

The Baptism of The Lord January 10, 2010

Stewardship is a way of life.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income: for Jan.4, 2010	\$1900.00
Income for Jan 1, 2009	\$2198.00
Income for Jan. 6, 2008	\$2048.00
Students	\$ 1.00

Next week's tithe will be for the Bishop's Charity

From a Pastor: "As I finish my time of stewardship of the parish, I give thanks to God for leading us to God's Plan for Giving. It truly has been a blessing for us in many ways. Thanks, as always, to all who are faithful stewards and good tithers."

Rev. Alexander Masluk

Our Mother of Sorrows, Phila., PA

Comments from the pew: "When I was driving down the highway the other day I noticed a lot of people getting off at the McDonald's exit. We know enough to feed ourselves when we are hungry, but we are so afraid to give God some of that money to feed people who are REALLY hungry and who don't even know what a McDonald's Big Mac looks like. That's what tithing is all about."

A parishioner

Rev. Patrick J. Berkery

St. Anthony, Ansonia, CT

My Good Deed for the Week: Here's what several of our young people offered as their tithe, in addition to their financial gift. A 2nd grader said, "I helped my mom get ready for our Christmas party." A 5th grader said, "I went to visit my older neighbor" A 3rd grader said, "I helped my little sister buy a gift for our parents."

Pastor's Column

GOODBYE BISHOP KEVIN RHOADES

I just returned from a magnificent Sunday afternoon (Jan. 3) solemn vespers service at St. Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg, celebrated in honor of our departing bishop. In addition to our diocesan clergy, the opening procession had Knights of Columbus, papal honorees, and such knighted groups as the Order of the Holy Sepulcher and the Order of Malta, all dressed in full regalia. In the congregation were many religious sisters and brothers, lay dignitaries, and leaders from the Protestant, Anglican and Orthodox faith communities.

In his homily, Bishop Rhoades spoke of his joy over the increased number of seminarians in our diocese during his time here as bishop. At the service's end, he asked all of the seminarians to come before the altar for the congregation to see. In their cassocks and surplices, they lined up, 20-some strong, to the enthusiastic applause of the multitude. It is obvious that the bishop leaves a vibrant legacy of support for vocations, which he hopes to carry with him to his next charge.

He said that he considered it a blessing his term has been marked by theme years. He became bishop during the Year of the Eucharist and now departs for his new assignment during the Year

of the Priest, as well as during the diocesan Marian Year, which he himself proclaimed.

Before the final blessing, Msgr. William King, vicar general, gave a moving tribute, speaking of his admiration for the bishop's service to the diocese. The vespers ended with a hymn to the Blessed Virgin Mary, entitled "Gate of Heaven," composed especially for our diocesan Marian Year. The recessional was "Jubilate Deo," which means "Rejoice in God." A reception followed at the Cardinal Keeler Center.

Earlier, that morning, at the cathedral, Bishop Rhoades celebrated the 11:15 a.m. Mass, which also served as a going away event for the general public. We thank God for the loving service rendered by Bishop Kevin Rhoades. Our parish spiritual bouquet will speed him to the Fort Wayne – South Bend, Indiana diocese on the wings of our prayers. May God bless you, Bishop Rhoades, along with all of your plans, hopes, and aspirations. We will pray for you and we will remember you always.

Fr. Bill



MASS SCHEDULE



Sun. Jan 10 -- Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 (21c); Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

9:15am – Chester Dissinger

Monday: January 11 – 1 Samuel 1:1-8; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mark 1:14-20

9:00am – Puma and Schilling Families

Tuesday, January 12 -- 1 Samuel 1:19-20; 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8; Mark 1:21-28

Wednesday, January 13 – 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Psalm 40:2-10; Mark 1:29-39

Thursday, January 14 – 1 Samuel 4:1-11; Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mark 1:40-45

Friday, January 15 – Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22; Psalm 89:16-17, 18-19; Mark 2:1-12

9:00am – Vitalba Evola

Saturday, January 16 -- 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Psalm 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mark 2:13-17

5:00pm (English) – Francis O'Day Sr.

6:30pm (Spanish) – Mildred Rocco

Sunday, January 17 – Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 96:1-3, 7-8, 9-10; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-11

9:15am – Frank and Mary Schilling

PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

March for Life: Those who have already signed up for the March are asked to pay their fee (\$100, ASAP) so that we can pay for the hotel & the John Paul II cultural center group fee.

