

**PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE**

Fr. Buersmeyer's weekly column appears on page 6.

**BLESSING OF THROATS**

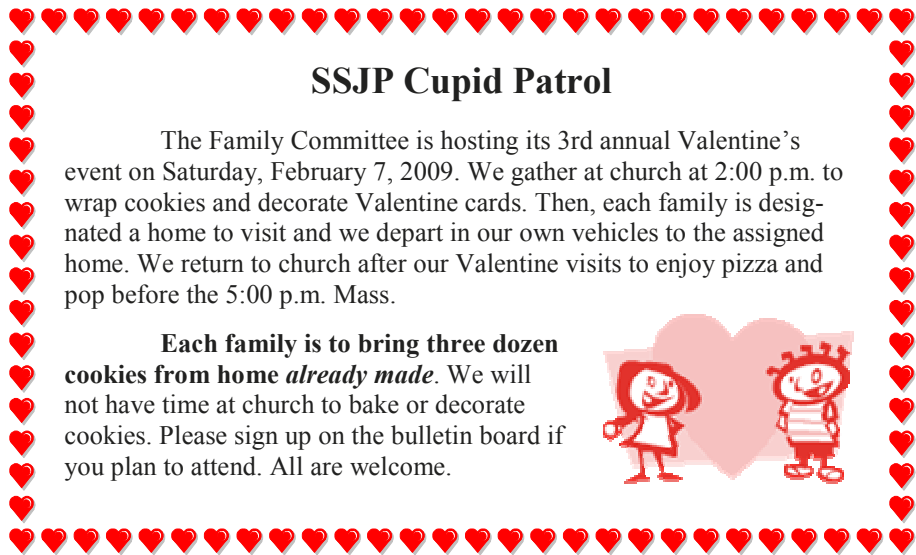
Monday, Feb. 2, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass; Tuesday, Feb. 3, during the 9:00 a.m. Mass and at 4:45 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the start of the Winter sessions for grades 1-6. All are welcome.

**DAVID HAAS IN CONCERT**

See one of the most prolific and well-respected Catholic composers of our time. Tickets on sale NOW! See page 4.

**CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB**

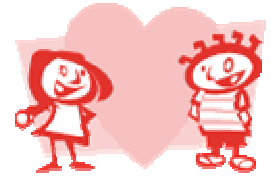
See what's "New and Noteworthy", read past issues of our bulletin, find links to other sites. Go online and see for yourself — [www.sjohnandpaul.org](http://www.sjohnandpaul.org). Please visit our website weekly to keep abreast of what's new and noteworthy.



**SSJP Cupid Patrol**

The Family Committee is hosting its 3rd annual Valentine's event on Saturday, February 7, 2009. We gather at church at 2:00 p.m. to wrap cookies and decorate Valentine cards. Then, each family is designated a home to visit and we depart in our own vehicles to the assigned home. We return to church after our Valentine visits to enjoy pizza and pop before the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

**Each family is to bring three dozen cookies from home *already made*.** We will not have time at church to bake or decorate cookies. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend. All are welcome.



<p><b>G</b>rowing  <b>R</b>esponding  <b>A</b>s  <b>C</b>atholics  <b>E</b>veryday</p>	<p>—Next Week—  <b>February 8, 10, 11, 13</b>  <b>6:00-8:30 p.m.</b></p>
	<p><u>Theme:</u>  <b>The Lord's Prayer</b>  <u>Catechetical Area:</u>  <b>Catholic Prayer</b>  <u>Event:</u>  <b>Reconciliation</b>  <u>Menu:</u>  <b>Pizza and Salad</b></p> <p><u>In our age-level breakout we will come to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Understand the Lord's Prayer, its structure and division of prayer</li> <li>— Understand the Lord's Prayer as a model for all prayer</li> <li>— Incorporate the Our Father into life in a meaningful way</li> </ul>

