

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

509 Harrison Avenue, Harrison, Ohio 45030

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 16, 2014

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday through Friday at 7:30 a.m. School Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Fridays.

MORNING & EVENING PRAYER WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Monday - Friday at 6:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. respectively.

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays: After 7:30 a.m. Mass until finished, also 6:15-7:00 p.m. / Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.

1st Friday after 7:30 a.m. Mass until finished / anytime by appointment.

ADORATION CHAPEL: Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

BAPTISMS: The schedule for Baptisms can be viewed online at www.stjb.net. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements in advance.

BAPTISM CLASS: (Required for first time parents.) Held the 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Call Lynda Noel, Pastoral Minister.

WEDDINGS: Call the priest and please allow 6 months for wedding arrangements and preparations.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Phone Parish Office 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: All articles and full page inserts are due no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday mornings.

Well done,
my good
and faithful
servant.

Matthew
25:21

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Mass Intentions

Monday, November 17th

7:30 a.m. Bernie Kocher (Don & Juanita Kocher)

Tuesday, November 18th

7:30 a.m. Dorothy Kirstein - Birthday Remembrance (Carl)

Wednesday, November 19th

7:30 a.m. Debbie Kippenbrock (Dottie Beetz)

Thursday, November 20th

7:30 a.m. Donald Cox, Sr. (Carol & Richard Ragar)

7:00 p.m. Don Humbert (John & Bonnie Hornbach)

Day of Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, November 21st

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Beetz & Allgeier Families

9:00 a.m. Gilbert Dole (M/M John Brickner)

Saturday, November 22nd

7:30 a.m. Frank Minges, Jr. (Donna Brickner)

4:00 p.m. Dale Viel (Bill Kuntz Family) (ES)

Sunday, November 23rd

7:30 a.m. Robert Losekamp - Birthday Remembrance (Family) (JK)

9:00 a.m. Clarence "Bud" Martini (The Weasel Martini Family) (JK)

11:00 a.m. Mary Russell (Georgia Meyer) (JK)

1:00 p.m. All St. John Parishioners (BD+DM)

7:00 p.m. James Lohman (Doug & Mary Lohman & Family) (ES)

Prayers

Special Intention: For all those who mourn.

Hospital: Kenny Hauck

Deceased: John Nelson, Eric Sierra

Prayer List: Susan Beck, Joan Becker, John Discepoli, Darlene Forbeck, T.F., Bill Hamann & Family, Kenny Hauck, Jerry Heimbrock, Pat Hendricks, Dorothy Henton, Beverly Ihle, Ann Kemper, Bert Martini, Mary Anne O'Donnell, Patty Overberg, Tony Robben, Lawrence Roell, Don Schuh, The Sierra Family, James Unwin

Vocation View

"Since you have been faithful in small matters, you will be given greater responsibility." To follow the Lord is to slowly grow in the love of the Lord, practicing small steps of virtue in order to grow to a vibrant faith in Christ. (Matthew 25:14-30)

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers (Lectors Bold)

Saturday, November 22nd

4:00 p.m. **Joe Neyer & Hank Menninger**, Tom & Arlene Macht, Jeff & Cathy Rusckhe, Mary Lohman

Sunday, November 23rd

7:30 a.m. **Sylvia Ruthven & Gordon Gavin**, Don Kuntz, Julia Koors, Ray Bruns, Jack Ruthven, Mike Re

9:00 a.m. **Rose Abt & Ron Burwinkel**, Annette Fohl, Tom Gruber, Patty Dean, Bob & Donna Gehrum

11:00 a.m. **Eric Hollis & Chris Taylor**, Richard Stenger, Bernie & Monica Wrublewski, Mary Schultz, Catherine Schultz

1:00 p.m. **Missy Rehn & Brookelyn Towe**, Diane Detmer, **OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN**

7:00 p.m. **Brent Charette & OPEN**, Chrissy McAlister, Roy Blum, Sharon Bachman, **OPEN, OPEN**

Altar Servers

Saturday, November 22nd

4:00 p.m. Luke Lohman, Lauren Tumlin, **OPEN**

Sunday, November 23rd

7:30 a.m. Nick Barth, Emily Annaken, Brianna Kelhoffer

9:00 a.m. Sara, Alex & Megan Roell

11:00 a.m. Sarah & Jessica Shipman, Sydney Roberts

1:00 p.m. Ashley Cornelius, **OPEN, OPEN**

7:00 p.m. Kalene Dean, Anna Kerth, **OPEN**

Greeter Volunteers

Greeters at ALL Masses should be prepared to distribute worship aids.

