



Dear Parishioners and Guests,

Signs of the Messiah are manifested through the works of Jesus mentioned in the Gospel. Signs of Christmas, the birthday ascribed to the Jesus, are around us in the Christmas trees, lights and nativity displays. The Advent Season of our preparation for the celebration of the Christmas Season continues with Penance Services, Christmas Friends' program, Caroling, and Decorating the Church in the days to come.

Thanks to those who helped with the Mission Trip Chili Supper, Silent Auction and St. Nicholas Party. The event raised about \$1700 for the group, and children and adults got a treat from Santa. Thanks to Mike Spainhour for preparing the youth for their Musical presentation of song and dance with the various costumes. It was a wonderful evening.

The Parish Center restrooms have been painted and new partitions are being installed. The fans in the Kitchen have been relocated and switches for the lights are now installed. (Reminder) Now we need to turn off the kitchen lights before leaving the premises.

The authorization of expenditure of money (over \$5,000) for renovation of the Church restrooms has been requested of our Bishop. To allow accessibility for all, the Pastoral Council has recommended that Church restrooms be altered to allow for wheelchair accessibility. It will mean one less stall and sink in each of the restrooms but everyone will have access to use.

Interviews are being held for the position of Church receptionist/bookkeeper (regarding temporal goods and Church documents). Hopefully, the position will be filled no later than December 21.

PLEASE NOTE: The WEBSITE for St. Jude Church is and has been since August: [stjude.dio.org](http://stjude.dio.org). Bulletins and newsletters are posted on it in cooperation with the Diocese. If you have need of finding any parish in the Diocese, you can go to the Diocesan web page, [dio.org](http://dio.org) and scroll to find the parish and its information.

The email addresses for staff at the parish is first initial last name @rstjude.org.

The Parish Office will be closed at Noon Thursday, Dec. 23 until Tuesday, December 28. The Office will also be closed at Noon Thursday, December 30 for the New Year Holiday and opportunity for Staff to honor Sue Bozarth's retirement. The Parish Appreciation party is set for Saturday, January 15, for all volunteers and a special opportunity for the parish to honor Sue for her 37 years of service to the parish in position of Office Manager.

Blessed Advent/Merry Christmas  
Fr. Dean

## 2011 CALENDARS

**Wilson Park Funeral Home** has graciously provided the 2011 Calendars for your use. These calendars are available in the foyer of the Church and at the parish office. Thanks Greg & Kathy Park.

## HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK

The cross on Mass intentions reflects those who have died; non-cross reflects special intention for those still living.

### **Saturday – December 11**

5:30 p **Mass** (Intention: John W. Blasko†)

### **Sunday – December 12**

8:00 a **Mass** (Intention: Our Parish Family)

9:00 a Hospitality in Parish Center (Doughnuts/Drink)

9:10 a PSR Classes

10:30 a **Mass** (Intention: Edwin Lee Johnson†)

2:00 p **Penance Services at the Cathedral & St. Aloysius.**

### **Monday – December 13**

8:30 a Morning Prayer

9:00 a Counting Team # 2: Lower, Helling, McClintock

5:00 p Rosary

5:30 p **Mass** – (Intention: Lynn Loyett† 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

6:30 p Breadbakers: Nickles, Parnell, Pigati, Urbanckas

6:30 p ChForm Commission Meeting

**7:00 p Finance Council Meeting**

### **Tuesday – December 14**

7:00 a **Mass** – (Intention: Elizabeth McNally†)

7:30 a Rosary

8:30 a Morning Prayer

### **Wednesday – December 15**

7:30 a Rosary

8:00 p **Mass** (Intention: Harold Krebs †)

5:30 p Youth Choir

6:30 p PSR Classes

7:45 p Adult Choir

### **Thursday – December 16**

7:00 a **Mass** (Intention: Frank Beeve † 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

7:30 a Rosary

6:30 p Youth Teen Ensemble Practice

### **Friday – December 17**

7:30 a Rosary

8:00 a **Mass** – (Intention: Charlotte McKee †)

### **Saturday – December 18**

4:30 p Penance: Rite of Reconciliation/Confession

5:30 p **Mass** (Intention: Jack Downey †)

### **Sunday – December 19**

8:00 a **Mass** (Intention: Our Parish Family)

