

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Rosary Cathedral:

The message of Advent calls us to a vigilance to prepare the way for the Lord. Aside from the many devotional practices we undertake in the home during this holy time, God's faithful people are also invited to turn their hearts inward and rid themselves of those behaviors and attitudes that prohibit them from accepting fully God's grace. The Sacrament of Reconciliation provides us with a channel of grace to change our earthly ways and take on a stronger spiritual motivation in life. We will have the opportunity this weekend on Sunday afternoon to acknowledge the gift of reconciliation. Several priests will join us at our Advent Communal Penance Service at 2:00 PM today, Sunday, December 10. This service is comprised of a liturgy of the word with intercessory prayers, examination of conscience and private confession. Please plan to join us for this parish service.

This Wednesday, December 13, 2006, Rosary Cathedral will be hosting the second of three evening gatherings for the Advent season. Mass will be held at 6 PM in the Bishop's Daily Mass Chapel, followed by a soup and salad supper in the Parish Activities Center. Our featured speaker this Wednesday will be Precious Blood Sister Karen Elliot, C.P.P.S. who will acquaint us with the Old Testament prophetic writings of Zephaniah and Zechariah. Sister Karen teaches Sacred Scripture at Mercy College and also serves on the teaching faculty for the diocesan diaconate formation program. Her 45 minute presentation will follow the soup and salad supper at 7:15 PM.

Finally, you may have noticed that our parking lot project is coming to its end. Due to weather constraints, the remaining wrought iron fencing and playground equipment for the school are still being addressed. Most if not all of the entire project should certainly be completed by the Christmas holiday. I wish to thank you, our faithful parishioners and friends, for your patience during this entire project. As I mentioned to the parish several months ago, a transformation has occurred on our campus that will undoubtedly make us all feel very proud to worship here. God has once again blessed us as a parish family.

God bless you these Advent days,
Father Singer

Liturgies for the Week

December 11 - 17, 2006

Monday	7:00 a.m.	✠ Poor Souls
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	✠ Special Intention
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	✠ Mary T. Leasor
Wednesday	8:35 a.m.	✠ No Intention
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	✠ Bertha & Edward Steiber
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	✠ John O'Sullivan
Friday	7:00 a.m.	✠ No Intention
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	✠ Special Intention
Saturday	4:30 p.m.	✠ John, Joe and Stanley Petroski
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	✠ Mr. & Mrs. Edward Petroski
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	✠ For The Parish



Please Pray For

The following have asked for our prayers:

Marsha Andrzejewski, Frank Annarino, Timothy Bohland, Marilyn Kurtzman, Judith Lerner, Grace Nasser, Eileene Rafferty, Lydia Ramirez, Mabel Rice, David Rodriguez, Ronald Rodriguez, Albert Skalski, Frank Sniadecki, Dan Szymanski, Diane Wagner and Florence Wagner.

READINGS FOR TODAY

Advent is a season of hope. We ask forgiveness for our lack of trust.

In the First Reading, Baruch 5:1-9

A prophet encourages the people to take heart. God is coming to fill them with blessings.

In the Second Reading, Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Paul prays for his converts. He prays that their love will ready them for the coming of Christ.

In the Gospel, Luke 3:1-6

John the Baptist emerges in the midst of a struggling world. He is the prophet and precursor of Jesus.

Next week's Readings

December 17, 2006 – *Third Sunday of Advent*

First Reading Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Second Reading Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel Luke 3:10-18



**All
humankind
shall see the
salvation of God.**

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Offertory Report for December 2 & 3, 2006

103 Regular Offertory Envelopes	\$	3,299.00
Loose	\$	528.04
Total	\$	3,827.04
Mailed Offertory	\$	155.00
Total Offertory	\$	3,982.04
Average 23 weeks	\$	3,704.33
Weekly Needed	\$	6,388.40
Total Year to Date Needed	\$	146,933.29
Total Year to Date Received	\$	85,199.59
Shortfall Year to Date	\$	61,733.70
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	305.00
Thanksgiving	\$	45.00
Immaculate Conception	\$	35.00
Christmas	\$	165.00
Retirement for Religious	\$	40.00



ADVENT GIVING TREE

*Cathedral parishioners and friends who have taken a Giving Tree tag are asked to have their purchased gift wrapped with the tag attached to it and returned to the Cathedral **on or before next Sunday, December 17, 2006.***

Wrapped gifts can be placed under the Giving Tree in the Cathedral or taken to the Parish Office. The special tag envelopes for monetary donations to our brothers and sisters at Holy Family Parish in Dulac, Louisiana may be placed in the weekend collection or brought to the parish office. We have had a parish partnership with them since the devastating hurricanes in 2005.

