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# St.Angela Merici Church

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2003



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#### October 5, 2003 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading for the Week

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16

Monday: Jon 1:1-2:1, 11; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4 Thursday: Mal 3:13-20a; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: J1 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28 Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk

10:17-30



Dear Parishioners.

Please note all the information about the Parish Fair in today's bulletin, and make plans to join us for the festivities. This is a valuable time for our parish community to come together to socialize with one another and to deepen friendships, to support the wholesome family atmosphere and activities that the Fair provides, and to provide much needed financial support for our school ministry and other parish ministries. See you at the Fair!

I will be out of town this week, participating in the annual meeting of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions in San Antonio, Texas. I will be leaving early on Tuesday morning and returning to the parish Saturday afternoon. We will have Mass on Monday morning at 6:15 a.m. and the Deacons will lead Communion Services at 6:15 a.m. Tuesday through Friday and on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. Please keep me in your prayers for safe travel and for a beneficial meeting.



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October 7, Tuesday — St. Angela's Ladies Auxillary will hold their regular meeting starting at 7:30p.m. in the gym. Jo Ann Burke, a representative from Save Our Lake Foundation will be the guest speaker. If you wish, bring a canned good or dry goods to the meeting for the food pantry. All the ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

Fr. Ken

October 9, Thursday – St. Angela Merici Senior Citizens will have a Sheriff's Deputy speak on Safety for Senior Citizens. 12:30 – 3:00p.m. in the gym.

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#### Sunday, October 5

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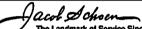
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Mabel R. Fontenelle

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12:15p.m. 5:30p.m.

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Monday, October 6

6:15a.m.

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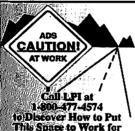


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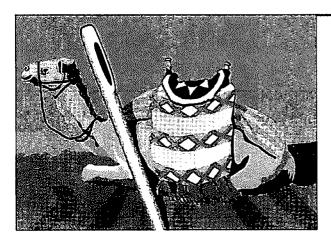
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#### October 12, 2003 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11

Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13;

Mk 10:17-30

Monday: Tuesday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32 Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Thursday:

Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46 Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Saturday:

Next Sunday:

Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

#### Dear Parishioners,

THANKS to all those who worked so many long and, at times, hard, hours to make our Parish Fair last weekend a success. On your behalf, I express to all of them and to all who donated items for the Fair our gratitude for helping us to have such a wonderful social and family time together. And, of course, THANKS to all who participated in the Fair – without you and your presence and support, all of our work would have been for naught.

As soon as the reports are completed, I will share with you the financial proceeds of the Fair.

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The fiscal year of the Archdiocese and its parishes and institutions begins on July 1 and ends on June 30 of each calendar year. In accord with Archdiocesan policy, we did file our parish's financial report with the Archdiocesan Finance Office in a timely manner. At our joint meeting of the Pastoral and Finance Councils on September 9, I shared this report, and a summary of the past four years of like reports, with the Council members for their review and discussion. At the second combined meeting of our two consultative Councils this week, we will discuss a bit more about parish finances and directions that we need to take. I look forward to the members of the Finance Council and parish Stewardship Committee working closely with me in the months ahead to prepare a solid financial stewardship plan for our parish.

This weekend, I would invite you to look on the tables where we keep the hymnals for Mass and to take a copy of the financial report home with you and to look it over. In the bulletin next week, I will begin to share with you my reflections on our parish's financial status. With the parish Pastoral Team and our Finance Council, we will seek to be faithful stewards of your contributions, and my pledge is to keep you well-informed of what we are doing with your contributions. Of course, the other side of that coin is that you will generously support your parish, its ministries and its facilities, so that we actually have money to steward! Please be open to what I will be discussing with you in regard to parish financial support and please take a little time to review the financial report that you can pick up in church this weekend.

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The Pastoral and Financial Councils this week should complete their work up-dating their work on Catholic Life 2003, which sets goals and priorities for our parish ministries and parish life for this coming year. This is a lot of work and I am very pleased that the Council members are giving their time to this important project, for it will be the guide that we follow this year in seeking to meet the needs of our parish community. When this up-dating is completed, I will be discussing with you – again, here in the bulletin – our plans for the coming months. Archbishop Hughes wants and expects us to do this kind of reflective and careful planning every year, and I have found this an extremely valuable tool in evaluating parish life, assessing parish needs, and developing realistic and practical ways to meet these needs. All of this helps us to reflect on the gospel message and to determine how best to respond to that message in and through the varied activities of parish life and all our ministries and organizations. That is why we are taking our time to do this work properly. I think you will be pleased with what you will be hearing in the weeks ahead about our parish plan for 2003-2004.

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Remember, our parish's Night in City Park, sponsored by our school, is next Saturday night. Details can be found in the "Mark Your Calendar" column in this bulletin. I hope to see you there!



Sunday, Oct. 12

Scout Mass, 9:30a.m.
CYO Meeting CANCELED

Monday, Oct. 13

RCIA, meets in Annex, 7:00p.m. CCD, meets in school Co-Op Volleyball, 7:00p.m., gym

Tuesday, Oct. 14

Pastoral Council/Finance Committee, 7:00p.m. Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 15

Prayer Group, 9:30 - 11:30, in Church

Thursday, Oct. 16

Knights of Columbus, 7:00p.m., gym

Friday, Oct. 17

CYO Volleyball, 4:00 - 11:00p.m.,gym

Saturday, Oct. 18

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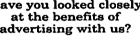
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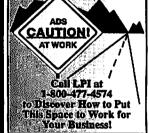
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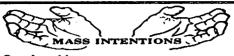
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October 19, 2003

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Lk 12:39-48 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Lk 12:49-53 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Lk 12:54-59 Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

#### Dear Parishioners.

I hoped that you remembered to pick up a copy of the financial report that was in church last weekend. It provided you a summary of parish income and expenditures over the past five fiscal years. If you did not take one home, they will be on the tables with the hymnals again this weekend. Allow me today and again next week in the bulletin to share with you some observations on the financial status of our parish.

#### First, the good news:

- In addition to your support of your parish in the first collection, you have been very generous over the years to second collections that benefit our own diocese and Church activities and ministries and needy outside our own diocese. Each year, you give approximately \$85,000.00 to special collections and appeals!
- We are up-to-date with payments to the Archdiocese on our weekly diocesan tax. This tax pays for our support the Archdiocesan offices that serve us, our insurance coverage and clergy benefits. This assessment is based, for all parishes, on the parish income.
- We are able to return to the school each year over \$20,000.00 from the building use fee students pay as subsidy to the school budget. The school's budget committee does an excellent job of budgeting for the school and overseeing the budget and the parish funds we provide to support this parish ministry are used wisely and well.
- We have made some progress retiring the parish debt. This debt is with the Archdiocese for funds we borrowed to complete the major repair and renovation work in church a few years ago. While there was a parish capital campaign to fund this work, that campaign fell well below actual costs. Because this work needed to be done, the Archdiocese loaned us the money we needed. We have, in the past two years, paid a total of \$151,500.00 toward debt retirement, some of which paid interest on the debt and some principal.

#### The not-so-good news of the financial report:

- While parish expenses, much due simply to inflation and rising costs, have increased almost 20% over the past five years, our ordinary income has remained almost static (i.e., our collection income in 1998 was \$576,600 and in 2002 it was \$596,000). Collections have not even kept pace with ordinary increases in the cost of living.
- While we have made a small stride in reducing our indebtedness to the Archdiocese, our loan balance as of June 30, 2003 was \$825,331.37. We are not paying enough on our debt monthly to retire this loan at an adequate pace.
- While our current weekly expenses total approximately \$13,000.00, our weekly income, including ordinary and special parish collections, totals only \$11,400.00. That means that, without special donations, fund-raisers and income taken from parish organizations, we would not even meet our *ordinary* weekly expenses.
- Because our income funds do not meet current expenses, we are not able to budget for the development of new parish ministries or activities or develop plans for on-going maintenance, repair and renovation of parish equipment and facilities.

