

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Phyllis Scherger (Anniv.)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, ST. BLAISE, ST. ANSGAR

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Bertilla Gase (Anniv.)
- 2:35 PM Jubilant Ringers (Church)
- 6:30 PM Handbell Choir (Church)
- 7:00 PM AA Men's Mtg. (Upper Room)
- 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. (Emmaus Room)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Helen Wolph
- *5:00 PM Mass for Joseph M. Kruszinski
- 5:45 PM Youth Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- 6:45 PM **NO** Rel. Ed. Classes
- 7:00 PM Parish Choir (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, ST. AGATHA

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Ruth Crawford
- 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)
Adoration through the day until 9 PM
- 9:45 AM Memorial Choir Practice

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, ST. PAUL MIKI

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Kate Bouillon (Anniv.)
Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
All-School Mass
- *2:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine Care Center
- 4:00 PM Benediction Exposition continues in
Eucharistic Chapel until 9 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

- 8:25 AM Rosary
- *9:00 AM Mass for Mary Saum (30-Day)
- 10:00 AM Secular Franciscan Gathering (Emmaus Rm)
- 10:00 AM Charismatic Prayer Group (Notre Dame)
- *4:30 PM Mass for Pat Gates (Anniv.); Rosemary Guillen; Sally Vargas (Anniv.); John Shaull (14-Day) **Servers:** Patrick McNinch, Meagan McNinch, Cole Williams, Taylor Williams **Lector:** Norm Steyer **Cantor:** Jackie Fry **Gift Bearers:** Gene & Fayanne Ochs

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fellowship Host: Knights of Columbus
Vocation Cup: Matt & Dianne Steinmetz

- *7:30 AM Mass for Rev. William Martin; Joseph & Helen Blaser **Servers:** Morgan Brant, Matthew Frankart **Lector:** Rose Metzger **Cantor:** Brenda Goshe **Gift Bearers:** Greg & Marcie Williams

- *9:00 AM Mass for Liv./dec. members of St. Wendelin Parish **Servers:** Maddie Hoover, Johnna Hoover, Allie Bishop, Taylor Bishop **Lector:** Karen Eatmon **Gift Bearers:** Cub Scouts **ST. WENDELIN HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR**

- 9:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)
- 10:00 AM Jr. High Religious Ed (Emmaus/Upper Rooms)
- *11:00 AM Mass for Paul & Mike Frankart; Liv./dec. members of Bragg & Emerine Families **Servers:** Brett Frederick, Lexie Digby, Josh Digby, Sammie Digby **Lector:** John Davoli **Gift Bearers:** John & Paula Cockie **PARISH CHOIR**

- 6:00 PM Divorced & Separated (Upper Room)



**Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion**
2/07 & 2/08 B
11:00 AM - 2/08 B

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT FOR DECEMBER		
Received	11/29/08 - 12/31/08	\$ 79,639
Direct Deposit for December		\$ 12,752
Budgeted for December		\$ 90,455
Over (Under) for December		\$ 1,936
Year-to-date received		\$ 475,642
Year-to-date budgeted (wk 26)		\$ 496,106
Over (under) for fiscal year		\$ (22,899)
Make-up for December		\$ 5,500
Christmas		\$ 37,262

Readings for the Week of February 1, 2009

- Sunday Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95;
1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28
- Monday Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24;
Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Tuesday Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22; Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103; Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48; Mk 6:7-13
- Friday Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27; Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23; Mk 6:30-34
- Sunday Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147;
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39



**COMMUNITY WIDE
STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER**
On Friday, February 6, at 12:05 PM, stop and pray that our schools be successful in helping each child reach their God given potential.

Dear Folks,

This bulletin has a special insert on FOCA, the proposed bill to take off any limitations to abortion in our country. Please read it carefully. The following Sunday, Feb. 7 and 8 we will have postcards ready to mail in the pews to express our opposition to the proposed legislation. President Obama mentioned that he would sign this bill if it came to his desk.

