dorval, Sue Watson, the decorating committee, the choir leaders and members. We apologize if we have missed anyone.

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ALMS FOR THE POOR BOX donations for the months of January, February & March will be for The Sarsfield Nursing home. Thank you for your generosity!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Please call the church office at 445-3054 if you wish your child to receive parish preparation for the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

God, we give You permission to do with us whatever You want!

