

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21—4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

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



**MONDAY, DECEMBER 22—WEEKDAY**

6:30 a.m. Reverend Francis M. Coady  
8:30 a.m. Filomena Napoli

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23—WEEKDAY**

6:30 a.m. George Kohlhaus  
8:30 a.m. Catherine Houck

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24—VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS EVE**

8:30 a.m. Pro-Life Mass  
5:00 p.m. Helena & Raymond Smith  
7:30 p.m. Joseph & Rita Furber

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25—NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

9:00 a.m. Florence Kutny  
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26—STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR**

6:30 a.m. Stephanie Franchak  
11:00 a.m. Drusiana Sartorello

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27—JOHN, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**

5:30 p.m. 50<sup>th</sup> Wed. Anniv. of George & Imelda Lawrence

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28—HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish  
9:30 a.m. In Honor of the 40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Michael & William J. Riordan  
11:30 a.m. Rosemary Shartle



**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** this week are in loving memory of Duane P. Kent, donated by his daughter, Nancy.

**DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY:** January 18; February 22; May 2 (1<sup>st</sup> 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 Donald Frutiger, donated by Susan Stough.

**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 the Fox & Grimme Families, donated by Chris & Jerry Grimme Family.

**DATES AVAILABLE FOR CHAPEL FLOWERS:** January 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 lighted this week in loving memory of the deceased members of the Tomasetti & Bischof Families, donated by Margie Bischof & Family.

**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 lighted this week in loving memory of deceased members of the McConnell & Danneker Families.

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



**TODAY**

Fresh Flower Sale After All Masses—Parish Hall  
9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room  
9:30 a.m. Pre-School CCD—Parish Hall  
10:30 p.m. Coffee & Donuts—Knights of Columbus—Parish Hall  
5:00 p.m. Vocal Prelude followed by Evening Prayer  
7:00 p.m. Penance Service—St. Theresa—New Cumberland

**MONDAY**

2:00 p.m. Mass at Manor Care—Camp Hill

**TUESDAY**

9:00-10:30 a.m. QUEST Study Group—All Purpose Room  
7:00 p.m. Compassionate Friends—All Purpose Room

**WEDNESDAY**

9:00 a.m. Women's Prayer Group—All Purpose Room  
12:00 Noon PARISH OFFICE CLOSSES

5:00 & 7:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Vigil Masses

**THURSDAY—MERRY CHRISTMAS**

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Christmas Masses

**FRIDAY**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

**SATURDAY**

4:00-5:00 p.m. Confessions—Chapel  
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass—Church



**NEXT SUNDAY, December 28, 2008**

9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room  
9:30 a.m. Pre-School CCD—Parish Hall  
10:30 p.m. NO Coffee & Donuts this week

**TODAY'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



**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

(December 28, 2008)

Sir 3:2-7,12-14  
Ps 128:1-5  
Col 3:12-21  
Lk 2:22-40

**HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

**CHRISTMAS MASSES AT GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

Christmas Eve, Wed., Dec. 24 (Vigil): 5:00 & 7:30 p.m.  
Christmas Day, Thurs., Dec. 25: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

**Feast of The Holy Family**

Weekend Masses on December 27-28 will be celebrated at the usual times.

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  
(Holy Day of Obligation)**

New Year's Eve, Wed., December 31: 5:30 p.m.  
New Year's Day, January 1: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

**Feast of The Epiphany**

Saturday, January 4: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday, January 5: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

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| <b>Tithing Income</b> | <b>Dec 14, 2008</b> | <b>\$ 20,199.58</b> |
|                       | 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:** "Count me in for 5%. Wish I could do more! Good Luck! All of Good Shepherd's congregation needs to help."

#### Good Deed for the Week:

**From an 8th grader:** "I helped my friend when she was crying."

*Thank you for your generous and responsible support!*

REMEMBER GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH IN YOUR WILL



**PARISH OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT NOON ON** Wednesday, December 24 and **reopen** on Monday December 29. ***Merry Christmas to all from the Parish Staff!***

### *Christmas Blessings*

**We warmly welcome** all who have come to celebrate this glorious season in Good Shepherd Parish.

**We welcome** the stranger, the traveler and the guest!

**We welcome** parishioners who moved away, but join us during this season with family and friends.

**We welcome** all who have not been active of late in the practice of their Catholic Faith. We trust you will find new hope and inspiration this Christmas to come back again and again.

**We welcome** our faithful parishioners, loyal and true; may the Lord bless you for all you do!

**Welcome to all!** May our gathering this day gladden our hearts and deepen our faith. After all, we are God's people bound together by His gifts of faith, hope and love.

**ADVENT VESPERS** this 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** This evening, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, during Vespers, there will be a special Bereavement Prayer offered for those deceased members of Good Shepherd and their loved ones, who so sorely miss them at this time of year. Please join us for this heartfelt remembrance.

