



**SCHEDULE OF MASSES & SERVICES
THIS WEEK
THE HOLY FAMILY**

[1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28; 1 John 3:1-2,21-24; Luke 2:41-52]

Saturday, December 26

6:00PM Steve Mlinarich by Betty Fancella & Family

Sunday, December 27

9:00AM For All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Monday, December 28, Holy Innocents, martyrs

[1 John 1:5-2:2; Matthew 2:13-18]

6:15PM Parish Holy Hour & Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00PM Zachary Gott by Donald Stitts

Tuesday, December 29, Thomas Becket, bishop & martyr

[1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35]

8:30AM Ron Peel by Ron & Janet Toldi

Wednesday, December 30

[1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40]

8:30AM Anna Ballas by Sam & Louise Marra

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Thursday, December 31, Sylvester I, pope

[1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18]

5:00PM Catherine Baratta by Rose Rotosky

Friday, January 1

[Numbers 6: 22-27; Galatians 4: 4-7; Luke 2: 16-21]

12:00Noon All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Saturday, January 2, St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors of the Church

[1 John 2: 22-28; John 1:19-28]

5:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

[Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6; Matthew 2:1-12]

6:00PM Frank Colosi by Daughter, Marie

Sunday, January 3

9:00M For All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

*Today's Challenge—Tomorrow's Hope
Update*

12/19/09 Refund Check Received from Diocese \$19,293.47

The TC-TH Capital Campaign pledges are making their way back to our parish and will be invested to support the anticipated needs and projects as discussed: 1) painting the church interior, 2) new carpeting for the main interior and 3) water-proofing the church exterior. As pledges are steadily fulfilled, expect to see our refund update here in the bulletin. Thanks for your generous support!



LITURGICAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE — DEC. 31 & JAN 1

Lectors

5:00PM—R. Wodowski 12:00Noon—D. Pencola

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00PM—T. Stewart 12:00Noon—H. Gibson

Altar Servers

5:00PM—A. Stewart, T. Filler
12:00Noon—R. Gibson, K. Gibson

Cantors

5:00PM—TBA 12:00Noon—TBA

Ushers

5:00PM—Volunteers
12:00Noon—Volunteers

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

December 19-20, 2009

Weekly.....	\$	2,053.00
Monthly	\$	320.00
Loose	\$	199.00
Children	\$	7.00
TOTAL	\$	2,579.00
Needed for Budget.....	\$	3,500.00
Difference	- \$	921.00

FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE

Collected.....	\$	71,850.43
Needed.....	\$	87,500.00
Difference	- \$	15,649.57

For Improvements to Our Parish..... \$ 45.00

Sunday Counters-January 3: A Kolakowski, D. Kolakowski, A. Burtick

The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of Frank & Mary Colosi by Daughter, Marie

The Good Shepherd Candle is lit in memory of Joseph Madey by Wife, Betty

UPCOMING AT CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Next Sunday — Faith Formation, Church Hall, 10AM

REST IN PEACE Please remember in your prayers the

soul of **Bill Stewart**, uncle of Harold Kantz, our parishioner. May God grant him eternal rest and bring comfort to his family.



PARISH OFFICE—HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (12/28-12/30)—9:00AM-4:30PM

Thursday (12/31)—9:00AM-12 NOON

Friday (1/1)—CLOSED

Monday, January 4—9:00AM-4:30PM

Don't Forget to check out our web site at
www.goodshepherdkent.org

- Weekly Bulletins & Other Parish Information
- Ministry Schedules
- Pictures of Church Decorating & Christmas Masses



LITURGICAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE — JAN 2-3

Lectors

6:00PM—D. Pencola 9:00AM—D. Hill

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

6:00PM—J. Johns 9:00AM—T. Stewart

Altar Servers

6:00PM—L. Smyers, J. Velesig 9:00AM—M. Hill, J. Hill

Cantors

6:00PM—TBA 9:00AM—TBA

Ushers

6:00PM—J. Pencola, J. Bernard, C. Franco, E. Madey
9:00AM—S. Fabin, L. Mouser, J. Kubala, F. Enciso

From Father Chuck's Desk...There are many interesting new scientific discoveries about Jesus' birth. Astrophysicists have recently traced the movement of the planet Jupiter (known as the brightest star) and the unique faith of the Magi from Persia in a way that supports what the Gospel says about Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. The way that the census brings Mary and Joseph to the town and the details about the shepherds tending their flocks has new "proof." Although the visitation of the angels that inspire Mary, Joseph, and the Magi cannot be proven, the Holy Family and the Magi somehow survive Herod's organized plot to destroy the New Born King of Israel without any political help defies logic. You have to believe, and even though we can have better reasons to believe, science will never replace faith as part of how we live our lives in response to Christ's gift to us.

