

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, ST. AMBROSE**

6:15 AM Communion Service  
 9:00 AM Mass for Leonard Lehmann  
**5:00 PM** Mass for Liv./dec. members of St. Wendelin Parish **Servers:** Kellie Buczek, Taylor Bishop, Colton Feathers, Debbie Miller  
**Cantor:** Janice Cool  
 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting (Youth Room)

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

6:15 AM Communion Service  
**9:00 AM** Mass for Lester & Helen Nye **Cantor:** Brenda Goshe  
**1:00 PM** All-School Mass **YOUTH CHOIR**  
 1:30 PM D of I Meeting (Emmaus Room)  
 2:45 PM Jubilant Ringers (Church)  
**7:00 PM** Mass for Allen & Lois Holman  
**Servers:** Morgan Brant, Mikael Keifer  
**PARISH CHOIR/ADULT RINGERS**  
 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. (Emmaus Room)  
 7:00 PM AA Men's Meeting (Upper Room)

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, ST. JUAN DIEGO**

6:15 AM Communion Service  
 9:00 AM Mass for Ruth Coughlin & Carol Coughlin Smith  
 5:00 PM Mass for Martin Bugner  
 5:45 PM Youth Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
 6:45 PM Rel. Ed. Classes (Grades 1 - 8)  
 7:00 PM Parish Choir (Choir Room)

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10**

6:15 AM Communion Service  
 9:00 AM Mass for Kenneth & Ardella Russell  
 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)  
 Adoration through the day until 9 PM  
 6:00 PM Crown Biblical Financial Meeting (St. Luke)  
 6:30 PM Circle of Mercy Christmas Dinner and Meeting

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, ST. DAMASUS**

6:15 AM Communion Service  
 9:00 AM Mass for Donald Roth  
 Grades 1-6 attending  
 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)  
 Adoration through the day until 9 PM  
 2:15 PM Mass at Good Shepherd

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

10:00 AM Charismatic Prayer Group (Notre Dame Room)  
 4:30 PM Mass for Liv./dec. members of St. Wendelin Parish **Servers:** Sara Goddard, Karin Goddard, Courtney Burns, L Ray Burns  
**Lector:** Ed Miller **Cantor:** Vicki Baker  
**Gift Bearers:** Janet Haase & Loretta Groves

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Music Boosters' Cookie Walk  
 Vocation Cup: Gerry & Mary Jane Rumschlag  
 7:30 AM Mass for Nancy Meyer; Joan Reinhart; Albert Sendelbach

**Servers:** Jack Altwies, Jackie Herman  
**Lector:** Don Crawford **Cantor:** Sharyn Liningner  
**Gift Bearers:** Floyd & Susan Lawless

9:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)  
 9:00 AM Mass for Mark Schreiner (Anniv.); Leonard Lehmann; Liv./dec. members of Richard Kelbley Family **Servers:** Michael Noel, Carson Noel, Austin Reinhart, Jessica Holman  
**Lector:** Karen Eatmon **Gift Bearers:** Ron & Diane Lind **PARISH CHOIR**  
 11:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)  
 11:00 AM Mass for Herman E. Kreais; Robert J. Gase; Paul & Mike Frankart; Liv./dec. members of Bragg & Emerine Families **Servers:** Heather Saalman, Maddie Statham, Katie Statham, Trent Whetsel **Lector:** Harry Peters **Cantor:** Matt Emerine **Gift Bearers:** Debbie Miller  
 6:30 PM Divorced & Separated ( Upper Room)

**Extraordinary Ministers  
 of Holy Communion**  
 12/12 & 12/13 A  
 11:00 AM 12/13 B

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT FOR NOVEMBER**

Received 11/1 - 11/30	\$	74,476
Direct Deposit for November	\$	12,999
Budgeted for November	\$	95,405
Over (Under) for November	\$	(7,930)
Year-to-date received	\$	385,569
Year-to-date budgeted (wk 22 )	\$	419,782
Over (under) for fiscal year	\$	(34,213)
Children's Offertory November	\$	223

**Readings for the Week of December 6, 2009**

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126;  
 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6  
 Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85; Lk 5:17-26  
 Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98;  
 Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38  
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103;  
 Mt 11:28-30  
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145; Mt 11:11-15  
 Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1; Mt 11:16-19  
 Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
 Ps 80; Lk 1:26-38 or 1:39-47  
 Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7;  
 Lk 3:10-18



**COMMUNITY WIDE  
 STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER**

On Friday, December 11, at 12:05 PM, stop and pray that people will be generous in sharing with those in need this winter season.