## Here's what's happening this week!

### Monday, February 2:

- \*Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- \*Blessing of Throats after 7:00 Mass
- \*11:30 a.m. Senior Cards
- \*4:45 p.m. Gr. 1-6 Winter Session #1
- \*7:45 p.m. Worship
- \*7:45 p.m. Adult Bells

### Tuesday, February 3:

- \*Mass at 9:00 a.m./Blessing of Throats
- \*Blessing of Throats before each Gr. 1-6 Winter Session
- \*4:45-6:00 & 6:30-7:45 p.m. Gr. 1-6 Winter Session #1
- \*5:00 Jr. Choir
- \*5:45 Jr. Bells

### Wednesday, February 4:

- \*Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- \*7:00 p.m. Gr. 7-8 Lesson Planning
- \*7:00 p.m. Christian Service
- \*7:00 p.m. Evangelization/Hospitality
- \*7:00 p.m. Stewardship

### Thursday, February 5:

- \*7:00 p.m. Adult Choir
- \*7:00 p.m. Men's Club

### Saturday, February 7:

- \*3:00 p.m. Confessions
- \*1:00 p.m. Special Needs Ministry
- \*2:00 p.m. Cupid Patrol

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### Regular Parish Office Hours

- Mon. - Wed. — 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday—12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday — 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

## Contribution Statements for 2008

Statements have been sent to those families who have contributed \$250 or more during the 2008 calendar year. If you did not contribute \$250 or more during the year and would like a statement, please call the parish office at 586.781.9010 and we will gladly send you one.

## Wisdom Bytes



The third of a new series of adult formation opportunities is here. In response to many questions about what is the Catholic teaching on different topics, we have decided to address those concerns in a series of brief sessions, usually 30-45 minutes. We host our next session on Sunday, February 22, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. The session will be repeated after the Monday evening Mass on February 23. This session will focus on the Catholic wisdom concerning...

### **“How the Church Views Divorced Catholics” Presented by Fr. David Buersmeyer**

**Sunday, February 22, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass  
Repeated on Monday, February 23, after the 7:00 p.m. Mass**

Please call the office with any questions regarding this session



## Community Garden

*Be part of a new parish project – a community garden!* We want to raise some vegetables this summer to donate to Samaritan House. We will need lots of help. No matter what your talent and how much time (or how little) you have to offer, there will be many opportunities to be active in this endeavor. All ages are welcome.

Save the Date!! **Thursday, February 19 at 7:00 p.m.** for an informational meeting.

*“But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirty fold.”*

—Matthew 13:23

## Archbishop Vigneron to Celebrate Masses

Archbishop Allen Vigneron will celebrate a series of ten Masses of Thanksgiving in February and early March. Everyone is invited to attend, especially people living in the area and in nearby vicariates. No tickets will be required; a light reception will follow. The Mass closest to our parish will be Tuesday, February 3, at St. Clement of Rome at 7:00 p.m. (a bilingual Mass in English and Spanish). For additional information visit [www.AODonline.org](http://www.AODonline.org) or call 313.237.5381.

### 2008-2009 Religious Formation Program

#### G.R.A.C.E.

Parish Formation Program  
For all ages

September—May

#### EARLY CHILDHOOD

3 1/2 to 5 yrs. old  
Sundays 9:30 a.m.  
October—April

For more information on either programs above, or for any other adult formation or preparation for sacraments please call the Formation Office at 586.781.9488.



### Grades 1-6 Age-Specific Winter Sessions

Monday or Tuesday  
4:45-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

February 2/3, 23/24,  
March 2/3

Weekly attendance by all children registered in the G.R.A.C.E. program is required.



### Preparation for the Sacrament of First Eucharist Parent / Child Session #2

Tuesday or Wednesday  
February 17 or 18  
6:30 p.m.

**G**rowing

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**E**veryday

Next Week:  
**FEBRUARY 8, 10, 11, 13**  
6:00-8:30 p.m.

