



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14—THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. Louis Balaban
11:30 a.m. Edward J. Kelliher, Jr.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15—WEEKDAY

6:30 a.m. Mary E. Newman
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16—WEEKDAY

6:30 a.m. William Joseph McCoy, Sr.
8:30 a.m. NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17—WEEKDAY

8:30 a.m. Hazel Cosgrove

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18—WEEKDAY

6:30 a.m. Daniel Alleman
8:30 a.m. Eugene Zangari

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19—WEEKDAY

6:30 a.m. Carmela Kufner
8:30 a.m. Anna Tomalis

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20—WEEKDAY

5:30 p.m. Robert Malinoski

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. Cmdr. Katherine Rowan
11:30 a.m. Ann Placey



FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY this week are in loving memory of George J. Hernjak, donated by his wife, Mary Jane Hernjak.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY: January 4, 11; February 22; May 2 (1st Communion), 3; June 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2, 16, 30, 2009. (Offering \$50).

FLOWERS AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE this week are in loving memory of Elizabeth Brazen, donated by her husband, John Brazen.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE: February 22; May 24; June 7; July 5, 19, 26; August 9, 16, 23, 2009. (Offering \$30).

FLOWERS IN THE CHAPEL this week are in loving memory of Francis Donavan, donated by his daughter & son-in-law.

FLOWERS AT SAINT JOSEPH'S SHRINE this week are in loving memory of William Joseph McCoy, Sr., donated by his daughter, Pat.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CHAPEL FLOWERS: January 4, 11, 25; February 1, 15, 22; May 3, 10, 17, 31; June 14, 21, 28, 2009. (Offering \$30).



CANDLES AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE are lit this week in loving memory of Catherine Houck.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CANDLES AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE: March 29; April 5, 19; July 5, 26; August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; September 13, 20, 2009. (Offering \$20).

CANDLES AT THE ST. JOSEPH SHRINE are lit this week in loving memory of Joseph F. Furber, donated by his Family.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CANDLES AT THE ST. JOSEPH SHRINE: January 11; February 8, 22; April 5, 19; May 31; June 14, 21; July 5, 26; August 2, 16, 23; October 4, 11, 18, 2009. (Offering \$20).

ADVENT *In Our Parish*

TODAY

ANGEL TREE GIFTS RETURNED & SORTED

9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room
9:30 a.m. Pre-School CCD—Parish Hall
10:30 p.m. Coffee & Donuts—**Elizabeth Ministry—Parish Hall**
5:00 p.m. Organ Prelude followed by Evening Prayer
5:00 p.m. Family Prayer Group join in Vespers
6:30 p.m. Horace Busch Book Signing—Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Patrick's—Carlisle

MONDAY

6:30-7:45 p.m. Religious Education Classes—Education Center
7:00-9:00 p.m. RCIA—All Purpose Room
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Joe's Parish--Mechanicsburg

TUESDAY

9:00-10:30 a.m. QUEST Study Group—All Purpose Room
11:40 a.m.-12:05 p.m.—Jr. Choir—Grades 3 & 4—School Music Room
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Katharine Drexel Parish

WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group—All Purpose Room
7:00 p.m. Good Shepherd Parish Penance Service--Church

THURSDAY

6:50 a.m. Men's Prayer Group—All Purpose Room
6:00-7:30 p.m. Cub Scouts #197 Den Meeting—Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal—Choir Loft
7:30-9:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop #58—All Purpose Room

FRIDAY

8:30 a.m. Mass at School

SATURDAY

4:00-5:00 p.m. Confessions—Chapel
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass—Church
6:30 p.m. Horace Busch Book Signing—Parish Hall
6:30 p.m. Children's Nativity—Church

NEXT SUNDAY, December 21, 2008

9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room
9:30 a.m. Pre-School CCD—Parish Hall
10:30 a.m. Farewell Reception for Lucille Smith—Parish Hall
10:30 p.m. Coffee & Donuts—**Knights of Columbus—Parish Hall**
11:30 a.m. Horace Busch Book Signing—Parish Hall
5:00 p.m. Organ Prelude followed by Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Theresa—**New Cumberland**

TODAY'S READINGS

(December 14 2008)

Is 61:1-2a,10-11
Lk 1:46-50,53-54
Thes 5:16-24
Jn 1:6-8,19-28



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

(December 21, 2008)

Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16
Ps 89:2-5,27,29
Rom 16:25-27
Lk 1:26-38

IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the repose of the soul of *MARY E. WAECHTER*; a parishioner; *EDWARD KELLIHER, SR.*, a parishioner and husband of Veronica Kelliher and father of Michael Kelliher. *May the Lord comfort all those who have suffered the loss of a loved on.*

ADVENT VESPERS will be held this evening, **December 14** (the Third Sunday of Advent), at 5:00 p.m., in the Church. Prelude featuring parishioner, Horace Busch, Tenor. Evening Prayer will follow at 5:30 p.m.

