

DAY OF PRAYER AND PENANCE... Bishop Foys has declared Friday, January 22, 2010, as a Day of Prayer and Penance in the Diocese of Covington to mark the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion. Every church will remain open during the day to allow the faithful to pray for an end to abortion, to pray for all those affected by the tragedy of abortion, and to pray for the 50 million children murdered by abortion. Every parish will also expose the Blessed Sacrament for a period of time on this day. Here at St. Joseph Church adoration will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Finally, Bishop Foys has designated 10 churches to host a Holy Hour for Life beginning at 7:00 pm, all are strongly encouraged to attend. The complete list can be found in the *Messenger*. We must all do our part to protect the dignity of the human person and ensure the inalienable right to life for all - especially the unborn.

GIVING TREE THANK YOU 2009...

No Matter how hard we try, words seem to fall short, when it comes to telling all of you what a tremendous job you did again this year.

It goes without saying that a lot of work goes into the sorting and making of tags and putting all the gifts together into the right families as well as, shopping for just the right gift. The requests we had for help were many. There were at least eight hundred tags on the tree, plus the monetary envelopes that enabled the ladies to do the shopping for those gifts that were not returned or could not be found.

You were able to bring a sense of joy and happiness to many people. There were families that took on the care of other families by filling their request for gifts. Personnel hygiene products were donated by the cases by some families and others gave full and complete meals to families that were not able to have that turkey dinner complete with the butter for the rolls.

As always, we helped our sister parish Holy Redeemer in Vanceburg, KY, and our mission parish St. Elizabeth in Ravenna, KY. Also, St. Augustine in Covington, and our own St. Vincent de Paul Society and many people that called the rectory. May God bless each of you, *The Giving Tree Committee*

Please Welcome to the St. Joseph community our "NEWEST MEMBERS"

BAPTISM

Taylor Nicole Shelton
Turner David Shelton

REFLECTION...This Sunday brings the Christmas season to a close. It brings the reality of God-with-us, "Emmanuel," as close as it can get. This Sunday, the liturgy exhorts us to recall our identification with Christ. Making the life of this redeeming, gentle Servant and Son our own life means living our baptism, our "Christening." Because we have been baptized into his death and resurrection, we, too, are servants and sons or daughters of God. This is our gift or "favor." We are the beloved ones, no matter what we do or how well or how badly we act as God's beloved. Together we pray to be faithful to our baptismal identification with God's Son, to follow his path of service, and to be as open to God as God is to us. As baptized Christians, we have been favored with a share of the light and life of Jesus, God's "favored One." Being favored means many things: it means basking in grace; it means traveling a holy path; it means journeying to eternal life in light. It also means being busy about what baptized people do. Being favored means sharing the favor. And we can't do this in the abstract. We have to give of ourselves to others as Jesus did. We must heal the sick, reach out to the poor, challenge evil, and even die for one another if that is called for—and it most surely is. This week, let's do someone a favor: send some flowers to a nursing home, donate some good used clothes to a free store or women's shelter, write a legislator about an important bill that's pending, refuse to put up with prejudice, give some special thanks for baptism, and remember how favored we are.

FIRST CONFESSION... on Thurs. January 14 at 7:00 p.m. our second graders from school and from PSR will make their First Confession. Please pray for them as they encounter Jesus, the Good Shepherd, for the first time in this sacrament.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Deacon & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>	<i>Servers</i>	<i>Mass Intentions</i>
01/16/2010 Saturday 5:00 PM	David Rawlings	EMC Captain: Marge Schack EMC: Margie Fritsch, Michael Vaught, Kathy Machenheimer Judy Beck, Beth Schoepf, Dan Vogel, Robert Kaufman Margaret Kaufman	Sophie Arnold Paige Arnold Jacob Haas Katelyn Haas	Jimmy Kelley
01/17/2010 Sunday 8:00 AM	Ken Knipper	EMC Captain: Jeanne Pettit EMC: Ronald Haigis, Sue Kahmann, Mary Minton Tom Denning, Larry Knarr, Candy Schroder	Alan Barth Noah Freppon Seth Freppon Zach Tucker	For the People
9:30 AM	Tom Rawe	Deacon: Tim Schabell EMC Captain: Nancy Caudill EMC: Marilyn Buemi, Jolynne Bundy, Barb Teisl Carol Russell, Earl Jennings, Chick Meyn, Donna Pickett	Patrick Connaughton Tim Connaughton Claire Reinert Olivia Reinert	Jim Kelley
11:30 AM	Michelle Thorpe	Deacon: Tim Schabell EMC Captain: Anita Quelle EMC: Shirley Berte, Steve Fischer, Jean Geiman Karen Bond, Arthur Wittrock, Rob Mardis, Maria Geiman	Katie Herman Alyssa Mardis Kara Mardis Daniel McKay	Olivia Birkenhauer
7:00 PM	Kathy Hildreth	EMC Captain: Sandy Deinlein EMC: Sharon Schabell, Carolyn Corrigan	Max McConnell Nate Sevier Matt Villareal Jacob Zai	Tom Heck

Baptism of The Lord



SERVICE STARS GLOVE DRIVE TO BENEFIT NKY COLD SHELTER ...St.

Joseph's Service Stars is sponsoring a Glove Drive to benefit the Northern Kentucky Cold Shelter. We are asking for donations of new or gently used gloves (preferably ski gloves) in adult sizes. Please drop off your donations at the Church exits before or after masses during the week-end of January 16-17th. Thank you for your support!

