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**MASSES:**

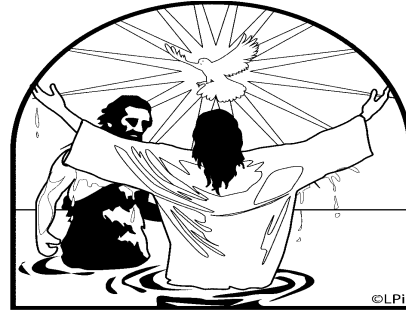
**Sunday:** 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.  
**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m.

**Weekdays:**  
Monday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 a.m.;  
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Holy Days: 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Register at the Parish Center after the Sunday Masses. Registration forms are also available in the back of Church near the parking lot side entrance or check Holy Family Church's website at  
www.holyfamilycincinnati.com



**Baptism  
of the Lord**

On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." — Mk 1:10-11

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** Third Weekend of the month. Notify the Parish Center in advance. Baptism workshop on the first Sunday of the month required.

**WEDDINGS:** See the Pastor eight months before the date. Marriage Preparation course required.



**HOLY FAMILY  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PANTRY**

*The Pantry is open Monday and Friday  
12:00 PM - 2:00 PM*

As the year comes to a close, we want to report a successful year serving the needs of our neighbors. If in the coming year you know of an individual who could use our help, please tell them our hours of operation and encourage them to come in. They will need to bring a picture ID with their address on it and a social security card for themselves and every member living in their household. They can receive emergency groceries from us every 14 days. Sometimes this is just what they need in order to get by. We are always willing to help. Thank you for all you have done in the past to support this ministry at our church.

Many Blessings in the New Year

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
JANUARY 10, 2010**

**MASSES AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH THIS WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Roberta Arling
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>7:00 PM</b>	Robert Sinnard
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>8:30 AM</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>8:30 AM</b>	James Gundrum
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	John Menkhaus
<b>Sunday</b>	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Lou Strothers (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Marie Murphy (Birthday Remembrance)

**JANUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup>  
ALTAR ATTENDANTS**

<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Duncan & Holden Kelley
<b>Sunday</b>	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Jerome Balimunkwe & Al Schirmer
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Paul Schneider & Andrew Saxton

**LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>4:00 PM</b>	Don Raab, Diana Kramer, Ed Kammer, Cameron Kelley, Chuck Davis, Carol & Eileen Sullivan, Dottie Wynn
<b>Sunday</b>	
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Mark O'Brien, Tess Lynch, Mary Adams, Mary Gamel, Don Hays, Janet Rosenthal
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Ruth Schnurr, Janet Jones, Paul Lecture, Alberta Bleha, Wayne & Joyce Barrett, Natalie Moore, Anne Saxton

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>  
Senior Chateau Sarah Zieverink**

**HOLY HOUR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION TIMES**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 6:30 PM to  
7:30 PM (Chapel)

Sunday & Holidays 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER HOUR  
Friday at 7:00 PM (Chapel)**



**REMEMBER OUR SICK & HOUNBOUND**

Pauline Hoffman	Janet Renken
Jane Gundrum	Esther Van Fossen
Dottie Bell	Margaret Fritz
Margaret Spurgeon	Tony Christensen
Edith Johnson	William Schrenk
Charles Cassidy	Pam Jones
Verda Bryant	Evelyn Adams
Jeanene Reed	

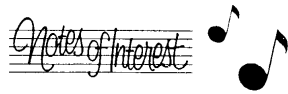
**FROM THE DESK OF FR. JIM**

Before performing a baptism, the priest approached the young father and said solemnly, "Baptism is a serious step. Are you prepared for it?" The man replied, "I think so. My wife has made appetizers and we have a caterer coming to provide plenty of cookies and cakes for all of our guests." "I don't mean that," the priest responded. "I mean, are you prepared spiritually?" "Oh sure," came the reply. "I've got a keg of beer and a full case of whiskey."

A child's baptism is always an opportunity for a family reunion, and sometimes the food, the drink, and the photos become more important than the baptism itself. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord gives us a chance to reflect on our own baptism, what it demands of us, as well as why Jesus was baptized. There are three reasons that Jesus was baptized. First, Jesus' baptism was a sign of his complete dedication to following the will of God the Father. For everyone else who came to John for baptism, this required a change in direction – hence the call for them to repent of their old ways and turn to God's way of life. But for Jesus, baptism was simply a public declaration of his love of God the Father and that He was following the will of the Father in His life.

Secondly, Jesus was baptized to announce the beginning of his earthly ministry. John the Baptist and God the Father both confirmed Jesus' unique calling publicly. Jesus' baptism was a consecration for ministry. The third reason that Jesus was baptized was as an example to us. Jesus taught his followers to be baptized – and here He is giving a firm lead. His baptism was an example for us to follow. See God the Father's response: "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." We would do well to apply this to our own lives – to live in such a way so that God is pleased with us. For when God is pleased, nothing else matters.