Theme:  
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Catechetical Area:  
**CATHOLIC PRAYER**

Event:  
**RECONCILIATION**

In our age-level breakout we will come to:

- understand the Lord's Prayer, its structure and division of prayer.
- understand the Lord's Prayer as a model for all prayer.
- incorporate the Our Father into life in a meaningful way.



Menu:  
**Pizza & salad**



*Next G.R.A.C.E.:* March 22, 24, 25, 27  
**Theme: The Passion**



### Thoughtful reflection....

Each day God invites us to clearly face an opportunity to be a source of good news, rather than bad news; to love tenderly, rather than selfishly; to be a gatherer of others, rather than a divider; and to be a source of compassion, rather than a heartless judge. Let us ask our Lord to continually heal all that gets in our way that prevents us from answering this call and to be continually more and more open to God's invitation.

# POTLUCK AND GAME NIGHT



## David Haas in Concert!

There is exciting news to behold for all parishioners of the North Macomb Vicariate! David Haas, one of the most prolific and well-respected Catholic Contemporary composers of our time is coming to lighten our hearts and move our spirits as he shares his wonderful talent with us.

### “Onward to the Kingdom”

Featuring David Haas

Friday, March 13, 2009  
7:30 p.m.

St. John Vianney Parish  
24-1/2 Mile & Schoenherr

Tickets available at the  
parish office or by calling  
St. John Vianney  
586.781.6525

\$8.00 if purchased by  
February 25, 2009  
\$13.00 at the door

Take a moment and page through your hymnal and you will find David Haas' name in abundance near beloved music such as *You Are Mine, Blest Are They, We Have Been Told, We Are Called, Now We Remain, We Are God's People* and many, many others. Please note that these tickets are especially priced for North Macomb Vicariate parishioners, as David's concert is co-sponsored by the parishes of north Macomb.

Check your calendars and make your plans now for a terrific opportunity to enjoy Friday, the 13<sup>th</sup> of March in new ways.

The first 50 tickets sold in each parish will be eligible for a drawing to receive a free, autographed double-CD featuring many of David's most popular music!



## Teen News

and the future of our parish. We would like to thank the many teens and their parents who gave up their time to make this fundraiser a huge success. We greatly appreciate all your time and cooperation with this project. We certainly could not do this without your help. Thank you again to everyone!

### Attention Rainbow Teens

- We will have a mandatory meeting for all those attending RAINBOW and at least one parent needs to attend on Sunday, February 8, at 5:15 p.m. Please call Mrs. Peters if you have any questions.

### Lesson Planning

- Lesson planning for all 7-8th grade catechists will be on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7:00 p.m. If you should have a problem and cannot attend this meeting, please call Karen Peters at 586.781.9488.

### Puppet Ministry

- We are looking for adults and teens who are interested in helping incorporate puppets with learning for many different events in our parish. If you are interested and would like more information, please call Karen Peters at 586.781.9488. Giving of yourself with a little time and talent can be so rewarding. Please join us for this great experience.

### Thank You

- To all those who attended the Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the teens, we extend a big thank you. It is always so nice to know that our parish family is in great support of our teens



## Bag-A-Lot Food Drive Next Weekend February 7 & 8

Please pick up a labeled grocery bag from the hallway to the Activities Center and fill it with requested items to return to the altar next weekend. You do not have to include all the items listed *and* the gift card, just whatever you are able to donate. Gift card amounts are determined by you. Thank you for your continued generosity!



