

**NOVEMBER 30, 2008
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**SERVICES and DEVOTIONS
Week of November 23-29, 2008**

SUN First Sunday of Advent
7:30 a.m. Mass (HT) – For Our People
8:45 a.m. Mass (SH)
11:00 a.m. Mass (SH)

MON Advent Weekday
8:00 a.m. Mass (HT)

TUE Advent Weekday
8:00 a.m. Mass (HT)

WED No Mass

THU St. John of Damascus, priest and doctor of the Church
8:00 a.m. Mass (SH)

FRI Advent Weekday
8:00 a.m. Mass (SH)

SAT Advent Weekday / Vigils
8:00 a.m. Mass (SH)
3 - 4 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (HT)
4:00 p.m. Mass (HT)
5:00 p.m. Mass (SH)

**PARISH COMMUNITY
Events & Meeting Schedule**

Sat./Sun., Nov. 29-30 Giving Tree Project Begins

Sunday, Nov. 30 PREP Classes
9:45 – 11:00 a.m.

PREP Caroling to the Homebound after class until 12:30 p.m. for Grades 4, 5, and 6

Tuesday, Dec. 2 WOHT Annual Christmas Party, Kimberton Arts Building, 6 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7 Breakfast With Santa SH Cafeteria,
8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 8 Holyday of Obligation Immaculate Conception
HT – 7:00 a.m. Mass
SH – 8:00 a.m. Mass
SH – 6:00 p.m. Mass

Ministry Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
Saturday, November 29	4:00 p.m. (HT)	Ed Pulaski; Walter Zabicki	Maryann Amici	Adam and Andrew Dunacusk
	5:00 p.m. (SH)	Pete Grande	Mary Giovanni	Thomas and Carly Valko; Katie Schulze
Sunday, November 30	7:30 a.m. (HT)	Joe Scaduto	Bryan Shine	Hannah and Paul Power
	8:45 a.m. (SH)	Mary Rose Sakal	Ann Lightman	Jared Laird
	11:00 a.m. (SH)	Bill McHale	Anthony Vontor	Brennigan Myers; D. J. Robinson; and Kara Ritchie



Remember in Your Prayers Our Sick



Alicia Andrews	Maria Foerster	Mary Lightcap	Xavier Ponzio	Ann Trajcik
Susan Beaver	Gordon Gladden	Helen Manion	Anne Pristash	Helen Twargoski
Alice Becker	Dorothy Gudz	Marie Marosek	Philomena Raggazino	Charles Whitworth
Beth Booth	Eleanor Fox	Scott Mazei	Henry Rodrique	
Anna Borysowski	Lawrence Hand	Tom Mazei	Blanche Saville	
Victoria Burke	Anne Havrilla	Margaret McKenna	Stella Sombers	
Leroy Campbell	Diane Heidel	Rebecca Melvin	Matthew Spitz	
Mary Cesanek	Pearl Hrivnak	Robert Morris	Joseph Stecz	
Geronimo Rosado	Joseph Kopistecki	Ron Motzer	Fay Swanson	
DeJesus	Mary Ann Kovach	Karen Nesspor	Eleanor Szymkiewicz	
Michael DiArcangelo	Theresa Kraynak	John Pahowka, Sr.	Ethel Thomas	
Sr. Emma	Mary Jane Kucharik	Veronica Place	Glenn Thomas	

Please call the Rectory when an individual's health improves and can be removed from the list.

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Due to the early transmission deadline for the bulletin, collections for November 23 will be published in the December 7 bulletin.



PARISH COMMUNITY

Monday, December 8 – Holyday of Obligation

Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

Holyday Mass – Holy Trinity – 7:00 a.m.

Holyday Mass – Sacred Heart – 8:00 a.m.

Holyday Mass – Sacred Heart – 6:00 p.m.

**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO SEMINARY
ANNUAL APPEAL**

Thank you for your support of the Annual Seminary Appeal, which ends today. The Seminary community is grateful to you for your faithful support. Your tax-deductible gift helps to enhance the many resources needed for priestly training and enables the Church to form holy, educated, and dedicated priests.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The good steward is always expected to have the affairs of the master in order at all times. There is no time for complacency. Stewardship of time entails a readiness to serve others and a vigilance in that service.

RESPECT FOR LIFE REFLECTION

“If you want peace, work for justice. If you want justice, defend life. If you want life, embrace the truth—the truth revealed by God.”