**PENANCE SERVICES** *Prepare Yourself spiritually for the celebration of OUR LORD'S BIRTHDAY!* The Sacrament of Penance (confession) will be celebrated **at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, December 21**, at St. Theresa Parish in New Cumberland. This is the last parish penance service available to West Shore Catholics. If you haven't done so yet, take this opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance in preparation for Christmas.

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** 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.

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS** will meet on **Tuesday, December 23**, from **7:00–9:00 p.m.**, in the All Purpose Room. The facilitators are Chris & Larry Teal. For information, call 731-0379. Compassionate Friends is a non-profit organization for people whose children have died at all ages and from many different causes.

#### Remember the Sick of the Parish

Madeline Angello, Elizabeth Berry, Bea Berube, Tim Brennan, Mary & Frank Buchle, Ethel Cohen, Maria Corigliano, Adelaide Cortese, Maria Jose Costa, Ellen Dadigan, Mary Ann Davis, Ann DiCarlo, Rose DiTingo, Joseph DiRocco, Mary Dunlevy, Teresa Eason, Mary Finestra, Frances Fogarty, Catherine Frame, Gay Lynn Gallagher, Gordon C. Gladden, Frank Grant, Marie Hansarick, Mary Hennigan, William Hoffman, Georgette Holubowicz, Kathleen Hull, Virginia Karowec, William Knapik, Elizabeth Kovach, James & Patricia Leighton, Betsy Leister, Herbie Linderer, Mary Ludes, Irene Maciejewski, Rose Mazella, Gheri McAllister, Colin McHale, Dolores Meehan, Ann Miller, Donna Miller, Thomas Mood, Mary Morrison, Mary Mowery, Leonard Murdock, Ray Napoli, Michael Nowakowski, Elvira Panza, Bertha Polkowski, Celka Prescott, Virginia Rollins, Howard Rovito, Margaret Savidge, John Sebastian, Martha Sgrignoli, Albert Snizik, Ethel Thomas, Mary Thomas, Kirsten Tormey Trimmer, Catherine Varnhorn, Dominic Weikert, Pauline Willard, Margaret Wright.

**(If any of these people are well again and can be removed from our prayer list, please call the parish office at 761-1167. Thank you!)**

**Collection for the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Latin America and Africa**

On the weekend of **January 10/11, 2009**, the Diocese will take up its annual collection to assist the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Latin America and Africa. Your generosity will enable those serving in these countries to continue the work of evangelization, providing for the formation of priests, deacons and religious and supporting catechetical and lay leadership training programs. It will also assist needy families materially and spiritually. Your generous support of our Catholic brothers and sisters in these areas of the world allows the Gospel to flourish in places of need.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! THE 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER**, hosted by the Knights of Columbus and the Council of Catholic Women, is scheduled for **Saturday, January 24, 2009**, at 6:45 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Tickets will be on sale beginning the weekend of January 3 & 4, 2009. Check out next week's bulletin for more details.



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**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH - INTERESTED IN THE MARCH FOR LIFE on Jan. 22, 2009, in Washington, D.C?**

A bus will leave from Trinity High School at 5:00 a.m. and return at approx. 6:00 p.m. Seats are available to any teenager who is a parishioner and currently in grades 9 thru 12. We will attend the Youth Mass for Life at the MCI Center before attending the March. For more information and registration, please contact Noelle at the Parish Office (761-1167). Cost is \$25. Seats are limited so sign up soon and allow your participation to speak for life! Permission forms can be found on the parish web-site at [www.goodshepherd-parish.com](http://www.goodshepherd-parish.com). **Deadline is Thursday, January 15.**

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH - SNOW TUBING**

On **Sunday, January 25**, we will be joined by Seven Sorrows & St. Joseph's Youth Groups for dinner and snow tubing! We will be starting at our Parish Hall for a pizza dinner at 5:30 p.m. and then driving to Ski Roundtop for snow tubing from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The cost is \$20 per person and both a Good Shepherd permission form and a release form from Roundtop are required. The permission form can be found on the parish website at [www.goodshepherd-parish.com](http://www.goodshepherd-parish.com) and the release form can be found at [www.ski-roundtop.com](http://www.ski-roundtop.com) under 'groups' and then 'snow tubing'. It's guaranteed to be a fun time so don't delay. Contact Noelle at the parish office (761-1167) to reserve your spot, no later than Monday, January 19.

