

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27—FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

- 7:30 a.m. Ted Kovalchick
- 9:30 a.m. Elizabeth Brazen
- 11:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Fox & Grimme Families

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28—HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

- 6:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving
- 8:30 a.m. Eleanor Kissel

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29—FIFTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF

- 6:30 a.m. Mary E. Newman **CHRISTMAS**
- 8:30 a.m. Nelson & Melvin Minnick

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30—6TH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF

- 8:30 a.m. Special Intention of John Berube **CHRISTMAS**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31—7TH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF

- 6:30 a.m. Dino & Mary Buchignani **CHRISTMAS**
- 8:30 a.m. E.J. "Gus" Duchscher
- 5:30 p.m. Betty McCauley

FIRST FRIDAY, JANUARY 1—BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE

- 9:00 a.m. Scott Palmer **MOTHER OF GOD**
- 11:00 a.m. John & Helen Slavinsky

FIRST SATURDAY, JANUARY 2—BASIL THE GREAT, BISHOP

- 5:30 p.m. Special Intention of Ann Hand & DOCTOR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3—EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

- 7:30 a.m. Donald McFadden
- 9:30 a.m. John M. Slavinsky
- 11:30 a.m. People of the Parish

DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY: January 10, 17, 31; February 7; April 18; May 2, 16, 23, 2010. (Offering \$50).



DATES AVAILABLE FOR FLOWERS AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE: January 10, 31; February 7, 14; April 18; May 16, 23, 30; June 6, 13; July 4, 11, 25, 2010. (Offering \$30).

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CHAPEL FLOWERS: January 10, 17, 24, 31; February 7; April 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9; June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 4, 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 2010. (Offering \$30).

CANDLES AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE are lighted this week in loving memory of my Sister & Brother-in-law, Tina & George Norrell, donated by Jean Chonuskie.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CANDLES AT THE BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE: March 7, 14; April 18; May 2, 16, 23, 2010. (Offering \$20).



CANDLES AT THE ST. JOSEPH SHRINE are lighted this week in loving memory of my husband, Joe, donated by Jean Chonuskie

DATES AVAILABLE FOR CANDLES AT THE ST. JOSEPH SHRINE: February 14, 28; March 14; April 11, 18; May 2, 16, 23; June 6, 13; July 4, 11, 18, 25, 2010. (Offering \$20).



In Our Parish

SUNDAY

- 9:30 a.m. NO Pre-School Religious Education
- 9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room
- 10:30 a.m. NO Coffee & Donuts

MONDAY

- Parish Office Closed
- 6:30 p.m. NO Religious Education Classes
- 7:00-9:00 p.m. NO RCIA Classes

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

- 9:00 a.m. Marian Prayer Group—All Purpose Room

THURSDAY

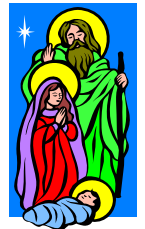
- PARISH OFFICE CLOSING AT NOON
- 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass—New Year's Eve

FIRST FRIDAY—New Year's Day

- 9:00 a.m. Mass
- 11:00 a.m. Mass

FIRST SATURDAY

- 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass—Church



SUNDAY, January 3, 2010

- 9:30 a.m. NO Pre-School Religious Education
- 9:30 a.m. Nursery—All Purpose Room
- 12:30 p.m. Baptisms—Church
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group—All Purpose Room & P. Hall

TODAY'S READINGS (December 27, 2009)

Sir 3:2-7, 12-14
Ps 128:1-5
Col 3:12-21
Lk 2:41-52



NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS (January 3, 2010)

Is 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the repose of the soul of **JUNE HUNTER,** sister of Richard Schaffner.

May the Lord comfort all those who have suffered the loss of a loved one.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND... First Friday, January 1, 2010, would be the day that Communion would be taken to the homebound; however, due to the Holidays, this has changed. Father Helwig and Deacon Gorman will bring Holy Communion to our homebound on Friday, January 8.

PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO THE BULLETINS GOING TO PRESS EARLY... THERE WILL BE NO FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20 & 27 UNTIL A LATER DATE.

*Thank you for your generous and responsible support!
Please Remember Good Shepherd in Your Will*

From the Pastor's Desk

Many thanks to all those who made the Church so beautiful for the Christmas Season.

To Augie Pfeifer, Amanda Zechman, Ed Kaminsky, and the youth of the parish for decorating the church so beautifully, to Tony Ciucci, the Junior and Adult Choirs, our Cantors and to all who participated in our liturgies in any way and to those who helped clean the Church in anticipation of the Christmas holy days. May our memory of this Christmas encourage us throughout the new year.

A special **Thank You** for all the Christmas greetings and gifts, which were sent to Father Waltersheid, Deacon Gorman, and me over the holidays. Your kindness is really appreciated. Our prayers for you are that the new year will be filled with many blessings, good health and peace. God bless you all!

Also, a special word of thanks to all who contributed to the Flower Collection, which enabled us to decorate the Church so nicely again this year, but, most especially, to all who contribute so generously throughout the year in the regular collections; your *tithing* contributions, not only help us pay the bills, but more importantly are an expression of faith in God and the mission of the Church.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

In a Parish Family throughout the year many gifts are given and received by many people, which is a true expression of sharing time, talent and treasures for the benefit of the parish and local community.



Once again this year, the Manna Bag Food Collection at Thanksgiving and the Christmas Angel Tree Project were resounding expressions of charity for others and gratitude to God for blessings received. The Lord is good and His people should reflect that love in their words and actions. These and other projects throughout the year give us opportunities to do so.

A special word of thanks goes to Jerry Grimme for coordinating these projects. His capable skills are evident in the gathering and distribution of items to needy families. This year over 40 families have been assisted with food and Christmas needs. Many people helped and many items were collected — To all, many thanks!

Many of the blessings that are shared throughout the year are done anonymously or through long hours of meetings and hard work. Many people help one another quietly without any recognition; others take on leadership roles in parish organizations, some serve on parish committees and boards. To all, Special Thanks.

The Lord has blessed us with many gifts. Let us celebrate them now and share them in the new year. Let us help one another on the journey of life.

**A HOLY AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL
from your Priests, Deacon
and Parish Staff!**



GOOD SHEPHERD "LENDING" LIBRARY IS COMING!!! Are you looking for some good spiritual reading? The "LIBRARY" is coming soon to Good Shepherd Church. Watch the upcoming bulletins for more information.

SAVE THE DATE! April 24, 2010.....Back by popular demand, we are going Back to the 50's again this year with Tom Slick and the Converted Thunderbolt Grease Slappers! Dig out those poodle skirts, cardigans, and penny loafers! Tickets for the "**Good Shepherd Dinner Dance**" to support the school education program, will go on sale beginning in January – Stay tuned for more to come! For questions, additional information, and/or interest to donate items for our Silent and Live Auctions, please contact Marla DeFrank at 975-9796.



HERSHEY BEARS - DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG NIGHT Due to the overwhelming success of last year's attendance by the Catholic Schools, youth groups and the members of the Diocese, Hershey has given us our very own night. Come celebrate the Bears and Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Harrisburg on **Saturday, January 23, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.** in Hershey. Saint Joseph School of York will be singing the National Anthem promptly at 7:00 p.m. The Hershey Bears will play against the Manitoba Moose. Tickets are \$11 each for all ages. Order Forms are available in the Chapel narthex. All orders should be returned to the Parish Office by **January 4, 2010**, enclosed with your check made payable to Good Shepherd Church. **Tickets will be distributed to the Parish Office the week of January 18, 2010.**