In next week's bulletin, I will share come further observations with you and some directions for conversation I will be sharing with our parish Finance Council in the weeks and months ahead.

I thank all of you who are giving faithfully and generously to the support of our parish, our Archdiocese and our universal Church. When we all do our part, no matter how small or how large that might be, we will all be faithful stewards of the gifts God has entrusted to us for our own and each other's good.

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### FAIR NEWS

Congratulations are extended to some of the big winners.

\$1,000 Raffle winner was Greg Bussion

Top Sellers of Raffle Tickets were Scott Corrente and Zoie Boudreaux.

Father Ken's Dinner for 6 was won by Lorraine Ladieu.

### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION MEETING

A meeting for students in grade 8 who plan to receive the <u>Sacrament of Confirmation</u> this spring and their parents will be held on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>October 23</u> at <u>7:00p.m.</u> The meeting will be held in Church. If you have not done so already, please call the Religious Education Office at 837-9347 if you began your preparation last year and intend to complete your preparation this year.



Monday, Oct. 20

RCIA 7:00-8:30p.m., Annex

C.C.D. 6:00-7:30p.m., School Classrooms

Tuesday, Oct. 21

Senior Citizens Board Meeting

9:15a.m. - 11:15a.m., Conference Room Bible Study Group, men and ladies are invited to join any Tuesday, 9:15a.m. - 11:00a.m., Annex

Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m., Church

St. Angela Merici Ladies Auxiliary will meet in the Msgr. Kern Center starting at 7:30p.m

Wednesday, Oct. 22

The Prayer Group invites you to join them each Wednesday from 9:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. in the Annex, for praying and sharing.

Saturday, Oct. 25

Parish Pot Luck Dinner, after 4:00 Mass.

Altar Ladies Team No. 6 will clean the Church on Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

We remind expectant parents that, to prepare for the Baptism of a baby, the parents must make an appointment with the Deacon <u>prior to Baptism</u>. It is recommended that you call <u>well in advance of the delivery date</u> to be



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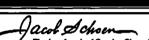




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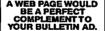
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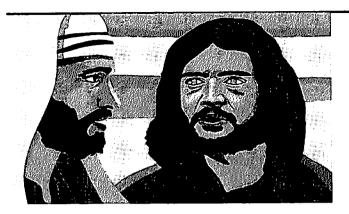
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Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. --Mk10:51-52

#### Dear Parishioners.

October 26, 2003 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings for the Week

Sunday:

Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Monday:

Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17 Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-19

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30

Wednesday: Thursday:

Rom 8:31b-39; Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Saturday: Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6 Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Next Sunday:

Dn 12:1-3; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

I want to share with you some final reflections on our parish finances and directions I think we need to take. As I said in last week's bulletin, I hope that you have taken a copy of the financial report and looked over it. It is important that you have a clear understanding of your parish's financial status and our stewardship of your contributions.

We estimate that our weekly ordinary expenses total about \$13,000.00. This includes our weekly tax to the Archdiocese, all staff salaries and benefits, utilities, ordinary maintenance and repair of facilities and equipment, office and rectory expenses and payments to retire the debt. Unfortunately, thus far this year, our collections have averaged about \$9,000.00. The most effective way for this to improve and for us to have the funds we need to function well is for each and every parish family to do two things: first, determine what you feel you can and ought to give to your parish for regular Church support and give that priority in your family budget. All too often the Church gets left-overs. Folks open their wallet or purse when it's time for the collection, and what is given to the Lord's work amounts to spare change. Second, use Church support envelopes. Those envelopes, placed where you keep your other bills and your checkbook, serve as a constant reminder to you that whatever you have discerned your offering ought to be will be given each time you come to Mass. By using the parish envelopes, you remind yourself that filling that envelope with your offering is indeed the priority support of the Lord's work ought to be.

In order to keep you apprised of our parish stewardship, we will begin publishing each week here in the bulletin the collection amount from the previous week.

Now that the Pastoral and Finance Councils have completed their joint work on Catholic Life 2003, having set goals and priorities for the coming year of parish life and ministry, the Finance Council will begin to have its own monthly meetings. The first order of business is to write a Constitution for our Finance Council and review membership on the Council. Then, the Council will assist me in renewing our parish Stewardship Committee. This committee, in turn, will help us to establish an on-going stewardship program here in our parish.

We will also, with the Finance Council, review parish fund-raising events. Obviously the parish fair is, and I think will remain, our major fund-raiser. But we ought to consider other possibilities, other events that might prove to be beneficial ways to raise additional funds, primarily for retiring our parish debt.

Finally, we do not have in place any plan for major capital improvements to our parish facilities, but we do need to begin thinking about that and determine how we can have funds on hand when unexpected repairs need to be made and to have a plan for improving facilities. Here's some examples of what I'm talking about: I told you a few weeks ago that we will be installing a termite baiting system for all our buildings. That unexpected project will cost over \$10,000.00. We certainly didn't budget for that! While we have a brand new air handling system in the church and school, the Msgr. Kern Center (now 20 years old) is still working with its original AC/heating equipment. Knowing that this equipment does not last forever, we should have a plan in place to replace that system when its life begins to wane. We need a plan in place for painting our facilities, replacing carpeting or other flooring, replacing furniture, etc. If we develop a solid plan, we can then budget for that plan and have the funds on hand when we need them. The Finance Council and the Building and Grounds Committee of our School Board will tackle this project.

I want to thank all of you who do give conscientiously, faithfully, and even sacrificially to support our parish, its ministries and organizations, and, through second collections, who support needs of the Church outside of our own parish. Your stewardship allows us to accomplish much in and through our parish ministries and organizations. I ask all of you to pray about your Church support, that we all might be faithful stewards of the blessings the Lord has bestowed upon us and, through your financial support, that we might continue to do all we can to support the work we need to do to continue to build the Lord's reign in our small part of God's creation

Fr. Ken



#### Saturday, October 25

Parish Pot Luck Dinner, after 4:00 Mass.

#### Sunday, October 26

Daylight Savings Times Ends Turn clocks back.

#### Monday, October 27

R.C.I.A. 7:00-8:30p.m., in the Annex C.C.D. 6:00-7:30p.m., in school classrooms

#### Tuesday, October 28

Bible Study Group, 9:15 - 11:00a.m., in the Annex.

Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m., in Church. School Board Meeting, 7:30p.m., in Conference Room.

#### Wednesday, October 29

The Prayer Group invites you to join them each Wednesday from 9:30-11:30a.m. in the Annex, for praying and sharing.

#### Thursday, October 30

Paper Drive, in schoolyard between 7:00-9:00a.m.

School Mass, 10:30a.m.

Confirmation Meeting – For students in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade and their parents, starting at 7:00p.m. in Church.



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PLEASE NOTE: Recitation of the Rosary before the 4:00 Vigil. will begin at 3:30p.m.

If you would like to lead the recitation of the rosary before 8:30a.m. Mass in the month of November, please call Mary Ann-Kincaid (835-1478) to arrange your schedule.