**GOOD HAPPENINGS AT GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL**

Top honors in the annual Science Fair were awarded to: Brooke Fisher, Grand Prize; Megan Berg,

First Place; John Gaspich, Second Place; Alexandra Mauger, Third Place. Winners in the various categories were: First Place- Brooke Fisher, Megan Berg, and John Gaspich; Second Place- Katharine Allison, Olivia Aloisi, Marissa Angino, Madison Christensen, Alexander Cominsky, Julia Dailey, Alexandra Mauger, and Kelsey Thropp; Third Place- Jane Atkinson, Robbie Giallo, Constantina Kalathas, Mitchell Kleist, Samantha Melnick, Madison Policare, Mariah Pool, Madison Pugh, Jordan Robinson, and Christopher Ramsey. Qualifying students advance to Capital Area Science and Engineering Fair held at The Whitaker Center in the upcoming months.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A "GOOD TIME AT GOOD SHEPHERD"!** Bring your special valentine to the **"Good Times Winter Dinner Dance" on Sat., Feb. 7, 2009** in the Good Shepherd Parish Hall after the 5:30 pm Mass. All are welcome to enjoy this casual & upbeat evening featuring a lively oldies band along with a generous themed dinner, wine & beer, for \$40 per person. There will be a "swell" auction too. Event proceeds benefit the school program. Send check payable to "The Good Shepherd Dinner Dance," 3400 Market Street, Camp Hill, 17011, **or** drop an envelope, clearly marked: **"Dinner Dance"**, in the collection basket or at the School or Parish Office. To hear information or leave a message, call 730-5479.



**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.

**Courtesy Announcements**

**Chaplet of Divine Mercy** On Sunday, December 21 and the third Sunday of every month beginning at 3:00 p.m.. the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited at St. Theresa Parish, New Cumberland. Prayed with rosary beads, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is an intercessory prayer. For further information, please call 774-4537.

**Volunteer Wanted: Shining Light Thrift Shop**, a ministry of Cathedral Parish of St. Patrick, Hbg. needs a volunteer on Fridays to work in the furniture store. Call Greg at 234-2436.

**Diocesan Institute Courses** If you are an adult interested in continuing your religious education and formation, go to the Diocese of Harrisburg web page, [www.hbgdiocese.org](http://www.hbgdiocese.org) and click on the Diocesan Institute button on the left-hand side of the page. Once the Diocesan Institute page is opened, click on the Diocesan Institute Courses, Winter/Spring 2009 Brochure link. You will find a variety of courses offered at the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg and elsewhere.

**Female High School and College Age Students:** Join us for our semi-annual *Cor ad Cor* Overnight Retreat at St. Cyril Education and Spiritual Center in Danville. This retreat begins at **2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 28** and ends after lunch at **2:00 p.m. on Monday, December 29**. Enjoy meeting many sisters by spending 24 hours in a convent!

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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We have been offering this retreat since 2002. For more information, email Sister Debbie, SS.C.M. at [debbiesscm@hotmail.com](mailto:debbiesscm@hotmail.com), call her at 570-275-1093 or go to [www.sscm.org](http://www.sscm.org) under the vocations tab.

**Italian Language Mass: Epiphany Sunday, January 4, 2009, 3:00 p.m.** at Holy Family Church, 555 South 25<sup>th</sup> St, Hbg. Free pizza, cake, coffee, and soda in the Social Hall after Mass. Your family and friends are invited. Sponsored by the Italian-American Apostolate and the Capitol City Lodge.

**Retreat for Couples Experiencing Difficulty** Is Your Marriage Tearing You Apart? Rediscover the Joy in Your Marriage. RETROUVAILLE (Ret-tro-vy) is a French word meaning rediscovery. Retrouvaille is a program, which helps to restore communication and trust in a marriage. If you feel helpless or trapped by frequent conflicts, please know that hundreds of couples have been helped. Call us and give yourselves another chance. The next program will be held **January 23-25, 2009** at the Precious Blood Spiritual Center in Columbia, PA. Let us reserve a place for you. For information call Tom or Patty (717) 938-8229 or 1-800-470-2230.

**St Elizabeth Ann Seton's Feast Day Opens Bicentennial Year for the Daughters of Charity** by celebrating St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's feast day, on **Sunday, January 4, 2009**. The Bicentennial Year opens with a Mass at **2:30 p.m.**

in the Basilica of the National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, 333 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, Maryland. The main celebrant will be Very Reverend Ronald D. Witherup, SSP, the newly elected Superior General – Society of St. Sulpice. Light refreshments will follow the liturgy in the museum area. Please join us on this momentous occasion. Everyone is welcome!

**Facts About St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Bicentennial Year:** Year-long events include retreats and pilgrimages for youth and adults, special Masses held throughout the year, and a live reenactment the weekend of July 31, August 1 and 2. The News section of the web site, [www.setonlegacy.org](http://www.setonlegacy.org), lists the year-long events.

**Do you want to strengthen your marriage?** Visit [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) A project of the Catholic Communication Campaign.

**Visit Marriage RX** for helpful prescriptions on the common topics of: finances, in-laws and sexuality. [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) Supported by the Catholic Communication Campaign.

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| <p>We would like to thank<br/><b>Rachel's Vineyard Retreat</b><br/>this week for sponsoring an AD in our weekly bulletin.</p> |
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