

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, December 29 ♦ Holy Family Sunday
 9:00 a.m. Michael Roberts (Glenn Haninger)
 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday, December 30 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, December 31 ♦ 7th Day within Octave of Nativity of the Lord
 11:30 a.m Bert Straub (Hank Coughlin)
 1 Jn 2:18-21; Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday, January 1 ♦ Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God
 10:00 a.m. Msgr. James M. Berendt (Family)
 Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Thursday, January 2 ♦ Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
 11:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Ann Creely (Family)
 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Friday, January 3 ♦ Christmas Weekday
 11:30 a.m. Darlene M. Manley (Dick & Debbie Peltier)
 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Jn 1:29-34
 12:00 p.m. Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother
 7:30p.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
 (Intention of Presider)

Saturday, January 4 ♦ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 7:30 a.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
 Closes with Benediction
 11:30 a.m Darlene M. Manley (Nellie Denezza)
 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

Sunday, January 5 ♦ The Epiphany of the Lord
 9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
 11:00 a.m. Michael Roberts
 (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: Jodi Elgin, Sandra Hilbert, Elizabeth and Robert Hackett, Jestina Jones, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Marilyn Scott, Patty Stover, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

Support to St. Lawrence Haven – January 12
 Attention all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, January 12, 2014, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Sympathy and Prayers

Jeanne Sharp , parishioner, died last week. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

**Thank You and Blessings On All
 Rectory Open House – Today!**

A heartfelt thank you to all who helped make our Christmas celebration so beautiful and memorable: Claire Miller, Bill Hueckel, Kelly Doman 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 today.**

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 22, 2013)

- Joseph & Irene Adamusko
- Angelo-Noesner Family
- John Balogh
- Freda & Sonny Bellomy
- Blalock Family
- Brown Family
- Brother Michael W. Carlyle
- Mr. Domenic Conte
- Judy Creedon
- Crum Family
- Deceased Members & Friends of 1960's Holy Cross Choir
- Cullinan Family
- Albina Cykowski
- Joseph H. Davis
- Rodney Dillon
- Vicki & Art Duncan
- Edwards Family
- Stephen A. Elgin
- Clyde & Jeff Elliott
- Endres Family
- Clarence & Helen Evans
- Jack Finn
- Foy Family
- Tracy L. Frank
- Jack Fuerst
- Austin & Helen Grady
- Michael E. Grady
- Paul Griffith
- Helene, Thomas, Jim, Joe & Patty Groom
- Jerry Guisinger
- Msgr. Joseph Hakel
- Haninger Family
- Gladys Hawkins
- Emil & Johanna Heider
- Bonnie Henry
- Bonnie J. Henry
- Chris Igel Family
- Peggy Issnagle
- Chad James
- Terry James
- Mary & Vic Jerabeck

THANKS	
DECEMBER 22, 2013 OFFERINGS	
Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory\$2,288.00 Repair Fund.....\$ 30.00
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 62 11:00 a.m. = 89	Less 5% Diocese Tax ... (\$ 115.90) Net to Parish:.....\$ 2,302.10

THE WORD

As on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, here again we have Joseph receiving angelic instruction in a dream: first to flee Bethlehem for Egypt to escape King Herod’s murderous plans, and later to return from Egypt once King Herod has died. In addition to paralleling events in the life of Moses, this story confronts us with the precarious and dangerous situation into which Jesus was born. From the moment of Christ’s entry into our world, the powers that be seek to take his life. The shadow of the cross falls across the Christmas crib.

The danger in which the child Jesus finds himself drives home for us the way in which God, in the Incarnation, identifies with our human condition. Many families today live in precarious and dangerous situations, whether this as a result of political violence or economic deprivation. Many have to flee their homes, never knowing whether they will be able to return. Some are simply victims of circumstance; others are paying the price of one or more family members standing up for justice. Whatever the reason for their hardship, in Jesus Christ God becomes one with them.

Matthew’s story of the trials of the Holy Family reminds us that holiness does not ensure that one’s life will never contain uncertainty. Indeed, if we take the Holy Family as our model, then it seems that holiness – wholehearted dedication to God’s will for the world – is likely to make one’s life more uncertain, not less. Yet doing the will of God is of such surpassing worth that we should be willing to embrace such uncertainty for its sake.

from “Living the Word”

December 29, 2013		
Holy Family Sunday		
**** Spoken Mass Responses begin on page 1 ****		
Readings, collects & Antiphones	74	Living Liturgy Sunday Missal
Entrance Hymn	1027	The God Whom Earth and Sea and Sky
Gloria	Mass of St. Benedict	
Psalm	Missalette p 75	Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.
Gospel Acclamation	Celtic Alleluia	
Preparation of Gifts	1031	Sing of Mary
Eucharistic Acclamations	1142-1147	Mass of St. Benedict
Communion Hymn	770	Away in a Manger
Closing Hymn	762	God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Wednesday, January 1, 2014 – Solemnity of Mary, Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 10:00 a.m.**

LOVED ONES REMEMBERED BY POINSETTIAS DONATIONS (CONTINUED)

Deceased Members of Kelly & Bartley Family

- Ray & Charlotte Kiersh
- Jim Klausman
- Kral Family
- Kustron Family
- Randal Lane Family
- Lucas Family
- Mike & Jeff Lucas
- Gary Stephen Lyle
- Mary Maki
- James Manley
- Patty Manley
- Patricia Manley
- Darlene M. Manley
- James & Patricia Manley
- McGee Family
- William & Muriel McGreane
- Elizabeth Moore
- Mildred & Daniel Morris
- Dick, Cris, Luke & Ryan Morbitzer
- Don & Sybilla Murnane
- Gina Murraya
- Mushrush Family
- Fred & Josephine Newton
- Naumauski Family
- William O’Reilly
- Pfistor Family
- Charlie Plank
- Delores Probasco
- Michael G. Reid
- Andrew & Mary Roberts
- Michael Roberts
- Roberts Family
- Ethel & Ross Roush
- Mrs. Jorgelina Maria Saracho
- Harry & Theresa Scholl
- Frank Scholl
- Kate Scholl
- Rose & Bill Scholl
- Robert & Carol Scholl
- Sedlak Family
- Anna & Michael Sheline
- Francis & William Sheline
- Edna Shirey
- Herb R. Spiers
- Stluka Family
- Paul Stover, Jr.
- Paul Stover
- Susie Stover
- Symkoviak Family
- Annabelle, Frank, Buddy Thompson
- Wilma & Jack Weilbacher
- Widmar Family
- Rita White
- Peregrine White
- Wishau Family
- Rose & Tom Wolfe