**Stewardship A Way of Life
"Tithing – God's Plan for Giving"**

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| Tithing Income | Dec 7, 2008 | \$ 33,931.00 |
| | Dec 9, 2007 | \$19,570.08 |

From the Pastor: "Many thanks to those who have responded to the tithing appeal. Your generosity is deeply appreciated."

From a Parishioner: "As a new couple in the parish we found the tithing packet most informative. We are thankful for all the blessings from God and feel honored to be giving Him something in return."

Good Deed for the Week:

From a 3rd grader: "I vacuumed the house for my mother."

Thank you for your generous and responsible support!

REMEMBER GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH IN YOUR WILL

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL LENTEN APPEAL REPORT AS
OF DECEMBER 1, 2008**

PLEDGE PAID?

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| Total Amount Pledged | \$176,147.00 |
| Amount Received to Date | \$153,578.14 |
| Balance Due | \$ 22,568.86 |

Your monthly payments to the Diocese of Harrisburg Lenten Appeal Office is greatly appreciated!

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS
COLLECTION**

will be taken this weekend 14. Ninety—five percent of donations to the National Religious Retirement Office aid elderly religious. About 58% of women and men religious are past age 70; 7% are past age 90. More than 4,900 need skilled nursing care. Even at advanced ages, many work in compensated or volunteer ministry that benefits others. Most elderly religious receive, on average, a Social Security benefit of just \$4,402 per year. Community living provides some economies of scale, but health care and living costs in most religious communities far exceed income. Please be generous in your support of this week's appeal for the Retirement Fund for Religious!

New Horizon for Mrs. Lucille Smith Mrs. Smith has served on the parish staff over the past eight years as Director of Religious Education and as Youth Minister. Recently she accepted a new employment opportunity with a Philadelphia-based leadership development company entitled Catholic Leadership Initiatives. She will begin her new job in January.

For over 30 years she has provided exemplary service to the Catholic Church in the Diocese of Harrisburg in many capacities: as Diocesan Youth Director, a high school Religion teacher at York Catholic High School, and as parish DRE and youth minister here at Good Shepherd Parish. From local, national and international venues, she takes with her a wealth of experience.

For the ministry and service she provided here at Good Shepherd Parish, we offer our sincerest thanks and wish her well in her new venture. A Farewell Reception will be held next Sunday, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass, in the Parish Hall for those who would like to stop by to wish her well.

Ms. Theresa Evans will continue to serve as the Coordinator of the Religious Education program and Mrs. Doreen Rovito will continue as the Religious Education Secretary.

WEST SHORE PARISH PENANCE SERVICES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS, and plan to attend one of the following **Parish Penance Services**. Let it be the Christmas gift you give to yourself, a gift that enables you to renew your spiritual life and start over again, thanks to Jesus' generous love and saving grace.

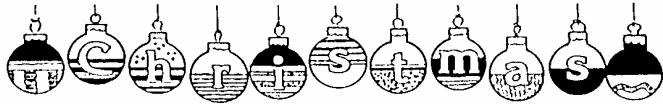
All services start at 7:00 p.m.

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| Sun., Dec. 14 | St. Patrick, Carlisle |
| Mon., Dec. 15 | St. Joseph, Mechanicsburg |
| Tues., Dec. 16 | St. Katharine Drexel, Mech. |
| Wed., Dec. 17 | Good Shepherd, Camp Hill |
| Thurs., Dec. 18 | St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Mech. |
| Sun., Dec. 21 | St. Theresa, New Cumberland |

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS On **Sunday, December 14, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass**, we are rounding up all the presents returned from the Angel Tree Project and sorting them. If you need service hours, this IS service at its finest! Please call the Religious Education Office at 737-8216, if you can help.

Also, Service Hour opportunity available for High School Students on **December 24, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.**, to help decorate the Church for the Christmas Masses. If you are interested, please contact the Religious Education Office at 737-8216.





ANGEL TREE All Angel Tree gifts are due back **today**. Some of the gifts must be delivered on Monday! If you happened to forget to bring your gift with you to Mass, you have one more opportunity. Please bring your gift to the parish hall TODAY between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m., this afternoon. The youth group will be preparing all the gifts for each family. **Thank You** so much for your kindness this year to the needy!