## Health Notes: *Plan for Healthy Snacks*

After the holidays everyone is watching what they eat, so I thought an article on healthy snacks would be helpful. Here are a few tips from the MSU Extension newsletter, Healthy Bites:

### *Snack Ideas to "Hold You Over"*

- Low-fat microwave popcorn
- Low-fat cottage cheese with fruit
- Fresh fruit with low-fat yogurt for dipping
- Canned tuna mixed with low-fat mayo on whole grain toast
- Fresh vegetables, like baby carrots, with low-fat salad dressing dip
- Unsweetened whole grain cereal with sliced fruit

### *Snacks when "On the Go"*

- Applesauce in single serving containers
- Animal crackers or graham crackers
- Whole fruit
- Box of raisins
- Trail mix with dried fruit
- Pretzels or rice cakes
- Whole grain crackers
- Fig bars
- String cheese
- Hummus and pita

### *Check that Food Label*

Save the nutrition labels from different foods you eat and drink. Check the servings contained in that box, can, or container and see how many calories are listed per serving (not per container!). Look at the serving size and consider how many servings you are actually consuming! If you are consuming two servings per container, you need to double the calories and nutrients.

Make your calories count. Look at the calories on the label and compare them with other nutrients you consume to decide whether that food is worth eating. When one servings of a single food item has over **400 calories per serving**, it is **high in calories**.

*"For though I had toiled in vain, and for nothing, uselessly spent my strength, yet my reward is with the Lord, my recompense is with my God"* (Isaiah 49:4). Offer all that you do as a glory to God, and no efforts will be in vain or useless. So, don't use the winter time as an excuse to make less healthy lifestyle choices!! God can be gloried in all that we do!

Respectfully Submitted,  
Anne Petriches, RN,OTR

## Macomb County Community Service Agency's Annual "Walk for Warmth"

Macomb County Community Service Agency's 19th annual Walk for Warmth takes place Saturday, February 21, 2009 at St. Therese of Lisieux. St. Therese is located at 48115 Schoenherr in Shelby Township.

Walk for Warmth is an annual event that raises funds and promotes awareness of the emergency needs of people. All stay in Macomb are used to replace dangerous functioning furnaces and prevent heat shut-off.



Registration for the Walk begins at 9:00 a.m. and the Walk itself begins at 10:00 a.m.. The walk route is up to three miles. Continental breakfast and lunch are provided. The minimum pledge is \$10.00 per walker. Donations are also accepted and can be mailed to MCCSA, 21885 Dunham Rd., Suite 10, Clinton Twp., MI 48036. For more information or a pledge sheet call: 586.469.6999 or visit: [www.macombcountymi.gov/mccsa](http://www.macombcountymi.gov/mccsa). Join hundreds of other walkers for the 19th Annual Walk and help those in need!

## Living With The Loss of a Spouse

*Widowed Friends* will conduct a 6-week "Grief & Loss" support group for all widowed. This grief recovery series deals with the phases of grief, coping with loneliness and other related issues. It is facilitated by a member of *Widowed Friends*, a "peer" group in the Archdiocese of Detroit. The sessions will begin on Sunday, February 8, at 12:30 at St. Kieran Parish (Room #1). A \$20 fee covers all materials. Call Pat at 586.731.1831 for information or to register. St. Kieran is on Mound between 24-25 Mile.

## Pastor's Perspective

### \*Feast of the Presentation

The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus on Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup> at one time was called the Feast of the Purification of Mary, because it remembers the custom of bringing a new born son to the temple in Jerusalem on the 40<sup>th</sup> day (December 25 – February 2) after his birth. It was a way to offer thanksgiving for the birth and to end a time of ritual cleansing, leading to full re-entry into the community's life and worship. But February 2<sup>nd</sup> also is the midway point between the winter solstice and the spring equinox, a turning from winter and its darkness toward the growing light of spring. This leaves its mark on the feast as well.

The gospel for the Feast of the Presentation recalls Simeon's prayer to God (called the *Nunc Dimittis*, the first words in the Latin version of this Canticle of Simeon, and used for Night Prayer every evening in the Liturgy of the Hours):

*Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel. (Luke : 29-35 )*

As the world (northern hemisphere and so the geographical area in which the Church develops all its ancient customs) celebrates nature's triumph over winter darkness, the Church attaches a feast of Christian significance--Jesus as the true light who has come into the world, a light to all the nations.

