

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 13th – Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Sharon Moore (Chris & Jim Lindskog)
 10:00 a.m. Sophia E. Erhard (Cindy & Dennis Beblo)
 12:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Monday, January 14th – Weekday

7:00 a.m. David Fetter (Marcia & Jim Green Family)

Tuesday, January 15th – Weekday

9:00 a.m. Roger Hall (Mark & April Peters)

Wednesday, January 16th – Weekday

5:30 p.m. Dwight Lee (David & Mary Varrasso)

Thursday, January 17th – St. Anthony

9:00 a.m. Colleen Kennedy (Larry & Sue McWilliams)

Friday, January 18th – Weekday

9:00 a.m. Dennis Handy (Family)

Saturday, January 19th – Vigil Mass of Sunday

5:30 p.m. Catherine Schorger (The Grove Family)

Sunday, January 20th – Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. People of the Parish
 10:00 a.m. Sandy Panella (Charlotte Pettit)
 12:00 p.m. Dr. Terry Long (Vu & Mary Tran)

Want to schedule a Mass Intention for a loved one? Call Pam Kelley at 345-9874, ext. 204.

Parish News & Events



Today, the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord**. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany, which occurred on the occasion of His Baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Almighty, eternal God, when the Spirit descended upon Jesus at His Baptism in the Jordan, You revealed Him as Your own beloved Son. Keep us, Your children born of water and the Spirit, faithful to our calling. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Women's Breakfast Retreat

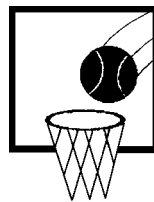
Calling all ladies of the parish – young and old! Come to the next Women's Breakfast Retreat on Saturday, January 19th. Start the morning off right with Mass at 8:00 a.m., followed by breakfast and a talk by Fr. Bob. The morning will wrap up by 9:30 a.m. Please call Helen Sage (ext. 200) to reserve your spot.

Invitation to All Ladies of St. Francis Parish

Need a break from the winter blahs? We offer the perfect solution for wives, grandmas, granddaughters, moms, daughters, sisters, aunts, nieces, cousins, and friends. Please come to our *5th Annual Ladies Brunch*, sponsored by the Women of St. Francis on Saturday, January 26, 2008, 9:30 a.m., in Johnson Hall. "Updating Your Spring Wardrobe," presented by our speaker, Lisa Burgei, an Assistant Manager at Kohl's Department Store, will be showing the newest spring fashions featuring updated colors, styles and good shapes for your size. Join us for delicious food and great fellowship. Please RSVP by Wednesday, January 23rd. Direct any questions to Karen Lutze at 366-2701 or Debby Shelly at 366-6924.

PLEASE JOIN US!

The Annual Pack 8 Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be held on **Super Bowl Sunday, February 3, 2008**, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, in the St. Francis School Cafeteria. Tickets are just \$5.00/person or \$15.00/family. See any Cub Scout to purchase your tickets or buy at the door. All proceeds benefit St. Francis Cub Scout activities such as the Pinewood Derby and Scout Summer Day Camp. Enjoy good food for a good cause!



Free Throw Contest

On Saturday, January 19th, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor a Free Throw Contest, which is open to all girls and boys between the ages of 10 and 14. There will be winners in each age group. The contest will take place in the St. Francis School gym and begins at 1:00 p.m. PLEASE NOTE: Parental permission is required. A form can be filled out prior to the event or the day of the event. Copies of the form can be obtained at the St. Francis School Office, or by calling Mike Weiland at 366-5007. Winners go to a District Free Throw Contest to be held during the first two weeks of February. Regional contests and State finals will be held in March. Winners will be notified as to time, date, and location of contests.

