

December 27, 2009: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



Jesus said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. — Lk. 2:49-50
Image from New Jerusalem Art Studio, 1985-1990 CCD.

LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, December 27, Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
(Sir 3:2-7, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:41-52)

8:00 am- Henry Etzler, Sr.
10:30 am- For our Parish Family

Monday, December 28, Holy Innocents, martyrs (1 Jn 1:5, -- 2:2/Mt 2:13-18)

7:00 am- Anita & Edmund Hajovsky
10:00 am- Living & deceased members of Class of 1956
(Hallettsville Rehab)

Tuesday, December 29, St. Thomas Becket (1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35)

7:00 am- Franklin Hlavac

Wednesday, December 30 (1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40)

7:00 am- Louis & Mary Rother, Rudolph & Henrietta Pesek
8:05 am- Special Intention – Recovery (SR)

Thursday, Dec. 31, St. Sylvester I (1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18)

7:00 am- Julius & Annie Pustejovsky
10:00 am- Viola Darilek (Stevens Nursing Home)
5:00 pm- Edwin E. Novosad, Sr. (**Vigil Mass for Holy Day**)
11:30 pm- (*Midnight Mass*) Bunny Dornak, Carl & Hilda Buss,
August & Caroline Dornak

Friday, January 1, Blessed Virgin Mary (Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21) (Holy Day of Obligation)

8:00 am- Johnny Rainosek
10:30 am- Blasé Konvicka, Sr.

Saturday, January 2, Sts. Basil & Gregory Nazianzen (1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28)

5:30 pm- In honor of Olga Haas' 95th Birthday

Sunday, January 3, Epiphany of the Lord
(Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12)

8:00 am- For our Parish Family
10:30 am- John & Frances Valigura



New Year's Confession Schedule

Sacred Heart: Saturday, December 26, 4:30 – 5:15 p.m.

New Year's Mass Schedule

St. Mary's: New Year's Day – 9:15 a.m.

Moravia: New Year's Eve – 5:00 p.m.

St. John: New Year's Day – 9:30 a.m.

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of John & Lucy Henke by their family.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: In memory of Adolf, Mary, Jerome & Fred Jansky, & Frank, Annie & Gene Holik by Charles & Dorothy Jansky.

Vigil Light: Living & deceased members of Neskora & Hermes Families.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29

-Quilting Circle will not meet until January 5.
-RCIA Class, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30

-CCD dismissed for Christmas & New Year's Holidays.
-Spiritual Book Study will not meet until January 6.
-Divine Mercy Prayers, 7:30 p.m., Church Cry Room.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 pm **in the Chapel**. The intention this month is for *family life and world peace*.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1

-First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ends at 6:00 pm **in the Chapel**. There will be no benediction.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2

-Serra Club Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Rose, Schulenburg.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Amanda Conniff, Margaret Timm, Helen M. Appelt, Michael Kutac, Rosalie Simpson, Ed Aulick, Paige Haas, Anita Kallus, Hubert Etzler, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Lindal Finley, Frank Fishar, Pam Dornak, Clayton Patek, Suzanne Romano, Mary Agnes Grahmann, Alice Kocian, Anita Bohuslav, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Louise Pesek, Doyleen Drozd, Bryce Saldi, Travis Klimitchek, Judith Koerth, Thelma Mikulenska, Louise Tesch, Sharon Grahmann, Sandra Henneke, Mary Ann Koenig, Ronald Kanak, Marcella Henke, Helen Mitchon, Tillie Schott, Robert Vasek, Georgia Schaefer, Geraline Morgenroth, Joseph Ilardo, Anthony Petru, Dolores Ludwig, Denise Lewis, Evelyn Kutac, Barbara Tesch, John D. Henneke, Emil Grahmann, Marilyn Bludau Marikle, Lillie Demny, Henry Morris, Theresa Hemmi, nursing home residents, homebound.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of *Robert Kolacny*, brother of Ronnie Kolacny, & *Rose Marie Pekar*, mother of JoAnn Bludau & John Pekar. *May they & all the faithful departed rest in the peace of Christ.*

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$7,364.50; Loose-\$1,940; Children's-\$42; Religious Retirement Fund-\$841.

Anniversaries:

Mike & Shirley Johnson	35 years	Dec. 28
Roland & Georgia Schaefer	56 years	Dec. 28
Winfred & Ida Bludau	40 years	Dec. 29

Perpetual Adoration will continue through New Year's Day. If you are unable to fulfill your regular adoration hour, please find a replacement or call your hourly captain. For questions, call Charlene Bradbury 798-3224.

Gabriel Project is in dire need of cribs & mattresses, and/or bassinets. Please call Stefani Spears 578-1824.

From the Desk of Father John

I hope that everyone had a good Christmas celebration with family and friends and was thankful to God for all His blessings. We continue celebrating this great season of Christmas until the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord on January 10th.