Saturday, November 22nd

4:00 p.m. **OPEN, OPEN**

Sunday, November 23rd

7:30 a.m. Ray Bruns, Mike Re

9:00 a.m. Dave & Mary Frey, Don Meiners

11:00 a.m. Anna Hollowell, Linda Grimmeissen, Rick Moorman

1:00 p.m. Diane Detmer, Steve Dahmann

7:00 p.m. Terri Hannon, **OPEN**

From The Pastor's Printer

IT WAS QUITE A FEAST! ~ Many, many thanks to all who worked to make our turkey dinner a great feast, and the craft show a great success. I saw new faces working in the kitchen, the tables, and the dishwasher. I am grateful that I saw so many teens and tweens working as well. I think everyone had a great time, except the turkey. To quote Tiny Tim (the kid in Dickens' story, not the weird singer guy), "God bless us, one and all."

KNOWING WHO YOU SERVE AT MASS ~ Moving from the turkey table to THE TABLE –the altar of the Lord, I want to remind, invite, urge, exhort liturgical ministers to come to the Morning of Reflection this Saturday (More details in this bulletin.) One might wonder why he or she should attend such a day; after all, reading, greeting, "ushing," singing, and distributing Holy Communion are not all that complex. But the ministries are not primarily about doing things; they are about serving our God in the context of his most intimate act with us, speaking with us and feeding us with the Body and Blood of His Son. We are not there like hired help to serve; we are his cherished sons and daughter assisting Him in this deepest act of love. To know Him better is to serve Him better! Hope to see you there.

KNOWING HIM WHO YOU SERVE IN THE WORLD ~ And moving from the altar to the world, we go from the Lord's table to the world's table where many do not seem to have a plate before them or food to put on it. Jesus tells us that these people are Him! Christ feeds us with His very Self so that we can go and feed others. This is not meant to be just a feeding for day, but the reordering of the lives of the poor so that they can be lifted out of poverty. Next Sunday is the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. The funds raised go to projects which provide opportunities for employment, education, and direction in communities which lack these essential needs. We might complain that the poor should get off their duffs and do something. While this is an extremely simplistic statement, the CCHD offers the "something" needed to move out of poverty. Pope Francis, quite in accord with Catholic social teaching dating back to Pope Leo XIII in the late 1800 and the action of saints for six centuries, has called the Church to remember that our mission is to enable people to live with the dignity that is their right by virtue of their being human. EXCEPT FOR DONATIONS IN THE REGULAR SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES, THE REST WILL GO FOR THE CCHD.

IN LIGHT OF TODAY'S GOSPEL (MT: 25: 14-30)... ~ When I look at the confidence and initiative of so many kids today, I often think of what I buried in my youth because I did not have the confidence or sense of initiative to do more than sit around and wish there was something to do. As I have grown older, I ask myself if I am looking for opportunities to serve God as a priest and pastor, or if I am willing to settle with "nothing's on fire and the police are not at the door, so all must be okay." I must look to see if I am doing all that God calls me to do here and now to further the kingdom. Probably each of us needs to take time to look at our everyday lives (or even in more dramatic ways) and see what opportunities are facing us to make the kingdom of God grow. Cemeteries are for the bodies of our beloved dead, not a place to bury the opportunities God offers for his kingdom to bloom.