Liturgical Ministers for Next Week – January 19-20, 2008

	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION *PLEASE PURIFY	ALTAR SERVERS	CHILDREN'S LITURGY
5:30 p.m. Saturday, January 19	Linda Baldeschwiler, Kathy Feightner	R. Gossett, M. Hendershot, J. Zimmerman, J. Reagan, C. Reagan, S. Baker, J. Baker, D. Rehbeck, M. Rathgeb, M. Mikeworth, (Need 10 EMs)	Cathy Brill, Pearl Trebilcock, Maggie Yocum, Megan Ridzon	NO CLOW, Two Catechists Needed
8:00 a.m. Sunday, January 20	Michael Skeen, Lynn Richardson	W. Newland, R. Hayman, T. Joyce, M. Hayman, D. Stasel, M. Robbins, B. Sinsabaugh, P. Olinger, K. Moran, C. McWilliams, S. Klockner, C. Perkins, (Need 12 EMs)	Bill McWilliams, Ashley Scarsella, Sara Scarsella, Nicole Scarsella	Molly Lally, Amy Dagois
10:00 a.m. Sunday, January 20	Mark Mauter, Jeanne Mulroy	P. Russell, R. Lampl, G. Grady, F. Hiebel, D. McCartan, M. Messick, L. Miceli, C. Mitchell, C. Pettit, K. Sardini, J. Williams, C. Watson, (Need 12 EMs)	Bryant Haren, Ryan Lally, Heather Pintz, Lisa Brownlee	Rose Marie Maddern, Konnie Nelson
12:00 p.m. Sunday, January 20	Mary Kay Fausey, Roger Scherer	S. Schorger, M. Brown, C. Gardner, L. Scherer, J. Mueller, E. Mueller, A. Cox, J. Guinta, J. Guinta, B. Snider, (Need 10 EMs)	Jim Grady, Britt Wilder, Kathryn Whyde, Quinn Nutter	NO CLOW, Two Catechists Needed

Stewardship of Treasure:

Weekends of December 23 & 30, 2007

Envelopes	\$ 32,253.55
Loose	\$ 1,683.57
Children	15.58
Totals	\$ 33,952.70
EFT: (December)	\$ 2,734.53
Year-to-Date Totals:	\$496,843.73
Budget for Fiscal Year:	\$524,742.75
Collection for Christmas	\$ 19,294.75
Collection for Solemnity of Mary	\$ 3,130.20

2007 Year-End Donor Statements – If you wish to receive a statement of your Offertory donations for the past year, you MUST either call Pam Kelley at ext. 204, or fill out a request (see below) and drop in the Offertory basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Please allow seven-ten business days to receive your information.

Request 2007 Year-End Statement of Offertory Donations (PLEASE PRINT)

Name: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ Zip: _____

Just A Reminder

The St. Vincent de Paul collection is today. You can use the envelope in your Offertory packet or drop a donation in the basket after Mass. Thank you for your past support. Without it, we would not be able to help those in our community who are very much in need.

What does a married couple do about damaging issues that stubbornly resist all attempts at resolution? If this is a question on your mind, then be sure to check out the literature rack in the back of church. The Diocesan Family Life Office has just published a pamphlet that helps answer some of your questions when seeking marriage counseling. It includes a "Statement of Therapist Values on Marital Commitment," "What to Look for in Your Therapist: Do's and Don'ts for a Competent Marital Therapist," and "Are You on the Verge of an Unnecessary Divorce?" As always our parish priests can also help you.

Lap Blankets for the Homebound

There are still blankets left for our Eucharistic Ministers to take to the homebound and/or Nursing Home residents. These beautiful blankets were handmade by Jean Blake, one of our parishioners. The blankets are in the Auxiliary Sacristy and can be picked up anytime. Thank you, Jean, for your kind generosity and donation!

Sacristan Schedule:

Friday, January 18, 2008
 Kris Yocum and Family

Next Comfort Team #7

Kate Grove, Heidi Smith



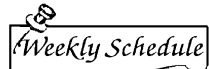
Josephine Campbell, Dick Humphreys, and Devin Reid. Please pray for all who are sick and homebound.



Gavin Aron, son of Brian and Drew Grigsby; Pierce Douglas, son of Brian and Lisa Ormond; and Paul Howard, son of John and Angela Stenson.



Christmas Flower donations, received after prior bulletin publications, were made in loving memory of the following: Robert Comer and Marjorie Blaine.