His interest in furthering the abortion availability was seen in signing the support of tax dollars to any government-funded foreign aid program. Our tax dollars will be paying for those abortions. We need to make our voices heard again.

Also on the weekend of February 7 and 8, Deacon Dave Jordan will be preaching on the Propagation of the Faith. It is our annual appeal in order to support the Mission of Jesus which He gave to the Apostles, 'go preach to all the nations.' The sermon and collection supports that effort to support the mission work of the church.

Jesus has some powerful words that challenge us to live the truth He preached and died for. The issue of Life is paramount: "I am the Life" He said. The issue of life is sacred and we cannot avoid taking a stand. There is a culture of death in our society, as was mentioned by Pope John Paul II, and we are the people of Life.

God bless our efforts,

Fr. Nicholas Weibl

P.S. In a couple of weeks, we will make prayers available to be said for our country. We call on God's power to help us.

GROUP PICTURES FOR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

LITURGY COMMITTEE AFTER 11:00 MASS ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH.

PARISH SERVICES

Parish House & Emergencies 222 N. Wood St. 419-435-1875

- Fr. Nicholas Weibl, Pastor nicholas.weibl@stwendelin.org
- Fr. Eric Schild, Associate Pastor eric.schild@stwendelin.org

Parish Offices 323 N. Wood St. 8:00-5:00 PM 419-435-6692
Fax 419-435-7826

- Deacon James Hammer jim.hammer@stwendelin.org
- David Lang, Parish Manager david.lang@stwendelin.org
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- Kathy Holman, RN, Health Ministry Coordinator kathy.holman@stwendelin.org
- Jon Hay, Pastoral Associate jon.hay@stwendelin.org
- Cal Leferink, Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Music cal.leferink@stwendelin.org
- Sherry Yaple, Organist

Notre Dame Sisters 339 Liberty St., Fostoria, OH 419-701-2380

Religious Education (Spiritual Enrichment Center)

323 N. Wood St. 8:00-4:00 PM 419-435-6681

- Shellie Gabel, Pastoral Associate for Religious Education shellie.gabel@stwendelin.org
- Alice Daugherty, Religious Education Secretary alice.daugherty@stwendelin.org

St. Wendelin Catholic Elementary School
300 N. Wood St. 7:30-3:30 PM
419-435-1809

- Cathy Krupp, Principal cathy.krupp@stwendelin.org
- Deb Kelley, Elementary Secretary deb.kelley@stwendelin.org

St. Wendelin Catholic High School
533 N. Countyline St. 7:30-3:30 PM
419-435-8144 Fax 419-436-4042

- Angela Joseph, Principal angela.joseph@stwendelin.org
- Julie Bulkowski, Secretary julie.bulkowski@stwendelin.org

Development Office

533 N. Countyline St. 419-435-8144

- Mary Anne Nopper, Development Dir. maryanne.nopper@stwendelin.org

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the following people who are in need of a healing touch:

**Sr. Joyce Bragg, Paul Chaney,
Ruth Coughlin, Francis DeLaRosa,
and Richard Weber.**



Girls' Basketball Annual Harlan's Chicken BBQ

This annual dinner will be held on Thursday, February 26th in the High School Cafeteria from 4:30—7:00.

Tickets will be sold in advance from any member or coach of the Girls' Basketball Team. Tickets will be \$7.50 and the meal includes: 1/4 of Chicken, Potato, vegetable, dessert and drink. Dine-In and Carry-Out will be available.

SHARING KITCHEN—NEEDS HELP



It is St. Wendelin Parish's turn to serve a week at the Sharing Kitchen- Mon., Feb. 2, Wed., Feb. 3, & Fri., Feb. 6. Please help serve; we need about 10 people each day. Please call 419-435-6976 if you are willing to serve.

Thanks for Caring and Sharing.

PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES

We now have Personal Listening Devices to purchase if you choose to. The parish also has 4 of these for your use within the church. Please contact Dave Lang, 435-6692 to purchase your own.

JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

Monthly series on grief is being sponsored by Bridge Home Health and Hospice. "How Children Deal with Grief", speaker will be Dr. Mary Goebel-Komala, from The Sophia Center. This talk will be held on February 16th at The Hancock County Historical Museum at 422 W. Sandusky St. in Findlay from 7:00—8:30 PM. For further Information call 423-5351.

Dear Church Members,

Thank you so very much for your Christmas donation of \$646.00 to First Step. Your continued support of our agency is a true blessing! Please know that your donation is making a difference in the lives of the individuals, families and children we serve.

May God Bless You- Terri L. Mercer, Director
Matthew 25:31-46

Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Helen Hohenbrink (mother of Fr. Michael Hohenbrink) who died recently. May she experience the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.



HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

February Health Happenings

- **Diabetes Education Class Tues. Feb. 3 from 8a.m. to 4p.m.** FCH Conference Center A. There is a fee billable to insurance and pre-registration is required. Physician referral required. Financial assistance is available. For more information contact Shirley Conley, RN, BSN, CDE 419-436-6629.
- **Blood Sugar Screening Thurs. Feb. 5 from 8am to 10pm** FCH Lobby reception area. FREE and open to the public.
 - Fasting or two hour post-eating is advised. No need to pre-register. Contact Shirley Conley 419-436-6629 for more info.
- **Healthy Heart Screening Thurs. Feb. 12 from 6-9am** FCH Conference Center A. Includes FREE blood pressure, FREE blood sugar screening and FREE healthy heart information. Cholesterol screening \$5; \$10 for total cholesterol with HDL; \$15 for total cholesterol, HDL & LDL and triglycerides. For best accuracy a 12-hour fast is suggested for the cholesterol screening. No appointment needed.

Health Ministry News: Motorized Wheelchair Available

Through the kindness and generosity of Ron & Margaruite (Boes) Williams, we now have a like-new motorized wheelchair available to all of our parishioners to be used on a short-term lending basis. Marguerite's father, Vincent Boes, used it for a brief time before his passing and now his family wants to share it with the parish. It is lightweight, easy to dismantle and simple to use. Weight limit is 250 pounds. It uses a small rechargeable battery. If you would like to borrow at no charge this like-new wheelchair for a short time, such as recovering from surgery, shopping, vacation or day trips, please contact Parish Nurse Kathy Holman at 419-435-6692. A minimum 24-hour advance notice is appreciated. We also have one adult manual wheelchair and one small manual wheelchair available for short-term borrowing as well. Thanks and blessings to Margaruite & Ron for this wonderful piece of equipment!

The Ladies K of C Auxiliary monthly meeting will be held at 8:00 pm on TUESDAY, Feb 3rd. It will be held at the K of C as normal; doors will be open. Members can pay their dues at the club, or contact Monica Radcliff.

Baptismal Preparation Program

REMINDER:

If you are expecting to have a child baptized before May 2009 you need to follow these instructions:

- Make initial contact with the Parish Office.
- The Parish Office will send you the necessary information to proceed with the Baptismal Preparation Program or you may pick it up at the office.
- Participate in the first session with one of the clergy.
- Participate in the second session to be held on February 15th starting with 9 a.m. Mass.
- Schedule your child's baptism.

Baptism will take place at Third Sunday Mass in March and April. The next second session will be on April 26, 2009.

Attention Parents with Children who have not received their First Communion:

If you have a child that has not received first communion, please have them cross their hands over their chest when they get close to the minister of Holy Communion. This will help save confusion by the minister of whether or not your child is supposed to receive communion. If they have their hands crossed over their chest, the minister of Holy Communion knows to give your child a blessing. Thanks for your help!

A Divorced & Separated Retreat, "When God Calls in the Night" will be held February 6-8, 2009 at Our Lady of Consolation Retreat House, Carey, OH. During what may seem the darkest times God still seeks to fill us with light. Come experience God's presence, know His love, live His healing. Rev. Chris Vasko, former director of parish Divorced & Separated Ministry, missionary and retreat director will offer this prayer-filled weekend. For information contact the Family Life Office of Catholic Charities at 419-244-6711, Ext. 404 or 409.