Jonathan Goforth (1859-1936) the great Canadian missionary in China told the story about how his father put him in charge of one of the family farms at the age of 15. He drew special attention to one very large field, which had become choked with weeds. His father would tell him, "Jonathan, get that field clear and ready for planting. At harvest time, I'll return and inspect it." Jonathan put a lot of time in plowing and re-plowing, sunning the dead roots and plowing again until the whole field was ready for seeding. He then went and procured the best seed for sowing. When all was finished, Jonathan invited his father over to inspect the field. When his father arrived, Jonathan led him to a high spot from which the whole field of beautiful waving corn could be seen. Jonathan didn't say a word – he only waited for the coveted "Well done!" His father stood for several minutes silently examining the field for any sign of weeds, but there were none. Turning to his son, he just smiled. "That smile was all the reward I wanted," Jonathan Goforth used to say, "I knew my father was pleased." So it will be for us, too, if we are faithful to the trust our Heavenly Father gives us!



Fr. Jim will be away from the Parish this week from Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup> until Saturday January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Weekday Masses have been canceled and will resume Monday January 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be Mass on Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.



**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

The soul of Joseph Hines, Sr. who has received his eternal reward.



**SETON HOSTS POWER OF THE PURSE - GIRLS' NIGHT OUT**

Seton High School is hosting Power of the Purse - Girls' Night Out on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the Seton Commons and Gymnasium. The night promises lots of fun and laughter with your friends and great purses! Designer handbags from Coach, Prada, Donney & Bourke, Liz Claiborne, Fossil and many more will be featured in live and silent auctions. Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres, desserts and cocktails featuring the *Setontini*, beer, wine and soft drinks. Live entertainment by Excalibur. The cost is \$40 a person. Reservation forms are available at [www.setoncincinnati.org](http://www.setoncincinnati.org) or call Kelley Neu at 471.2600.188. Must be 21 or over to attend



**FROM "LESSONS LIFE TAUGHT ME"  
BY  
REGINA BRETT**

Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.

**JAN. 3, 2009 SUNDAY COLLECTION**.....\$7,249.40  
**MAINTENANCE COLLECTION**.....\$1,367.15  
**HOLYDAY COLLECTION**.....\$1,647.01

**St. Vincent de Paul - Poor Box**.....\$7.86



Needed to meet operating expenses.....\$6,600.00  
 Holyday ..Collection.....\$1,647.01  
 This week's collection.....\$7,249.40

This week's **Surplus**.....**\$2,296.41**

**Surplus this fiscal year to date \$530.15**

*Your continued support is needed and sincerely appreciated!*

**ESTATE PLANNING, BEQUESTS AND MEMORIALS**

Please consider Holy Family Church when speaking with your attorney about Estate Planning. Bequests and Memorials to Holy Family Church can also be arranged. There are tax advantages and you would be preserving your past for the future. For more information, contact Diana Brettl at 921-7527. Please remember your donation will make a difference. Thank you for remembering Holy Family Church in this way.

**LOOKING AHEAD FEBRUARY 2010**

- ◆ Men's Society Meeting—Thurs Feb 4
- ◆ Men's Society Spaghetti Dinner—Sun Feb 7
- ◆ Parish Society Meeting—Tues Feb 9
- ◆ Parish Breakfast—Sun Feb 21
- ◆ Parish Council Meeting—Thurs Feb 25

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

- ◆ Parish Society Meeting on Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria
- ◆ Bingo will be played on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM in the Cafeteria
- ◆ Festival Meeting on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria
- ◆ Men's Society Meeting on Thursday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM in the Cafeteria

**KROGER NEIGHBORHOOD REWARD CARDS**

For the period of 11/29/2009 thru 12/26/2010 our cards were reloaded for \$30,754.60. We received a rebate check for \$1,230.18

**Thanks** to all who have purchased the Kroger Neighborhood Reward Cards. It pays to shop.

**THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS**

The Ancient Order of Hibernians will be at the door after all Masses on January 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> selling raffle tickets for a trip for two to Ireland. The tickets are \$10 each and the drawing will take place on March 17, 2010 at the AOH Hall at 3926 River Road. The ancient Order of Hibernians are looking for Irish Catholics, both men and women, who are interested in their Irish Heritage to join their organization. If interested, please contact Paul Weisgerber at 513-481-6832.



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**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**



**DIVIDENDS FOR LIFE**

Catholic Schools Week begins Sunday, January 31, 2010

**TAX STATEMENTS**

If you would like to have a statement of your 2009 Holy Family contributions, please contact the Parish Office at 921-7527 or complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket.



**TAX STATEMENT  
2009 CONTRIBUTIONS**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope No. \_\_\_\_\_

**SAN ANTONIO**

Everyone at San Antonio Chapel needs to realize that all of your help is needed in this time of transition. If you can be a server at Mass, be a lector or put to use any of your God given talents please do so. As you know, we serve Lunch on the House the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of every month from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, so maybe this is something you would like to get involved with. There is no sign up sheet for this, just show up- Another pair of hands is always needed. Let's keep the feeling of giving we have at Christmastime throughout the whole year. All of us are one big team here at San Antonio and we need input from everyone. We all have a share in the success of our Chapel. As we settle into the New Year, let us all be a mensch to one another and to our church family.