9:00 a Hospitality in Parish Center (Doughnuts/Drink)

9:10 a PSR Classes

10:30 a **Mass** (Intention: Reo Foltz †)

## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES:

Priests will be available for the Sacrament of Penance: Rite of Reconciliation on the following dates at the listed parishes:

Sunday, Dec. 12 2:00 pm St. Aloysius

Also 2:00 pm Cathedral

Monday, Dec. 13 7:00 pm Little Flower

Tuesday, Dec. 14 6:30 pm St. Joseph the Worker – Chatham

7:00 pm Christ the King

Sunday, Dec. 19 2:00 pm St. Francis Cabrini

4:00 pm St. James, Riverton



## Liturgical Schedule for next weekend

<b>Dec. 18-19</b>	<b>Saturday 5:30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 8:00am</b>	<b>Sunday 10:30 am</b>
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Kuntzman/Lower/Deacon Tom	Atkinson/Godar/Deacon Tom	Jasinski/Hanke/Deacon Tom
<b>Lector</b>	B & B Auxier	Miller/Nelson	Williams/Bertrand
<b>Hospitality</b>	Kratz & Jones Families	Will Family/Parnell/Roland	Ernst & Gleason Families
<b>Servers</b>	D, M & A Western	C, J & J Merriman	Martyn/ Kulek/Magro
<b>Minister of Care</b>		Atkinson	
<b>Mass Coordinator</b>	Settles	Yong	Walker

**Church Dusters for this week:** Cindy Scott & Donna Spurlock  
**Hospitality – Donuts – next Weekend:** Jan Pietras & Diana Rowden  
**Art & Environment for next weekend:** Diane Miller  
**Children’s Liturgy of Word:** Brandee & Aaron Toliver  
**Recycling Volunteers for December:** Scott Settles  
**Food Volunteers for December:** David Waters Family

**Liturgical Ministers NEEDED.**  
 If you are willing to assist in any of these, please contact Fr. Dean or call Sue Bozarth at the parish office, 498-9197

### OUR GIFT TO GOD

**Fiscal Year 7/1/10 – 6/30/11**

	Year to Date	Last Week
Collection	\$ 116,801.78	\$ 6,132.00
Electronic Funds	\$ 23,150.00	\$ 1,925.00
Bldg. Dev. Fund	\$ 7,895.00	\$ 803.00
EFT – Dev. Fund	\$ 2,940.00	\$ 180.00
Poor Fund	\$ 489.65	\$ 36.36

**(Diocese)**

<b>Peter’s Pence \$</b>	\$ 40.00	
<b>Missionary Collection</b>	\$ 2,101.00	
<b>Prop. Of Faith</b>	\$ 457.00	
<b>Human Development</b>	\$ 392.00	10.00
<b>Retired Religious</b>	\$ 30.00	30.00
<b>Cath Children’s Home \$</b>	30.00	

**Children’s Stewardship:** Collection \$ 18.90  
**Sharing Good Works:** Helped with *Friends* gift (3); helped Daddy (2); helped with Christmas tree (2); Came to church; played with dog in the cold; practiced songs for choir; helped a friend; donated to charity; gave toys & clothes to poor; found money & gave to poor; cleaned the basement; helped with Christmas *Friends*



*Adopt a Friend*

**CHRISTMAS ‘FRIENDS’** Bring your gifts for the *Christmas Friends* to the parish center no later than Monday, December 13, 2010.

Brenda & Brian Will have asked for a few more helpers to pack up and ship all the presents given by members of our parish as part of the Christmas Friend’s program on Friday morning, December 17<sup>th</sup>. If that time doesn’t work and you would still like to be involved in some way, several folks are gathering at 6:30 pm Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> in the parish center kitchen to bake and frost cookies for the residents of the Springfield Care Center (formerly known as the Springfield Terrace Nursing Home) If you could spare an hour or two on Thursday night or Friday morning, please **contact Brenda Will at 498-6766** or e-mail her at [brendawill1@comcast.net](mailto:brendawill1@comcast.net). We especially invite college students who are home on break along with new families who would like to get involved in this great Christmas tradition here at St. Jude.

