

**PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!**

**Sunday, November 28 ♦ First Sunday of Advent**

9:00 a.m. Tracy Frank (Mary Lane & Kathryn Mills)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

**Monday, November 29 \* No Mass**

**Tuesday, November 30 ♦ St. Andrew**

11:30 a.m. Emil & Johanna Heider (Sr. Ruth Ann Heider)

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

**Wednesday, December 1 ♦ Advent Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Increase of Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life ( Jack Balogh & Veronica Wolfe)

Is 25:6-10; Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday, December 2 ♦ Advent Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran

Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday, December 3 ♦ St. Francis Xavier**

11:30 a.m. Rosemary Fee (Anna Reinhardt)

Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

12:00 p.m. Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother

7:30 p.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil  
(Intention of Presider)

**Saturday, December 4 ♦ Advent Weekday**

7:30 a.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil Closes with Benediction

11:30 a.m. Bonnie J. Henry (Mr. & Mrs. Louis Burke)

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5, 6-8

**Sunday, December 5 ♦ Second Sunday of Advent**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Elsie Haninger (Dr. Glenn Haninger)

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

**+ Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Mary Bonner, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, 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, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

**Support to St. Lawrence Haven – December 12th**

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, December 12, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cum Christo Center.



**Advent Prayer**

*Spirit of God, you stir our hearts in the Advent season to awaken us from the spiritual doldrums. You urge us to be alert to the coming of the Lord, whether now or at the end of time. You invite us to embrace our longing for the fullness of a life without end. Enlighten our hearts with your holy wisdom so that we might seek and find you, especially in the needs of the poor. Give us the courage and perseverance to look for the Holy One, who offers us more than the world can ever give.*

AMEN.

**Meeting –**

**Extra Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist!!**

**Sunday, December 5 – 10:00 a.m.:** for those just beginning as well as for all our current ministers. This meeting is in the Rectory. **If you have any questions, contact Sister Anne at 224-3416.**

**Thanksgiving Sharing**

Once more, the Wollenberg family thanks us for assisting their outreach to some very needy families. We supplied 7 baskets of food with \$25.00 in gift certificates for each. In addition, we were able to help some of our own parishioners and several of our “needy friends.” **Thank you so much for your generosity.**

**Advent Booklets**

**Booklets for Advent reflection and prayer are available at the door – one per household.**

**Christmas Flower Donations**

Donations toward the altar flowers for the Christmas season in the memory of deceased family members or friends can be put in upcoming Sunday collections with the person’s name you wish to remember. A donation of \$10.00 is suggested. Please utilize the special envelopes available for this purpose.

**Christmas Music Preparation**

“Christmas Eve Mass can get crowded – we have a special reserved seat just for you!! The choir loft has a seat available for you and you only need to sing praises to God to claim it! Join with us at noon (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass) **TODAY** and on December 5, December 12 and December 19 in the balcony. We will spend about an hour each week learning some beautiful music for the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Other benefits include: singing increases joy, singing is a musical prayer, singing loudly can help to alleviate your holiday stresses and singing can deepen your connection to the newborn King. No prior experience necessary.”

**THANKS!**

**November 21, 2010 Offerings**

**Designated Collections**

(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)

Human Dev. = \$576.39

**Mass Attendance**

9:00 a.m. = 105

11:00 a.m. = 94

Offertory .....\$1,692.30

Votives .....103.65

Eucharistic Vigil .....0.00

Repair .....48.00

Less 5% tax ..... (92.20)

**Net to Parish: .....\$1,751.75**

## THE WORD

The musical *West Side Story* was revived in New York City recently. The first song is "Something's Coming." Tony, a young man, senses something wonderful approaching but he does not know what. That very night he will meet Maria and fall in love. On the cusp of this new world opening up before him, he sings about his heightened sense of anticipation that something miraculous is about to happen, and it's just out of his reach.

It is that kind of excitement that today's readings are meant to evoke in us. There is something wonderful coming in our future – something no eye has seen or ear heard, something that God has ready for those who love God. But have we stopped looking forward to "something coming?" Have we given up on the hope that something new is coming, that a miracle is due, and at any moment, possible?

Jesus calls to us across the centuries in Matthew's Gospel, at a moment when he is about to enter Jerusalem to die. He calls on us to live in hope that at any moment God's rule can be experienced, that the peace that only God can give will touch our lives and suddenly settle on our hearts and minds.

How can we prepare for this sudden coming of God's presence? Try to live consciously aware of what we proclaim every week in the liturgy. Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again.

– from "Living the Word"

✠ November 28, 2010 ✠

First Sunday of Advent

❖ Hymns are not announced ❖

The first reading begins on page 25.

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

**Gathering Hymn** *The King Shall Come*  
(#468, v. 1,2,3)

**Responsorial Psalm** *Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.* (Missalette p. 26, #11)

**Gospel Acclamation** (Missalette p. 26, #12)

**Offertory Hymn** *Come, O Long-Awaited Savior*  
(#455)

**Eucharistic Acclamations** (Missa Emmanuel)

**Communion Hymn** *Take and Eat This Bread*  
(# 632)

**Closing Hymn** *The King Shall Come*  
(#468, v. 4 & 5)

## Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Wednesday, December 8, 2010 – Immaculate Conception – Holy Day – Mass at 11:30 a.m.**
- 2) **Sunday, December 12, 2010 – Deanery Reconciliation Service at 4:00 p.m. at Holy Cross.**

### Immaculate Conception – Holy Day!

**The Immaculate Conception of Mary is a Holy Day with obligation to attend Mass. Holy Cross will have one Mass on Wednesday, December 8, at 11:30 a.m.**

### CCHD Results

Thank you for your generosity and support of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development which was collected on November 21st. \$576.39 was contributed.

### Repair Fund Collection – December 5th

A second collection will be taken for the repairs on the church and Rectory next Sunday. We thank you in advance for your continuous support of this program.

### Deanery Reconciliation Service

You are encouraged to participate in our Deanery Reconciliation/Penance Service here at Holy Cross on Sunday, December 12th, at 4:00 p.m. There will be extra priests from our Deanery Churches to hear confessions. This is a good opportunity for us to pray together as a Deanery community.



### FOOD DRIVE

Golden Give Food Drive Community Drop-Off Day – =On Saturday, December 4, St. Francis de Sales High School will be collecting nonperishable food items from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the South Entrance of the school. All food will go to St. Stephen's Community House and the Mid-Ohio Food Bank. Because this is St. Francis de Sales High School's 50th Anniversary, the goal is to donate 50,000 cans/boxed goods to these deserving organizations. We are asking friends, families and the alumni of de Sales High School to support this drive.

### SOMETHING TO GIVE THANKS FOR: YOUR MARRIAGE

You can be even more thankful for a strong relationship after a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend will show you how! The next two weekends are in the new year on February 18-20 and April 29-May 1. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003 or visit our web site at [www.wwmecolumbus.org](http://www.wwmecolumbus.org).