

## Second Sunday Of Advent

December 9, 2012

*"All flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

– Luke 3.1-6

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         | December 11 | 12 noon |
| Thursday        | December 13 | 12 noon |
| <u>Saturday</u> | December 15 | 5:30pm  |
| <u>Sunday</u>   | December 16 | 9:30am  |

### MASS INTENTION

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| Connie Creamer                          |
| May Black                               |
| For All Parishioners & Their Intentions |
| Donald Record                           |

### Christmas / New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> - **6pm**

Christmas Day - Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> - **10:30am**

New Year's Eve - Monday, December 31<sup>st</sup> - **5:30pm**

New Year's Day - Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> - **9:30am**

### Last Week's Offertory Collection

Parishioners Using Envelopes:      107

1 Regular Envelopes                      \$600.00

Last Weekend's Total                      \$600.00

**Father Peter Thanks Everyone For their Generosity**

### Mass Cancellations

We apologize for any inconvenience caused by the Mass cancellations over the last week. Those whose scheduled Masses were affected will be contacted to arrange a new date.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank those who volunteered their time last weekend to ensure parishioners were informed of the cancellations - especially those who stood out in the cold before each Mass to greet people.

### Christmas Party

The annual parish Christmas Party will be held today, Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:30am Mass. Everyone is welcome and we plan on having hot dogs, cake, guessing games, treat bags, and possibly pictures with a special guest.

### Christmas Flower Memorial

Again this year we are asking for your assistance as we decorate Holy Trinity for Christmas. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply write the name(s) of those you would like to remember on an envelope and drop it in **next weekend's (December 15/16) collection**. Please also indicate that the envelope is for "Flowers", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Christmas bulletin.

### 2013 Sunday Envelopes

Envelopes will be available at the back of the church beginning next weekend, December 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. If the address listed on your envelopes is incorrect, please contact the office as that is the address where your 2012 tax receipts will be sent in January.

### Holy Trinity Pewter Ornaments

**We only have a few ornaments left.** They are available in the parish office weekday mornings, 8am - 1pm (653-6838), The Catholic Bookstore (653-6828), and at St. Joachim's (653-6852). They make a great gift for someone who was baptized or married at the church.

### Advent Reading Materials

Daily Reflection Booklets for Advent are now available at the entrance of the church.

### Pastoral Plan - Diocese Of Saint John

The Diocese has released their new Pastoral Plan. Bishop Robert Harris' introductory letter and the full Pastoral Plan document are available at [HolyTrinitySJ.com/PastoralPlan](http://HolyTrinitySJ.com/PastoralPlan).

### Memorial Tree

Many have found our Memorial Tree to be a helpful way of remembering and dealing with feelings of loss during an otherwise happy time. 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 written on ornaments 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 next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.**

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### Turkey Foster Families Required

We will be receiving a donation of frozen turkeys for our Christmas Baskets from the Uptown Food Bank. Unfortunately, we aren't able to store all of them in the church. If you have a little extra space in your freezer and can give a frozen turkey a loving home (they are quiet and they don't eat much) between now and December 21<sup>st</sup>, please call Sr. Nickerson (696-1500). She also requires help picking up the turkeys from the food bank.

### Christmas Baskets

Requested food item for the weekend of December 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup>: **Pancake Mix (Just Add Water)/Syrup**

Sr. Nickerson also needs cash donations. Please mark the envelope "Christmas Baskets". Volunteers needed to help pack baskets on Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> beginning at 9:30am, drivers needed to help with deliveries from 12:30 - 2pm.

### Adult Religious Education

Everyone is invited to attend the final evening of the "Eucharist" on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm in the main chapel of Saint Joachim's. Fr. Stephen will be explaining the various parts of the Mass.

### Solemnity Of The Immaculate Conception

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.

### Pro Life Collection

A letter from Bishop Harris, which was unfortunately delayed, regarding this weekend's Pro Life collection is available on the bulletin board and on our website.

### Concert

Saint John High School Concert Choir will present a concert on Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2pm, at Portland United Church, 50 Newport (off Millidge Avenue). Tickets are \$10.

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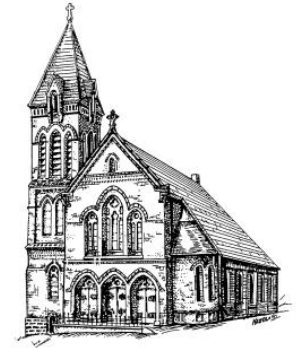
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### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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 by appointment only. To schedule a time, please speak 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.