**MASS FOR SHUT-INS**

Sun., Dec. 13, on WBVI at 10:30 AM  
 Sponsored by Hoening Funeral Home

St. Nicholas, pray for us! Send us some gold coins!

He lived in the 4<sup>th</sup> century and was Bishop of Myra, a run down diocese, and became known for his holiness, zeal, and miracles. He was imprisoned for his faith during the persecution of Christians under Emperor Diocletian. He was present at the Council of **Nicea**, where he denounced Arianism and died at Myra. These are the facts. His body was picked up by sailors in 1087 and taken to Bari in Southern Italy. It became and still is a center of pilgrimage. He is reputed to be, next to the Blessed Mother herself, the saint most often pictured by Christian artists.

Here is the rest of the story.

The stories, which developed in the following centuries, came out of his generosity. Legend has it that a father had three daughters. Because he could not give them a dowry, they were destined for prostitution. Nicholas, on hearing this, rode by one night and tossed a bag of gold in the window for the oldest girl so she could get married. He did the same for the others when they were of marriageable age. That's how the custom of giving gifts came about on Dec. 6. Many folks put out their shoes the night before his coming. If they have been good, they will find candy, gold coins, other gifts in their shoes. If they have been bad, then they receive coal or sticks. There is even the custom of St. Nicholas' helper, known as Ruprecht or Black Peter. For those children who haven't been good, they get punished by Ruprecht, and the others, who have been good, receive gifts from St Nicholas. Eventually, the Dutch changed the custom to Santa Claus. I have heard that St. Claus is referred to as 'the great, great, great grandson to the 10<sup>th</sup> degree of St. Nicholas.

Pope John XXIII preached on the feast of St. Nicholas: "There is no learning or wealth; there is no human power that is more effective than a good nature, a heart that is gentle, friendly, patient." All through life, and especially at its end, the happiest tribute of praise is always the same: 'he was so good, he had such a kind heart.' His name brings joy and blessing.

The graciousness and generosity of St. Nicholas is found in the acts of volunteers. They are the ones who reach out to the poor, the elderly, the underprivileged, those who befriend unwed mothers, the friendless, the unloved, the young persons needing help.

What a great model for us during Advent. We are encouraged to be generous, as St. Nicholas was generous.

Fr. Nicholas Weibl

P.S. Rumor has it that St. Nicholas appeared at St. Wendelin, after the Masses on Dec. 6th

## PARISH SERVICES

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**Notre Dame Sisters** 339 Liberty St.,  
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### Christmas Flower Memorials

We will be continuing the tradition this year of inviting people to give a memorial donation for Christmas flowers, in order to allow us to decorate the Church more beautifully. This is an excellent way for you to remember a loved one. If you wish to take part in this, please place your memorial gift in an envelope and mark whom your gift is in memory of. You may place your envelope in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the Parish Office. A list of names will then be published in the bulletin. All of the memorial gifts will go to enhance our worship space. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Eric.



### CIRCLE OF MERCY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Circle of Mercy will be having their Christmas party on December 10, 2009 in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m. Hostesses for the evening are Becky Baker, Rheyima Kelbley, and Denise Whitta.



### THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Rosary Altar Society Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 9th in the Parish Hall. Mass will be at 5:00 PM, with the Rosary being recited at 4:30 PM. A potluck dinner will begin at 6:00 PM. Meat, potatoes, bread, drink and tableware will be provided. Please bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. There will be no gift exchange, but there will be a collection for Caring Kids. All women of the Parish are invited. The hostesses are Carolyn Baker, Dorothy Coppler and the officers. Bingo will be played. Come and enjoy!

### Procedure for Communion for Handicap People

Attention: Parishioners who cannot walk to the front of church to receive Communion should notify the ushers so that they can alert the priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. We are happy to walk to them to offer them Our Lord.

### Cemetery News:

Use of the chapel at Fountain Cemetery. We would like to clarify this point. The Chapel is available to all of us for a burial. There is no charge for the use of the Chapel. This use is encouraged in bad weather, especially when we have a lot of snow on the ground. By the way, we hope you have noticed the improvements at the cemetery. If not, take a drive and pray for the deceased, especially during the month of December.