A CHANGE IN PROTOCOL AT SUNDAY 11AM MASSES

Those who attend the Sunday 11:00 AM Mass are reminded of the change that was announced this weekend by Fr. Singler concerning the procession for Holy Communion. All who are seated in the pew section of the Cathedral are asked to enter the main aisle to receive the Body of Christ and proceed to the side aisles to partake from the chalice before returning via the side aisles. We will no longer distribute the Body of Christ from the side aisles. Our Cathedral Ushers will assist us with this new arrangement. There are no changes being made at this time for the 4:30 PM Mass on Saturday, or the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday. Thank you for your cooperation.

2006 Advent Confession Schedule

Saturday, December 16: 3:00PM – 4:00PM
Tuesday, December 19: 7:00PM – 8:00PM
Thursday, December 21: 7:00PM – 8:00PM
Friday, December 22: 7:00PM – 8:00PM
Saturday, December 23: 3:00PM – 4:00PM

Prepare the Way for the Lord!

2006 Wednesday Evening Advent Series

An evening series on Wednesdays during the Advent season that include the celebration of Mass, a soup supper and spiritual presentation on the Old Testament prophets who foretold the coming of the Messiah. Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Committee at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral.

Wednesday, December 13:

6:00 P.M. Celebration of Mass
Bishop's Daily Mass Chapel

6:30 P.M. Soup and Salad Supper
Parish Activities Center

7:15 P.M. Sister Karen Elliot, C.P.P.S., D. Min.
The Prophet Zephaniah
Parish Activities Center

Call the Cathedral Parish Office for more information at 419-244-9575.

Christmas Flower Fund

Your contribution to the Christmas Flower Fund will help to purchase flowers for the liturgical celebrations of the Christmas Season. Please see the insert in this bulletin. All Christmas Flower Fund Memorials must be received in the parish office by Monday, December 18th in order to have all names published in the Christmas bulletin.



It's Christmas time in the city. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society store located at 1001 Washington Street, has a Christmas shop open for the season. Ornaments, garland, tree toppers, and miscellaneous items are available.

There are bows, wrapping paper as well as bags and boxes. Also available are artificial trees, wreaths and floral arrangements. Prices begin from a nickel and dime. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Open to the public for their shopping needs.

ADVENT ART EXHIBIT

Toledo artist Frank Murphy is exhibiting a series of renderings depicting the Advent themes of justice and peace that are found in the Sacred Scriptures. Entitled *Christ of Today Part II: An Advent Celebration through Art*, the exhibit is featured in the main corridor of the Parish Activities Center at Rosary Cathedral on the following dates and times:

Wednesday, December 13: 6:30 PM – 8:00PM

Wednesday, December 20: 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Mr. Murphy will be on hand during the exhibit hours to discuss his work and the inspiration that underlies each picture. Prints of the Advent exhibit and other works by Mr. Murphy will be on sale for purchase.

Lunch & Learn Potluck.

Wednesday, December 13, 2006, St. Michael Parish Hall, 2600 Chase St., off Sandusky St. Speaker: Elizabeth Flournoy of the Managed Care Advocacy Program on "Social Security Updates." Join us for the talk at 11:30 a.m. and stay for the potluck to follow if you can. For more information please call the Parish Nurse Ministry of Central Toledo at 419-243-3953.

