## **Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

November 18, 2012 "The Son of Man will gather the elect from the four winds." – Mark 13.24-32

When there is a funeral at "either" Holy Trinity or St. Joachim's, our regular 12 noon Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention rescheduled for another day.

#### MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Tuesday	November 20	12 noon
Thursday	November 22	12 noon
<u>Saturday</u>	November 24	5:30pm
<u>Sunday</u>	November 25	9:30am

#### MASS INTENTION

Madeline & William Ricketts Fran Murphy For All Parishioners & Their Intentions John Ian Shanks

## Last Week's Offertory Collection

Parishioners L	Jsing Envelopes:	107 <u>Avera</u>	age Envelope Dor	nation:	\$21.12
41	Regular Envelopes			\$866.00	
	Loose Donation			\$47.20	
3	Building Fund			\$30.00	
4	<b>Christmas Baskets</b>			\$85.00	
		Last Weekend's	Total \$	1,028.20	

Father Peter Thanks Everyone For their Generosity



#### **Christmas Ornament Fundraiser**

Due to overwhelming demand, we have ordered a small number of additional ornaments. These will be the last ones that can be ordered in time for Christmas, so if you have been holding off ordering, please don't wait much longer. To order, call the parish office - 653-6838 or office@holytrinitysj.com.

A larger image is available on the bulletin boards, or online (holytrinitysj.com/Ornament). All proceeds to Holy Trinity's Building Fund. Ornaments designed and produced by Aitkens Pewter and are \$20 each.

Thanks to all who have ordered so far, we expect the first shipment to arrive within the next week. You will be contacted as soon as they are available for pick-up.

#### **Memorial Tree**

Each year, as Christmas approaches, people think of family members and friends who have died. Many have found our Memorial Tree to be a helpful way of remembering and dealing with feelings of loss during an otherwise happy time. If this is helpful for you, you are invited to print the names(s) of deceased relatives and friends on an envelope and mark it "Memorial Tree". These names will be placed on ornaments prepared and decorated by the children in our Religious Education Program and the ornaments will be placed on the Tree. While you may also use the same envelope to make a voluntary donation to our Building Fund, a donation is not required. Deadline for submission of names is Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

### **1**<sup>st</sup> Annual Saint John North Ecumenical Advent Carol And Candlelight Service

Building upon the ecumenical initiative of the last two years between Holy Trinity Church and St. Luke's Anglican Church, our two pastors have invited all of the Christian Churches in the North End of Saint John to join them for an Ecumenical Advent Carol and Candlelight Service. In a spirit of love and unity, everyone is invited to join their brothers and sisters from other faith communities during this important time of preparation for Christmas on Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, at St. Peter's Church on Douglas Avenue. Reception to follow in the parish center.

#### 649 Draw

We are exploring the possibility of restarting the 649 Draw in the new year. The draw brought in over \$8,000 to the parish in 2011. If you would be interested in assisting in this fundraiser in some capacity, please contact the office.

#### **Finance Committee**

Next Finance Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.

#### Holy Land Pilgrimage - Pictures And Commentary

Father Peter will be presenting his pictures with a commentary on the Holy Land sites he visited on his pilgrimage, for those who have been asking, and anyone else who may be interested. on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 3pm in the St. Joachim's Parish Centre. All are welcome.

#### **Adult Religious Education - The Eucharist**

Everyone is invited to attend a 7-week program on the "Eucharist" every Thursday, 7pm, until December 13<sup>th</sup>, in the Saint Joachim's Parish Center. Each session (7pm - 8:30pm) has a 1-hour video presentation followed by a guestion & answer period. It is not necessary to have attended any of the previous weeks in order to participate.

#### **Christmas Baskets**

Requested food item for the weekend of November 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>: Kraft Dinner/Pudding/Cookies/Jello Sr. Nickerson also needs cash donations; and these can be placed in the collection at any time. Please mark the envelope "Christmas Baskets". The entire list of food items is available on the bulletin boards.

#### **Christmas Ministry Schedule**

There are sign-up sheets at the back of the church. Please check off which Masses you plan on attending so that Cindy can complete the Christmas Ministry Schedule. We ask that you please check off your name before Sunday. December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Letters From Bishop Harris**

Bishop Harris invites everyone to attend a Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm, to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. He also reminds you that November 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> is the collection for Retired Priests/Seminarians. His letters are available on the bulletin board and on our website.

#### Bingo

St. Pius X will be hosting their Christmas Cash Bingo on Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. Early Bird games begin at 6pm; regular games at 7pm. \$1,000 jackpot. Tickets are \$20 and are available by calling the office (653-6830) or Marie (696-8169).

#### **Christmas Sale**

The Catholic Bookstore, 48 Waterloos Street, will be having their annual 2 Day Christmas Sale on Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> & Saturday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 10am - 8pm. Many great items will be available at low prices, including a large selection of Christmas giftware and cards. Drop by and enjoy hot apple cider and cookies.

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#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 1pm for family members of Holy Trinity Parish and those who are living within the geographical boundaries of our parish. To make arrangements for a baptism please contact the office.

#### **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are celebrated in the church every Saturday from 1pm - 2pm, or at other times if you would like to make an appointment by speaking with Father Peter.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To reserve our church for a wedding, couples must first make an appointment with our pastor to discuss their plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement. Because of our pastor's schedule for two parishes, weddings cannot be celebrated any later than 1pm on Saturday.

#### SACRAMENT AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.