### PRAYER CORNER

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

Sam Bogner, Jean Bowman,  
Lowell Bugner, Paul Chaney,  
Patsy Conine, Thelma Crawford,  
Bonifacio DeLaRosa, Frances DeLaRosa,  
Matt Fox, Sr. Virginia Gase,  
Phyllis Hulderman, Maria Lencses,  
Gus Lopez, Mae Reinhart, Kathy Scherger, Jeff Schilt,  
Carmen Vargas, Susie Watkins, Lee Willer, and Mary Ziegman.



**Symphony Tickets will be sold in the gathering space after all Masses the week of Dec. 5-6, and Dec. 12-13.**

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

St. Wendelin Parish

Celebrating 100 years of high school education  
Presents

The Toledo Symphony  
Community Christmas Concert  
Saturday, December 19th, 2009

7:30 p.m.

St. Wendelin

Catholic Church

N. Wood St. & College Ave.

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.

**Tickets are available at the Parish Office**

**Adults \$10.00**

**Students/Seniors \$5.00**



### Religious Education

Our Religious Education Advent Penance Service for grades 3 - 8 will be held on Wednesday, December 16, at 6:45 in the church.

Students are asked to report to their classrooms for attendance and come to the church quietly with their class. Parents are encouraged to attend this sacramental celebration in preparing our hearts to receive Jesus.

### "Get to know your Saints" Corner

December 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary – Solemnity

The solemnity of the conception of Mary falls nine months before the celebration of her birth on September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mary's conception day became a feast in the seventh century.

The Church teaches that Mary was free from sin from the moment she was conceived. This special grace prepared her to be the mother of God.

In Luke 1:28 the angel Gabriel, speaking on God's behalf, addresses Mary as "full of grace" or "highly favored". In that context this phrase means that Mary is receiving all the special divine help necessary for the task ahead.

The Holy Spirit has led the Church, especially the non-theologians, to the insight that Mary had to be the most perfect work of God next to the Incarnation. Mary's intimate association with the Incarnation called for the special involvement of God in Mary's whole life. The logic of piety helped God's people to believe that Mary was full of grace and free of sin from the first moment of her existence. This great privilege of Mary is the highlight of all that God has done in Jesus. Rightly understood, the incomparable holiness of Mary shows forth in the incomparable goodness of God.

Taken from the book *Companion to the Calendar, A Guide to the Saints and Mysteries of the Christian Calendar*, by Mary Ellen Hynes. Liturgy Training Publications, Chicago IL.

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

- ▶ **Sunday, Dec. 6** -- SWPA meeting 12:00 (Emmaus room)
- ▶ **Tuesday, Dec. 8** -- K-12 Mass 1:00 pm, Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- ▶ **Thursday, Dec. 10** -- Penance Services 9:45 am (gr. 3-5), 10:30 am (gr. 10:30 am)

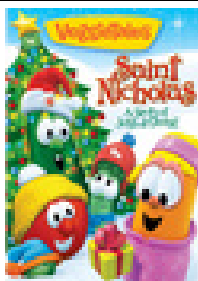
### SEEKING A "DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE"

▶ Know a "Distinguished Graduate" of St. Wendelin Elementary School? We are seeking nominations for the National Catholic Education Association's Distinguished Graduate Award. The winner will receive a gold lapel pin and be honored at a Mass during Catholic Schools Week held the last week of January.

To be eligible, the nominee should be a practicing Catholic and an eighth grade graduate of St. Wendelin Elementary School at least 10 years ago. The award recipient will be selected based on his or her contribution to the American society and the Catholic Church.

Mrs. Krupp will accept nominations that are received by **December 11, 2009**. Nominations from previous years will be considered as well as the nominations received by the December deadline.

Please mail information to St. Wendelin Catholic Elementary School, c/o Cathy Krupp, 300 North Wood St., Fostoria, Ohio 44830 or email [cathy.krupp@stwendelin.org](mailto:cathy.krupp@stwendelin.org). Include the following details with your nomination: (1) Year of graduation, (2) additional education, (3) present occupation, (4) achievements of the graduate that reflect the characteristics of education received in a Catholic elementary school, (5) the person's beliefs about Catholic education, (6) and your name, address and phone number as well the candidate's.