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Let us pray in a special way for all families that they will work together and pray together for God's help. Let us pray especially for our troubled families.

Please keep Daniel & Carolyn Etzler in your prayers. They lost their home and all their belongings this past Monday in a house fire.



The Youth ConneXion



Youth Christmas Party, January 10, Youth House for 8th – 12th Graders.

Music Practice: Mondays, 6:00 p.m., Youth House.

Religious Education (CCD) ~ Office 798-3124

Janice Busselman, Coordinator

Angela McConnell, Assistant

December 30: CCD classes dismissed for New Year's Holiday.

January 17: 9th Grade youth involvement at 8:00 a.m. Mass.

January 30: First Penance practice, 9:00 a.m. in church.

January 31: First Penance at 2:00 p.m. in church.

Sacred Heart Catholic School ~ 798-4251

December 28 – January 1: Classes dismissed for New Year's Holiday. Classes resume January 4, 2010. *Happy New Year!*

January 8: Report cards distributed.

January 11: Student Council Blood Drive 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

SHCS Extravaganza, Feb. 6, KC Hall. Social, dinner & dance, \$125/couple. Available for purchase at the school office, Rectory, Beauty Boutique, & S.H. Credit Union.

Calendar Membership: **Dec. 17**: Zack Zamykal, Victoria-\$100; **Dec. 18**: Virginia Jurica, Schulenburg-\$100; **Dec. 21**: Doloris Leopold-\$250; **Dec. 22**: Rosalie Benton, Bridge City-\$250; **Dec. 23**: Harold Placette, Pt. Arthur-\$250; **Dec. 24**: Jennifer Golsch-\$250; **Dec. 25**: J. E. Janca, Yoakum-\$250.

KJT #43 Wied, New Year's Eve Party, December 31, 6:30 p.m., Wied Hall. All members are invited. Bring snacks & refreshments.

Feast Day of the Holy Innocents Celebration, December 28, Raphael's Refuge, 2715 West US Hwy 90, Flatonia. Mass at 2:00 p.m. followed by Chaplet of Divine Mercy. For info., call Midge at 361-865-3021 or 361-258-1514.

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. To register for the Feb. 12–14 program, call 979-543-3493 or email lbconner@sbcglobal.net.

Choose Life – A vision for the future: “By seeking holiness and using the gifts God has given us to accomplish His will in our lives, we are contributing mightily to that kingdom we all long for, where there will be no more crying or pain or death. Certainly no abortion. No euthanasia. No assisted suicide. No deep freezing of embryos as though they were merchandise. And no destruction of human life in the name of science.” *Cardinal Justin Rigali, 1/21/08. Let us pray that families may by word and example teach their children that each and every human life deserves respect.*

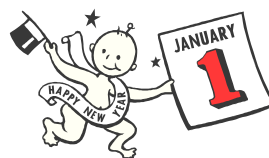
The Holy Family

Adolescents are often characterized in American culture as moody, rebellious, unresponsive to adults, secretive, addicted to text messaging, and generally disconnected from their families. The caricature carries over into films, television shows, and comic strips like "Zits." Television sitcoms often garner great laughs by pitting younger, wittier children against adolescents to the delight of onlooking parents. Such views only serve to separate the members of a family rather than unite them as one household.

While we may laugh at the humor, letting culture define family life is not the direction offered by Christian experience. For starters, Christians begin with baptism, recognizing that each member of the family shares in the gift of the Holy Spirit that dwells in our hearts. As the writer of the First Letter of John says, "We are God's children now." In the family, each member is a precious gift with talents given by God.

The adolescent Jesus slipped away from Mary and Joseph in Sunday's Gospel. (Has it ever happened to you where one of your older kids slipped away because they wanted to stay out a little longer?) In the end, His actions were seen as part of God's larger plan. It remains a delicate balance in helping children to discern their gifts as they grow older, while at the same time providing the discipline and structure that will protect and guide them. This feast that we celebrate today reminds us that the balance comes from seeing ourselves as a family with God in our midst. With that as the starting point, rather than the culture of the day, we can all learn how to be about our heavenly Father's business.

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Wishing you a
happy & blessed

New Year!!!!