#### **SALA NEWS**

Unfortunately, many parish ladies did not receive our membership letter. We apologize. Please fill the form below, drop in the mail slot at the Rectory or in the Sunday collection basket. Do come and join us. Dues are \$15.00 payable to SALA. Fr. Ken will be with us at our meeting, Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

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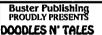
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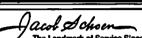
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Lucille Buckel	Christine Benedetto		
Leona Briscoe	Lawrence Lundgren		
Joseph Serio	Lydia Ruth Acosta		
Gilda Dragon Giblin	_		
8:00a.m.	Lillian Ducote		
9:30a.m.	Emelda J. Johnson		
11:00a.m.	For the Parish		
12:15p.m.	Melvin Mims		
5:30p.m.	Don Hedrick		
Monday, October 27			
6:15a.m.	Ted Faulkner		
8:30a.m.	Special Intention		
Tuesday, October 28			
8:30a.m.	Poche, Pillat & Oertel Families		
Wednesday, October	<u>r 29</u>		
6:15a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. George B. Laurent		
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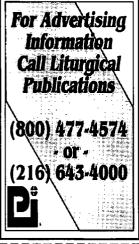


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#### November 2, 2003

#### Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

Readings for the Week

Friday:

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40 Monday: Rom 11:29-36; Lk 14:12-14 Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16a; Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33 Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17;

Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

Jn 2:13-22

#### Dear Parishioners.

At the joint meeting of the Pastoral and Finance Councils on October 14, the council members all approved a final version of a pastoral plan for our parish for the coming year. This plan sets goals and objectives for our parish life for the remainder of 2003 and all of 2004 and will serve to give priority to certain ministries, organizations and activities for the next fourteen months. It is an ambitious plan, and one that will need the support of all of our parishioners and the active involvement of many of our parishioners to be fruitful. In order to get this plan in action, we will need to begin several new committees and re-energize a few more. I would like each one of you to consider whether or not your might have the talents, the time and the interest to serve on one of the committees that have now been set up to serve our parish community. These are they:

- 1) <u>Liturgy Committee</u> the Liturgy Committee has set three areas of responsibility:
  - a) to coordinate planning for major liturgical seasons (Advent/Christmas and Lent/Easter)
  - b) to prepare creatively and to evaluate the success after the celebration of special parish liturgies for Thanksgiving, December 8, Feast of St. Angela and the Fourth of July
  - c) to develop on-going formation opportunities for parish liturgical ministers. Currently members on this committee are: Fr. Ken, Claudette Craven, Deacon Gil, Deacon Nick, Joyce Williams and Peter Weilbaecher. Coordinators of the ministries of Ushers, Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion will also assist with the work of this committee, which will meet quarterly.
- 2) Adult Faith Formation Committee this committee will plan out a program of adult faith formation possibilities for our parish (i.e., adult education opportunities, days of reflection, parish mission, etc.), to enable all adults to grow in their understanding of our Catholic faith, its teachings and its prayer life. Claudette Craven will be the staff liaison to this committee.
- 3) Young People's Involvement in Parish Life and Ministry
- 4) Ministry to the Sick
- 5) Outreach Ministry to Those Estranged from the Church and the Disaffected

It is hoped that, within the next six months these last three committees will study these areas and develop proposals for ministries/organizations/actions to meet these needs

Members of the parish pastoral team have begun to surface names of people we think might be interested in serving on these committees, but we certainly do not want to limit your involvement and input. So, if you think you might be interested in serving on any of these new committees, please contact me at the rector or Claudette Craven in the Religious Education Office (837-9347). One of the staff members will sit down and meet with you to discuss in a bit more detail the commitments you will be making in offering to serve on one of the five committees.

Please consider carefully whether the Holy Spirit might be moving you to a new area of service here in our parish by your participation in these new efforts.

THANKS again to our Fair Chairpersons, Thais Chanove and Paula Lockhart, and to the many, many generous people who had a hand in making our Parish Fair such a good time and a great success. Gross receipts from the Fair totaled \$105,512.47. Expenses thus far have amounted to \$44,816.25, for a net profit of \$60,696.22. Since there are just a few bills outstanding, the final count will decrease a bit.

As in the past, \$50,000.00 of the Fair money will be contributed to the school for the operating expenses of this important parish ministry. Some of the proceeds stay in the Fair bank account to be used as "start up" money for next year's Fair, and the remainder comes to the parish for operating expenses. This year, we will use approximately \$1,800.00 of the parish income to purchase risers for the stage of the Msgr. Kern Center. The risers will be used for concerts and plays that are performed in the Center. We are also keeping an eye out for a good deal on a used piano for the Msgr. Kern Center and I would be happy to use more of the Fair Proceeds to purchase a piano. (If you know about a good deal on a piano, please let me know!)

Fr. Ken

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 1

8:30a.m.

**Eugene Sanchez** 

Sunday, November 2

4:00 Vigil

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8:00a.m. Poor Souls

9:30a.m. Harold J. Reese, Jr. 11:00a.m. For the Parish 12:15p.m. Special Intention 5:30p.m. Jacob Taranto

Monday, November 3

6:15a.m. Lillian Ducote 8:30a.m. Henry J. Hotard, Jr.

Tuesday, November 4

8:30a.m. Mike J. Ricca

Wednesday, November 5

6:15a.m. Russell & Angelina Talamo

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Thursday, November 6

6:15a.m. Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Majeau 8:30a.m. Eugene B. Meyer

Friday, November 7

6:15a.m. Anthony & George Ortolano 8:30a.m. Marie Anna & Samuel Perrone, Sr.

Saturday, November 8

6:15a.m. Eleanor Salassi

### T Rest in Peace

In your charity please pray for the souls of

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#### Saturday, November 1

All Saints' Day, is not a Holy Day of Obligation

Sunday, November 2

All Souls Day Envelopes will be available in back of Church or at the rectory.

CYO Meeting in the Msgr. Kern Center, immediately following 5:30p.m. Mass. Meeting ends promptly at 8:00p.m. Discussion for the Christmas outing will take place at this meeting.

#### Monday, November 3

RCIA Classes, in the Annex starting at 7:00p.m. CCD Classes in school classrooms, starting at 6:00p.m.

#### Tuesday, November 4

Bible Study Group, 9:15a.m.-11:00a.m., in the Annex Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m. in Church St. Angela's Ladies Auxiliary will meet in the Msgr. Kern Center starting at 7:30p.m. Fr. Ken will be our guest speaker.

#### Wednesday, November 5

Prayer Group meets 9:30a.m. - 11:30a.m. in the Annex

#### Thursday, November 6

Senior Citizens of St. Angela Parish meet in the Msgr. Kern Center starting at 12:00 Noon

Cub Scouts Parents Meeting, 7:30p.m. in the Annex

#### Friday, November 7

Junior Beta Club Induction, 9:30a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00a.m. - 2:45 followed by Benediction



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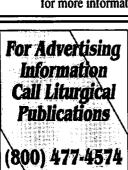


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Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome November 9, 2003



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#### Friday, November 7

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00a.m. - 2:45p.m. followed by Benediction Junior Beta Club Induction, 9:30a.m.

#### Sunday, November 9

Scout Mass, 9:30a.m.

#### Monday, November 10

RCIA Classes, starting at 7:00p.m. in the Annex CCD Classes, 6:00p.m., in school classrooms Co-Op Meeting, 7:30p.m., Msgr. Kern Center

#### Tuesday, November 11

Bible Study, 9:15a.m.-11:00a.m., in the Annex Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:30p.m., Conference Room Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m., in Church

#### Wednesday, November 12

Prayer Group meets 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m., in the Annex

#### Thursday, November 13

Fair Committee Appreciation Party, 7:00p.m., Msgr. Kern Center

#### Saturday, November 15

Archdiocesan Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m., in Church St. Angela Parish Liturgical Ministers Workshop, 9:30a.m. - 11:00a.m., in the Msgr. Kern Center St. Louis Cathedral Boychoir, will sing at St. Angela Church starting at 3:50p.m. and will lead the music during the Mass.



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#### November 9, 2003 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

#### Readings for the Week

Friday:

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Sunday:

Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6 Monday:

Wis 2:23-3:9; Lk 17:7-10 Tuesday: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19 Wednesday: Thursday: Wis 7:22-8:1; Lk 17:20-25 Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8 Saturday:

Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18;

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Altar Lades Team No. 3 will clean the Church on Saturday, November 15th.

