



Welcome to Three Holy Women Catholic Parish! If you are visiting with us today or if you are new to the area — a warm welcome! If you would like information on becoming a member of our parish family, please call the Parish Office at 414-271-6577.

Parish Stewardship

Lord, we thank you for the many blessings You have given to us! We claim our baptism as a call to serve others through our time, talents, and sharing of financial resources. Amen.

Summary of your Stewardship to our parish:

	Week Ending	Year to Date
	12/18/10	7/01/10 to 12/18/10
Envelopes	\$ 22,315.80	\$322,337.01
Offertory	\$ 1,519.42	\$ 35,675.43
Total	\$ 23,835.22	\$358,012.44
Budget	\$ 14,639.18	\$361,796.93
Difference	\$ 9,196.04	(\$ 3,784.49)

Legacy Fund

Pledges Made to Date: \$894,469

Pledges Still to be Paid: \$66,843

Total Gifts Received to Date: \$2,904,223

Total Revenue Received to date: \$3,824,020

The Legacy Fund is the account where we keep donations and income designated for our building major maintenance & repair needs.

Many thanks to all for your generosity in helping our parish fulfill its responsibilities. Thanks, also, to all working in our parish in our continued efforts to help the poor. Thanks to those who share so much of their time and talents. May God bless you all!

Thank You! Fr. Brian Fr. Mike Fr. Tim

Readings for the Week of December 19, 2010

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
 Monday: Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
 Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Lk 1:39-45
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
 Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67-79
 Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
 Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-7, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Please Join Us in Praying For...

Baptisms

Addalyn Jean Lauber
 Henry Patrick Holton

In Loving Memory

Anthony Alioto

Mass Fellowships

The following names have been added to our Mass Fellowship and will be remembered at Mass each month for the next twelve months:

- † Grace Pyle by Josephine Crosariol Salzstein
- † Charlotte and Stanley Strozewski by Dennis Strozewski
- † Steve and Dora LoCoco by Domenico and Marion Zizzo
- † Joseph and Mariana LoCoco by Domenico and Marion Zizzo
- † Francesco and Rosa Zizzo by Domenic and Marion Zizzo
- † Casper and Rose Balistreri by Domenico and Marion Zizzo
- † William Lorenz by Jean Jackson
- † Mr. and Mrs. William J. Jackson by Jean Jackson

Looking to have your child baptized?



Congratulations on your new baby! To have your child baptized at our parish, you must complete a baptism class. To schedule a class and for more information call Emily at 414-271-6577.

In Need of Prayer?

Parishioners in our prayer circle will be happy to pray for your needs and intentions. Please contact the parish office at 271-6577 with your prayer request.



Year End Contributions

You are reminded that contributions for calendar year 2010 must be received in the parish office by December 31, or in an envelope postmarked no later than December 31. A check dated December 31 or earlier, but not in the parish's possession or in a valid postmarked envelope, and received by the parish office by January 1 or later is a 2011 contribution.



FROM YOUR PARISH PRIESTS

Dear Friends,

As we celebrate the fourth Sunday of Advent, we hear the story of the birth of Jesus and a startling point in the story is our dear friend St. Joseph, who discovers what to do in his life while he is asleep and prone to very directive dreams.

Needless to say we live in times that are tiring and sleepy in so many different ways. Be it the struggles of employment or lack of employment, be it the wonderful but at times frustrating reality of being in relationships with spouses and kids, significant others and friends, and whoever makes up our family circle, be it the call of career or schooling, be it the exciting but at times exasperating reality of living in less-than-perfect communities of church or country, it goes without saying that we are tired!

As we enter these days of the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, we rejoice because in the midst of tiredness, it is also possible to dream. The Word of God made flesh reminds us that life is worth living, that redemption is as close to us as the beating

of loving and trusting hearts, that being human, as perplexing and painful as it can be, also provides us with the opportunity of grace, leading us through pain and tiredness to new possibilities. Despite the fact that we sometimes have no idea of where life is going, we at least know that we are not alone. Our God is with us, and is with us to stay!

As we celebrate these holy days, please know of the love, support, and very best blessings and prayers of our parish staffs, trustees, Council members, committee and society members, the religious communities which are here in our midst, your priests, deacons, and seminarians and all who work so very hard to make our parishes the wonderful families they aspire to be!

Merry Christmas!