BBHS JACK MCGARR EUCHRE TOURNAMENT Registrations are being accepted for the 11th annual Jack McGarr Memorial Euchre Tournament on **Saturday, FEBRUARY 6th** in Hegenauer Hall. Entry fee is \$20.00 per person (includes a BBQ dinner) and an extra \$10.00 per person for the optional "skins games." Over \$1,300 will be awarded in prize money. **DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 p.m. AND ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED BY 6:30 OR YOU MAY LOSE YOUR RESERVATION. STARTING TIME IS 7:00 p.m.** Proceeds benefit the Jack McGarr Memorial Scholarship Endowment at BBHS. For reservations and more information contact Debbie Kuntz at 635.3651.

BOOSTER STAG...Newport Central Catholic Annual Booster Stag; The NCC Boosters will hold their annual STAG on Sunday, January 17, 2010 from 2:00–6:00 pm in the school gymnasium, with the doors opening at 1:00 pm. This is one of the major fundraisers for the NCC Boosters, the proceeds of which will benefit NCC athletics and extracurricular activities. The admission price of \$20.00 will include beer, soft drinks, dinner, snacks, as well as a Grand Prize raffle ticket for a 26" LCD HDTV. In addition, there will be football on the big screen, Split-the Pot, Combination Raffles and several other raffles for great prizes. Come with a group or on your own for a great day with friends past and present, while supporting the students of NCC. See you there!

SERVER'S WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Mon.	Jan. 11	8:30	Allison Otten, Olivia Reinert
Tues.	Jan. 12	8:30	Leo Barth, Seth Freppon
Wed.	Jan. 13	9:00	Nicole Goderwis, Chase Hauke, Justin Heil
Thurs.	Jan. 14	8:30	Josh Hildreth, Max McConnell
Fri.	Jan. 15	9:00	School Mass
Sat.,	Jan. 16	8:30	Megan Dierig, Sarah Futscher

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon.	6:30	<i>Teresa Recker</i>
01/11	8:30	<i>Ed Verst</i>
Tues.	6:30	<i>Genevieve Huber</i>
01/12	8:30	<i>Paul Fehr</i>
Wed.	6:30	<i>Johanna Seigrest</i>
01/13	9:00	<i>Richard Niehaus</i>
Thurs.	6:30	<i>Virginia Geiman</i>
01/14	8:30	<i>Harlan Knepfle</i>
Fri.	6:30	<i>Marian Neiser</i>
01/15	9:00	<i>William Ruschman</i>
Sat.	8:30	<i>Elaine M. Ecker</i>
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MEETINGS & EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Jan. 11	Mon.	7:30 PM RCIA AFF
		7:30 PM Drama Club MH
Jan. 12	Tues.	7:30 PM Baptism Preparation Class CV
Jan. 13	Wed.	7:30 PM Board of Education RMR
		7:30 PM Drama Club MH
Jan. 14	Thurs.	7:00 PM 1st Reconciliation CH
		7:30 PM Seniors AC
		8:00 PM Boosters KH

ST. MARY'S LADIES SOCIETY... ANNUAL \$500.00 RAFFLE... will be held on Thursday, January 21. This is a benefit for needs in the parish rectory and church sacristy/ for raffle tickets call Helen Fehr 441-2633.

MEN'S RETREATAll men of the parish are invited to attend the Men's Retreat at Marydale Retreat Center on the weekend of January 29th-31st, 2010. The Retreat leader will be Fr. Larry Schaeper. For more information or to make your reservation, please call Bob Lauer at 781-7939 or send an email to sjholyname@yahoo.com

ST. JOSEPH DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS

"Is There a Doctor in the House"

Performances on February 19, 20, 21, 26, 27
& March 05, 06, 2010

For tickets call today: 859-815-9316

MEN'S STAG...The St. Therese Athletic Club and Holy Name Society will hold their 26th annual men's stag on Friday, February 5, 2010, from 7:30 until Midnight in the St. Therese cafeteria. The cost is \$20.00 per person. 3-Ways and cheese coney will be served from 7:30, and various snacks will be served throughout the night.

There will be many door prizes, games of chance. Proceeds from the event are used to fund scholarships awarded to some outstanding 8th grade St. Therese students.

Please contact Ken Dubuc at 859-635-6112 or KDU-BUCJR@aol.com if you would like to donate a raffle gift or if you have questions.

Weekly Collection - Sunday	January 3, 2010
Our Tithe to God	\$24,821.83
Loose	\$770.05
Children's Collection	
Other (Holyday, etc)	\$4,498.00
Diocesan Collections	\$100.00
Total Income	\$30,189.88
Weekly Budget Sunday Collections	\$23,000.00
Budget Excess/(Shortfall)	\$7,189.88
Capital Campaign Fund for January 3, 2010	\$6,483.00

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for Kindergarten and new students to St. Joseph School for the 2010-2011 school year will be **Saturday, January 30 from 9:00 – 11:00** in the Library. In order to enter Kindergarten, your child must be 5 years old before October 1, 2010. You will need to bring to the registration the following items, and we will make copies of the certificates:

1. Child's birth certificate
2. Child's baptismal certificate
3. Social Security Card
4. \$50.00 registration for Kindergarten/\$25.00 per child for other grades.

The enrollment policy determines who will be accepted to Kindergarten as well as new students in other grades.

For Kindergarten, registration numbers will be available beginning at 7:00 A.M. The purpose of the numbers is to help determine:

- a. placement in Full Day or Half Day
- b. those placed on the waiting list
- c. act as a tie breaker for acceptance.

Being first to register cannot assure your child a place in our Kindergarten.

AN INVITATION

To: All Families interested in enrolling or learning more about St. Joseph School

What: Community Open House

Where: St. Joseph School

When: Sunday, January 24 from 12:30 to 4:00

Please come take a tour of our school, meet our teachers, and have your questions answered.