#### Thanksgiving Baskets

On Sunday, November 23rd, we will collect\_canned and non-perishable foods for the Thanksgiving baskets to be prepared by our St. Vincent de Paul



members. If you know of someone with whom we may share these gifts, please call the rectory to leave name, address and phone number of that person. It would also be helpful to know how many adults and children are in the family so that we may provide for them.

Dear Parishioners.

I remember the first time it happened, a few years ago. One of our deacons preached at Mass. Ad I stood at the main entrance of the church, telling the folks good-bye as they left, someone came up to me and said, "Good homily, Father." I said, "Thank you." I said it unabashedly. No, I hadn't preached at all that day, but if that person thought I did, and *liked* it, then by golly, that was OK with me! And I learned to take all the compliments I got after that, whether I deserved them or not!

While I served as Rector of St. Louis Cathedral, I was approached by our Music Director and his co-worker about starting a Boychoir. I had some reservations about the idea; could we really afford another choir; how would we recruit boys and get them to a place as difficult to get to as the Cathedral; would this be developed into a good liturgical choir? Yes, I had questions and concerns and reservations. But Mr. Dreux Montegut and Mrs. Linda Grillot (Administrator for the Choir) talked me into it. I turned out to be one of the best things that happened during my service as Rector. I have gotten LOTS of compliments on that wonderful choir. And, guess what, I have accepted every one of them. Of course, I DO let Dreux and Linda and the boys know too.

I offer all of this by way of preface to telling you that the St. Louis Cathedral Boychoir will be with us at the 4:00 p.m. Mass next Saturday, November 15. They will sing several selections before Mass, beginning at 3:50 p.m. and will lead the music during the Mass as well. I invite all of you to be there – and encourage you to do so. They are an excellent group. The choir does try to visit several parishes each year, and I am thrilled that they selected our parish this year – and are coming the day after my 56th birthday – I'm sure they planned this as part of my gift! As a sign of our gratitude for their ministry and to assist with their expenses, we will take up a second collection at that Mass as a gift to the choir.

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During the past several weeks, those who serve our parish as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion have been participating in workshops sponsored by the Office of Worship of the Archdiocese, sharing with them information based on the new *General Instruction* of the Roman Missal. Here in our parish, we will have a follow-up session for all Communion Ministers to discuss the implementation of the Instruction and a starting date for that. ALL Communion ministers must attend this session – either on Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, December 6 at 9:30 a.m.

Because this Instruction affects all those who minister at Mass, all OTHER liturgical ministers (i.e., readers, high school altar servers, cantors, musicians and choir members, ushers/greeters) will also be expected to attend a session here in the parish. Again, there will be two sessions, and ministers may come to either one: Saturday, November 15 at 9:30 a.m. or Thursday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.

All those who currently minister at weekday or Sunday liturgy and who wish to continue to do so should see participation in these meetings as required, for only in this way can we be certain that there will be a common understanding of what the Church expects of us and how we will implement some changes here at St. Angela in a timely and effective way.

I thank all those who serve us as liturgical ministers: you embody for us the teaching of St. Paul that we are various members of the Body of Christ, each with a special role to play, serving for the common good. I thank you for your dedication to Christ by your faithful service at the liturgy and to our parish family at prayer. You are vital to our liturgy and help us all to offer thanks to God in a way that right and good!

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Our newly-formed and already-active parish Liturgy Committee has made special plans for our parish Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27. I encourage all to make plans to attend Mass and to give our thanks to God on Thanksgiving Day at 8:30 a.m. Please note that this will be the only Mass on Thanksgiving Day, allowing us to come together as one family of faith united in joyful thanks to God for the blessings we receive each day and celebrate on this national holiday.

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#### Readings for the Week of November 16, 2003

Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64;

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mac 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44
Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Dear Parishioners,

We welcome to our Saturday evening liturgy this weekend, the St. Louis Cathedral Boychoir. It is the custom of the choir to visit several parishes around the Archdiocese each year, and I am very pleased that they have chosen to come here to St. Angela this year to share their gifted musical ministry. The choir is under the artistic direction of Mr. Dreux Montegut; Mrs. Linda Grillot is the Administrator of the Choir. We welcome them, the Boychoir members and their families who are with us for Mass!

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Last Sunday morning at the 11:00 a.m. Mass, the students who are beginning their second and final year of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation attended Mass as a group. At Mass they presented their letters to me, sharing their desire to complete their preparation and celebrate this final Sacrament of Initiation. We had the opportunity to support them with our prayers at that Mass, and assured them of our continued prayerful support throughout this year. Of course, all of us, I hope, will continue to think about and to remember these candidates in our prayers, thus supporting them throughout the year. Let us continue to pray, as we did last Sunday, for their openness to the gifts of the Holy Spirit that are promised them in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

On behalf of our Confirmation candidates, their families and all of our parish community, I extend a particular acknowledgement of and word of gratitude to those who served them last year and will serve them this year as catechists, and those who administer our religious education programs, both in school and in our CCD program. Their love for our youth, their dedication to Christ and their zeal for helping others grow in the faith is a magnificent gift indeed, and one that we are privileged that they are so willing to share so generously.

Please remember, as I shared with you last week, that our newly-formed and already-active parish Liturgy Committee has made special plans for our parish Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27. I encourage all to make every effort to attend Mass and to give our thanks to God on Thanksgiving Day at 8:30 a.m. Please note that this will be the only Mass on Thanksgiving Day, allowing us to come together as one family of faith united in joyful thanks to God for the blessings we receive each day and celebrate on this national holiday.

Oops! When I gave the dates for the meetings for all those who serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (at weekday and at Sunday Masses and those who minister to the homebound), I had the wrong month for one of those dates. Sorry – I apologize for the confusion I caused! All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, in addition to the workshop conducted by the Office of Worship, must participate in one of the sessions here, either on Thursday, December 4 (7:00 p.m.) or Saturday, December 6 (9:30 a. m.). This meeting will take about an hour and a half.

All other liturgical ministers (greeters/ushers, readers, high school altar servers, cantors, musicians and choir members) are to participate in a session for them either on Saturday, November 15 (9:30 a.m.) or Thursday, November 20 (7:00 p.m.). We will need about two hours to cover all the information at these sessions.

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Thank you for your extremely generous response to the appeal of the Little Sisters of the Poor last weekend. You greeted them warmly, listened attentively and contributed outstandingly as they invited us to be part of their ministry to the destitute elderly at their Mary-Joseph Residence. The amount of the collection as we already told you in last week's bulletin, was \$5,304.99.

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 15

8:30a.m.

Josephine Frese

Sunday, November 16

4:00p.m. Vigil

Alex Fraiche Jackie Welsch
Thomas A. Kane Raymond Maher, Sr.
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Grace Vargas
Melvin Mims
Rosanne Rubin
8:00a.m.
Gilda Giblin
Chester Prentice
Chris Angelica
Lydia Ruth Acosta

8:00a.m. Zito-Cavalier-Vitrano 9:30a.m. William N. Clark 11:00a.m. For the Parish

12:15p.m. Joseph & Jennie Sacco 5:30p.m. Wilfred E. Youngblood

Monday, November 17

6:15a.m. Lionel April

8:30a.m. William J. Kinberger

Tuesday, November 18

8:30a.m. Luke Petrovich

Wednesday, November 19

6:15a.m. Dr. Philip Failla

8:30a.m.