**Family Fun, Movie Night Sunday December 6<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall from 4:30-7:30 pm. Join us for fun games, crafts, dinner and a movie, as we discover the power of a simple gift this Christmas.**

Laura Carrot's Christmas stocking might be empty this year because her dad is in danger of losing his job. While

Larry thinks a letter to the North Pole should fix the problem, Bob knows what will really help...and tells the story of a little boy named Nicholas who made a discovery in Bethlehem that changed Christmas forever. But what did Nick learn and how can it possibly help Laura and her family? Find out as the Veggies discover the true joy of giving to others – at Christmas time and throughout the year.

This family event is geared towards K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, but is open to all ages. A freewill offering will be taken.

Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the families of John Tobin and Daniel Yontz who died this past week. May they experience the Peace and Joy of the Risen Lord.



## HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

- ▶ **Monday, Dec. 7** -- EARLY DISMISSAL 1:30 pm, Teacher Meeting; Music Boosters meeting 6:00 pm (library)
- ▶ **Tuesday, Dec. 8** -- All School Mass 1:00 pm, Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- ▶ **Wednesday, Dec. 9** -- FGBK 5:00 pm vs. Perry @ home
- ▶ **Thursday, Dec. 10** -- FBBK 5:00 @ Mohawk; GBK 6:00 pm vs. Mohawk @ home
- ▶ **Friday, Dec. 11** -- Red Cross Bloodmobile 12:30-5:30 pm (north gym); BBK 6:00 pm @ New Riegel
- ▶ **Saturday, Dec. 12** -- JHWR 10:00 am @ Mohawk Invite; SW 10:00 am @ Sandusky; BBK 6:00 pm vs. Hardin Northern @ home

### COOKIE WALK

▶ This year's cookie walk, sponsored by the St. Wendelin Music Department, will take place **December 12-13**, following the parish Masses. Please mark your calendars now for this wonderful holiday event!!

### CHRISTMAS BAND CONCERT

▶ The high school and junior high band will be performing on **Sunday, Dec. 13** at their annual Christmas Concert. The concert will be held at 3:30 pm in the north gym.

### PERSONALIZED DECALS AVAILABLE

▶ Advertise your St. Wendelin Spirit with a personalized Decal for your car/house window! The next order will be placed **Monday, Dec. 14**. To place an order, contact Cindy Taylor at 419-435-8144, or [cindy.taylor@stwendelin.org](mailto:cindy.taylor@stwendelin.org). Sponsored by the SWHS Sophomore Class.

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS - DURING ADVENT

**Dec. 7: Advent is a time of holy waiting. Practice waiting on your spouse today. Calmly wait for your spouse to arrive (instead of stewing if he or she is late). Or "wait on" your spouse, in the sense of doing a favor for him or her.**

**Dec. 14: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." (Mk 13:33) Although death comes most often to the old, don't put off words and acts of love for later. We don't know how much time we have. Love your spouse today.**

**Dec. 21: (Winter Solstice) The winter solstice brings the longest night of the year. Warm it with candlelight. For some couples, however, dark nights bring depression. If you are among those who are currently struggling in your marriage, turn to the power of prayer as one resource.**

**Dec. 28: "On the fourth Day of Christmas, my true love gave to me, four calling birds..." How do you call your true love? Do you have a pet name? Say your spouse's name with special tenderness today.**

## FIRST STEP FUNDING CUTS

First Step offers community education, training services, and presentations on issues of domestic violence, dating violence, youth sexuality, and family.

**WE ARE IN DESPARATE NEED OF FINANCIAL HELP, AS OUR FUNDING HAS BEEN CUT BY \$100,000.**

We are located here in Fostoria; call 419-435-7300. We offer a 24-hour crisis line, legal advocacy, educational services, father mentoring, support groups, individual counseling, residential shelter services, community education and more. Through our crisis line we provide assistance to an estimated 1,200 clients per year. Phone consultation and counseling provide an invaluable resource for clients who are not readily mobile. First Step staff logs over 200 hours annually on phone consultations alone. In addition, our psycho-educational classes (PASSAGES) provide individuals and couples with practical tools for dealing with dysfunctional relationships. Families can learn to prevent domestic violence or, if it has already cast its dark shadow, to deal with the effects. Please help us out financially if you are able.