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

If you were unable to be at the Masses on January 17th & 18th to be commissioned, you will need to see Fr. Eric or Fr. Weibl. You need to be commissioned before you can continue to minister at your scheduled Mass. When you are commissioned, Fr. will give you your certificate.

We'll starve for food! Will you??
Join the Famine!!



Join the Famine
ON PRESIDENTS' DAY

Can you think of a better way to spend your day off (Presidents' Day) than fasting? Alright, alright I know you can think of about a hundred other things you'd rather do than starve for a day. But, hey, at least you have a choice. Many people in this world do not have a choice and without people helping out, they wouldn't have nothing. So come on, do your part. Join the Famine, raise money for those less fortunate, learn a little bit about what it's like to be poor, serve the needy in our community and have a blast doing it. Can you *really* do *all* that in just under 30 hours? Does a priest say Mass? We'll do all this and more. Convinced? Here's what you need to do: Block off from 11:00am, Sunday, February 15th through 1:00pm Monday the 16th (yes it's an overnight adventure), get a Famine packet from Mr. Hay and let him know you're in, **return the necessary forms by February 1st** along with \$15 registration fee (includes '09 Famine t-shirt, supplies, drinks and closing meal), ask friends, family, neighbors, teachers, basically anyone who breathes to sponsor you, and last but not least pray, pray and pray some more. Young people can make a difference!! Say yes and be the change you want to see in this world.

Religious Education

Religious Education

There will be an important meeting held on Wednesday, **February 4th** for all Religious Education Catechists.

All teachers in grades 1-8 are asked to attend. This meeting will be held on the 2nd floor in the St. Luke room.

If you cannot attend, please inform Shellie so she may schedule another time to meet with individuals.

We **will not** have religious education classes for grades 1-6 that evening. Thank you!

Our next **Generations of Faith** (GOF) gathering for Grades 1-3 will be on Wednesday, **February 11** from 6:45 until 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

All Religious Education students from grades 1-3 **must** be accompanied by at least one parent please. Younger siblings of these students are welcome to come with parents.

Christ Renews His Parish Retreats

Lent is a time in our Christian lives when we recall our baptismal promises and deepen our commitment to Christ. We are all on a journey, longing to fulfill our thirst and hunger for God. Let this Lenten season be the opportunity to be transformed and renewed by Christ. Join us for the next Christ Renews His Parish retreats. Our women's retreat will be held on the weekend of March 28 and 29. Our men's retreat will be the following weekend on April 4 and 5. For more information, please contact Shellie Gabel or Jon Hay at the parish office.

Adult Faith Formation – The United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

Shellie has the opportunity to order the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults at only \$13.00 each instead of the regular price of \$24.95 until March. Each chapter in the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults includes stories, doctrine, reflection, quotations, discussion questions, and prayer to lead the reader to a deepening faith.

The presence of the Catholic Church in the United States reaches back to the founding days of our country through the leadership of Archbishop John Carroll, the first Catholic bishop in the United States. His story, like other stories at the start of the chapters in the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults, gives us a glimpse into the lives of Catholics who lived out their faith throughout our country's history. The United States Catholic Catechism for Adults is an excellent resource for ongoing catechesis of adults.

If you are interested in ordering your own copy, please contact Shellie in the Religious Education office (419) 435-6681 or by parish email at shellie.gabel@stwendelin.org.

The 6th Annual Fostoria Red Dress Luncheon:

Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Heart Health will be held on Friday, Feb., 6 at noon in the St Wendelin Parish Hall. This luncheon celebrates the American Heart Association's call for women to take charge of their heart health. This event features Sashem Brey from WTVG-TV channel 13 ABC news in Toledo as emcee; Jo Lynn Messer, harpist, and celebrity waiters including our own Fr. Nicholas Weibl. Cost is \$12 payable in advance. To register or for more information contact Kathy Holman, Parish Nurse 419-435-6692 or Promedica Total Wellness at FCH 419-436-6688.