Melvin P. Meyer Mary Lou Gennusa
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Thursday, November 20

6:15a.m. Don Hedrick

8:30a.m. Wilbert & Nancy Aucoin Landry

November 21

Friday, November 21

6:15a.m. Catyb & Burke Families 8:30a.m. Deborah Ann Decareaux

Saturday, November 22

8:30a.m. John Hotstream



Saturday, November 15

Archdiocesan Workshop for Extraordinary Ministers Holy Communion, 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m., in Church St. Angela Parish Liturgical Ministers Workshop, 9:30a.m.-11:00a.m., in the Msgr. Kern Center St. Louis Cathedral Boychoir, will sing at St. Angela Church starting at 3:45p.m. and will lead the music during the Mass

Sunday, November 16

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Monday, November 17

FAMILA is a group of mothers of school age or younger children who get together to pray and study scripture. 9:30a.m.-11:00 RCIA Classes, starting at 7:00p.m. in the Annex

CCD Classes, 6:00p.m., in school classrooms

Tuesday, November 18

Bible Study, 9:15a.m.-11:00a.m., in the Annex Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m., in Church SAMA will meet in the Msgr. Kern Center starting at 7:30p.m.

Wednesday, November 19

Prayer Group meets 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m., in the Annex

Thursday, November 20

Paper Drive, in school yard between 7:00a.m.-9:00a.m. Principal's Meeting in the Conference Room starting at 10:00a.m.

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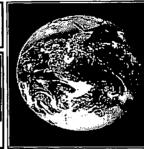
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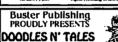
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of someone with whom we may share these gifts, please call the rectory to leave name, address and phone number of that person. It would also be helpful to know how many adults and children are in the family so that we may provide for them.



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### CYO NEWS

The December CYO meeting will be cancelled and in its place members will visit the Fairmont Hotel to view Christmas decorations, take a trolley ride along the river and end the trip at Café du Monde. This free trip is for CYO members with signed permission slips returned to Mrs. Gandolini, first come, first served. Limited space. Call 833-3484 for details.

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#### Readings for the Week of November 23, 2003

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28 Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28,

34-36

#### Dear Parishioners.

There are several things for which I wish to express my sincere thanks.

First, I thank all of you, from our parish and our school communities, who extended to me so many and such warm birthday greetings. I am touched by your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Second, thank you for participating in the 4:00 p.m. Mass last weekend, when we were so wonderfully served in music ministry by the St. Louis Cathedral Boychoir. We had a packed church, which means that many of you made the special effort to be with them for this liturgy. Thank you for the gracious welcome you gave to members of the Boychoir and their families. The choir's Director and the Administrator of the choir and several families commented to me how welcomed you made them feel during their brief visit with us, how you took the time to thank the boys after Mass, talked with them and showed such support for them. Thanks, too, for supporting their fund-raising efforts as well, by purchasing their CD's and by your contributions to the second collection.

Finally, thank you again for your wonderful support of our Cub Scouts and their Pancake Breakfast last weekend. Over six hundred meals were served, and many of you who could not be at the breakfast made special contributions in support of our Scouts. What a magnificent way to provide for these young men a caring environment! And thanks to the Scouts and their families for providing us with that great tasting and reasonably-priced breakfast!

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Speaking of giving thanks, this Thursday is, of course, Thanksgiving Day. Even though it is a civic and not a Church holiday, in every parish in which I have served, attendance at Mass that day is as bountiful as the food that adorns our tables. And how appropriate that is, as we consider the great blessings of this nation and pause to thank God, the Author of all these gifts and blessings.

I invite you again to make plans for your family to join with our parish family of faith for our special Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday morning. Our newly-formed parish Liturgy Committee has prepared this liturgy carefully and I am certain that it will serve as a worthy and proper beginning for your Thanksgiving Day observance.

Please remember that this is the only Mass to be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day.

Also, there will be a second collection at Mass, as has been our parish custom, to support the ministry of our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society. The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency assistance throughout the year to those in our area in critical and immediate need. Your financial support will assist them, in your name, to continue this care as we share with those less fortunate than ourselves some of the blessings God has given to us.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 22

8:30a.m.

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Sunday, November 23

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12:15p.m. 5:30p.m. Lawrence O.Lundgren, Sr. Wilfred E. Youngblood

Monday, November 24

6:15a.m.

Don Hedrick

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Ada and Lloyd Aguillard

Tuesday, November 25

8:30a.m.

Warren Nunez

Wednesday, November 26

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Thursday, November 27

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Friday, November 28

6:15a.m.

Andrew and Roma T. Meyer

8:30a.m.

Jackie Welsch

Saturday, November 29

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Sunday, November 23

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The Naim Conference will hold its quarterly Memorial Mass for deceased spouses on Tuesday, November 25th, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Pius X Church. Following the mass there will be a Buffet Supper and brief meeting. All widows and widowers are welcome to attend mass and meeting afterwards in the Multi-Purpose Room of St. Pius X. For more information call Gloria Mouledoux at 288-6683 or Ardell Nalley at 288-3777.

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At the masses this weekend, we will collect <u>canned and non-perishable food</u> for the Thanksgiving baskets and also to stock the pantry that is maintained year round by our St. Vincent de Paul Society. The baskets will be assembled in the gym on Monday, November 24 beginning at 9:00a.m. If you can help us with this project of serving the needy among us, please come to the gym Monday morning.

On Thanksgiving Day, you are invited to celebrate with us at a special liturgy of Thanksgiving, 8:30a.m. The Offertory at this Mass will assist our own St. Vincent de Paul Society in their year round work for the needy of this area.

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First Sunday of Advent November 30, 2003



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#### Readings for the Week of November 30, 2003

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:

25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37 Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27 Friday: Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8 Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

#### Dear Parishioners.

As we read the Acts of the Apostles we see that, when anyone desired to be Baptized, that desire was fulfilled. The Apostles went out; they preached; they called people to the new life of Christ through the waters of Baptism. By the beginning of the 3rd century things changed. Because the message of Christ was being brought to people of lands and people who knew nothing of the life and ministry of Christ, who did not come from the womb of Judaism, with knowledge of the Scriptures we believe Jesus came to perfect, new processes began. By the time of the writing of St. Hippolytus, between 185-215, the Order of the Catechumenate, with its formation into the faith through Scripture and prayer, could last as long as three years. Baptism was celebrated by the Bishop at the Easter Vigil and Lent grew as the special time of intense and final preparation by the catechumens for their Easter re-birth. Following upon the forty days spent by Jesus in the desert before his ascent to Jerusalem, the forty days of Lent became that desert experience for the elect of the Church.

But as the Church continued to grow, it was decided that Easter was not the only appropriate time for Baptism. The feast of the Epiphany became the second great Baptism day: the day that Christ was revealed as the Savior of all peoples, symbolized by the three Magi who traveled from afar to see this Messiah. Then, the Season of Advent began to take shape. Just as Lent was the time of preparation for the catechumens, so Advent became the second season of the preparation of catechumens for Epiphany Baptism.

Lent had also begun to take on a penitential spirit even for those already Baptized. With the catechumens, those already Catholic joined in more intense prayer, fasting and acts of charity in preparation for the renewal of their own Baptismal promises at Easter. So, then, Advent became a penitential season as well (hence the violet vestments for the Mass for the Advent season).

With the reforms of the liturgy following Vatican II, Advent is no longer considered a penitential season, but one of joyful expectation. The readings of Advent at Mass talk not only about Jesus coming in time in the Nativity, but his coming now among us and his final coming at the end of time. We wait in joyful hope for the various ways Christ wishes to come to us. As an aid to prayerful longing, we have seen a renewed interest in the use of the Advent wreath even in church. While this began as a celebration in the home for families, the Book of Blessings offers us prayers for the blessing and use of the Advent wreath at Mass all during the Advent season. We will begin using this Advent symbol at Mass this weekend.

The origins of the Advent wreath are found in the folk practice of pre-Christian times. The peoples of Germany, during the cold and dark nights of December, gathered wreaths of evergreen and lighted fires as signs of hope in a corning of Spring and renewed light. Christians adopted and adapted this practice and, by the 16th century, Christians in Germany used these symbols to celebrate their Advent hope in Christ, the everlasting light. The tradition spread from there to other parts of the world.