We gave already paid for the bus(47 passenger) In addition to this I am asking everyone to bring an additional \$60 for food. This is a *maximum* amount. Some have expressed a desire to fast for the unborn. Everyone is encouraged to fast and pray for the unborn. This would, of course, mean spending much less on food. We will still have regularly scheduled stops for meals, so that those who choose to or need to for health reasons can eat at regular intervals. An important part of a Pilgrimage, as well as the prayer and sacrifice, is the social times where we share the journey with our fellow pilgrims. This is to be done in the spirit of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, who later exclaimed, “were not our hearts burning within us when as He conversed with us on the way!” (Luke 24:32).

Fr. Thoms

TUTORS NEEDED FOR CHILDREN’S SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: The CCD program is in need of adults to tutor elementary school children to receive the sacraments of First Communion, Penance, and Confirmation. Volunteers will teach on a one-on-one basis. These are children who have had little or no formal catechesis, and who, because of their age, are required by the Church to be enrolled in a children’s RCIA and receive all three sacraments at the same time. For more information, please contact Fr. Weary, Fr. Thoms, or Karen Thome, 694-3607.

Traditional Latin Mass retreat at St. Jude: We will be scheduling a date and time for Fr. Frank Parrinello, Pastor of the *Mater Dei* Community in Harrisburg, to come to St. Jude and give a Day of Recollection on the Traditional Latin Mass. Following catechesis, he will offer the Traditional Latin Mass here at St. Jude on that day. Then, we will see if there is a desire to continue the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass on a regular basis in the Parish. Any questions, see Fr. Thoms or Karen Thome.

Rectory Cook/Housekeeper Needed -A part-time cook/housekeeper is needed for Sacred Heart Lewistown, rectory to work about 15 hours per week doing mostly housecleaning, laundry and some meals. Please contact Fr. Weary, 242-2781, if interested. Pay will be discussed in the interview.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donations Needed for El Salvador Mission Trip

The main purpose of Hope International Services Inc., is to provide short term medical trips to the country of El Salvador. Our services include: Medical clinics, Health education and counseling, outreach services for street children, disaster victims & poor communities, supporting orphanages. Because of a reduction in funding for medical supplies, the organization is in need of the following Medical Supplies: 4 boxes of tongue depressors, 4 bags of cotton balls, 4 first aid kits, 4 ace bandages, 4 4x4 gauze packs, 4 boxes of band-aids, 4 pints of Hydrogen Peroxide, 4 boxes of Vaseline petroleum jelly adaptec gauze, 20 tubes of Triple Antibiotic ointment, 40 tubes of Clorimazole fungus cream, 40 bottles of Tears/Eye solution, 59 Prenatal vitamins, 200 children’s vitamins, 100 adult vitamins, 10 cans of infant formula (POWDERED), no glass or liquid. 500 Hygiene Packs (a must): Hygiene pack consists of travel size: wash cloth, soap, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste. The 5 items will fit in a sandwich baggie. Due to shipping costs, it is very important to have all 5 items in a sandwich baggie. Clothing: Socks – all sizes

including infants, new colored t-shirts with sports symbol for ages 5-12 yrs. for orphans (approx 50). Contact Lori at (717)543-5883.

Parish Christmas Party: Every member of the parish is invited to our annual Parish Christmas Party, today, Sunday, January 10 beginning at 5:30pm in our social hall. Now that the “bustle” of the holiday is over and we’ve celebrated with our families, we now have the opportunity to gather as a parish family to celebrate the Lord’s Birth. A signup sheet is in the entryway for you to indicate the number of people and the type of dish you’ll share. Please join us.

Knights of Columbus Youth Free Throw Championship: All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2010 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held on January 23rd at 11:00 am at the Tuscarora Middle School in Mifflintown,. Registration will start at 10:30am.

For some a job is an answer to a prayer – If you are 55 or older, with limited income, and seeking work, please call Experience Works. We may have the training and employment opportunities that are just right for you. We offer paid training and job-seeking assistance, free of charge to all who qualify. If you lack education, job skills, or have limited physical abilities, Experience Works stands ready to serve you. Call 717-732-7931 or 348-8966. Dottie Manuel Employment & Training Coordinator

SACRED HEART SCHOOL



“Please circle Jan 30th on your calendar for “Savor Flavors From Around the World”. Treat your taste buds to delicious foods from various cultures. Enjoy entertainment provided by Tommy



Wareham...or you may join in and be part of the entertainment, Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 6-10pm at the Rec Park Community Center in Lewistown.

Tickets are \$50 and are available at Calkins Automotive, The Downtown OIP & Grill, and the Parish office. Come celebrate and support Sacred Heart School and Catholic Education. Questions can be directed to: Sue Reinke, Crista Bobb, Yvonne Hopple, Claire Acker, or Jacquie Bennett. **This event will kick – off Catholic Schools Week.**