Sunday, January 13

Newcomer Sunday
Pro-Life Signature Ad after Masses
Collect Baby Items for Heartbeats – All month
 Social Hour – Johnson Hall – 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 Newcomer/Welcome Committee – Johnson Hall – 9:00-11:30 a.m.
 PSR in Classrooms/MPR – 9:30-11:15 a.m.
 RCIA Dism./Scripture Sharing – Conference Room A – 8:00-9:00 a.m.
 CLOW Sessions in Day Chapel – 8:00-10:00 a.m. Masses
 RCIA Sponsor Meeting – Conference Room A – 9:00-9:30 a.m.
 RCIA Catechumenate – Conference Room A – 9:30-10:30 a.m.
 St. Vincent de Paul meeting – Conference Room B – 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Church Undecorating – 2:30-9:00 p.m.
 Men's Basketball – Gym – 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Monday, January 14

Church Undecorating – 2:30-9:00 p.m.
 Rosary in Spanish – Johnson Hall B – 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 Boy Scout Troop 8 – Scout Room – 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Adult Bible Study – Conference Room B – 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 Good Measure Choir – Staff Lounge – 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 15

Fruit of the Vine – MPR – 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 16

TRIP Sorting – Conference Room A – 1:00-4:00 p.m.
 ARC – Johnson Hall – 1:00-3:00 p.m.
 Reconciliation – Church – 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 SF Home and School – Johnson Hall A – 6:00-8:00 p.m.
 SF School Advisory Board – Conference Room A – 7:00-8:00 p.m.
 Knights of Columbus – MPR – 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 17

Women's Bible Study – Johnson B – 9:00-11:30 a.m.
 SF School Open House – 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
 Generations Newsletter mailing – Conference Room A – 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Youth Choir Practice – Church – 2:45-3:45 p.m.
 Girl Scout Troop #125 – MPR – 2:45-5:15 p.m.
 TRIP Pick-Up – Conference Room A – 5:45-7:00 p.m.
 Finance Council – St. Francis Room – 6:00-9:00 p.m.
 Cub Scout Pack 8 – Cafeteria – 6:00-7:00 p.m.
 St. Vincent de Paul – Conference Room B – 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir Practice – Church – 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Friday, January 18

TRIP Pick-Up – Johnson Hall – 7:30-8:45 a.m.

Saturday, January 19

Women's Retreat – Church – 8:00-8:30 a.m.
 Women's Breakfast/Retreat – 8:45-9:30 a.m.
 RCIA Discernment – Church
 RCIA ROE Discernment – Cafeteria – 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
 K of C Free Throw Contest – Gym – 1:00-4:00 p.m.
 Reconciliation – Church – 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 20

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and Catholic Schools Week
 RCIA Dism./Scripture Sharing – Conference Room A – 8:00-9:00 a.m.
 Social Hour – Johnson Hall – 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
 PSR in Classrooms/MPR – 9:30-11:15 a.m.
 CLOW Sessions in Day Chapel – 8:00-10:00 a.m. Masses
 RCIA Catechumenate – Conference Room A – 9:30-10:30 a.m.
K of C Spaghetti Dinner – Cafeteria – 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 Men's Basketball – Gym – 7:00-9:00 p.m.
 Adoration Begins – 7:00 p.m.

Readings of the Week

Sunday	Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17
Monday	1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

SCHOOL NEWS



St. Francis de Sales School PROSPECTIVE PARENT VISIT DAY January 17th – 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

During this day you will be able to:

- See us in action during a normal school day
- Take a tour with a member of our Student Council
- Meet the Principal and Office Staff
- Register for the 2008-2009 school year

Please call us at 345-4049 to RSVP for your tour.

Welcoming new families to our family...

38 Granville Street, Newark, OH 43055 • (740) 345-4049

Check us out on the web!

www.stfrancisparish.net/school.html

SF School Registration for the 2008-2009 School Year

St. Francis de Sales School celebrates Catholic Schools Week with a New Student Registration and Open House on January 27th, 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; and January 28th, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Come take a tour of our facility and register for the 2008-2009 school year.

Check us out on the web at

www.stfrancisparish.net/school.html.

Welcoming new families to our family...

When you come to register your child/children, please bring with you the following:

Kindergarten

- Child's official birth certificate (must have the official seal)
- Child's Baptismal record
- Child's Social Security card
- Child's immunization record

If separated or divorced, a copy of custody agreement
 Nonrefundable registration fee of \$100.00 – applied towards tuition.