The circle of the wreath reminds us of eternity, of the everlasting life with God that awaits us. The green, blooming even in the cold of winter, reminds us of the new life that Christ brings. The candles tell of Christ, whose light dispels all darkness, even the darkness of sin and death. The four candles remind us of the many ages that longed for the coming of the Messiah. The three violet candles are reminders of our longing through the dark of night. The rose-colored candles, lit on "Laetare Sunday," or the third Sunday of Advent is a call to joy that Christmas, and Christ, is near.

There will be a special prayer at each Mass at the conclusion of the Prayers of the Faithful for the lighting of the wreath.

Let our prayer of Advent, as a parish family, be that we will be alert to the coming of Christ. Let us pray that we will open our hearts ever more widely to receive him and the great gifts that he brings us. Let us pray that, like Mary, we will be bearers of Christ to others, vessels of hope and life for them. Let us pray that none of us will ever lose hope in Christ's future, and that the longings of our hearts for all the goodness of God will indeed be rewarded and fulfilled.

Fr. Ken

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 29

8:30a.m. Lena and George Lapiana

Sunday, November 30

4:00p.m. Vigil

Joseph Sacco, Jr. Van H. Flynn Jackie Welsch Wayne Nunez Ray Cureau, Jr. Ray Cureau, Sr. Frank R. Baehr Anna Carlin Baehr Special Intention **Amelie Generes Treuting** The Lousteau Family **Everard Phillip Miller** Thomas Milligan **Edward Lampert** Felix Ciolino Sidney K. Smith, Jr. Myrtle Passman Woodrow Truxillo David Hebert Michael Hebert Mary Pence

Mary Pence Lois Weber Shirley Young Wilfred Price

8:00a.m. Johnny and Phyllis St. Romain

9:30a.m. Cornelius Gremillion 11:00a.m. For the Parish 12:15p.m. Salvadore Michel

5:30p.m. Frances and Rudolf Carevich

Monday, December 1

6:15a.m. Russell and Angelina Talamo

8:30a.m. Anna Carlin Baehr

Tuesday, December 2

8:30a.m. Stefanie Montecino

Wednesday, December 3

6:15a.m. Frank Gennusa, Sr.

8:30a.m.

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Thursday, December 4

6:15a.m. Di Fatta and Kern Families 8:30a.m. Poche, Pillat and Oertel Families

Friday, December 5

6:15a.m. Everard Phillip Miller

8:30a.m. Wilbert & Nancy Aucoin Landry

Saturday, December 6

8:30a.m. Bruce Reed

Altar Ladies Team No. # 6will clean the Church on Saturday, November 29th.

#### **ATTENTION LECTORS**

With this First Sunday of Advent we will begin using the "Workbook for Lectors and Gospel Readers" to assist you in preparing for the Sunday readings at Mass. This workbook is available in the vesting room this weekend. Please take the copy that has your name on the cover.



#### Sunday, November 30

Advent Wreaths sold after Sunday masses, cost \$15

#### Monday, December 1

FAMILA is a group of mothers of school age or younger children who get together to pray and study scripture. 9:30-11:00a.m.

RCIA Classes, 7:00p.m., in the Annex

CCD Classes, 6:00p.m., in school classrooms

#### Tuesday, December 2

Bible Study, 9:15a.m.-11:00a.m., in the Annex Adult Choir Practice, 7:30p.m., in Church SALA's Christmas meeting, 7:30p.m., Msgr. Kern Center. Pot luck party.

#### Wednesday, December 3

Prayer Group, 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m. in the Annex

#### Thursday, December 4

Morning of Reflection, after 8:30a.m. Mass.

Men and Ladies are invited to attend, coffee will be served by St. Angela Merici Ladies Auxiliary.

Senior Citizens will meet in the Msgr. Kern Center starting at 12 noon.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Meeting, 7:00p.m., in the Conference Room.

#### Saturday, December 6

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Meeting, 9:30a.m. in the Conference Room.



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In your charity please pray for the souls of

#### Zack Balu and Edward Koffskey, Jr.

who died recently, and for those who mourn them.
-May all of our beloved dead rest in peace-

### First Friday

Friday, <u>December 5</u> is the First Friday of the month. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be from 9:00a.m. until 2:45p.m. followed by Benediction. We encourage you to spend part of the

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Kitchen Crew" will be cooking for the event. Everyone from the parish is invited to join in this family parish social.

#### **2004 CALENDARS**

The 2004 calendars will be available from the ushers this weekend—or you may come to the rectory during business hours (Monday—Friday, 9:00a.m.—4:00p.m.).

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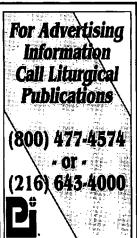


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Second Sunday of Advent December 7, 2003



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#### Readings for the Week of December 7, 2003

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13 Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

#### Dear Parishioners.

As I was coming out of church, returning to the rectory, one morning last week following the 6:15 a.m. Mass, several of our parishioners were standing together in the parking lot near the Annex, obviously in the midst of a rather serious discussion. As I approached, I tried to pick up my pace a bit, hoping that the conversation didn't involve me, because all I wanted was to get to my morning coffee. The one thing I have not yet adjusted well to is getting up so early in the morning for Mass every day. But, my pace didn't do any good, for they turned to me as I approached. "Father Ken, what about those changes in the Mass that were in the Clarion Herald this week? We haven't heard anything about that here in the parish."

Others of you have probably been wondering the same thing. As I announced before all the Masses this past weekend, we have decided to delay the implementation of those changes for just a few more weeks here at St. Angela. For the past several months, the Archdiocesan Office of Worship has been conducting a series of workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. But we needed to have an additional meeting with all of those ministers here in the parish to discuss with them how we will implement those changes here. At the same time, we decided that we needed to get, not only these ministers, but all of our liturgical ministers together to discuss with them these changes and how this affects their ministries as well. In order to schedule enough meetings for all of our ministers to be able to attend one, we will not conclude those meetings here until this week. Then, we want to take some time to explain these changes to all of you so that you will understand and appreciate them. We realized, though, that by the time we have completed our meetings with ministers, we are into the more hectic pace of Christmas preparations. Therefore, we will defer the explanations to you until after the holidays.

We will use the month of January to take time at our Masses to explain the changes, authorized by the Apostolic See and now being implemented in our Archdiocese, to you and we will implement those changes to you each Sunday as we explain them. I feel that this more careful and deliberate catechesis will be, in the long run, of greater benefit to all and will help us to see the wisdom of the several changes that will be made in our participation in the great prayer of the Mass.

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I want to remind you that, according to the law of the Church, each nation selects a national Holy Day, whose obligation to attend Mass is never dispensed. December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, is our national Holy Day and, even though it falls on a Monday this year, unlike other Holy Days, the obligation to participate in Mass still holds for all of us. Also, because December 7 is a Sunday of Advent, we will not have an anticipated Mass of the Feast; we will celebrate the Mass of the Second Sunday of Advent. Our Masses for the Immaculate Conception will be, then, only on Monday, December 8, at 6:15 and 9:00 a.m. and at 12 Noon.

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*

THANKS to all of you, both in our parish and school communities, who brought groceries for our Thanksgiving baskets. I was amazed to see, at each Mass on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, the boxes in church grow more and more full of food and begin to overflow! Because of your enormous generosity, the members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society were able to fill and deliver 85 baskets to needy families in our area. The collection at Mass on Thanksgiving Day, which also goes to the ministry of our St. Vincent de Paul Society, totaled \$1,163.00. May the Lord reward all of you who gave so generously for your great concern for the poor of our community!

Fr. Ken

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, December 6

8:30a.m.

Bruce Reed

Sunday, December 7

4:00p.m. Vigil

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12:15p.m.

Angelina and Russell Talamo

5:30p.m.