With love,

Fr. Tim Kitzke, Fr. Mike Michalski, Fr. Brian Mason

Archbishop Listecki Scheduled to be on WTMJ Morning News Program

Milwaukee Archbishop Jerome Listecki is reaching out to Catholics and non-Catholics alike via the radio waves. Beginning December 19, the archbishop will be a guest on WTMJ's Weekend Morning News program the "Sunday Sip." Archbishop Listecki will tackle a number of topics on the show including Catholic education and the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program, marriage, divorce and same-sex unions and the positive impact the Church has on communities throughout southeastern Wisconsin. The archbishop is scheduled for the Sunday Sip on the following dates:

- **Keeping Christ in Christmas** December 19 at 9:20 a.m.
- **New Year, New Leadership** January 2 at 8:20 a.m., just prior to Packer pre-game
- **Catholic Education** January 16 at 9:20 a.m.
- **The Positive Impact of the Church** February 6 at 9:20 a.m.
- **Marriage** February 20 at 9:20 a.m.
- **The Forty Days of Lent** March 6 at 9:20 a.m.

For more information visit www.archmil.org or www.620wtmj.com

Riverwest Food Pantry staff and clients are grateful for your continuing support in helping feed the hungry! Please include some low sodium, low sugar, and low fat options, as well as whole grain carbohydrate sources, in your donations so that the Food Pantry can provide healthier food choices when requested. Thank you all for your continued generosity that helps feed so many in need!

FOOD ITEM OF THE WEEK

Dried Black-eyed Peas

Job Seekers Prayer Group

Job Seekers is a prayer, support and networking group for people who have lost their jobs, those who are fearful of losing their jobs and any others who wish to offer prayer and support. We also offer career counseling, resume reviews, job tips, and interview suggestions. If you feel you would like a chance to update your resume, or even help in writing one, we are happy to help in the process. We gather each Monday evening at Holy Rosary Church beginning at 6:30 PM. Please consider joining us any Monday evening for prayer and friendship.



"We are a member of Riverbank Catholic Communities (RCC) Collaborative Group"

Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Old St. Mary, Our Lady of Divine Providence, Ss. Peter and Paul, Three Holy Women, Catholic East Elementary School, East Side Child and Youth Ministry



PARISH SCHEDULES



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, December 18

VIGIL MASS OF THE LORD'S DAY

- (HR) 4:30pm Pro Populo
- (HR) 5:45pm **Baptism:** Addalyn Jean Lauber

SUNDAY, December 19

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- (SH) 8:45am †George and Mary Brzezinski
- (SR) 10:45am †Rose Tennesen
†Margarita Balistreri
- (SH) 12:00pm **Baptism:** Henry Patrick Holton

MONDAY, December 20 NO MASS

TUESDAY, December 21

ST PETER CANISIUS, PRIEST AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

- (HR) 9:00am †John Maniscalco

WEDNESDAY, December 22

- (SH) 5:30pm †Andrew Lo Menzo
Mother of Perpetual Help following Mass

THURSDAY, December 23

ST JOHN OF KANTY, PRIEST

- (SR) 9:00am †Michael Berry

FRIDAY, December 24

VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

- (SH) 4:30pm †Richard Loepfe
- (SH) 12 Midnight Parishioners, Friends and Benefactors
Preceded by Choral prelude at 11:30pm

SATURDAY, December 25 *Merry Christmas!*

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

- (HR) 8:45am Parishioners, Friends and Benefactors
- (SR) 10:45am Parishioners, Friends and Benefactors
- NO 4:30pm Mass of Anticipation

SUNDAY, December 26

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

- (SH) 8:45am Pro Populo
- (SR) 10:45am †Marilyn Sidello
- (SH) 1:00pm **Baptism:** Frederick Mark Veth

KEY TO MASS LOCATIONS
(HR)=Holy Rosary (SH)=St. Hedwig (SR)=St. Rita

Please Pray For The Sick

Please remember in prayer all those who are sick in mind, body or spirit, facing surgery, recovering from surgery, are homebound, or are in nursing homes, and all those who care for them. May God's blessings be with them all.

THIS WEEK

Monday, December 20

- 6:30pm **Global Solidarity**, PODR
- 6:30pm **Job Seekers Prayer Group**, HR

Tuesday, December 21

- 6:30pm **In The Stillness-Evenings of Prayer**, SH
- 7:00pm **RCIA**, OSM Parish Center

Wednesday, December 22

- 6:30pm **Christmas Choir Rehearsal**, SH

Thursday, December 23

- **PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

Friday, December 24

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- 4:30pm **Christmas Eve Mass**, SH

- 12:00am **Midnight Mass**, SH

Preceded by Choral prelude at 11:30pm

Saturday, December 25

- 8:45am **Christmas Day Mass**, HR

- 10:45am **Christmas Day Mass**, SR

- NO 4:30pm Mass of Anticipation

Sunday, December 26

- 8:45am **Mass**, SH

- 10:45am **Mass**, SR

KEY TO LOCATIONS

(SH) = St. Hedwig (SR) = St. Rita (SRH) = St. Rita Hall (HR) = Holy Rosary (HRH) = Holy Rosary Hall (HRCR) = Holy Rosary Conference Room (PODR) = Parish Office Dining Room (PORR) = Parish Office Resource Room (SHHC) = St. Hedwig Hospitality Center (OSM) = Old Saint Mary

East Side Child & Youth Ministry

Cramer Bldg.—2480 N Cramer St.