As a result an old custom of blessing candles for the home developed, particularly so that there would be such candles available if a person became seriously ill and required prayer or even the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Thus the name Candlemas (the feast of Candles).

### \*Blessing of Candles

If you did not bring any home candles to be blessed this weekend, we will also be blessing candles on Monday,

February 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the actual feast. Bring any household candles you want blessed to that Mass and we will include a blessing within the Mass.

### \*Blessing of Throats

Since the feast of St. Blaise occurs the day after the Feast of the Presentation, and St. Blaise was connected as intercessor to ailments of the throat, it became a custom to use two of the newly blessed candles from Candlemas, cross them in front of the neck of the person seeking a blessing, and ask the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, to protect a person from every ailment of the throat and every other illness.

We will do such a blessing after Mass on Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> and after Mass on Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, the actual feast day for St. Blaise.

### \*February Monthly G.R.A.C.E.: The Lord's Prayer

Next Sunday and then repeated on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday we will have our whole community monthly formation session. One of the seven key catechetical areas we have not yet touched on this year is Prayer and Spirituality. Last year we explored the themes of praying the psalms, intercessory prayer, and meditation. This year we want to focus on the Lord's Prayer, the Our Father, from a variety of angles. The goal is to deepen our appreciation for this prayer, to understand it better, and to experience different ways of praying it. Then, when we pray it as a family, at Mass, or on our own, our learning can take what often becomes routine and give it new life.

### \*New Archbishop, Mass of Thanksgiving

As we get used to praying "for Allen our bishop" let us keep him in our prayers. He has a lot on his plate as he takes over as archbishop of Detroit. The priests had a vespers service and a chance to welcome him last Tuesday. He was officially installed last Wednesday. Of course, as a priest of this archdiocese, former rector of the seminary and former auxiliary bishop, most priests know Archbishop Vigneron pretty well. The

diocese is planning a series of "meet and greet" Masses/events in all areas of the diocese so that anyone who wants to can have a chance to meet him. Ours is scheduled for **Tuesday February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at St. Clement of Rome in Romeo**, where the archbishop was stationed as a deacon and at which church he was ordained a priest. This is an open event. No tickets required. All parishes from the Macomb county area are invited to send parish members.

### \*Elijah Cup

A reminder that we still have the Elijah cup circulating in the parish. A sign-up sheet is on the board in the hallway. A family or individual takes the cup for a week, places it in the house where it can be very visible and spends time each day that week praying for vocations for themselves, their family, and the whole parish. Vocations can include full time ministry within the Church, but also means that each of us find a way to live out our Christian baptism in the work we do and lives we live. Suggested prayers are included with the cup. Then bring it back the following weekend and we will use it as the main chalice for the Eucharist at Mass. You are also asked to contribute a word or two to the ongoing Elijah Cup journal that comes with the cup. Read what others have written and add your own comments.

### \*Puzzling Vatican Actions

I am currently teaching a course on the theology of the Church for Siena Heights University. It is a totally online course, so I never get to meet the students in person. No driving time but I still like in-person classes better. Most of the students are not Catholic and some are even a bit anti-Catholic, I would say. One of the challenges is to provide some context and history for various practices that one or another student does not agree with. Usually I can give a fairly detailed historical context that, if it doesn't convince the student, at least shows the area in question is more complex than they at first thought (for example, women's ordination or celibacy or the role of the pope in the Church, etc.). But at times I find myself shaking my head at one or another Vatican action.

