

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY DECEMBER 7 - AMBROSE, BISHOP & DOCTOR
 9:00 am Gus Amicon by the Family

TUESDAY DECEMBER 8 - FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 9:00 am John David Duer (Anniversary) by Rose Duer
 7:00 pm **Richard Dirksen (Birthday) by the Guggenbiller Family**

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 9 - ADVENT WEEKDAY
 9:00 am Charles & Catherine Lindus by Daughter

THURSDAY DECEMBER 10 - ADVENT WEEKDAY
 9:00 am Carl A. Fox by Jack & Arlene Frost

FRIDAY DECEMBER 11 - ADVENT WEEKDAY
 9:00 am Nellie Scarpitti by Frank & Rita Blateri

SATURDAY DECEMBER 12 - OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
 4:00 pm Margaret Hollern by Mr. & Mrs. Rich Untett

SUNDAY DECEMBER 13 - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 8:30 am Harold Kuhns by Peg Kuhns
 10:00 am People of the Parish
 11:30 am Margaret Hollern by Mr. & Mrs. John Kuhn, Sr.

HOLY DAY - DECEMBER 8TH:

This Tuesday, December 8th, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation for all Catholics to attend Mass. Masses are on Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Join us for this special celebration!

December 8, December 12 - December 13: Third Sunday of Advent

	Altar Server	Extraordinary Minister	Usher	Lector
Tuesday, Dec 8, 7:00 PM Feast of The Immaculate Conception - Holy Day	Noah Callahan Hannah Williams	Ken Hagy Michelle Naporano Rose Tri	Patricia Spare Chris Windle	Randy Tipple
Saturday, Dec 12, 4:00 PM Third Sunday Of Advent	Natalie Hagy Kendal Knight	Carol Deal Kelsey Knight Karen Knight	John Chapin David Deal	Joe Wickham
Sunday, Dec 13, 8:30 AM Third Sunday Of Advent	Daniel McPherson NOT FILLED	Edra Clement Marjorie Heitkamp Maggie Whitmoyer	Mary Jones Stanley Phillips	Sandy Siers
Sunday, Dec 13, 10:00 AM Third Sunday Of Advent	Joey Smith Jonathan Whitt	Carla Guggenbiller Deacon Andy Naporano Patricia Ward	Alan Dekker Dwain Guggenbiller Steve Smith David Whitt	Ellyn Dekker
Sunday, Dec 13, 11:30 AM Third Sunday Of Advent	Samantha Hawkins Nikki Hawkins	Molly Bland Rose Duer Deacon Andy Naporano	Pure Deguzman Pam Hawkins	Gary Palatas

SACRISTANS: Week of December 7: Mary D'Ippolito, Carla Guggenbiller, Mary Jones

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: Week of December 7-13, 2009

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

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

7:00 pm Holy Day, Mass

7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

THURSDAY

9:30 am-9:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5:00 pm Bingo

6:30-7:30 p.m. Confessions, Church

7:30 pm Vespers

SATURDAY

3:00 pm Confessions, Church

4:00 pm Mass- Father Jeff Rimelspach

SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass- Msgr. Anthony Borrelli

8:30 am P.S.R. (Parish School of Religion) Borrelli Parish Center

8:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Borrelli Parish Center

10:00 am Mass- Father Jeff Rimelspach

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10:00 am Nursery, Borrelli Parish Center

10:00 am K of C Breakfast with Santa, Kulp Hall

11:30 am Mass- Father Jeff Rimelspach

7:00 pm R.C.I.A., Rectory Lower Level

7:00 pm Bingo

PARISH NEWS:

DECEMBER - A GOOD TIME FOR GIVING: The month of December is an excellent time for tax benefits, to give generously to the parish offertory. As this is the season of giving gifts, why not give a generous gift to your parish in the form of cash, securities, and business gifts with your employer's company? All gifts that you wish to count toward the 2009 tax year **MUST BE MADE ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2009**. Only gifts in the possession of the church by this date can count toward 2009 taxes. We are all called to be good stewards of what God has entrusted to us, may we share generously with our parish family during this season. Thank you, as always, for your continued generosity. May God bless you!