**Save the Date!** There will be an informational session on the teaching of the Catholic Church on divorce, annulments, remarriage, civil marriage, and related topics on Thursday, January 14, 2010 at 7 pm in the St. Wendelin Parish Hall. Fr. Chris Vasko will give a presentation that will answer practical questions related to these issues. There will also be an opportunity to personally speak with Fr. Vasko or an annulment advocate regarding these issues.

## **PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE COMMEMORATING THE 37TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE**

Please join the Helpers of God's Precious Infants for a Prayer Vigil for Life on Thursday, January 14, 2010. Mass will be celebrated at Rosary Cathedral at 6pm followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. We will then drive to the Ashland Baptist Church parking lot, where we will begin our one-block pilgrimage to the Center for Choice abortion clinic, where abortions will be taking place. After praying the rosary until approximately 8pm, the group will return to the Cathedral for Benediction and refreshments. For more information, contact Mary Kay at (419) 878-0486. In the past 37 years, over 51 million lives have been lost in this "silent holocaust". Please join us and encourage your parish priests to do so as well. We ALL need to be physical witnesses to the Truth so that the culture of life will once again prevail in our country!

**2010 Annual Stewardship Envelopes** are available in the Parish Hall. Please help with postage by picking up your packet and that of anyone else who you will deliver to.

**Offering Envelopes**



## **December Health Happenings**

- **Blood Sugar Screening Thurs. Dec. 10, 8-10am** FCH reception area entrance 1. Fasting or two-hour post eating is encouraged. FREE and open to the public. For more information call Shirley Conley, RN, BSN at 419-436-6629.
- **St. Wendelin Community Blood Drive Friday Dec. 11, 12:30-530pm St. Wendelin High School.** To schedule an appointment or for more information please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. Walk-ins welcome! Must be 17 years of age or older and in general good health. Under 17 requires parental consent form available from high school office. Red Cross Donor card or photo I.D. required.
- **Seasonal Flu/ Pneumonia Vaccination Clinic Monday December 14, 3-6pm** St. Wendelin Parish Hall. \$25 for flu shot, \$35 for pneumonia vaccine. **Must bring Medicare Card and photo I.D.** 18 years of age and older only. This clinic is open to all area churches, as well as the community, and takes the place of the clinic normally held after Masses at St. Wendelin, which was cancelled in November. Call Kathy Holman, RN, Parish Nurse at 419-435-6692 for info.
- **H1N1 (Swine) Flu Vaccination Clinic Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> 1pm to 7pm,** in the St. Wendelin Parish Hall, by the Seneca County Health Department. There is **no charge** for this flu shot. For more information, contact Jennifer Bayer 419-447-3691 ext. 326.

## **Health Ministry News: Holiday Stress**

Here are some holiday stress reduction tips:

- Spend time in prayer every day contemplating the true meaning of the season.
- Count your blessings!
- Honor family traditions but don't overdo it.
- Keep a positive attitude.
- Try not to worry about things out of your control.
- Problem-solve with people around you; don't try to do everything yourself.
- Exercise (Walk, take the stairs, park far away from the mall). Breathe some fresh air!
- Eat nutritional foods. Reduce fats and sugars. (Remember 5 fruits and vegetables a day!)
- At a party, don't stand close to the hors d'oeuvre table; load up on fruits and vegetables.
- Avoid caffeine and too much alcohol; drink lots of water.
- Rest! Try to get 8 hours of sleep each night.
- Do random acts of kindness-you'll feel wonderful!
- Get support if you need it.

May your Advent season be filled with joyful expectation, serenity, and the peace that only the Christ Child can bring. For questions please contact Kathy Holman, RN, at 419-435-6692.

## **The Annual Christmas Family Retreat, "Celebrating the Christmas Cycle from Advent to Epiphany"**

**Our Lady of Consolation Retreat House, 321 Clay St. Carey, OH 43316.**

**December 11-13, 2009**

This Retreat is open to all families big or small! It is geared for families of all sizes, with activities as well as free time!

Don't miss the opportunity to spend quality time with the ones you love and your new friends.

Christmas is a very busy time of the year, so take some time to prepare for the birth of Christ, the Savior of the World! Registration begins on Friday, December 11th, at 7:00 PM, and the retreat ends on Sunday, December 13th, at Noon.

Cost is based on the size of your family, so call for more details at 419-396-7970 or email [retreats@olcshrine.com](mailto:retreats@olcshrine.com).