

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY JANUARY 5 - USA: John Neumann, Bishop
 9:00 am Romeo Scarpitti by Alan & Ellyn Dekker

TUESDAY JANUARY 6 - Weekday after Epiphany, Blessed Andre Bessette, Religious
 9:00 am Filomena Tiberi by The Tiberi Family

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 7 - Weekday after Epiphany, Raymond of Penafort, Priest
 9:00 am Yola Lancia by John & Joanne Bennett

THURSDAY JANUARY 8 - Weekday after Epiphany
 10:00 am George Kelley by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Curtin

FRIDAY JANUARY 9 - Weekday after Epiphany
 9:00 am Orland Wolford by Jim & Marsha McCormick

SATURDAY JANUARY 10 - Weekday after Epiphany
 4:00 pm Romeo Scarpitti by Mr. & Mrs. Dave Deal

SUNDAY JANUARY 11 - Baptism of the Lord
 8:30 am Rudolph Buoni by Judy Bonaventura
 10:00 am People of the Parish
 11:30 am Joseph Marrone by Jennie Nistlebeck

LAY MINISTERS

January 10 - January 11: Baptism Of The Lord

	Altar Server	Extraordinary Minister	Usher	Lector
Saturday, Jan 10, 4:00 PM Baptism Of The Lord	Kendal Knight Alicia Lindberg	Kelsey Knight Karen Knight Sven Lindberg	Karen Lindberg Linda Riggs	Ken Hagy
Sunday, Jan 11, 8:30 AM Baptism Of The Lord	Sean Black Aiden Dulin Vincenzo Pereda	Mary Sue Bellisari Kerma Dallas Andy Siers	Stanley Phillips NOT FILLED	Sandy Siers
Sunday, Jan 11, 10:00 AM Baptism Of The Lord	Matt Guggenbiller Holly Guggenbiller	Andrew Naporano Nellie Scarpitti Mary Ann Schick	Joseph Donovan Carla Guggenbiller Dwain Guggenbiller Nick Warnecke	Katherine Warnecke
Sunday, Jan 11, 11:30 AM Baptism Of The Lord	Jamie McNamara Brienne Schell	Rose Duer Jenny McNamara Andrew Naporano	Alan Dekker Sean McNamara	Ellyn Dekker

SACRISTANS: Week of January 4: Julie Naporano, Charlotte Lombardi, Rose Duer

ALTAR LINENS: Marie Whitehead

PARISH NEWS:

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Because of the OSU game on **Monday, January 5th**, the Parish Council Meeting has been moved to **Tuesday, January 6th**, at **7:00 p.m.**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: January 4, 2009

MONDAY 9:30 am Legion of Mary, Borrelli Parish Center
 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
 7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

TUESDAY 7:00 pm Bible Study, Home of Debbie Palatas

WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm R.C.I.A.
 7:00 pm Women's Club Meeting

THURSDAY 9:30 am - 9:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Church
 7:00 pm Bingo, Kulp Hall

SATURDAY 3:00 pm Confessions
SUNDAY 7:00 pm Bingo, Kulp Hall

YOUR TITHE TO GOD: December 28, 2008

Children \$
 Total Offertory Collection \$

STILL NEED A FAMILY PHOTO FOR THE DIRECTORY? Larry Pishitelli has graciously offered to photograph parishioners who were unable to go to the formal sittings in the fall.

Photos will be taken January 4, 2009 in Kulp Hall following the 11:30 mass. This is a one time opportunity! There is no sitting fee, but families are asked to pay the \$6.00 submission fee for independent photos.

CHILDREN'S 2009 COLLECTION ENVELOPES (ages 6-21) are in the back of the church. Please take a box and put your name and address on the envelopes. We wish to thank all of our young people who contribute to the church support using the envelopes.

YEAR-END FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

As the end of the year nears, you are encouraged to review your church support and to make a special year-end contribution to catch up if necessary, or to show your gratitude for a financially successful year.

THANK YOU: Members of the Spiritual Life Committee of St. Margaret's Parish Council wanted to thank all parishioners who contributed to the Giving Tree Program this Christmas. Thanks to your generosity 88 children woke up to presents on Christmas Day they would not have received otherwise. One hundred men had a better chance at improving their lives as well, thanks to you. Other parishioners chose to donate money and that meant that more than \$300 went to local families who need the money to cover daily expenses and needs. In total, more than \$6000 worth of gifts and cash were given to Franklin County Children Services, Faith Mission and St. Vincent de Paul's Society. Heartfelt thanks are also given to those who volunteered to drive the gifts in their vehicles to the non-profit organizations on December 14th. The Giving Tree Program is one way to allow all of us at St. Margaret's Parish to carry out God's work so thank you for making it a success.

HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE: Imagine you're a 15-year-old girl. You've just learned you're pregnant and your family and boyfriend want nothing to do with you. For the first time in your life you realize you are all alone. What do you do? This is a sad reality for many pregnant teens across Columbus. The good news is Birthright of Columbus and the Women's Care Center are two organizations that offer various forms of assistance, including a 24-hour hotline. But they need financial assistance. You can help. As we approach the 36th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade on January 22nd, the need to help these local teens and women throughout their pregnancies and beyond continues. There will be a special collection basket at all masses on **January 17th and 18th** at the front entrance of the church. The money collected will be split 50/50 to these two organizations on behalf of St. Margaret's parish. Whatever you can afford will help tremendously.

CELL PHONES AND PAGERS: We come to Mass to pray and to worship our God. Many things distract that prayer and make it almost impossible. Most of these distractions comes from ourselves and those around us who focus too intently on their own situation and not that of the whole community. Significant among these distractions are the ringing of cell phones and pagers. Please, out of charity for the needs of others for an opportunity for prayer and concentration -Turn Off, leave in the car or switch to vibration all electronic devices when you come into the Church. Being thoughtful of others is part of being serious about the Faith.

CATHOLIC TIMES SUBSCRIPTION: The parish has paid for many of our parishioners subscriptions through the end of the year. Those parishioners who wish to continue to receive their *Catholic Times* are asked to watch for your Catholic Times envelope in your February envelope packet that is delivered in January. Parishioners who paid for the *Catholic Times* subscription in 2008 will not have any disruption in their delivery.

2009 APPOINTMENT CALENDERS: Many thanks to the Maeder Quint Tiberi Funeral Home for the beautiful 2009 St. Margaret of Cortona appointment calendars. The calendars are available in the vestibule of the church, while they last.

SILENT AUCTION: Our parish Festival 2009 is need of volunteers to head up the silent auction. Please contact Joe Castorano at 614-279-1690, ext. 226.

BINGO WORKERS:

SUNDAY, January 4th

Candy Criner, Teresa Liimatta, Mike Post, Karen/Sven Lindberg, Barbara Westbrook, Marcelino Mendoza, Patty Lombardi, Karen Knight

THURSDAY, January 8th

Captain: Gil Rinehart, Mickey Balmart, Mae Gaskill, B. McPherson, Dan Modlich, Tammy George, Nancy Whitt, Connie Bennett, Chris DeMatteo

AROUND US

HEALING AFTER ABORTION: Is God calling you to take this journey with Him? We invite you to join us at Bethesda Healing Ministry for regular support group meetings on the **2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.** We welcome you with open arms. Please call 614-718-0277, 614-309-0157 or 614-309-2651. To speak with someone in Spanish, please call 614-309-0810. God bless you.

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS: Saint Andrew Catholic Church in Upper Arlington will present a service of Lessons and Carols beginning at **3:00 on Sunday afternoon, January 4, 2009.** The service will include choral anthems, instrumental music, and familiar congregational carols as well as scripture readings, prayers and reflections. The 40-voice volunteer choir will be accompanied by organ, brass and strings. There is no admission charge. A reception will follow in the parish hall. All are welcome. The church is located at the corner of Reed and McCoy. For further information, contact the St. Andrew music office at 614-451-1839.

THE 2ND ANNUAL COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE will be held on **February 21, 2009** at the Lausche Building at the Ohio State Expo Center. Our main speaker is internationally known speaker and Rwandan holocaust survivor Immaculee Ilibagiza and our second speaker is Catholic Apologist Sr. Rosalind Moss. You can read more and register at our website, www.columbuscatholicwomen.com . Please register ASAP

FAMILY PLANNING WORKSHOP AT ST. CECILIA PARISH: A diocesan NFP workshop will begin **Tuesday evening, January 20, 7-9 P.M.,** at St. Cecilia Parish, 434 Norton Rd., Columbus. The five-session workshop, offered through the Marriage and Family Life Office, will continue on **February 3 and 17, March 24, and April 21.** Cost is \$60 per couple and includes all instructional materials; financial assistance is available. For more information or to register for the workshop, contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at (614)241-2560 or FLOMailbox@colsdio.org.

SPANISH CLASSES WITH TIM MADRID: The Bethesda Healing Ministry coordinator will begin **January 13 at 6:30 p.m.** in the assembly room, in the undercroft of the church. Please call Tim, 614-718-0277, if you are interested or have any questions.

WANT TO GO TO ITALY? Fr. Mike Gribble will be escorting a tour for eleven days through Italy from **April 13th through April 23rd** to view the treasures of Italy in towns from Rome to Venice. Some of the places we will visit will include: Rome, Pisa, Florence, Assisi, Orvieto and Venice. The deadline for reservations has been extended to **January 2.** *To guarantee your reservation call Ann O'Neill at (614) 459-7776 or the Cathedral rectory at (614) 224-1295.* Not much time left, we hope to hear from you soon!

HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

ST. MARGARET PRAYER LINE

Are you or someone you know in need of prayers? Call **878-6395**.

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