Have a blessed week. ~ *Fr. Jeff*

The Week Ahead

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

- Pastoral Council Meeting - 7 PM
- Confirmation Meeting - 7 PM
- Youth Discovery - 7 PM
- SJB Singers Rehearsal - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, November 19, 2014

- SJB Elementary Liturgical Singers Rehearsal - 4 PM
- Breaking Open The Word - 6:30 PM
- RCIA - 7 PM
- 24 Hr. Adoration begins - 8 PM
- OPEN GYM - 8 PM

Thursday, November 20, 2014

- 24 Hr. Adoration continues until 7 PM closing Mass
- PTC - Monthly Meeting - 7 PM
- SJB Choir Rehearsal - 7 PM

Friday, November 21, 2014

- Cub Scout Turkey Box Meeting - 7 PM

Saturday, November 22, 2014

- Fourth Grade Retreat - 9:30 AM

Sunday, November 23, 2014

- RCIA - Rite of Dismissal - 9 AM Mass
- The King And The Kingdom - 2:30 PM
- Youth Renew Team Formation - 6 PM

The parish calendar can be viewed online at www.stjb.net.

Early Bulletin Deadline

All articles for the November 30th bulletin will be due no later than 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 19th.

Breaking Open The Word

Do you long for the Word of God to be relevant and understandable? Every Wednesday, from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m., in the library Eric Hollis will be breaking open the Word. We invite you to come and read, pray, reflect, discuss and know the bible better. Everyone will be blessed from the beginner to the more seasoned bible reader. For more information, call Lynda Noel in the Office of Adult Ministry @ 513-367-9086 ext. 216.

This Week and Next Week's Readings

November 16th – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalms 128:1-5; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

November 23rd – Solemnity of Christ the King
Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalms 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46

Readings may be found online at www.usccb.org/bible.

Stewardship of Treasure

—COLLECTION FROM NOVEMBER 9, 2014—

484 ENVELOPES.....	\$15,043.00
LOOSE	\$1,523.48
MAILED IN.....	\$1,145.00
BUILDING FUND.....	\$230.00
<u>52 WESHARE (NOVEMBER 3RD—NOVEMBER 9TH)</u>	<u>\$3,681.00</u>
TOTAL.....	\$21,622.48
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$22,000.00
OVER/UNDER BUDGET FOR THE WEEK	(-\$377.52)
OVER/UNDER BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR ..	(-\$9,135.75)

SJB Lotto Update

SJB Lotto is in the process of awarding \$10,000 in cash this year. Thanks to all who sold and purchased tickets.

CONGRATULATIONS to the weekly Lotto winner! Loretta Murnan won \$100 for the week of 11/10 with ticket #268. The winning ticket was sold by Nathan Thompson. It was pulled by Jessica Hollerman and Angie Land on November 10th.

CCHD Second Collection

Next week's Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help people help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and help those living on the margins of our society. **Please give generously to the CCHD Collection.**

Health Ministry

DID YOU KNOW?

...that five seconds is the average time your eyes are off the road while texting. When traveling at 55 mph, that's enough time to cover the length of a football field blindfolded.

...that statistics show that the dangers of distracted driving are deadly. Talking on the cell phone quadruples your risk of an accident, about the same as if you were driving drunk. That risk doubles again to eight times if you are texting. There are three types of distractions: Manual, visual and cognitive. Texting involves all three!

...that there are **10 tips** for managing some of the common distractions:

1. **X the text.**
2. **Turn your phone off and stow it.**
3. **Ask your passengers to make a call or text.**
4. **Don 't multi-task behind the wheel.**
5. **Secure pets.**
6. **Pull over to a safe place to address situations involving the children.**
7. **Spread the word.**
8. **Know the state and local laws about the use of cell phones/texting.**
9. **Prepare map/route directions ahead.**
10. **Pull over for anything that may distract your focus on driving.**

...that in a recent study 25% of teens reported that they responded to a text message once or more almost every time they drive. 20% of teens and 10% of parents admit they have had extended, multi-message text conversations while driving.

...that you can get your blood pressure checked in the Community Room after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 16th, and after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 23rd.

November Apostleship Of Prayer Intentions

Lonely people. That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others.

Mentors of seminarians and religious. That young seminarians and religious may have wise and well-formed mentors.

We Cannot Thank You Enough

Thank you to all of the prior sponsors for their continued financial support, as well as the new, first time sponsors, for their donations for the children in El Salvador. Because of your very generous contributions, St. John's collected over \$60,600 for the education of the children at both Santa Cruz, and Our Lady of Guadalupe Parishes. We cannot fully comprehend what this money means for these children and their families, but their smiles, hugs, words of love and prayers for us in thanksgiving for your support are shown to us who travel every year to see these children. Please continue to pray for them as they face many challenges. If you have any questions regarding this program or your donation, please contact Deacon Don Meyer at 513-367-2141.