**ATTENTION PARENTS—2009-2010
REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

If you have a child that will attend the high school building next year in grades 7-12 and also have grade school children, you will register everyone at the high school building on Sunday, February 1st from 12:30 –3:00. You may still go to the grade school for Open House, but all registrations will be done at the high school.

REGISTRATION & OPEN HOUSE

► **The Kick-Off for 2009-10 registrations will be held at Open House on Sunday, Feb. 1, from 10:00 am-Noon at the Elementary and 12:30-3:00 pm at the High School. All families should register their children for the 2009-10 school year at the Open House.**

Students who are registered on February 1, will be entered into two drawings for \$100 off 2009-10 tuition. The first drawing will be held on February 1, with a second drawing held on March 9. If you register on February 1, you will have **two** opportunities to win a \$100 voucher!

To register, you will need to complete all registration paperwork and make your registration and/or activity fee payment.

If you will not be able to attend the Registration & Open House on Sunday, Feb. 1 there will be packets available in the main office Wednesday, Jan. 28. If you complete and return registration paperwork by Friday, January 30, you will be entered in the two drawings for \$100 off tuition.



**Wed. February 11th KINDERGARTEN VISITATION
9:00-10:00 am & 1:00-2:00 pm**

► **Friday, Feb. 13 – MASS 9:00 am, grades K-6**

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KINDERGARTEN FOR NEXT FALL?

► St. Wendelin Elementary is planning “Mohawk For A Day” for children interested in enrolling in Kindergarten for the 2009-10 school year.

This special event will be held on **Wednesday, February 11** between 9:00-10:00 am or 1:00-2:00 pm. (Students in SW Pre-school 4-year-old classes will visit on February 11 too!) Please call St. Wendelin Elementary School at 435-1809 for reservations.

All children turning five years of age on or before August 1, 2009, will be eligible to register for our Kindergarten program for the 2009-10 school year.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

► The Elementary school just received a check for \$603.50 from BOX TOPS for EDUCATION from General Mills. Thank you to our family and friends for saving these and sending them to our office for submission.

Special THANKS to **Paula Cockie** for volunteering her time in running the Box Tops for Education Program at St. Wendelin Elementary.

PLEASE, keep saving the Box Tops for Education Labels!

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WHAT’S GOING ON ... High School & Jr. High

► **Saturday, Feb. 7 –**

ACTION AUCTION 5:30 pm

► **Monday, Feb. 9 –**

JHBBK 5:00 pm vs. Hopewell-Loudon @ home
JHGBK 5:00 pm @ Hopewell-Loudon

► **Tuesday, Feb. 10 –**

GBK 6:00 pm vs. Elmwood @ home

► **Wednesday, Feb. 11 –** JHGBK 5:00 pm @ North Baltimore

► **Thursday, Feb. 12 –** FRBBK 5:00 pm @ Hopewell-Loudon
GBK 6:00 pm vs. Hopewell-Loudon @ home

► **Friday, Feb. 13 –** BBK 6:00 pm vs. Bettsville @ home

► **Saturday, Feb. 14 –**

WR 9:00 am @ MAL’s
SW, JHGBK, JHBBK & FRBBK (TBA) @ MAL’s

25th St. Wendelin Action Auction

Will be held on **Saturday, Feb. 7**, at St. Wendelin High School Gymnasium. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Our Grand Auction item is a

Caribbean Trip valued at \$2,500.00.

Other items are a hand-made Maple Corner Cupboard, Jewelry, Stained Glass Pictures, Wall Hangings, Gift Certificates to local and area

Restaurants, Cleveland Indians and Browns Tickets, Tuition Certificates and many more items. Raffles this year include a 3 night/4 day trip to Las Vegas and a 50” HDTV.

Admission tickets are available in the Parish Office \$50.00 per person or \$100.00 a couple. Make your reservations now. It is a fun-filled evening.

Cocktails, Hors d’oeuvres and Dinner are included.

Hope to see you there. Call Sharon or Sandy at the Parish Office to reserve a table 419-435-6692.