One was a couple of weeks ago when proceedings of a Vatican conference on the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pope Paul VI's 1968 encyclical *Humanae vitae* (which re-affirmed a strong "no" to artificial means of birth control) were published. One scientific paper argued the thesis that the hormones used in birth control pills were passing through the women using them, into the environment, and causing not only great environmental damage but a large increase in male sterility. I will leave it to scientists to debate the science used to come to that conclusion, but from what I read it rests on pretty thin scientific reasoning. In any case, there is nothing wrong with a scientist exploring that thesis. The problem was that a spokesperson for the Vatican acted as though it was proven fact. It does not advance the goal of defending the conclusions of that encyclical by using shaky scientific conclusions. One of the strengths of the Catholic approach to questions has been its willingness, despite some notable exceptions like Galileo, to learn from science and not simply use only those conclusions that support a pre-determined end. This makes for bad science and bad theology.

The latest of these puzzling decisions happened last week, when Pope Benedict lifted the excommunication of four bishops ordained for the Society of St. Pius X, during the week of Christian unity, with one of the four a public proclaimer that the killing of six million Jews during the Nazi era did not really happen. In the first place, all four are adamantly anti-ecumenism, which is what the week of Christian unity is all about. They all believe Protestantism is not the work of the Spirit. To achieve a greater unity between a relatively small number of schismatic Catholics and the larger Catholic Church might be a good thing. But it also was taken as a symbolic rejection of what the week of Christian unity is more deeply about, given the timing of the announcement.

More importantly, to bring a bishop into full communion with the Church, with no sanctions on his anti-Jewish views is very troubling. The Vatican spokesperson said that they reject his anti-Jewish views on this

matter absolutely but they have to be taken as a separate matter. Theoretically separate, perhaps, but in practice not so. That bishop could have been asked to publicly retract his position or, receive the other three back into communion and let the fourth be "pending" after further conversation. It is such an egregious move, in my estimation, that one has to ask if something else is involved. And I think the answer is yes. It has to do with a desire by the present pope to make the Tridentine Mass a more regular part of the life of the Church.

The Society of St. Pius X came into existence after the Second Vatican Council, when a French Archbishop, Marcel Lefebvre, rejected a number of the council's directions, especially the one on revising the Mass of the Roman Rite. For him and his followers these were all heresies of Modernism, something Pope Pius X condemned at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, thus the name for the society. These "Lefebvrites" as they were called, insisted that the rite for the Roman Mass prepared after the council of Trent—what is often referred to as the Tridentine Mass—was binding for all time. With that rejection of the new rite for the Eucharist and other changes that ensued after the council, came a rejection of papal leadership. When he began ordaining his own bishops in 1988 without Vatican approval, the dispute became a schism and he and the four bishops he ordained were automatically excommunicated.

For some years, however, first Pope John Paul II and then especially Pope Benedict have wanted a reconciliation between the Catholic Church and this Society. Pope John Paul encouraged all bishops to allow some celebrations of the older Tridentine rite Mass for those who felt alienated celebrating the new rite. I remember here in Detroit Cardinal Maida kept consulting the presbyteral council about the wisdom of having such Masses and nearly unanimously we told him that was not a wise decision to make. Eventually he decided to go ahead anyway and establish a Tridentine Mass at one of the old downtown parish churches.

Pope Benedict, however, went even further. In 2007 he authorized the

full restoration of the Tridentine Mass, as well as the other sacramental rites, for any stable communities of Catholics who desire it. He said a priest no longer needed his bishop's permission to celebrate these rites, creating a conundrum for many bishops, especially in Europe, who did not agree with that decision. In any case, this now turns out to be the prelude to the present reconciliation. Now that any validly ordained Catholic priest can make their own determination about when and where to celebrate these rites, without regard to their bishop or the conference of bishops, the way was open for members of the Society of St. Pius X to accept papal leadership and be re-united to the Church.

In turn, now that this society is fully re-united there will be a structure in place which has as its goal the full restoration of the Tridentine rite in all dioceses and all parishes, as well as seminaries that will train priests to celebrate such Masses. That I think is the subtext for this reconciliation. For Pope Benedict it was more important than the symbolic slap of announcing such a decision during the ecumenical week and even more important than the embarrassment of announcing as a fully united bishop a man who only a couple of weeks ago went on TV to proclaim his anti-Semitic views.