**MASSES AT SAN ANTONIO CHAPEL THIS WEEK**

**Tuesday January 12, 2010** Rev. Jim Kiffmeyer  
**11:30 AM Richard Maloney**  
*(Rosary 11:15 AM)*

**Sunday January 17, 2010** Rev. Harry Meyer  
**9:00 AM William Martin**

**JANUARY 10<sup>TH</sup> MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday 9:00 AM**  
Server Sam Almond  
Lector John Fariello  
Distributors Sam Almond, Don Moore, John Fariello

**LUNCH ON THE HOUSE**

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM San Antonio Chapel Hall.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

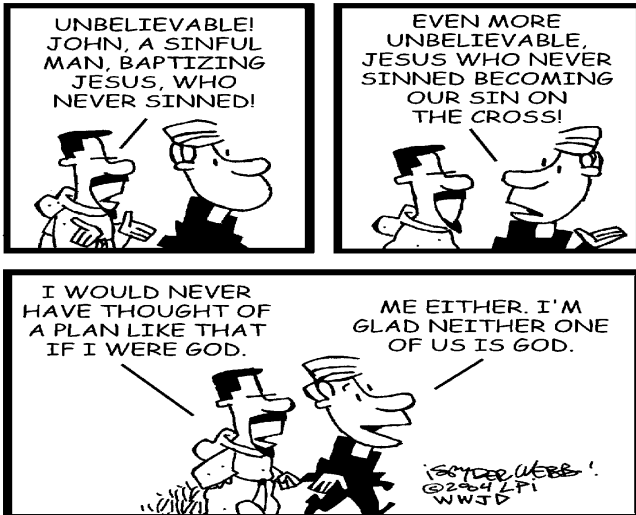
Contact Marge Biery at Holy Family, 921-7527 Ext. 0

**ENVELOPES**

The envelopes have been mailed to home addresses. If anyone has not received them, call Diana Brettl at Holy Family, 921-7527 Ext. 102. If you would like to register as a member of San Antonio Chapel, please contact Diana Brettl at Holy Family.

**PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR NEXT WEEKS BULLETIN IS TUESDAY JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> BY NOON**

BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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The old African-American spiritual "Michael Row the Boat Ashore" has one verse that goes, "Jordan's river is chilly and cold / hallelujah / chills the body but not the soul / hallelujah." We don't know what the temperature of the Jordan River was when Jesus stepped into it in front of John the Baptist. But Luke's Gospel relates that after he had been baptized and while he was praying the heavens opened up and the Holy Spirit descended upon him. A voice from heaven was heard, saying, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

It is unlikely that any such explicitly miraculous events occurred at our own baptism, or any that we may have attended. But something just as momentous did take place when we were baptized. In our baptism we became intimately connected to God; we became God's own children, just as Jesus is the Father's beloved Son. And when we were baptized the Holy Spirit descended upon us-not as a dove, but as the Spirit of God that always dwells in our hearts. That connectedness to God never disappears. Even when we are guilty of the worst sins, God is with us. We believe that the Holy Spirit dwells in us, helping us to act more and more like Christ as we reaffirm our baptismal commitment.

While we celebrate the signs and wonders at the Jordan that herald Jesus' baptism and the beginning of his public ministry, we also recall that our own baptism begins the call to minister in this world. Our baptismal call is to act like Christ, to be his hands, and voice, and heart in this world. When we act like him, we can be assured we too will hear the Father's voice, "with you I am well pleased."

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5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY COLLECTION -



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The weekend of January 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> we will have a Second Collection for the Food Pantry. This collection will be used to defray the cost of running the Pantry. You will find an envelope for this collection in your packet of envelopes for January & February. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE!

On February 14, 2010 there will be a Reception in the Cafeteria after the 11:00 Mass to meet and greet the people from San Antonio Chapel. Please join us in welcoming the Parishioners from San Antonio Chapel as they join the Holy Family Parish Family.

SPLIT THE POT

The winner of the Split the Pot for December of \$105.00 is Eileen Brennan. Congratulations

SCRIPS/COURTESY/HUMBERT'S UPDATE

It has been a year since the Scrips program was introduced to the parish. The Parish has profited \$1,857.46 from the sales.

- For the period of 11/28/2008 thru 12/31/2009, \$34,971 worth of Scrips gift cards were purchased. Proceeds from the sales totaled \$1,609.56
- For the period of 08/01/2009 thru 12/31/2009, \$3,560 worth of courtesy gift cards were purchased. Proceeds from the sales totaled \$142.40. (These proceeds are reflected in the monthly Kroger Neighborhood Rewards cards rebate reports because we use a Holy Family Rewards card to purchase the courtesy cards).
- For the period of 03/01/2009 thru 12/31/2009, \$2110 Humbert's gift certificates have been sold. Proceeds from the sales totaled \$105.50.

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