Grades 1-8

- All of the above plus:
- Copy of most current report card
- Reference letters from current school

Diocesan Tuition Assistance for 2008-2009 Year

Tuition Assistance is available. To be considered for the program, you MUST be registered in one of the Diocesan schools. The deadline for applications is March 15, 2008. Applications are available at the School Office. A signed and completed application with ALL supporting documentation and the \$20.00 application fee must be postmarked by the above deadline.

Congratulations... Way to Go!

The St. Francis de Sales Teachers Association would like to congratulate Nicholas Walsh, a senior at Newark Catholic, for winning a \$1,000.00 scholarship from the Central Ohio Association of Catholic Educators. Many of our teachers belong to COACE, a diocesan teachers' organization, which offered five such scholarships to members' children attending Catholic high schools across the Diocese. These were based on scholarship, service, and active involvement in the school community. Way to go, Nick!

IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

The Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell will celebrate Mass on Tuesday, January 22, 2008, 10:30 a.m., at St. Joseph Cathedral in observance of the "day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life." This day of penance and prayer falls on the anniversary of the January 22, 1973, US Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized abortion. All are invited to attend. To read more about the Church's teaching on pro-life issues, visit the U.S. Catholic Bishops' web site at www.usccb.org/prolife.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

The next Book Club Meeting will be on January 31st, at Barnes and Noble in Easton. We'll meet 30 minutes early to have a reflection on the Book of Proverbs (6:30 p.m. for Proverb reflection, 7:00 p.m. for regular Book Club bookworms). The next book we will be reading is "*The Seven Storey Mountain*" by Thomas Merton. Because it is a little lengthy, we'll read the first half for January, and finish it up for February. We'll also discuss a plan to take a day pilgrimage to the Abbey of Gethsemane at this event. Please join us! Also, the next Theology and a Pub event is very special: "Vino Veritas!" Valerie Coolidge, theology enthusiast and owner of Wyandotte Winery, will give us a tour of her wine-making facility and tell us how theology and wine are intertwined. \$10.00 will allow you to sample a variety of their award-winning wines. The date is January 24th. Please call Kelly Lavelle at 614-241-2565 if you have questions.

St. Jerome Catholic Book Group – The book group will meet on February 5, 2008, at 6:15 p.m., in the Conference Room, 2nd floor of the Main Newark Public Library, 101 W. Main Street. Our title is *A Sense of Mission: Historic Churches of the Southwest* by T. Drain and D. Wakely. Each month, a Catholic nonfiction title will be chosen for discussion by the facilitator. Titles will include a variety of topics including biographies, Catholic culture and customs, literature, history and religious art. Copies of books chosen will be made available from the public library at no cost to the individual. However, a library card is required by the borrower. All are welcome! Light refreshments will be served. Please contact only the Facilitator and Librarian, Deirdre McIntyre, to answer any questions at 349-5519 and to obtain a copy of this title (or e-mail: mcbookie@gmail.com).

St. Charles Schedules Scholarship Test

St. Charles Preparatory School will offer its annual scholarship test to prospective students at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 26, 2008. The test results are used to determine who will receive academically-based scholarships and grants offered by the school to its students in the 2008-2009 school year. For the 2007-2008 year alone, St. Charles is providing more than \$750,000.00 in academic and financial aid to its students. The test is open to all eighth grade boys who are currently enrolled at any of the public, parochial, and private elementary or middle schools in Franklin County or the other surrounding counties that comprise Central Ohio. Anyone interested in sitting for the St. Charles scholarship test must register by calling Laurie Berndt in the School Office at 614-252-6714, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Opportunity Available

Seeking individuals with experience caring for children with special needs who would like to provide respite in the provider's home. This is a paid position caring for children with disabilities such as ADHD, Bi-Polar, MR, Learning Disabilities or other disabilities. The children in our program are usually served by Moundbuilders Guidance Center or Licking Co. MRDD. If you or someone you know would be interested in learning more about this position, please contact Carol Skeese at 344-2995 or by e-mail at carolskeese@midohio.twcbc.com.