This is one of those decisions that Catholics don't have to defend, even though the pope certainly has the right and authority to make such a decision. I know it is one of those decisions that will be seized upon by those who are critical of the Catholic Church, as further evidence of the way papal authority might be misused. And in this case I can't really provide a context that will make it understandable. At the same time, this does not somehow negate the role of the pope or his importance for the Church. Rather, it means for me that the Church comes to wisdom not through one person alone but by all of its members seeking the truth and living it within the same Church. Then leaving it to the Holy Spirit to open doors and shape what eventually emerges.

**Fr. Buersmeyer**

## Knights Offer Scholarships

Knights of Columbus Council #7018 (representing both St. Clement of Rome and SS. John and Paul Parishes) are offering scholarships that will be awarded to those Catholic students who will be graduating from Romeo High School this June 2009 and those in college through their fourth year (if funds are available). The Council is also offering scholarships for K thru college for attending Catholic schools only.

To obtain applications and a description of the scholarship criteria, call Jim Burns at 586.752.1115 or Ron Stec at 586.752.9180 and applications will be forwarded. All applications should be returned by March 15, 2009 to be considered.

## Some Things to Remember

- Faith is the ability to not panic.
- If you worry, you didn't pray. If you prayed, don't worry.
- As a child of God, prayer is kind of like calling home every day.
- Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape.
- Silence is often misinterpreted but never misquoted.
- The most import things in your home are the people.
- A grudge is a heavy thing to carry.
- When we get tangled up in our problems, be still. God wants us to be still so he can untangle the knot.
- Do the math. Count your blessings

## Stewardship

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January 24-25, 2009

**Weekly budget.....\$11,700.00**  
 Offertory ..... \$11,172.25  
 No. Sunday envelopes used .....346  
 ESO (30th of month)..... \$2,422.00  
 No. ESO .....32  
**Total Offertory .....\$13,594.25**

### Other Monies / (# Envelopes)

Capital Imprv. / (7) .....\$250.00  
 Children's Env. / (4) .....\$5.00

YTD Budget.....\$389,100.00  
 YTD Offertory .....\$389,294.00  
 YTD Surplus .....+\$194.00

Thanks to your generous response to CSA 2008, last month we received a refund of \$28,952 which was deposited into our Archdiocesan savings account. Thank you for your pledges and payments to CSA.



## Readings for the Week of February 1, 2009

**Sunday, February 1:**  
 Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95; 1 Cor 7:32-35;  
 Mk 1:21-28

**Monday, February 2:**  
 Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24; Heb 2:14-18;  
 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Tuesday, February 3:**  
 Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22; Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday, February 4:**  
 Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103; Mk 6:1-6

**Thursday, February 5:**  
 Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48; Mk 6:7-13

**Friday, February 6:**  
 Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27; Mk 6:14-29

**Saturday, February 7:**  
 Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23; Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday, February 8:**  
 Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23;  
 Mk 1:29-39

## Pray for our sick

Mary Angelosante	Linda Murphy
Alana Aynse	Samantha Nelson
Jennie Barla	Tom O'Donnell
Rita Bayer	Leo Osantoske, Sr.
Mary Burcar	Carl Pallas
Ralph Cleary	Rita Pascoe
John Patrick Cuttle	Monica Payne
Timothy J. Cuttle	Ken Petty
Gloria Dean	Alex Polzin
Chris Del Pappa	Doris C. Procopio
Lauren DeNio	Dorothy Puffpaff
Morris Duhaime	Anthony Randazzo
Blanche Fredal	Pat Rea
Danielle Giffin	Marie Richard
Geri Hammer	Theresa Romero
Lora Hardin	Albert Sabbe
Ruth Hunsucker	Sylvia Schult
Yolanda Kaufman	Bill Shevela
Molly Keffalo	Jeff Simpson
John Kerr	Camille Smith
Leonard Koskodan	Michelle Smith
Hayden Kroll	Tommasina Smith
John LaCroix	Mary Sorrow
Jillian Lentine	Steven St. John
Vito Loconte	Ken Stempien
Jacob Main	Barbara Supina
Bernice Mayer	Charlie Trombly
Rodney Mayer	Elva VanDamme
Antoinette McBain	Richard Waluk
Agnes Mehlick	Betty Waligore
	Patricia Wyatt
	Edward Ziolkowski

