

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, December 26 ♦

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Patty Groom (Sr. Sally Groom, O.P.)

Sir 3:2-7, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday, December 27 ♦ No Mass

Tuesday, December 28 ♦ The Holy Innocents

11:30 a.m. Charlers Bellomy (Diana & Brian Davis)

1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday, December 29 ♦

Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

11:30 a.m. Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran

1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35

Thursday, December 30 ♦

Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas

11:30 a.m. Bonnie J. Henry

(Mr. & Mrs. Richard Murphy)

1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40

Friday, December 31 ♦

Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

11:30 a.m. Msgr. James M. Berendt (His Family)

1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

Saturday, January 1 ♦

Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

11:30 a.m. Increase of Vocations to Priesthood and

Religious Life

(Jack Balogh & Veronica Wolfe)

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Sunday, January 2 ♦ Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Elsie Haninger (Warren & Carolyn Roberts)

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Mary Bonner, Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Dorothy Gaus, Bobby Hackett, Lauren Jones, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Mary Montell, Rita Neff, Marilyn Scott, Joe Shirey, Fr. Jerry Stluka, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

Support to St. Lawrence Haven – January 9th

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, January 9, 2011, following the 9:00 a.m Mass at the Cum Christo Center.

THANKS!

December 19, 2010 Offerings

Designated Collections

(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)

Religious Retire. – \$210.00

Mass Attendance

9:00 a.m. = 97

11:00 a.m. = 101

Offertory\$1,775.85

Votives54.75

Immaculate Conc.5.00

Repair10.00

Less 5% tax (92.28)

Net to Parish:\$1,753.32

Thank You and Blessings On All

Rectory Open House

A heartfelt thank-you to all who helped make our Christmas celebration so beautiful and memorable: Claire Miller, Bill Hueckel and all who assisted them in cleaning and decorating the church, all greeters, ushers, readers, extraordinary ministers, musicians, choir members, servers, and all who came to celebrate Christmas here at Holy Cross.

In addition, all of us thank you sincerely for your many and varied expressions of holiday greetings and remembrances. **Please come to the Rectory and join us in celebrating each other at our Open House after both Masses on January 2nd.**

Finally, as this New Year of grace begins, we pray that you and your families will grow in faith, hope, and love each day. May God, who has begun this good work in you, bring it to fulfillment. Prayerfully, Your Pastoral Staff

**LOVED ONES REMEMBERED BY
POINSETTIAS DONATIONS**

(as of December 19, 2010)

Mr. & Mrs Joe Adamusko

John Balogh

Mike Bauman

Charles Bellomy

Freda Bellomy

Blalock Family

John J. Burdyn

Joseph A. Burdyn

Burdyn & Stefan Families

Brother Michael W. Carlyle, B.G.S.

Antoinette Cervi

Julia Cosgrove

Living & Deceased of Cullinan Family

Deceased Members & Friends of 1960 Holy Cross Class

Albina Cykowski

Daugherty-Grady Families

Joseph H. Davis

George Dickerson

Rodney Dillon

Edwards Family

Clyde Elliott

Jeff Elliott

Bill, Teresa & Bill, Jr. Endres

Rosemary Fee

Jack Finn

Gary Fox

Tracy L. Frank

Jack Fuerst

Members of Greene Family

Paul Griffith

Betty Grosh

Elsie Haninger

Margaret Haninger

Haninger Family

Emil & Johanna Heider

Bonnie J. Henry

Deceased Members & Friends of 1960's Holy Cross Choir

Leota C. Igel and Igel Family

Chad Elliott James

Terry James

Jeffrey Jones

Deceased Members of Kelly & Bartley Families

Rita Kerns

Kiersh Family

Kral Family

THE WORD

Today's Gospel story reveals that God's Son was born into a dangerous world. From the beginning, those in power saw the child as threat. Herod was a ruthless king. Because Joseph listened to his dream, the child was saved from Herod's murderous rage. The parents of Jesus played a crucial role in God's plan from the beginning.

The Christmas season is traditionally a time for families getting together and enjoying other's company. But this doesn't always happen because divisions occur even within families. Today's feast invites us to reflect on what holds a family together and what loosens and even destroys the family bond. How does the mystery of the incarnation, of Christ being born in us in our own day, enter into the dynamics of family life? The first two readings provide a focus on the family.

While Sirach focuses on the honor and respect that children owe their parents, Colossians also urges fathers – and mothers – not to discourage their children. And the relationship between husbands and wives is to be marked by mutual love and respect. The call for wives to be “subordinate” is an unfortunate choice of words, given today's reality of spousal abuse.

At the heart of the mystery of the incarnation is that all our relationships should bring the presence of Christ to the world. We do this when we put on the virtues of compassion, humility, gentleness, patience forgiveness, and above all, love. When these are found in family life, the Christ once again is born in our family.

– from “Living the Word”

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) **Sunday, December 26, 2010 – Feast of the Holy Family – Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**
- 2) **Sunday, January 2, 2011 – The Epiphany of the Lord – Open House following each Mass.**

New Year's Blessing

God of the ages and God of now, give us what we need to undertake new things – new trials and new triumphs, new blessings and new burdens, but also a new year that might bring more of the same. God of the new covenant and a new commandment, help us take new directions in our lives without losing our appreciation for the old. Help us not to seek new for newness' sake – new friends, new clothes, new jobs – but as the next right step in fulfilling your timeless plan for us. God who forever creates and renews, let us honor Your example by giving people second chances, reclaiming our right to hope, and looking for You in unexpected places. Let us never forget what You did through Jesus, the new promise of Your ancient love.

LOVED ONES REMEMBERED BY POINSETTIAS DONATIONS (CONTINUED)

Lewandowski Family
 Gary Stephen Lyle
 The Maki & Plank Families
 James Manley
 Patricia Manley
 James and Patricia Manley
 Deceased of Merdert, Scanlan, and Cataline Families
 Theresa Messmer
 Edith Miller
 Elizabeth Moore
 Mildred & Dan Morris
 Cris, Luke & Ryan Morbitzer
 Don & Sybilla Murnane
 Naumauski Family
 Fred & Josephine Newton
 William O'Reilly
 Pfister Family
 Mrs. Dolores Probasco
 Michael G. Reid
 Deceased of Roberts & Mushrush Families
 Rosary High 1953
 Mrs. Jorgelina Maria Saracho
 Carol Scholl
 Kathleen Scholl
 Frank Scholl
 Mary Scholl
 Raymond Scholl
 Robert Scholl
 Sedlak Family
 Anna Sheline
 Francis & William Sheline
 Michael Sheline
 Sheridan & Collins Families
 Edna Shirey
 Sisler Family
 Susie Stover
 Paul Stover
 Paul Stover, Jr.
 Szymkowiak Family
 Urban & Pelleschi Families
 Michael P. Walsh
 John H. Welch
 Tom & Rose Wolfe

✠ December 26, 2010 ✠

Holy Family Sunday

❖ Hymns are not announced ❖

The first reading begins on page 54.

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Kelly Doman, organist

Gathering Hymn *Once in Royal David's City*
 (#485)

Responsorial Psalm *Blest Are Those Who Love You.*
 (#435)

Gospel Acclamation *(Missalette p. 56, #32)*

Offertory Hymn *God Rest You Merry Gentlemen* (#482)

Eucharistic Acclamations *Redemption (Missalette,*
p. 113, 117, 122)

Communion Hymn *Come, Sing a Home and Family*
 (#962)

Closing Hymn *Angels We Have Heard on High* (#481)