Also, remember that little slip you signed with your name when you selected your Angel Tree ornament? Well, it will be part of the Offertory gifts at each Mass this weekend and placed near the altar as a symbol of your personal sacrifice to the needy. Your generosity is helping 205 needy people in our parish and the surrounding area over the holidays.

GOOD SHEPHERD JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP # 643 recently had the opportunity to march in the Harrisburg Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 22. They won 2nd place in the non-profit category for their costumes and their spirit. The theme of the parade this year was "America's Holiday Season: Rich in Tradition and Spirit." In accordance with the parade theme, the girls chose the traditional Christmas tree for their costumes with each "tree" decorated to represent a different region of the United States. The girls in the troop are 4th graders at Good Shepherd School: Lindsay Cramer, Natasha Gareis, Kate Lindholm, Molly McCormack, Brittaney Richards and Megan Sajer. Thank you to Mrs. Helen Kantes for making and decorating the costumes for the girls.

CUB SCOUT PACK #197 Fresh Flower Sale on December 20/21, after all Masses in the Parish Hall. Please stop by and support our cub scouts.

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN????
PLEASE NOTE: THE WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 27/28 IS DUE TO DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS BY DECEMBER 19 AND THE JANUARY 3/4 BULLETIN IS DUE DECEMBER 23. IF YOU HAVE AN ARTICLE FOR THE BULLETIN, PLEASE REMEMBER THESE DATES.
Thank you for your cooperation!

ADVENT VESPERS next weekend, **December 21** (the Fourth Sunday of Advent), at 5:00 p.m., in the Church. Prelude featuring specially formed "a cappella" vocal septet. Evening Prayer will follow at 5:30 p.m.

SPECIAL BEREAVEMENT PRAYER DURING VESPERS On the Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 21, during Vespers, there will be a special Bereavement Prayer offered for those deceased members of Good Shepherd and their loved one, who so sorely miss them at this time of year. Please join us for this heartfelt remembrance.

GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL NEWS Kindergarten and their seventh-grade "Big Buddies" will attend the December 18, annual School "Breakfast in Bethlehem." The Good Shepherd School Community participated in the Angel Tree Project, with each class sponsoring a needy family in the parish and community.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE – 2008

CONFESSIONS

Sat., December 13.....4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Wed., December 17..... 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
(Parish Penance Service – 12 confessors)
Sat., December 20..... 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Wed., December 24 (vigil)..... 5:00 & 7:30 p.m.
Thurs., December 25.....9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sat., December 27 (Vigil)..... 5:30 p.m.
Sun., December 28.....7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Wed. December 31 (Vigil)..... 5:30 p.m.
Thurs., January 1, 2009..... 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Sat., January 4..... 5:30 p.m.
Sun., January 5.....7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

LITURGICAL CALENDARS FOR 2009 are available in the lobbies after all Masses this weekend. We are grateful to Myers-Harner Funeral Home for supplying our calendars again this year!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

BAPTISM 

**WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING WHO RECENTLY
RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Katie Noelle Harger

daughter of Kevin Harger & Katharine Ann (High)

Ava Jayne Miller

daughter of Timothy & Jennifer (Ziegelmeier) Miller

Austin Marcus Chevarria

son of Steven & Karin (Ruda) Chevarria

Eva Christine Ackerman

daughter of Robert & Susan (Durning) Ackerman

Courtesy Announcements

Emmanuel Christmas Concert Bishop Kevin Rhoades invites you to join him at the 4th Annual "Emmanuel" Diocesan Christmas concert tonight, **December 14, at 7:00 p.m.**, at Trinity High School Auditorium in Camp Hill. The night will feature the music of Martin Doman, diocesan music leader and nationally recognized Catholic singer-songwriter. The

music will be an electric mix of traditional hymns, jazzy classics, contemporary pieces and even a crowd sing-along! So come join Bishop Rhoades for this special night celebrating the coming of Christ, the light of the world! Tickets will be available at the door for \$10. (snow date is **Sunday, December 21, 2008**). Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Free – Mother & Daughter Tea on **Sunday afternoon, February 15, 2009**, at the Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick Hall. There will be a trunk show of First Holy Communion dresses available for "**try on**" and accessories. More information to follow. [Save the Date.](#)

Mass With Prayers for Healing on **Tuesday, January 6, at 7:30 p.m.**, at St. Theresa Church, 1300 Bridge St., New Cumberland. Reverend Bernard McGinley will be the celebrant. All are welcome. For more information, please call John at 737-2927 or Mary Ann at 564-7709.

We would like to thank

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this week for sponsoring an AD in our weekly bulletin.