Trip To El Salvador 2015

All St. John the Baptist parishioners are invited to join us on our annual visit to our sister parishes, Santa Cruz, and Our Lady of Guadalupe in San Salvador, El Salvador. This year our trip will be from Saturday, February 7, 2015, to Saturday, February 14, 2015. These trips are really a pilgrimage and a life-changing experience. In addition to sharing our faith and enjoying the company of our sisters and brothers, we get to visit with all of the sponsored children and their parents in our scholarship program. Please join us on this annual pilgrimage. The cost is approximately \$1,500, which covers the air fare, lodging & food. Please contact Deacon Don Meyer at 513-367-2141 or 513-235-3430 for more information.

Thank You

The Daughters of Isabella wish to thank you for supporting our annual bake sale the weekend of October 25 & 26th.

Day of Eucharistic Adoration

Our 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration begins Wednesday, Nov. 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Closing Mass is at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 20th, in the church. If possible, use the sign up sheet in the Chapel.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?"

- Mark 14:37



The ESAP organization will continue to sponsor their Fostering Philanthropy program again this year in an effort to help raise money for financial aid for the 2015-2016 school year. ESAP will match each donation at a rate of 150% up to a maximum of \$15,000. For example, if you donate \$100 to the ESAP program, they will match \$150 and the total for financial aid will be \$250. All donations will come back to St. John's school with the additional match to help fund our tuition assistance program.

If you would like to make a donation to be matched by the ESAP program, please forward your donation to Paul Roell at the Parish Office or drop your donation in the collection basket in an enveloped marked ESAP Donation. All donations need to be received by the ESAP organization before Dec 31, 2014, to qualify for the matching program. Please submit your donations prior to this deadline. For more information about ESAP, please visit www.esap.org.



The Year Of Consecrated Life

Pope Francis has set aside November 30, 2014, through February 2, 2016, as the Year of Consecrated Life. Our Archbishop has set the objectives for this celebration in our Archdiocese: To increase the visibility of religious life/consecrated life, to express appreciation, to highlight the joy experienced in this vocational choice, and to educate on the importance of religious life/consecrated life to the Church. As one means of learning more about religious life/consecrated life, our weekly bulletin will periodically have an educational component in the form of a question and answer. It is my hope that you will not only read the entries but discuss them your family, friends & co-workers. And, perhaps share stories about the influence of consecrated women and men in your life.

Youth News

Youth Renew Team Formation continues this Sunday from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Youth House. It is not too late to join us on Team #24. Live the 4th! Youth Renew Weekend is March 20th - March 22nd, 2015. Mark your calendars now so you can be sure to be here.

Youth Discovery continues this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Youth House. Come on down & discover your Catholic faith through prayer, scripture, trivia questions, discussion, music and more.

Our next Young Adult gathering is 11/26, at 7 p.m. at Triple Cats! All who are over age 18 & out of high school are invited to join us for prayer, discussion & planning as well as food & drink.

OPEN GYM CONTINUES THIS WEEK! All high school students & young adults are invited to be here every Wednesday night from 8 - 9:30 p.m. for Open Gym. There is no cost to attend but all high school students must turn in a properly completed Permission Form to attend. You can get one at the Open Gym or by calling the Youth Office at 513-367-9879. It does not matter where you attend church or school, if you are in high school or older you are invited! Remember, all Saint John Youth Ministry events are for all high school students, college students, young adults and your friends too!

Do You Want Someone To Talk To?

Catholic Charities has highly trained and licensed counselors/social workers who can help you manage your life issues. We have 8 convenient locations throughout Greater Cincinnati & Springfield. CCSWO strives to help clients achieve improved mental health & family relationships. Providing highly individualized care, we strive to strengthen our community one individual, couple or family at a time. Call (513) 489-8898 for a confidential appointment



Notes From The Parish Staff: Susan Meymann, Principal

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy."