Remember the Sick of the Parish

Madeline Angello, Bea Berube, Tim Brennan, Marilia Coleman, Ruth Conroy, Maria Corigliano, Adelaide Cortese, Maria Jose Costa, Ellen Dadigan, Mary Ann Davis, Ann DiCarlo, Rose DiTingo, Joseph DiRocco, Annabelle Donovan, Mary Dunlevy, Mary Finestra, Frances Fogarty, Catherine Frame, Jack & Gay Lynn Gallagher, Gordon C. Gladden, Frank Grant, Marie Hansarick, Mary Hennigan, William Hoffman, Georgette Holubowicz, Kathleen Hull, Virginia Karowec, Elizabeth Kovach, Peg & Bill LaVia, James & Patricia Leighton, Herbie Linderer, Angella Long, Mary Ludes, Daniel Philip Lyons & Daniel Patrick Lyons, Irene Maciejewski, Rose Mazella, Gheri McAllister, Dolores Meehan, Ann Miller, Donna Miller, Mary Morrison, Leonard Murdock, Michael Nowakowski, Elvira Panza, Bertha Polkowski, Celka Prescott, Virginia Rollins, John Sebastian, Martha Sgrignoli, Ethel Thomas, Mary Thomas, Kirsten Tormey Trimmer, Dominic Weikert, Margaret Wright, Zachary Zimmerman.

(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!)

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sat., December 26 (Vigil)..... 5:30 p.m.
Sun., December 27..... 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

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

Thurs., December 31 (Vigil)..... 5:30 p.m.
Fri., January 1, 2010.....9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Sat., January 2.....5:30 p.m.
Sun., January 3.....7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

We would like to thank

DQ DAIRY QUEEN DQ

this week for sponsoring an AD in our weekly bulletin.

"TEEN DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST"

Youth Group Meeting Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to attend our Youth Group Meetings on the ***first and third Sundays*** of the month from 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the All Purpose Room. There will be food, games, fun and spiritual renewal. **Contact Amanda Zechman at azechman@gsschpa.org or 737-8216.**

Shepherd Island Survivor Night Teens in grades 7-12 are invited to join Good Shepherd Youth Group for a "Survivor" themed night. The topic of discussion and fun will be "The Gifts of the Holy Spirit." Be prepared to survive the Shepherd Island Challenges. Think of the one thing you would need to survive on Shepherd Island and bring it. (If it shoots or is sharp, draw a picture of it!) **RSVP: Amanda Zechman at azechman@gmail.com or call 737-8216.**

Retreat for Youth will take place at the Franciscan University of Steubenville in Ohio, from July 15-18, 2010. Join youth from Seven Sorrows and from around the country for a weekend filled with great music, talks/skits, and opportunities for you to grow in your personal relationship with Christ. **Cost \$300-\$350**, includes admission, transportation, housing, food and two T-shirts. Students in grades 8-12 are invited to attend. **Contact Amanda Zechman at 737-8216 or azechman@gsschpa.org by January 5, if interested.**



After Christmas Clean Up On **January 10 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.**, help take the Christmas decorations down and clean up the church. **Contact Amanda at 737-8216 or azechman@gsschpa.org** to sign up for service hours.

Service Opportunities Pre-K Program—Lillian Sperry and Gillian Turner need your help with the Pre-K Religious Education Program. You will be working directly with the kids, assisting them with activities and helping Lillian and Gillian set up and clean up. The program takes place during the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Please schedule volunteer dates with **Amanda at 737-8216 or azechman@gsschpa.org.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS— **No** Pre-School Religious Education Classes on Sunday, December 27 and January 3. **No** Religious Education Classes on Monday, December 21 & 28.

7th Grade Enrollment Sunday will take place on Sunday, January 10, during the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

The Religious Education/Youth Ministry Office will be closed on December 24 at noon through December 27 and also at noon on December 31 through January 3.

End of Year Statement for 2009 Contributions

All Good Shepherd parishioners who made contributions in 2009 will receive an end-of-the-year tax letter in the mail starting the week of January 18, 2010.

There is no need to contact the Parish Office for an end-of-the-year tax letter. The letter will automatically be mailed to you.

As a reminder, the Diocese of Harrisburg will provide tax statements for 2009 Lenten Appeal contributions.

GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL NEWS Good Shepherd School will have an open house on **Sunday, January 31, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.** to celebrate Catholic Schools Week. We offer two full-day kindergarten classes. Our classes will be limited to 20 students per class.

Kindergarten registration will take place on **January 31**, as well as anytime thereafter. In order to register, you will need to bring your child's:

- Birth Certificate
- Baptismal Certificate, if your child was not baptized at Good Shepherd
- Immunization Records
- Social Security Number
- \$150 Non-refundable Registration Fee

We have had an excellent response to our Kindergarten program here at Good Shepherd. For this reason, we must remind you of our Admission Policy:

- Current students of Good Shepherd parish families
- New students of Good Shepherd parish families
- Students of families from other parishes
- Students from non-Catholic families

We look forward to meeting you! If you have any questions concerning the kindergarten program, please call the school office **Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Courtesy Announcements

Catholic Charities Adoption Services and Spence-Chapin Services will be presenting a free informational meeting on international adoption. The informational meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 14, 2010, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Participants will learn about adopting from Russia, Ethiopia, Colombia, Korea, China, Bulgaria, Congo, the Philippines and other countries. A representative from Spence-Chapin, based in New York, will be present to talk about international adoption and to answer any questions about their programs. This meeting will be held at Catholic Charities, 806-C South 29th Street in Harrisburg. Catholic Charities is open to families of all faiths. Space is limited. To register for the meeting, please call **Gwen at (717) 564-7115**.

RETROUVAILLE 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 22-24, 2010** at the Homewood Suites in Mechanicsburg, PA. Let us reserve a place for you. For information call Tom or Patty **(717) 938-8229 or 1-800-470-2230**.

Catholic Girl Scouting January 15, 2010, is the deadline for applications for awards presented by the Catholic Committee on Girl Scouts. The Committee presents awards to adults who have shown a significant level of effort toward the promotion of Catholic Girl Scouting in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Applications, including letters of endorsement, must be received by the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, P.O. Box 3557, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3557, by January 15. For additional information, see the Diocesan web site at www.hbgdiocese.org or contact Sandy Mohall at the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries **(717) 657-4804 ext. 327**.

Symposium for Christian Leaders Messiah College will be sponsoring a special symposium for Christian leaders entitled, "The Next Generation: Understanding its faith practices and impact upon faith communities," on Thursday, January 28, 2010. Keynote speakers include David Kinnaman, President of the Barna Group; and Melinda Denton, Project Manager for the National Study of Youth and Religion. In addition, a panel of area church leaders representing a variety of experiences and perspectives will share insights. Dr. Lucia Murphy, Director of the Office of Evangelization and Special Ministries, will serve as one of the panelists. For more information, please visit www.messiah.edu/symposium/ or call **Randy Ness at 796-4789**.

Dauphin County Prison recently provided additional hours for Catholic services for inmates on Saturdays. Volunteers are needed to say the Rosary or provide other religious support for prisoners on Saturday afternoon or evening, and for other services at various times during the week. Anyone interested should contact **Jim Doyle (566-7244) or Carol Fagan (232-1003)** to initiate the clearance process required for this ministry. This is an excellent opportunity to reach out to people truly seeking Christ.

On The Web "Catholic Perspective," A local program of News, Information and Inspiration to help you know and to grow in your Faith is available at www.hbgdiocese.org. Log on and tune into stories of faith and issues of importance for all people of faith. "Catholic Perspective" is broadcast Sunday mornings on: WLAN-AM 1390, Lancaster at 7:30 a.m., WHYL-AM 960, Carlisle at 8:00 a.m., WHVR-AM 1280, Hanover at 8:00 a.m., WKOK-AM 1070, Sunbury at 6:30 a.m., WIEZ-AM 670, Lewistown at 8:00 a.m., WWSM-AM 1510, Lebanon at 7:00 a.m., and WWEC-FM 88.3, Elizabethtown at 8:30 a.m. On the web at www.hbgdiocese.org and www.OldiesRadio1620.com at 6:30 a.m. "Catholic Perspective" is brought to you in part by The Catholic Communication Collection and your parish.