Cardinal Justin Rigali, January 2006

Are you between the ages of 25 and 35? Have you ever thought about being a priest? Does the thought interest you? **HEED THE CALL**—Come and join others for a weekend, December 5, 6, 7, 2008, at St. Charles Seminary to explore the call. For more information, please see our website www.HeadTheCall.org or call 610-667-5778 for more information. Registration is required.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK
Allstate Insurance – Dave Holva
Home – Life - Auto
Thank you for sponsoring an ad in our bulletin.

JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

Due to the overlapping and similarities of the activities between Sacred Heart and Holy Trinity Parish Councils, last spring, they decided to have joint pastoral council meetings. During the summer and fall, a joint Mission Statement and Pastoral Plan were developed. Copies are available in the back of each church. Also, the Mission Statement is displayed in the vestibule of each church.

Thank you to Roseanne Taylor, Jamie Zabicki, Barbara Drapikoski, Lenora Francis and Cathy Varady, the committee who drafted the statement and plan.

A special thank you to the outgoing council members for their service:

Ann Gnais

Peter Grande (ex-officio)

Scott Patterson

Anthony Stavenski, III

Tony Vontor

Blanket Drive Thank You

Thank you to all who donated clean and gently used blankets to our blanket drive to be distributed to the homeless living on the streets of Philadelphia. The demand for the blankets for the homeless is great, particularly as the temperatures begin to drop. *“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.”* Matthew 25 31-46.

Joint Parish Outreach Committee

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Office volunteers are needed for the rectory on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to Noon for 2009. Duties include answering phone, greeting visitors, etc. We are in the process of preparing our 2009 schedule. If you can spare an occasional Sunday morning to help, please call Lenora Francis at 610-933-3524 or Sister Louise at 610-933-3830.

Annual Retirement Fund for Religious Collection – December 6 and 7 at all Masses

The Annual retirement Fund for Religious Collection continues to be one of the most successful appeals in the history of the Catholic Church in the US. Through your contribution to this collection, you support those who care for our senior religious who have selflessly given their lives in service to the chaste, poor, and obedient Christ. In addition to your financial assistance, please continue to pray for all our retired religious priests, sisters, and brothers, and for those who selflessly care for them.

Christmas Wafers (Oplatky)

Beginning the weekend of November 29-30, Christmas Wafers will be available after all Masses and during the week at Holy Trinity Church and at the Parish House. Offering is \$2 per package.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

PREP Classes – November 30, 2008

9:45 - 11:00 a.m.

**PREP Christmas Caroling
After Class until 12:30 p.m.**

Christmas Musical

“On the Way to Bethlehem”

Parishioners and friends are invited to our children’s Christmas musical, “On the Way to Bethlehem,” on Sunday, December 14, after the 8:45 a.m. Mass. The show will be presented on the stage, beneath the church. It promises to be a wonderful event. Please plan to attend.

SACRED HEART

Sanctuary Lamp Intention

The lamp burns November 29 – December 5
In loving memory of Marian and John Cione
Requested by Joan Bregovi & Family

Sacred Heart Church Rosary and Devotions

Saturday, December 6, 2008 – 7:25 a.m.

In Honor of our Blessed Mother

We hope you will join us!

Altar and Rosary Society Cake Sale

The Altar and Rosary Society will hold its annual Cake Sale on December 7 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Delicious cakes and cookies will be available. All proceeds will be used to purchase Altar supplies. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Sacred Heart Choir Rehearsals

Sacred Heart Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. in the church. Come join the choir! For more information, call Denise Wisneski at 610-935-0563.

HOLY TRINITY

Sanctuary Lamp Intention

The lamp burns November 29 – December 5
In loving memory of our Parents John A.
and Stella Obara
Requested by Family

“Thank You” from Ways & Means

Our recent basket bingo raised \$2,950. “Thank You” to everyone who supported this fundraiser. Please mark your calendar for our spaghetti supper and silent auction on April 25, 2009.



Women of Holy Trinity

Reminder to all those who made reservations: The annual WOHT Christmas Party will be held on Tuesday, December 2, at the Kimberton Arts Building located at 2208 Kimberton Road in Kimberton. The doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Any questions may be directed to Helene Albright at 610-933-6735.

Holy Trinity Christmas Breakfast Party for Children - Ho! Ho! Ho!