FINANCIAL STATEMENT – NOVEMBER, 2009Church Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 33,035.25
Other Donations	4,494.02
Interest	17,912.72
Religious Articles	450.00
Campaign for Human Development	588.00
Family Center Rental	<u>805.00</u>
Total Church Income	<u>\$ 57,284.99</u>

Church Expense:

Salaries	\$ 6,823.93
Utilities	1,521.39
Church & Rectory Expense	1,857.98
Office Expense	1,002.91
Religious Articles	1,119.25
Family Center Expense	298.06
Medical Insurance & Pension	3,214.59
Repairs & Maintenance	255.30
Special Collection	588.00
Building & Vehicle Insurance	<u>2,722.19</u>
Total Church Expense	<u>\$ 19,403.60</u>

School Income:

Field Trips	\$ 263.00
Bus Fees	150.00
Pre-K Tuition	6,300.00
K – 12 th Tuition	47,592.50
Extended Care	2,345.00
Catholic Education Envelopes	1,593.00
Memorials	3,077.00
Shop Donations	20.00
Athletics	2,500.00
Library	50.00
Donations	1,500.00
Interest	11,130.99
Miscellaneous	1,149.60
Book Fair	<u>2,102.49</u>
Total School Income	<u>\$ 79,773.58</u>

School Expense:

Salaries	\$ 71,256.98
Contracted Services	753.27
Office & Teaching Supplies	1,005.93
Extended Care Supplies	126.35
Postage	51.68
Staff Development	53.85
Public Relations	447.50
Testing	729.10
Textbooks	1,073.28
Library Expense	200.89
Utilities	4,457.49
Plant Repairs & Maintenance	737.83
Custodial Supplies	677.26
Bus & Vehicle Expense	3,977.37
Payroll Taxes	5,310.71
Medical Insurance & Retirement	15,856.00
Property Insurance	2,597.13
Convent Expense	676.13
Technology	1,366.69
Book Fair Expense	1,926.09
Miscellaneous	<u>546.95</u>
Total School Expense	<u>\$ 113,828.48</u>

Parish Income \$ 137,058.57**Parish Expense** - 133,232.08**Parish Balance** \$ 3,826.49**SUE SPANIHIL SCHOLARSHIP FUND**In memory of Ben Spanihel:

Dave & Linda Ward	50.00
Dennis & Cynthia Matula	20.00
Arthur & Rose Mary Etzler	10.00
John & Sherry Henke	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Rother	20.00
Marty & Rhonda Henneke & family	10.00
Allan & Mary Leopold	25.00
Mike, Pam & Kenzie Etzler	20.00
Donnie & Leean Rother	20.00
Leo & Elizabeth Janak	10.00
Billy & Beverly Hrcir	20.00
Alan & Laura Jirkovsky	20.00
Charles & Dolores Sommer	25.00
Michael & Tanya Woytek	15.00
Sandra & Edward Pustka	10.00
Charlie & Sharon Leopold	20.00
Robert & Karen Kahanek	10.00
Rosemary Hermes	10.00
Charles & Renee Hardt & family	10.00
Donnie & Mary Jo Bludau	10.00
Paul & Theresa Voelkel	10.00
Billy & Brenda Mitchon & family	20.00
Henry & Sandra Kostelnik	20.00
Jimmie & Sylvia Steffek	20.00
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Laurence & Carol Bludau	10.00
Pat & Gayle Henke	10.00
Steven & Cheryl Leopold	10.00
Charlene Leopold	10.00
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Charles & Henrietta Janak & Martha	30.00
Glen & Becky Janak	25.00
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Margaret Bludau	10.00
Victor & Magdalen Steffek	10.00
Shelby Huslig	25.00

SACRED HEART CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUNDIn memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Dennis & Carol Melnar	25.00
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SACRED HEART CHURCH MUSIC FUNDIn memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Bob & Lou Kubena	20.00
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SACRED HEART CHURCH CCD PROGRAMIn memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Helen M. Appelt	20.00
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SACRED HEART QUILTING CIRCLEIn memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Vic & Katherine Kahanek	15.00
Kubena Funeral Home	20.00
Gilbert & Bea Butschek	10.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUNDIn memory of Beatrice Melnar:

Hubert & Liz Janak	20.00
Mr. & Mrs. Norbert Sobotik	20.00
Phillip & Pat Smirak	20.00
Wilbert & Carol Etzler	20.00
Laddie & Rita Kurtz	5.00
Anton & Helen Mizera	5.00
Frank M. Dornak	15.00
Mike & Darlene Appelt	20.00
John & Cathy Hrcir	10.00
James & Mary Honish	10.00
Mary B. Prasek	5.00

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2009-2010 Commitment Form

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YES, I want to help Sacred Heart Catholic School continue to offer quality education at an affordable tuition for years to come.

Your generosity will be recognized by the following categories in next year's Annual Report

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\$1000-\$2499	Foundation Society
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\$100-\$499	Blue & White Society
up to \$99	Spirit Society

My check for \$ _____ is enclosed payable to **SHS Annual Fund**.

Your gift is tax deductible and deeply appreciated.

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Sacred Heart School is grateful for your continued sacrifice and generosity given to support the values of Catholic education. Please accept our offer of prayers as one way of expressing our gratitude. Your special intention will be placed upon the altar during the school mass on January 15, 2009.

Please pray for: _____