We celebrate another Christmas Season together in the cold, bleak winter. We join with the whole world, praying for an increase of peace and love in the world. We are likely to see significant improvements in our economy in the new year. We are also even more likely to see other economic downturns here and there over the next few decades. We have a responsibility to seek new ways to do our part in working for justice in our families, our communities and in the whole world so that lasting peace will have the best possible chance to grow. We have the sacred task of deepening our prayer life so that the Holy Spirit and the sacraments of the Church can strengthen us for the works of charity and lead us forward on our journey of faith.

May the light and peace of Christ fill our hearts in this holy season. May others experience the blessings we share and may the whole world resound with Christ's love because of how others see Him in us. We must continue to do the "impossible" and be vessels of Christmas joy. Thanks be to God that we have access in the Church to the grace necessary to shine with the light of Christ.

SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION will resume next Sunday, January 3, 2010 after the 9AM Mass.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP will not be held this Monday, December 27. The sessions will resume Monday, January 4.

SR. YOUTH FELLOWSHIP will resume on Monday, January 11, 7:30PM in the Rectory Conference Room.

COUNCIL MEMBERS—MARK YOU CALENDARS

UPCOMING MEETINGS:



PASTORAL COUNCIL—Tuesday, January 12, 4:30PM, Rectory Conference Room.

FINANCE COUNCIL—Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 pm, Rectory Conference Room.

TURKEY DINNER REPORT—NOVEMBER 15

We served a total of **425 dinners** and realized a net profit of 2,181.84 (this includes the 50/50). The winning 50/50 winner was notified and the prize was claimed.

Thanks to All Our Volunteers!!!

We could not have done it without everyone's help.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH AND ST. MARY OF CZESTOCHOWA CHURCH, New Kensington, will present **"The Epiphany Experience"**, January 10, 2010 at 4:00 PM in St. Joseph Church. The experience will consist of readings and carols, live animals, choral anthems, and tableaux-plus fellowship and blessings. A social will follow in the school cafeteria. For more information, call 724-337-6412.

MARCH FOR LIFE Please reserve Friday, January 22 to join the 37th Annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. as a participant from Indiana County. Our President and our legislators need to know how strong we Christians stand on witnessing to a Culture of Life instead of a Culture of Death. This is our chance to make a difference by joining our efforts with thousands of others from across the country. Watch future bulletins for details.

THE PONTIFICAL MISSION SOCIETIES AND THE MISSION OFFICE OF THE DIOCESE has a weekly program on **WEDO 810AM Radio at 9AM each Friday**. The program may also be heard on the Diocesan Website. Just click on Mission...then on Radio program and the list of current program will be listed. Choose, click and listen.

SINGLE, 21 & OVER? (or know someone who is)—Looking for a new way to meet people, make friends, and share good times with others? Check out the **Catholic Alumni Club**. The group offers parties, picnics, hiking, volleyball, tennis, softball, dinners, trips, scripture study, community service, bowling, cultural and many other great events. For more information, visit the website: www.cacpittsburgh.org or call 412-341-4070.



If you know of someone who is in need of prayer, or if you would like to join the parish prayer chain, please call Thelma Fabin at 724-479-0103 or contact the parish office. Please pray for the wholeness and healing of:

- Cecilia Anderson; Bonnie Ballas; Anna Baroni; Patricia Bash; Lois Bevil; Dana Bowser; Ryan Brennen; Jerome Bryson; Ann Burtick; Elia Calvetti; Millie Caratelli; Jack Carden; Veronica Cattau; Carol Cirino; Joseph Cirino; Marie Colosi; Frank Davis, Jr.; Richard DeLuca; Betty Dice; Marcella Drake; Rhonda Earhart; Lauren Eshbaugh; Linda Exler; Ed Fabin; Kevin Fabin; Tom Fabin; Jason Faust; Carmella Gary; Ben Goss; Judie Hawk; Shirley Immel; Evelyn Innocenti; Sheila Kiebler; Dolores Kolakowski; Mark Law; Tammy Lawson; Anna Lesneskie; Janet Luther; Louise Marra; Jason Maudie; Jamie McCracken; Conrad McQuaide; Robin Menk; Anna Michelotti; Jackie Mignogna; Trevor Minich; Catherine Minnick; Frances Moore; Bob Moretti; James Morgan; Chad Park; Joy Patterson; Ethan Piper; John Prebish; Jemma Premus; Frances Pribesh; Joe Pribesh; Gloria Prymak; David Puzak; Bill Riedinger; Rose Rocco; Paul Rogel; Parker Scarry; Becca Schweigert; Mabel Setlock; Jessie Slansky; Pearl Sleigh; Kathy Tarr; Jack Turner; Catherine Voiku; Shawn Watson; Wanda Weston; Darlene Woodrow; Jack Yard; Connie Zagurskie; Katrina Zuchelli.

Please take a moment to carefully read the names on our prayer list. If you notice someone who has recovered from his/her illness, thankfully, or perhaps has passed away, please contact the Parish Office.