## Pray for our military



Noel & Greg Ales	Chris Krusinski
Nick Bassett	Teija Kinnunen
Augie Biache III	Paul McGowan
Mike Boback	Matthew McLocklin
Eric Eppens	David Newberry
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## Eucharistic Prayer Requests

### Saturday and Sunday January 31-February 1, 2009

Daryl Kraemer by Wife  
Joseph Sakowsky by M. Errante  
Alberto Bologna by S. Biondo Family  
Ken Cauley by Family  
Leon Skuratowicz by Wolicki Family

### Monday, February 2, 2009

Beatrice Zellen by Greenway Family

### Tuesday, February 3, 2009

Leona Michalski by T. Klakulak Family

### Wednesday, February 4, 2009

Marie Smith by Puzzuoli Family

### Saturday and Sunday February 7-8, 2009

Irene Deutsch by L. Vozza  
Robert Leadley by Family  
Daryl Kraemer by Wife  
Clemente Truden by A. Truden  
Adele & Isidoro Cocco by Daughter

Liturgical appointments for February 7-8, 2009				
Mass	5:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
<b>Celebrant/ Homilist</b>	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer Deacon John	Fr. Sayes Deacon John	Fr. Sayes
<b>Lectors</b>	C. Theodoroff M. Greenway	M. Sobetski R. Resutek	L. Zabkowski D. Zabkowski	S. Darga-Martino C. Gregory
<b>Communion Ministers</b>  <b>*Captain</b>	B. Conlon* M. Klakulak T. Klakulak C. Klein M. Beaudin	Deacon John A. Weaver* J. Sova G. Bawol M. Capp	Deacon John S. Zellen* L. Zellen J. Sabina J. Witek M. Adkins R. DiDomenico	J. Gilbertson* S. Brunet M. Catalano P. Dutchik J. Martino
<b>Altar Servers</b>	O. Cali V. Mangiapane	—Open—	T. Schneider M. Sabat M. Compeau	F. Avolio G. Avolio N. Delcourt
<b>Greeters</b>	D. Picklo O. Picklo	L. Weathers M. Weathers	C. Sittenauer R. Stellute	K. Waligore C. Winde
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Team #2</b> M. LaRaia M. Hendershot J. Krieg	<b>Team #4</b> R. Giffin K. Grunewald B. Huellmantel H. Susalla	<b>Team #6</b> B. Burcar B. Cammarata J. Pospiech B. Schulz J. Gerds	<b>Team #8</b> L. LePage C. Klapeck R. Kopera J. Kretchman K. McBride J. Pyke D. Waligore
<b>Collection Counters</b>	<b>Team #5</b> — Jim Banaszek, Lillian Horn, Robereta Mathie, Pat & Joe Orczykowski			

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<p><b>Weekend Masses</b></p> <p>Saturday at 5:00 p.m. Sunday at 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Weekday Masses</b></p> <p>7:00 p.m. Monday 9:00 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday</p>
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#### Parish Registration

New parishioners may register after each weekend Mass or Monday through Friday at the parish office

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00-3:30 p.m. of after 5:00 p.m. Mass

#### Baptisms

Please call the parish office for arrangements and parental preparation dates. Contact office at least 3 months prior to Baptism

#### Weddings

Please notify office at least six months (one year if not registered) prior to wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation

#### Parish Staff

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