Barbara P. Garland

Monday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception

6:15a.m.

Alice Le Blanc

9:00a.m.

Marie Anna & Samuel Perrone, Sr.

12:00 Noon

For the Parish

Tuesday, December 9

8:30a.m. Gerard Maxwell

8:30a.m. Wednesday, December 10

6:15a.m. Don Hedrick

8:30a.m.

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Special Intention

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Felix Ciolino Magdalene Hebert

Emile Wayne Fava

Mrs. Ann Panno

Thursday, December 11

6:15a.m. 8:30a.m. Wayne Schmidt Wayne Nunez

Friday, December 12

6:15a.m.

Eugene J. Curole

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8:30a.m.

Saturday, December 13 8:30a.m.

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### **Birthday Party for Baby Jesus**

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# St.Angela Merici Church

Third Sunday of Advent December 14, 2003



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Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." -Lk 3:15-16

### Readings for the Week of December 14, 2003

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18 Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27 Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32 Wednesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17 Thursday: Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

Friday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25 Saturday: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: Mic 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

#### Dear Parishioners,

"Come, Lord Jesus." This is our prayer throughout the Advent season. This is a confident prayer, for we believe that the Lord wants to come to us. Just as God desired hope for all people, just as God desired people know the depth of divine love and so sent Jesus in time to be born on this earth, God continues to desire good for us. God continues to send the Savior to us so that we will continue to know and to embrace the depth of love into which God invites us, over and over again. "Come, Lord Jesus," is really a prayer that we will be open to the Lord who does seek to come and fill us with the blessing of redemption.

Entering this Third Week of Advent, we must more urgently work to be open – in body, mind and spirit – to the Lord of Life. I trust that all of you are making family plans for Christmas Day to celebrate with great joy the Nativity of the Lord Jesus and the new hope he brought to this earth by his coming in the flesh. As you make those plans, let me remind you of our schedule of Masses for Christmas, which is a bit different from the schedule of past years. On Christmas Eve, we will celebrate Masses at 4:00 p.m. (our parish's Adult Choir will serve as music ministers) and 6:00 p.m. (the Children's Choir will sing at this Mass). Masses on Christmas Day will be at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Our music ministers are rehearsing diligently for these special liturgies, and I am looking forward to preaching at all of the Masses, to share with you my Christmas message on this, my first Christmas as your pastor.

We are deeply aware that the Lord comes to us in other Sacramental celebrations as well, and many of you may desire to celebrate the Lord's gift of peace in the Sacrament of Penance before Christmas. Therefore, we have scheduled additional times for the Sacrament of Penance. Fr. Will Meridier, Fr. Jim Schott and I will all be available in church for Confessions this week, on Wednesday, Dec. 17 and Friday, Dec. 19, both nights from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Of course, we will also have the regularly-scheduled time for the Sacrament of Penance on Saturday, December 20, from 3:00-3:45 p.m. On that afternoon, both Fr. Meridier and I will be hearing Confessions in church. Please note, though, that this will be the final time scheduled for the Sacrament of Penance before Christmas.

And as we pray for the Lord to come to us, please remember to keep in mind the young people of our parish, both in our CCD program and our school, who are preparing for the Spirit of the Lord to come to them in the Sacrament of Confirmation. On Sunday, November 9, we welcomed them as a group to Mass and I received from each of them a letter about their desire to celebrate this final Sacrament of Initiation. I have read those letters, and many of them specifically said that they know they need and that they want the prayers of all of our parish family to be with them and to be their support in these final months of their Confirmation preparation. Please hold up these young people to the Lord as you come to Mass these final weeks of Advent, for Christmas and New Year and all of the Christmas feasts.

Finally, we realize that the Lord also comes to us in the fellowship and spirit of community that we share with one another. I therefore ask you to make plans to be part of our parish family Christmas caroling on Sunday, December 21 at 6:30 p.m. As is our custom, both of our choirs will lead us in song, our second grade First Communion class will depict the live Nativity scene and our Kitchen Crew will prepare refreshments for us to enjoy after the caroling. It should be an enjoyable evening for all!

Fr. Ken

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, December 13

8:30a.m.

Sunseri and Sullivan Families

Sunday, December 14

4:00p.m. Vigil

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8:00a.m.

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Mary Addie Gremillion

11:00a.m. 12:15p.m. For the Parish Michael Cheralla, Jr. D. C. Mattingly, Sr.

5:30p.m. Monday, December 15

> 6:15a.m. 8:30a.m.

Hartie Trosclair, Sr. Julia K. Fahrmann

Tuesday, December 16

8:30a.m. Ada and Lloyd Aguillard

Wednesday, December 17

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6:15a.m. James John Kern

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Thursday, December 18

6:15a.m.

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Friday, December 19

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To be eligible for "In-Parish Tuition" rates next school year, each parish family must contribute at least \$375.00 using your weekly or monthly contribution envelopes during this calendar year. We cannot accept contributions in January of next year. If you have any questions regarding the status of your contributions, please call the rectory at 835-0324.



We remind expectant parents that, to prepare for the Baptism of a baby, the parents must make an appointment with the Deacon <u>prior to Baptism</u>. It is recommended that you call <u>well in advance of the delivery date</u> to be prepared. Baptisms in our parish are usually performed on

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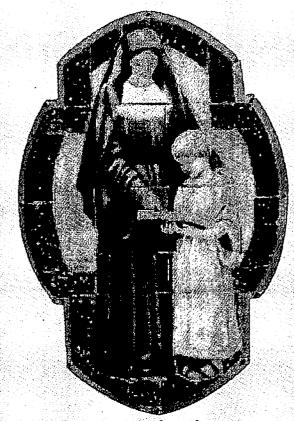
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Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21, 2003



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#### Readings for the Week of December 21, 2003

Sunday: Mic 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday: 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Lk 1:67-79 Thursday: Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:41-52

#### Dear Parishioners,

Admit it: you like to receive gifts, don't you? It is comforting, sustaining and rewarding to know that someone cares enough about you to give you a gift, to have taken the time to select something just for you, to hold you that special in their lives. It is exciting to have something in your hands, all covered up, and to try to figure out what is inside. It is joyously playful to have the thoughts racing through your mind of what might be inside. The anticipation stirs our emotions and can even rekindle sagging spirits. Many of you have spent time these past weeks selecting Christmas gifts for your loved ones, hoping to bring some of that joy into their lives. Many of you have secret hopes to be on the receiving end of a special gift this Christmas.

"Make us an everlasting gift to you." Remember that line? It is from one of the Eucharistic Prayers we proclaim at Mass. Of course, we address that prayer to God. We pray that our lives will be seen by God as our gift to our loving Creator. We pray that God will see each of us as a special gift. We want God to be joyful and filled with enthusiasm about us. And, as an everlasting gift, we want that to happen not only on Christmas day, but each and every day of our lives, both here on earth and in the eternity God invites us to share.

So, what makes us an everlasting gift to God? Accepting each day as a new opportunity to do good, to reach out to another in God's own Spirit of tenderness and compassion makes us an everlasting gift. Choosing to use those talents we sometimes hold hidden; coming forward in ministry in our community to share the abilities God has given us, to develop that interest God has given us: that makes us an everlasting gift. Living in respect for others, the respect that causes us to reach out to those in need, providing them an assistance and therefore a hope they would not have were we not to come forward in this way, makes us an everlasting gift. Supporting the young people entrusted to our care, making their little world safe for them, encouraging them, guiding them carefully so that they see a future filled with hope, that makes us an everlasting gift. Tackling, one at a time, those faults and flaws we have, those habitual sins of ours, until we change them and grow in perfection on our pilgrim journey, that makes us an everlasting gift.

There may well be in many of us talents and abilities and hearts that are still a bit wrapped up, that remain either a curiosity or perhaps even a mystery to those around us. Placing those in the hands of God in our parish community, letting God open those up for the use of all, that truly makes us an everlasting gift.