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ADVENT SCHEDULE

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(A Holy Day of Obligation)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009

9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10th, 2009

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Penance: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Vespers: 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17th, 2009

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Penance: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Vespers: 7:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2009

Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Singing of Carols: 9:30 p.m.

Mass: 10:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, December 25, 2009

Mass 10:00 a.m. ONLY

ST. LAWRENCE HAVEN HELPER: We are in need of a volunteer who would pick up day-old bakery products from the Giant Eagle store on Sunday mornings, and then take the donation to St. Lawrence Haven on S. Fifth St. here is Columbus on Monday morning every week. If you could possibly do this work of charity, please call Fr. Jeff before December 15th. Thanks

ALL CHILDREN OF THE PARISH AGES 6-13: Are welcome and encouraged to participate in the St. Margaret Children's Choir, which will be performing at the **Christmas Eve 4 PM Mass**. There will be two rehearsals for the Christmas mass, taking place **Tuesday, December 15 & 22 at 7 PM, in the church**. All parents are welcome to attend the rehearsals and should expect them to take **1 hour**. If you are interested in having your child participate, please bring them to the **first rehearsal on December 15th** at the church. Questions can be directed to organist Joe Peppercorn: joepeppercorn@gmail.com

ATTENTION FLUTISTS: St. Margaret of Cortona would like to have a flute choir assist in the prelude music for the **Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (10:00 PM)**. If you have participated in the OMEA (or comparable) solo and ensemble contest and received either a I (superior) or a II (excellent); and if you are or can get in good playing shape by early December, we would like to have you join us. Please contact **Winnie Guthikonda**, wguthikonda@yahoo.com for more information. If you have not participated in a solo and ensemble contest, but have above average playing ability and would like to be considered for this opportunity, please contact Christopher Walsh at cwalsh@ohiodefensecounsel.com to arrange for an audition.

DECAL) CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR: If you wish to contribute toward Christmas flowers in memory of a deceased relative or friend, you may do so by placing your donation with your name in an envelope and mark on it "**Christmas Flowers**." Or you may use the envelope enclosed in your monthly envelope packet. We will have a special remembrance of the deceased at the Christmas Mass.

THE ST. MARGARET MEN'S CLUB: Will meet at the Florentine Restaurant on **Saturday, December 12th, 6:30 p.m.** for dinner and celebration. Make reservation by **December 7th** to Al Bellisari at 274-1223 or by e-mail, albertbellisari@yahoo.com. We will be ordering of the menu.

MEN'S CLUB MISSION STATEMENT: The St. Margaret of Cortona Men's Club functions as a means of fellowship for the men of our parish community through a broad range of social, volunteer and spiritual activities. All men of this parish are invited to join. **We meet the third Tuesday of each month in Kulp Hall at 7:30 p.m.**

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will offer, "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" car magnets after all MASSES on December 13th. \$4.00 per magnet, buy 5 and get 1 free. THE MAGNET SAYS IT ALL.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 13th, breakfast is at **9:00 a.m.** and the cost for breakfast is **\$5.00**. Photos with Santa are **\$3.00** for one and **\$5.00** for two.

Giving Tree Program

The need to assist local charities during Christmas has never been greater. The Giving Tree Program is our parish's way of helping them. This year St. Margaret's Parish has committed to donating to three local charities:

- Faith Mission, who assist adults looking to improve their lives
- Franklin County Children Services, who assist low income children of the county
- St. Vincent de Paul's Society, who assist local families in need

There are two Christmas Trees by the entrance of the church. We encourage you to pick up a tag that will tell you what the need is for that adult or child. We have committed to assisting Franklin County Children Services by promising to buy Christmas gifts for 75 children. These gifts should be wrapped and please tape the tag to the gift when you drop off the gift. We have also committed to assisting 75 men in need for Faith Mission. Those gifts must not be wrapped and you don't have to tape the tag to the

gifts. If you would like to contribute but would prefer not to shop, you are welcome to make cash donations as well, which will be used to purchase gifts for those ornaments left on the tree. Any surplus of cash donations will be given to St. Vincent de Paul to be used as needed. Please place your donations in an envelope marked for the Giving Tree in the collection basket by the weekend of December 5th and 6th. This will allow the committee to purchase the items.