This has always been one of my favorite of Christ's teachings. He reminds each of us to stretch a little further, to do a just a bit more. Imagine a world in which today's Gospel message was our mantra. Even before we begin the season of Advent, the Gospel messages lately have been filled with messages of preparation. Be ready! Live so that one day you may be welcomed into the Kingdom of Heaven! Make the most of whatever God has given you, be it great or small, and you will share God's happiness one day. Not merely, beautiful words, but inspiration for lives well-lived.

We have so many opportunities to contribute to the world around us. We may volunteer our time in service to our parish and community. There are food pantries, homeless shelters, St. Vincent de Paul, Outreach Pregnancy Centers, animal shelters, and foster parenting opportunities for those having the time and motivation to demonstrate their care for God's creatures. Others have little time, but have been blessed and their hard work has resulted in wealth to be shared with others less fortunate, or to contribute to the common good. *"To those whom much has been given, much is expected."*



Sometimes we are not immediately aware of the gifts we've been granted. They may not become apparent until we reach middle-adulthood or have spent several years in our profession. It may be an observant supervisor who tells us, "I've noticed you are exceptionally good at leading others to action." or, "You've proven to be a very effective change agent in your department." or even, "Your presence and efforts have truly increased the morale of those in your section, and this has led to increased productivity in your division." These same gifts valued in the workplace are cherished in our parish committees as well.

We try to instill these questions in our youth: How they can make a difference? How can they be the arms and feet of Christ? Just as important is learning to recognize the talents and gifts present in others. To celebrate these gifts that surround us, rather than feeling threatened or intimidated, for it is only then we can best organize our resources in order to truly make a contribution to our world. As we enter the wonderful season of Advent, I ask each of you to prayerfully reflect upon your gifts. This is not the time for humility! Ask yourself how your unique skills might be of use in your parish community and then seek to discern God's plan for you. While all of us can pray, there are some who seem to have been granted exceptional results when they pray. Even this may be your gift! Whatever your talent, do not lock it away and keep it protected. Find the courage to share it with others and watch the blessings begin!

Mission school children in Northern Africa have sent a message of thanks to our St. John the Baptist families for sharing our school uniforms with them.

RCIA News

On Sunday, November 9th, our two candidates, Sandy Stephens and Don Hodges celebrated the Rite of Welcoming at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. The Rite of Welcoming welcomes those who are already one with us by baptism.

Sandy & Don have now entered the Catechumenate and will continue to study the sacraments and church teachings more and more in depth each Wednesday. We welcome them, and pray for them, as they continue their journey toward Full Communion of the Catholic Church this spring.



My name is **Don Hodges** and I am somewhat new to the Harrison area. I am married to Jennifer Hodges who joined the Church last spring. We have two children, Emily (5) & Nick (3).

I work at UC. I decided to join the Catholic Church due to the connection to Christian tradition, the focus on social justice and family. Also, the current Pope has drawn my family to the church through his focus on the whole body of the church.

My name is **Sandy Stephens** and I am here because my previous minister was Catholic and introduced me to the liturgy and I liked it.

I am married to Terry and together we have two grown children, Michelle and Chris.

I am a Vice President/Sales Manager for Sibly Cline Realtors.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday morning, November 20th, for a staff meeting. The office will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on this day.

A Note From Eric Barrow, SJB Singers

I was urged by a fellow parishioner, Mrs. Joy Gemperline, my wife Christine, and others to join. Then I saw in the bulletin that Michael was looking for help and I decided that God must be talking to me and I needed to answer. I joined during the Lenten season and have made great friends and have also had a lot of fun doing this. Michael is a gifted, patient teacher and makes each practice memorable. It would be very nice to see the choirs of the church continue to grow; it not only shows that we have members that care, but also members who want to help. I ask of you that if you hear Gods message for this ministry, do not hesitate to answer. You will be glad you did!

The King And The Kingdom

Who is the King of your life and what kingdom are you living in? On Sunday, November 23rd, the Feast of Christ the King, we will explore these questions with Eric Hollis. The Evangelization Team will be commissioned for their third year at the 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by a luncheon in the Community Room. Eric's presentation will be from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m. in the church. All are welcome!