Cutting the Holiday Cravings: If you can't curb the urge to wolf down chocolate or cookies, you should head straight to the kitchen. That's right. Mindless snacking packs on the pounds like no other pastime, some foods can make a definite dent in your need to nibble. Eating low-calorie, fiber-rich foods before a meal (salads, soup and fruits) may prevent a dieter from submitting to an all out gorge-fest. But some of the best appetite killers are nibblers that might be hiding in plain sight in your kitchen right now. Nuts have a fatty acid that initiates the release of an appetite-suppressing hormone. Hot stuff, both spicy and in temperature can dull your taste buds so you're apt to eat less. Apples pack a lot of fiber – twice as much in every bite as peaches, grapes and grapefruit. Fiber helps turn on the fullness switch and prevents overeating. Milk and dairy foods promote weight loss, but the mechanism isn't fully understood. Green leaves such as two cups of cabbage, celery, or lettuce provide almost no calories. And in most cases, you burn off the greens just by digesting them. If snacking doesn't do the trick, sniffing might. Just a whiff of green apple, banana and peppermint might help you drop some weight. For more information, please contact your primary care provider or the Parish Nurse Ministry.

The Lord has done great
things for us;
we are filled with joy.



Monday, December 11, 2006

- 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Wkly. Staff Meeting (Act. Rm. II)
- 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. RC Boys & Girls Basketball Prac. (Gym)
- 6:15 p.m. Diocesan Choir Prac. (Choir Rm.)
- 7:00 p.m. SCM Taping (Chapel)

Tuesday, December 12, 2006

- 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. RC Boys & Girls Basketball Prac. (Gym)
- 5:30 p.m. Finance Council Meeting (Act. Rm. II)

Wednesday, December 13, 2006

- 8:35 a.m. Mass – Grs. 6-8 (Chapel)
- 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. RC Boys & Girls Basketball Prac. (Gym)
- 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Cath. Choir Prac. (Choir Rm.)
- 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. SAC Meeting (Conf. Rm.)
- 6:00 p.m. Mass (Chapel)
- 6:30 p.m. Soup & Salad Supper (Act. Rm. I)
- 7:15 p.m. Spiritual Presentation – Sr. Karen Elliot (Act. Rm. II)

Thursday, December 14, 2006

- 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Organ Tuning (Cath)
- 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. RC Boys & Girls Basketball Prac. (Gym)

Friday, December 15, 2006

- 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Meeting (Act. Rm. II)

Saturday, December 16, 2006

Sunday, December 17, 2006

- 9:15 a.m. R.C.I.A. (Act. Rm. II)
 - 10:00 a.m. Confirmation Class (Act. Rm. I)
 - 10:00 a.m. Folk Group Practice (Gym)
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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DAY & TIME	SAT Dec. 16 4:30 PM	SUN Dec. 17 9:00 AM	SUN Dec. 17 11:00 AM	SAT Dec. 23 4:30 PM	SUN Dec. 24 9:00 AM	SUN Dec. 24 11:00 AM
DEACON	Deacon Henderson	Deacon Henderson	Deacon Henderson	Deacon Keran	Deacon Keran	Deacon Keran
LECTORS	1. L. Johnson 2. J. Paden	1. B. Ankenbrandt 2. B. Gackstetter	1. D. Lippold 2. S. Avina	1. P. Felton 2. J. Felton	1. M. Glowacki 2. E. Glowacki	1. L. Reiter 2. J. Malhoit
EXTRA- ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	3. T. Wevers 4. B. Beerbower	3. T. Marciniak 4. J. Marciniak	1. M. Warrick 2. D. Pribor 3. R. Angelo 4. I. Angelo 5. E. Salazar 6. M. Tran	3. S. Blaskovic 4. J. Zimmel	3. M. L. Snyder 4. K. Wielfaert	1. M. J. Flores 2. S. Avina 3. R. Knowles 4. M. Knowles 5. L. Nordhaus 6. D. Tomczak
MC's	D. Hoffman	M. Leasor	D. Demski	M. Leasor	A. Yohe	A. Yohe
ALTAR SERVERS	A. Dillon <i>Need</i>	C. Gackstetter C. Lightfoot T. Taylor	J. Rodriguez M. Rodriguez M. Marquez	M. Blaskovic G. Hoffman	P. Dysard T. Dysard	K. Ramos J. Ramos T. Ramos
USHERS	H. Hanley M. Coleman B. Johnson L. Hemmelgarn	R. Snyder J. Ibarra E. Ibarra V. Fantozzi	C. Dyko C. Toral V. Olvera J. Blaskovic	H. Hanley M. Coleman B. Johnson L. Hemmelgarn	R. Snyder J. Ibarra E. Ibarra V. Fantozzi	C. Dyko C. Toral V. Olvera J. Blaskovic