Tues	21	Middle School and High School Programs 6:30-8:00pm
Wed	22	Christmas Program: Kindergarten through Grade 5 classes 6:15pm - 7:30pm - SS. Peter and Paul Church

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday:		NO MASS
Tuesday:	9:00am	Holy Rosary Church
Wednesday:	5:30pm	St. Hedwig Church followed by Mother of Perpetual Help
Thursday:	9:00am	St. Rita Church

SEE SCHEDULE ABOVE OR TO THE LEFT

Please Note: If you or anyone you know has been sexually abused by church personnel and would like assistance, contact Amy Peterson, Victim Assistant Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee (414) 758-2232. If you would like to report independent of the Archdiocese please contact The Healing Center at (414) 671-4325.



1st grade students at Catholic East have fun rehearsing for their Christmas program, "silent, HOLY night," held last week.

Catholic East Principal Awarded Master's Degree

Gail Kraig, principal of Catholic East Elementary School, was awarded her Master's degree in Educational Leadership from Cardinal Stritch University at commencement ceremonies last weekend. Mrs. Kraig recently shared her vision for Catholic East – our parish school – at all of our Masses. We congratulate Mrs. Kraig for her achievement and for leading by example in furthering her education!

Catholic East, 2461 N. Murray Ave., is the parish school of the Riverbank Catholic Communities parishes: Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Old Saint Mary, Our Lady of Divine Providence, SS. Peter and Paul, and Three Holy Women.

For more information, please visit www.mycatholiccast.org or call Catholic East at 414-964-1770.

Bulletin (Wk 04)/Insert Deadline to mbergemann@threeholyywomen.org by Tuesday at 10:30am
Announcement Deadline to mrobertson@threeholyywomen.org by Thursday at Noon

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December 2010

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I approach my one year anniversary as your archbishop, I give thanks to God for blessing me with the opportunity of being your shepherd. God is good, and as I look back on the year, I am grateful for everything I've experienced and all of the new relationships I've developed.

Celebrating Mass and events at parishes and schools, administering the sacrament of Confirmation, visiting the sick, and saying Mass for thousands at the summer festivals are just some of the memories I will cherish from this past year. Each occasion was a gift and provided yet another opportunity for me to help build the kingdom of God here on earth.

As Christmas approaches, I am reminded that God gives each of us the gift of new beginnings every year when we celebrate His greatest gift to us, and to all of mankind, the birth of Jesus Christ. This Christmas, I ask you to keep Christ present in all you say and do. Remember that this special day is more than just a holiday – it is a Holy Day. It's a day to give thanks and praise and to remember that because of Christ's birth all things are made new!

May God grant you all the blessings of family and friends during this blessed season and into the new year.

See you at Mass!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

The Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecky
Archbishop of Milwaukee

P.S. This is a great time of year to invite a friend or family member to join you for Christmas Mass!

In the Stillness – Evenings of Prayer

Join us this Advent season for weekly evenings of personal prayer by candle light at St. Hedwig Church. Whether you have two minutes or two hours, stop in for a few quiet moments with God, accompanied by a touch of soft instrumental music.

Schedule:

December 21 6:30-8:30pm – piano music

Young At Heart Senior Luncheon Pre-New Years Eve Party

Thursday, December 30, 2010

Gathering Time: 11:30 AM ♥ Lunch: Noon–2 PM
St. Rita Hall, 1601 N. Cass Street



Entertainment: Music

At the end of the luncheon we will have a special blessing for the New Year and confetti!!!

Menu: Homemade Meatloaf, Mash Potatoes, Vegetable and Dessert

Outreach: Baby Food, Diapers and Formula

Each luncheon has a theme that adds a little excitement to our event, and it does not matter if you are single or married, everyone is welcome! Get a group of friends together and join us for a great time. The luncheons are free! We ask that you support our community by participating in the outreach listed for each luncheon. **Remember reservations are needed, and if you have questions please call Terri, Director of Pastoral Care at 414-469-6173!** Thank you ☺

Christian Women's Annual Christmas Cookie Sale Continues

Due to last weekend's snowstorm, the Christian Women will again be selling homemade Christmas cookies after all the Masses this weekend (December 18th & 19th) at Three Holy Women. Buying cookies is an easy way to enjoy some Christmas cheer...or share some with others. The proceeds are used to fund various parish ministries and to help the poor.

Oplatki

The Oplatki (*pronounced oh-pwat-key*) or Christmas wafers are here. There are directions and prayers included. If you would like to partake in this Polish Christmas tradition, please look for the baskets in the back of church or you can pick it up at the parish office. There is a suggested offering of \$2.00.