Let us all pledge this Christmas season to allow God to open those packages and make them an everlasting gift to all.

For these first five months of my ministry here as your pastor, you have been great and wonderful gifts to me. Your welcoming spirits, your warm care, your enthusiasm for service, your dedication to family and to parish have supported me and inspired me. Thank you for those tremendous gifts! You make me want to share more of myself with you, and that is exactly the way God's Spirit works, as we call forth the best in each other.

Because this issue of the bulletin covers the next two weeks, allow me to wish you, on my own behalf and for all of our parish staff, whose joy it is to serve you every day, a genuinely blessed Christmas and a joyful and peace-filled new year. May our welcoming of Christ this Christmas and our entry into 2004 bind us closer together in love as we share the gifts we are and can increasingly be to one another and to the Lord who saves us and gives us hope.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!

Fr. Ken

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, December 20		
8:30a.m. Sunday, December 21	Powell and Mount Families	
	Ralph Taillon	
Patrick J. Taillon Justin D. Frederick, Sr. Helen C. Frederick	Ralph Taillon Claire D. Trojan	
Helen C. Frederick	Gerard Mialaret	
Special Intention Shirley Young	Amelie Generes Treuting Lois Weber	
Paul Bordeion	Carmen Engel	
Melvin Mims Joe Parker	John B. Cressend Mary Cressend Macgregor	
Geraldine Hess	Howard Pfefferle	
Floris Bossier	Lawrence Chigoy Peter and Michael Giambalvo	
Jackie Welsch William R. Hare	Merrick F. Delesdernier	
Jennie Schweibel	Sterling and Ronald Jourdan Bouvier and Talamo Families	
Alice Bouvier Ann Pelican	Gautreau and Cheralla Families	
G. A. Reith	Roselyn, Julie and Gaston Abadie Katie and Eugene Vandrell	
Leo R. Mathes, Sr. Carolyn Slemmer	Wilfred E. Youngblood	
John L. Flynn, Jr.	White E. Toungolood	
8:00a.m.	Special Intention	
9:30a.m. 11:00a.m.	Lester A. Boudreaux For the Parish	
12:15p.m.	Jackie Welsch	
5:30p.m. Monday, December 22	Mary Lou Gennusa	
6:15a.m.	Chauyin, Brunner and Abadie	
9,200	Families	
8:30a.m. Tuesday, December 23	Luke Petrovich	
6:15a.m.	Communion Service	
8:30a.m. Wednesday, December 2	Communion Service	
6:15a.m.	Roma T. Meyer	
6:15a.m. 4:00p.m. Vigil 6:00p.m. Vigil	Roma T. Meyer Wilbert and Nancy Aucoin Landry Ciolino and Fontana Family	
Thursday, December 25 8:00a.m.		
	The Pope and children awaiting adoption	
9:30a.m. 11:00a.m. Saturday,December 27 8:30a.m.	adoption Dr. Philip Failla For the Parish	
Saturday, December 27		
8:30a.m. Sunday, December 28	Purgatorial List	
Sunday, December 28 4:00pm Vigil Jackie Miele	Margie and Clefert Bouquet	
Jackie Welsch	The Cureau and Barocco Families	
Allen Mattingly	Antoinette Cassisa Holman	
Joan Tajamo	The Cureau and Barocco Families Antoinette Cassisa Holman Mary Cressend Macgregor Chester Schmitt Michael Joseph Allen	
Roy Billings Wilfred Price	Michael Joseph Allen Shirley Young	
Thomas Milligan	Shirley Young Frances and Rudolf Carevich Anna Carlin Baehr	
Frank R. Bachr Special Intention	Anna Carlin Bachr Amelie Generes Treuting	
Pat Tabary	Amelie Generes Treuting Marcel Damines	
Felix Clolino Edward Lamnert	Aline and Mitchel Bordelon	
Ada & Lloyd Aguillard	Mary Ann and Vincent Pizzo	
Jackie Miele Jackie Welsch Allen Mattingly John B. Cressend Joan Tajamo Roy Billings Wilfred Price Thomas Milligan Frank R. Baehr Special Intention Pat Tabary Felix Ciolino Edward Lampert Ada & Lloyd Aguillard Bruce S. Rogen. 9:30a.m.	James and Noella Fonte	
9:30a.m.	Marcel Damines Paul M. Bordelon Aline and Mitchel Bordelon Mary Ann and Vincent Pizzo Roma T. Meyer James and Noella Fonte Mrs. William Nuschler, Philip Clark and William N. Clark For the Parish Harold J. Reese, Jr. Karl Seruntine	
11:QQa.m.	For the Parish	
12:15p.m. 5:30b.m	Harold J. Reese, Jr. Karl Seruntine	
11:00a.m. 12:15p.m. 5:30p.m. Monday, December 29 6:15a.m. Tuesday, December 30		
Tuesday, December 30 8:30a.m. Wednesday, December	James John Kern	
8:30a.m. Wednesday, December 3	Theresa Hand	
Wednesday, December 3 6:15a.m. 8:30a.m. E.L. "Pete" Lucas	Purgatorial List	
E.L. "Pete" Lucas	Felix Ciolino	
Special intention	Felix Ciolino Amelie Generes Treuting Frank R. Baehr	
Thursday, January 1		
11:00a.m.	Angelina and Russell Talamo For the Parish	
Friday, January 2		
6:15a.m. 8:30a.m.	Scott Fonte John F. Marte	
Saturday, January 3 8:30a.,m	Cecelia Moore Bergen	



#### Wednesday, December 17

Confessions will be heard 7:00p.m.—8:00p.m.

#### Thursday, December 18

Paper Drive, 7:00a.m.—9:00a.m. School Mass 9:30a.m.

#### Friday, December 19

School dismisses at 11:00a.m.
Confessions will be heard 7:00p.m.—8:00p.m.

#### Sunday, December 21

Christmas Caroling, in the Msgr. Kem Center, following 5:30p.m. Mass.

#### Tuesday, December 23

Communion Service will replace 6:15 and 8:30a.m. Mass.

#### Wednesday, December 24

Communion Service will replace 8:30a.m. Mass

#### Friday, December 26

No 6:15a.m. or 8:30a.m. Mass

#### Monday, December 29

Communion Service will replace 8:30a.m. Mass



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## REMINDER!!

To be eligible for "In-Parish Tuition" rates next school year, each parish family must contribute at least \$375.00 using your weekly or monthly contribution envelopes during this calendar year. We cannot accept contributions in January of next year. If you have any questions regarding the status of your contributions, please call the rectory at 835-0324.

#### **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

Natural family planning will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at a series of four classes beginning at 9:30 am on Saturday, January 31, 2004 in the St. Benilde Parish Office, 1901 Division Street in Metairie.

The method taught (sympto-thermal) is safe and effective, it is a far cry from calendar rhythm and is not the same thing as the Billings' method. For further information and registration, please call Harold & Diane Fonte at 834-3274.

#### PLEASE TAKE NOTE

The following is furnished for your information. So that you will not find it necessary to call the rectory, we ask that you please keep this information handy and refer to it for the Christmas and New Year Mass schedules.

#### **CONFESSIONS** will be heard:

Wednesday, December 17 Friday, December 19

7:00p.m. until 8:00p.m. 7:00p.m. until 8:00p.m.

#### December 24

6:15a.m. Mass

8:30a.m Communion Service

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass

4:00p.m. and 6:00p.m.

Christmas Day

8:00a.m., 9:30a.m. and 11:00a.m.

NOTE: There is no 12:15p.m. or 5:30p.m. Mass on Christmas Day.

#### December 26

There will be no morning Masses

#### New Year's Day

January 1st is the feast of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated:

December 31

4:00p.m. Vigil

January 1

9:30a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

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