### DAILY READINGS: December 12-19

- Sun - 3rd Sunday of Advent –**  
IS 35:1-6a, 10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11
- Mon - St. Lucy –** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a / Mt 21:23-27
- Tue - St. John of the Cross –**  
Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Mt 21:23-27
- Wed - Weekday –** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25 / Lk 7:18b-23
- Thu - Weekday –** Is 54:1-10 / Lk 7:24-30
- Fri - Weekday –** Gn 49:2, 8-10 / Mt 1:1-17
- Sat - Weekday –** Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25
- Sun – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
Is 7:10-14 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24



### PRAYER REQUESTS

- Harold Morrow** - Parishioner
- Mary King** – Parishioner
- Ray Roland** – Parishioner
- John/ Maude Kenworth** - Parishioners

**John Carlisle** – father of Susan Arnish  
**Evelyn Bergman** – grandmother of Rochelle Gillespie  
**Quin Hostetler** - Parishioner  
 (Note: Names will remain on the active prayer list for three weeks unless a request is made to extend it.)

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

December 24  
**4:00 pm** w/Children’s Choir  
**10:00 pm** w/Adult Choir  
 December 25 **9:00 am**  
 (No 5:30 pm Vigil Mass of Sunday on Christmas Dec. 25.)**SUNDAY:**



**Feast of the Holy Family**  
 December 26 8:00 am & 10:30 am

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**  
**SUBWAY**  
 Rt. 29, Rochester  
**498-9475**

### **FREE FLU SHOT**

There are a few FREE FLU SHOT vouchers on the bulletin board from **Walgreens**. If you or someone you know can use one of these vouchers please take one.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** There are many requests for particular dates around Christmas. Masses for December 18-31, 2011 (excluding Christmas Masses) will be multi-intentional for names given to honor family/relatives/friends who have died or whose birthdays, anniversaries are on those days--No stipend will be accepted for those dates. The 2010 intentions are kept as were accepted.

**REMEMBERING OUR SERVICE MEN/WOMEN at Christmas**



**A Recovering American Soldier  
% Walter Reed Army Medical Ctr.  
6900 Georgia Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20307**

**Also addresses of the following parishioners have been given to the parish office as requested:**

MAJ Richard Helling  
225 BSB, 25th ID  
FOB Warhorse  
APO AE 09336

MAJ G. F. Deimel II  
PO 10537  
Fort Irwin, CA 92310



Having received a \$20.00 loan from the parish as part of the Microfinance project this year, members of Theresa Gegen's and Aspen William's 2<sup>nd</sup> grade PSR class are busy making felt wreaths that they will sell at a mini-Christmas bazaar next Sunday, December 19th before and after PSR classes. The purpose of this

project is to help the children understand how people around the world who are unable to obtain bank loans can pool their own money and form Savings & Internal Lending Communities or SILCs. These SILCs then loan the money to individual members who intend to purchase the capitol (some chickens, a cart, some seeds, etc.) in order to become more economically sufficient. In addition to these wreaths, the students from Chef Dan's Theology Kitchen class will sell slices of their home-baked cheesecake. After each class repays its loan to the parish, any proceeds will be given to the Catholic Relief Services to support their global microfinance loan program.



**Rochester Community Blood Drive  
Tuesday, December 28  
Rochester United Methodist Church  
3:00 to 6:00 p.m.**

**AGING RELIGIOUS NEED YOUR HELP**

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests offered their lives in service to others – educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious supports basic necessities such as nursing care and prescription drugs. Please give generously to today's collection.

**Pre-Jordan Class.**



Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way. Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on December 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. If you plan to

attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-9524 or [twalker@rochesterstjude.com](mailto:twalker@rochesterstjude.com).



**December 23**

**All High School Youth,  
7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders  
welcome also**

**Caroling  
& Pizza**

We will gather at 5:30pm at the Parish Center and then go Christmas caroling at Wyndcrest & other Rochester Neighborhoods, then conclude at J.C. Penny. Afterwards we will for pizza!



Next week, there are two special opportunities to help focus on making Christmas brighter for others. All St. Jude parishioners are welcome to stop over at the Salvation Army's Red Kettle to ring the bell and/or sing Christmas carols to help encourage the holiday shoppers at JC Penny to be generous with their giving to the poor. We'll be there on December 21<sup>st</sup> AND 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. so drop in, sing a little, ring a little and have some of Ol' Fezziwig Frachey's hot cocoa or wassail.

