

**PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!**

**Sunday, June 24 ♦ Nativity of St. John The Baptist**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Andrew A. Roberts

(Carolyn & Warren Roberts)

Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Monday, June 25 ♦ No Mass**

**Tuesday, June 26 ♦ Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Charles Reichert (Mary Hanrahan Diewald)

2 Kgs 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-35, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday, June 27 ♦ Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Ann Creely (Family)

2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday, June 28 ♦ St. Irenaeus**

11:30 p.m. Nancy L. Machin (James Wilfinger)

2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

**Friday, June 29 ♦ Sts. Peter and Paul**

11:30 a.m. Lydia Greene

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

**Saturday, June 30 ♦ Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Anna May & Paul White

(Mary Anne White)

Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday, July 1 ♦ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Special Intention for Katherine Haninger

(Glenn Haninger)

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35-43

**+ Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Mary Cordesco, Marianne Garrison, Sandra Hilbert, Joseph Huntzinger, Jestina Jones, Lauren Jones, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Mary Montell, Charles Mooney, Bob Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Graham Sowers, Helen Violet, and Elizabeth Wanamaker.

**Support to St. Lawrence Haven – Today!**

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. This is our day to support St. Lawrence Haven, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass, at the Cum Christo Center.



**Join Us for Potluck!**

**Parish Potluck**

Our Parish Potluck is Thursday, June 28th, at 5:30 p.m. Sign-up sheets for volunteers and food suggestions are at the side door of the church today.

**Kudos!**

Prayerful best wishes to Tristan McLean and Megan Servick, who will be married in our Parish Church Saturday, July 21.

**Bishop’s Annual Appeal Update**

BAA Campaign for 2012 is doing well. The committee has received 66 pledges for \$30,986.00, which is 192% of our 2012 goal, and received payments over our 2012 goal of \$16,154.00. **Since we have reached our goal, every \$ pledged and paid comes back directly to the parish to pay off our “new” organ installation. We hope every family and guest will make a pledge – no gift is too small.**

**Peter’s Pence Collection – Today!**

This Sunday, our Diocese will take up the Peter’s Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the assistance he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, disease, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, with Pope Benedict, we can cast the love of Christ upon the world.

**Good News !!**

Holy Cross Parish has been blessed to receive \$17,704.42 from our endowment stewarded by The Catholic Foundation. By God’s grace, we honor the many donors, whose charitable love for our faith and others is fulfilling the mission of our ministry through The Catholic Foundation. For more information on ways to share your gifts with us, please visit [www.catholic-foundation.org](http://www.catholic-foundation.org).

**WELCOME**

If you are not yet registered in our parish, please drop this form in the collection basket:

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Yes, I would like to register in Holy Cross Parish.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**THANKS!**

**JUNE 17, 2012 OFFERINGS**

**Designated Collections**

(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)

**Mass Attendance**

9:00 a.m. = 90

11:00 a.m. = 110

Offertory.....\$2,115.50

Votives.....39.12

Repair Fund.....40.00

Less 5% tax .....(109.73)

**Net to Parish: .....\$2,084.89**

## THE WORD

Luke’s infancy narrative would make a wonderful opera. One song leads to another, beginning with Elizabeth’s joyful greeting to Mary, then Mary’s Magnificat, followed by Zechariah’s song at John’s birth, climaxing with the angels’ hymn at Christ’s birth, and gently closing with old Simeon’s canticle in the temple.

Today, we focus on the event that motivated Zechariah’s great song of praise: the birth of John the Baptist. To appreciate this story, we must remember the events leading up to what we hear in the Gospel. The archangel Gabriel had appeared to the priest Zechariah as he was offering incense in the temple, telling him that he and his long-barren wife, Elizabeth, would finally have their prayers answered with a son who would do great things for God. Quite taken aback, Zechariah asked how he could know this to be true. Wrong question! For doubting, he was made mute.

Just as Elizabeth gave birth to a son, Zechariah gave birth to a song, one of the most beautiful in Scripture, recognizing “the Lord, the God of Israel who has visited and brought redemption to his people,” and hailing his infant child as one who would be called “the prophet of the Most High, going before the Lord to prepare his way” (see Luke 1:68-79). John, of course, would go into the desert to sing his own song: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.” And, in the fullness of time, Jesus, God’s love song to the world, came, and the singing still goes on.

from “Living the Word”

† June 24, 2012 †

### The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Opening Hymn	<b>554</b>	We Know That Christ is Raised
Gloria	<b>Worship Aid</b>	Mass of St. Benedict
Readings	<b>Missalette, p. 25</b>	
Responsorial Psalm	<b>Missalette, p. 26</b>	I praise you, I praise you for I am wonderfully made.
Gospel Acclamation	<b>Worship Aid</b>	Mass of St. Benedict
Preparation of Gifts	<b>823</b>	Eternal Father, Strong to Save
Eucharistic Acclamations	<b>Worship Aid</b>	Mass of St. Benedict
Communion Hymn	<b>625</b>	Jesus Christ, Bread of Life
Closing Hymn	<b>946</b>	Now Thank We All Our God

## Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Thursday, June 28, 2012 – Evening Prayer and Parish Potluck Picnic – 5:30 p.m. on the grounds between the church and Cum Christo Center.**
- 2) **Wednesday, August 15, 2012 – Feast Day of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 11:30 a.m.**
- 3) **Sunday, September 23, 2012 – Organ Dedication – 10:00 a.m. Mass only celebrated by Bishop Campbell followed by reception.**

## Share the Gift of Literacy

Columbus Literacy Council provides free language instruction to adults in reading and English as a Second Language. To learn more about volunteer opportunities, call 221-5013.

## DON'T SETTLE FOR A “GOOD” MARRIAGE – HAVE A GREAT MARRIAGE!

Make the leap from “good” to “great” at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next Central Ohio Marriage Encounter weekends are July 20-22, and September 21-23. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003, or visit our web site at [www.wmecolumbus.org](http://www.wmecolumbus.org).

June 27 –

## Forum on Religious Freedom

A Public Forum on Religious Liberty will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, at Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. This forum is part of the diocesan observance of the Fortnight for Freedom. Speakers include the Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, Bishop of Columbus; Sr. Pauline Ross, O. Carm., Administrator of Mother Angeline McCrory Manor; and Dr. Bill Murphy, Professor of Moral Theology at the Josephinum. The forum is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614-241-2540 or go online at <http://www.socialconcerns.colstdioc.org>.

## Morning Prayer – June 30th

The Diocesan Liturgy Office wants to encourage you to participate in the diocesanwide celebration of Morning Prayer on Saturday, June 30, at 9:30 a.m., in St. Joseph Cathedral.

**BIRTHRIGHT OF COLUMBUS**, a pregnancy support service, needs women volunteers for their two offices at 35 E. Gay Street and 4768 N. High Street. There is a short training period for a once-a-week commitment. Call E. Gay at 221-0844 or High Street at 263-2514 for more information.