Holy Trinity’s annual children’s Christmas breakfast party is scheduled for Saturday, December 13, at 9:00 a.m. in the school auditorium. Children 12 or younger are invited to attend. Please sign up in the vestibule by Sunday, December 7. For additional information, please contact Marie Adkins at 610-933-2235.



Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to help with our annual children’s breakfast party. We need help to set up on Friday, December 12, at 6:00 p.m. and to host the day of the event, beginning at 8:00 a.m. If you can help or if you have questions, please call Marie Adkins at 610-933-2235.

Acme Tape Collection Report

The latest tally is \$297.24. The proceeds from the collection of Acme and Redner tapes are used to defray some of the expenses incurred in the care of our Cemetery. Special thanks to Adele Olbromski for her diligence in tallying all our Acme tapes. *Please keep saving!*

COMMUNITY NEWS

INFORMATION SESSION SCHEDULED FOR BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Chestnut Hill College's School of Continuing and Professional Studies is exploring the possibility of offering evening, for-credit classes for adults at the Education Center of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. For information and to register for this event or request information, please call Sister Mary Esther Lee, Director of Admissions at 215-248-7062 or email at leem@chc.edu

SCHOOL REUNION—SACRED HEART ELEM. SCHOOL IN CLIFTON HEIGHTS

If you would be interested in having your name put on an information list about a possible reunion, please call the Rectory at 610-623-0409 or email shc316@aol.com with your name, address and phone number.

NEW CATHOLIC RADIO STATION—Holy Spirit Radio 1420 AM brings you two glorious Christmas Concerts! Catholic radio, new to the airwaves in Chester County, will feature in December: Immaculata University's Christmas Concert, (in conjunction with Brandywine Radio.com) LIVE on Friday, December 5, at 7 p.m., encoring on Christmas Eve at 5 p.m. and the St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Christmas Concert (pre-recorded) on Thursday, Dec.11, at 10 a.m. and Saturday, December 13, at 2 p.m. Call 215-345-1570 for a program guide or visit www.HolySpiritRadio.org

FAMILY OUTREACH ADVENT PROJECT

"Sponsor a Family"

Once again we have the opportunity to sponsor families from Drexel Neumann Academy in the Chester area. If you would like to sponsor one of these families, contact the rectory at 610-933-3830 or Kathy Moffa at 610-935-0939. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, we can do the shopping.

CRAFT SHOW

Epiphany of Our Lord, 3040 Walton Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA will hold their Annual Craft Show on Saturday, December 6, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. and Sunday, December 7, 8 a.m.–2 p.m. Free Admission.

H.O.P. E. MINISTRY CAPTAINS

December Contacts

1st Half – Pat Solomon – 610-933-8693

2nd Half – Bill Ross – 610-933-4740

A Prayer for Priests

**Please pray the following prayer during
Advent, remembering all priests of the
Archdiocese**

Risen Lord, Jesus, You love priests with all your priestly heart. Hear my heart-felt prayer for all our priests. I pray for faithful and fervent priests; for unfaithful and tepid priests; for priests who labor at home and abroad; for lonely and desolate priests; for young and old priests; for sick and dying priests; for the souls of priests in Purgatory.

Merciful Heart of Jesus, remember all our priests: Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love. I ask that in their loneliness, You comfort them; in their sorrow, You strengthen them; in their frustration, You show them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified.

Eternal High Priest, keep all priests close to Your Sacred Heart and bless them abundantly in time and eternity. Amen.

JOINT PARISH OUTREACH COMMITTEE Invites Our Parish Community to Support Our Annual Giving Tree Project at Sacred Heart and Holy Trinity Churches Begins This Weekend November 29-30

Every year a number of local organizations, shelters, and agencies benefit from your generosity. Hundreds of gifts are distributed to families and individuals throughout our local communities. Our lives tend to become so busy during the Advent Season. We ask you to take a few minutes to remember those less fortunate.

Individuals and families are encouraged to take a tag from the tree, purchase the item listed on the tag, wrap the gift, and return it under the tree. Be sure to securely attach the tag to the gift. Gifts may be returned the weekends of December 6-7 and Dec. 13-14. Your cooperation in returning gifts by the 14th allows the Committee sufficient time to deliver them for distribution to those in need.

Please help us make the Holidays a happier time for our brothers and sisters and children in need.

Your Joint Parish Outreach Committee