Listen to **Catholic radio** on **AM 1410 WIHM** to hear special Advent and Christmas programs, your favorite Christmas music during the Christmas season, along with Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, and must more. For a program schedule and a free CD, please call toll-free 1-877-305-1234





**Handel's Messiah**, Dec. 12, 4 pm, St. Agnes Catholic Church, features 55 voice choir, instruments & organ. Performance is free, freewill donations accepted.

**“CHRISTMAS IN YOUR EYES”**

The Mixed Chorus, Encore and Premiere Choirs of Sacred Heart-Griffin High School will present their annual Christmas Show, “Christmas in Your Eyes” on Sunday, December 12 at 5:00 p.m. in the Dominican Hall Auditorium, 1200 West Washington. The public is invited to attend, and tickets do not need to be purchased. A free-will offering will be accepted at the door.

# NATIVITY SCENE POTS

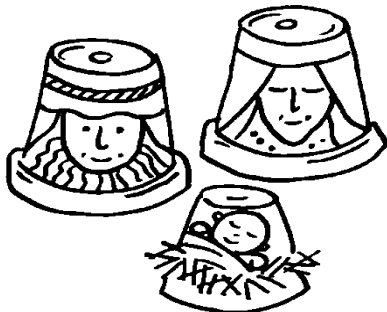
Celebrate the joy of Christmas — and remember Jesus’ birth — by making this craft to decorate your home or to give as a gift.

**What you need:**

- 3 terra cotta pots (any size)
- Acrylic paints (including one for skin color)
- Paintbrush
- Craft glue (or a glue gun, with an adult to help)
- Brown yarn
- Material swatches
- Straw-colored raffia

**What you do:**

1. Decide which pot will be Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus. Turn each pot upside-down and paint a face on each one.
2. Decorate the pots by painting hair and clothes or by using yarn and material as hair and head coverings.
3. For baby Jesus, glue raffia along the bottom to look like straw in a manger.



## Food Collection

**FOR ST. MARTIN DePORRES**

Each Sunday you are invited to bring non-perishable food items to mass and place them in the

baskets as you enter the Church. All food is taken to St. Martin dePorres Center in Springfield to help their great mission to feed the poor and hungry.

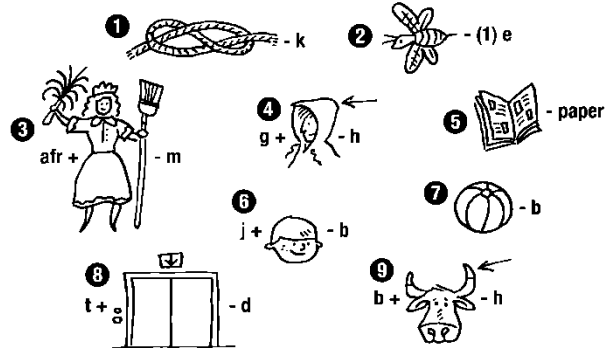
*Please join us for the 2011 March for Life to Washington, DC on January 21- 25, 2011. Join hundreds of thousands of other Pro-Life advocates in our nation’s capitol to show your support for the sanctity of human life. Can’t go on the March for Life to Washington? Join us for a Pro-Life Rally on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at noon at St. Elizabeth in Granite City. Complete information at [www.dio.org/youthministry](http://www.dio.org/youthministry), or contact Kyle Holtgrave at 217-698-8500 ext. 154.*



## The angel's message

On the first Christmas Eve, shepherds were watching over their flocks when an angel suddenly appeared.

Use the picture clues below to find out what the angels said to the terrified shepherds.



“Do \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I bring you \_\_\_\_\_ 4

\_\_\_\_\_ 5 of great \_\_\_\_\_ 6 that will be for \_\_\_\_\_ 7 the people.

Today in the \_\_\_\_\_ 8 of David a Savior has been \_\_\_\_\_ 9

to you; he is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:10-11, NIV

“Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.” Luke 2:10-11, NIV

Answers: 1. knot-k=not; 2. bee-(1)e=be; 3. aft+maid=m=afraid; 4. g+hood=h=good; 5. newspaper-paper=news; 6. f+boy=b=joy; 7. ball-b=all; 8. r | down-d=town; 9. b | horn-h=born