YOUR TITHE TO GOD: November 29, 2009

Children	\$ 6.30
Total Offertory Collection	\$6,031.26

BINGO WORKERS:

SUNDAY, December 6th,

Angie Wolf, Marcelino Mendoza, Karen Knight, Patty Lombardi, Karen/Sven Lindberg, Kim Murray.

THURSDAY, December 10th,

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

AROUND US:

WOMEN'S DAY OF RENEWAL will be held Thursday, December 10, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Plain City. 670 West Main Street, Plain City, OH (Parish Activity Center). Registration begins at 9:45 a.m., Guest Speaker: Jackie Lee, Director of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal will be speaking on St. Monica; Patron Saint of Homemakers. Mass begins at 11:30. Fr. Dean Mathewson will be celebrating. We will be sharing a pot-luck luncheon following Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after lunch. For more information, contact the Catholic Charismatic Renewal 614-237-7080

PEACEMAKING AND NON-VIOLENCE WORKSHOP PLANNED: Pax Christi Columbus located at the Columbus Catholic Worker House, 1614 Oakland Park Avenue, Columbus, is hosting a "Peacemaking and Nonviolence Retreat" on **Saturday, December 12, 2009, from 9am to 5pm.** The retreat will be hosted and facilitated by the Michigan Peace Team, and is free of charge. Please RSVP to bamy61@live.com or call 614-256-0178 by **November 28, 2009.** All participants will receive the MPT Nonviolence Training Manual, and the booklet "Steps Toward Inner Peace."

THE DOMINICAN LEARNING CENTER: We are in need of volunteer tutors who could teach one person an hour each week. GED preparation and Citizenship take place at the Dominican Learning Center which is housed at Corpus Christi Parish, 1111 E. Stewart Avenue. English As a Second Language, Conversation and Adult Basic Education can be taught at the DLC, Libraries, Martin de Porres Center or St. Thomas the Apostle Parish. Please call Sr. Shawn Fitzpatrick, Director of the Dominican Learning Center at 444-7330. In **February** we will begin Family Education at the Livingston Avenue Elementary School **two nights a month from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. and St. Thomas School two nights a month.** If anyone would like to help in this program, please call Sr. Robin Richard, 444-7330.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION: Is God calling you to take this journey with Him? We invite you to join us at Bethesda Healing Ministry for one of our regular support group meetings on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. For more information or for directions, please contact us at 614-309-0157 or 614-309-2651. Español: 614-309-0810.

MEN'S STUDY GROUP: Starting December 10th Tim Madrid and Bethesda Healing Ministry will be hosting a monthly study group for men on St. Francis DeSales' "Introduction to the Devout Life." Meetings will be on the second Thursday of every month 10am-12noon. For more information and to register please call Tim at 614-718-0277. Space is limited, call soon!

SCHOOLS:

ST. CHARLES PREPARATORY SCHOOL DRAMA DEPARTMENT: Will hold high school women's auditions for the Central Ohio premiere of *The Government Inspector* by Jeffrey Hatcher, **Tuesday and Wednesday, December 8th & 9th at 4:00 p.m.** at the St. Charles Campus

Theatre, 2010 E. Broad St. For more information, e-mail Doug Montgomery at sdramairector@aol.com or call the school at 252-6714.

THE ANNUAL BISHOP READY CHRISTMAS BAND CONCERT will be held next **Thursday, December 10**, 7:00 p.m. at the high school. Admission is free and all are welcome. A wide selection of Advent and Christmas songs, popular and classical, will be performed. It's a great way to take a break and enjoy an evening of entertainment for the entire family!

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