Bulletin Sponsor Of The Week

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Facts About Organ, Eye and Tissue Donation

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- FACT:** Tissue is needed to replace bone, tendons and ligaments lost to trauma, cancer and other diseases in order to improve strength, mobility and independence. Corneas are needed to restore sight. Skin grafts help burn patients heal and often mean the difference between life and death. Heart valves repair cardiac defects and damage.
- FACT:** All major religions support organ, eye and tissue donation as an unselfish act of charity.
- FACT:** Donation should not delay or change funeral arrangements. An open casket funeral is possible.
- FACT:** There is no cost to the donor's family or estate for donation. The donor family pays only for medical expenses before death and for funeral expenses.
- FACT:** In the United States, it is illegal to buy or sell organs or tissue for transplantation.
- FACT:** It is possible to donate life to others as a living kidney or partial liver, lung, intestine or pancreas donor.

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*Address

*City *State *Zip

*Phone

*Date of Birth

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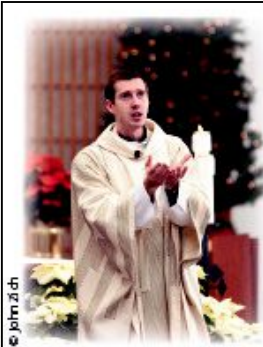
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Beyond Your Pew

Is walking fun for you? Or how about a slow ride, with plenty of time to enjoy the scenery? This is an invitation for folks who would like to be a part of the Christmas parade. *There is no age limit!* The core theme we are aspiring to is Mary and Joseph with donkey walking to Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus. If you can help us with supplying a **truck** or **tractor** with a small **wagon**, some **straw** and bales for folks to sit on in the truck, a **donkey** to carry Mary and a **side saddle** would be most helpful. Come share your joy in the gift of Jesus and share it with the community. The parade lasts about 1 hour & leaves from the Community Center at 5:00 p.m. If you can help us in any way or join us for the witness and the fun, please call Margie 812-637-1739 or Lynda at the Parish Office, 513-367-9086 ext. 216. The date is Dec. 6th. What a great way for your family to celebrate the feast of St. Nicholas. *Please contact us by November 25th*, just before Thanksgiving.

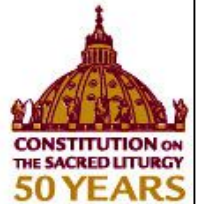


“Within the cycle of a year . . . the Church unfolds the whole mystery of Christ”

(Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 102)

Through the seasons and feasts of the liturgical year, the Church “unfolds the whole mystery of Christ.” Notice that the Council Fathers did not say “mysteries,” but “mystery.”

We do not celebrate a different mystery at Christmas than at Easter. Rather, we celebrate different aspects of the Paschal Mystery. At Christmas, we celebrate “the beginnings of our redemption” in the Incarnation of Christ (*The Roman Missal*, Prayer at the Vigil Mass of Christmas). At Easter, we celebrate the fullness of redemption in the Lord’s Resurrection. In the feasts of the saints, we honor those who died with Christ and who now share in his eternal life. In the feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we honor the first disciple of Christ, who participates in a special way in God’s plan for our salvation. Through the rich prayers and traditions of the liturgical year, the central mystery of our faith—the Paschal Mystery—is revealed to us.



CHRISTMAS CAROLING



Tuesday, December 16, 2014

Harrison area homebound

Meet at the Youth House @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 13, 2014

Mother Margaret Hall-Sisters of Charity-Delhi

Carpool from St. John’s @ 10:30 a.m.

Begin in third floor dining room @ 11:15 a.m.

Friday, December 26, 2014

Shawneespring Retirement Community

Mass @ 2:30 p.m. followed by caroling around the piano in the lobby.

All are welcome!

Check with Hub or Lynda if you need a ride.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Girls 7th & 8th Grade Soccer Team on their WCSA Division Championship and WCSA Post Season League Tournament Championship! Good Luck at State this weekend on 11/15, 11/16!

State Info can be found at <http://www.ohiosay.org/n/>
Click on 2014 Brackets, then click on Girls Kickers & find WCSA #1.

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