

# ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST CHURCH



EASTON ROAD & FAIRHILL AVENUE ❖ GLENSIDE, PENNSYLVANIA

DECEMBER 9, 2007

## MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the parish family of St. Luke the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church, respecting our tradition, affirming our strong family ties, and valuing our diverse community, are called by Baptism to commit ourselves to:*

- *Give glory to God by liturgy which unites and strengthens the community of faith;*
- *Build a church community that welcomes all, encouraging each home to be a domestic church;*
- *Listen to the Gospel of Jesus, live it in our daily lives, and share it with one another; and*
- *Serve others as Jesus did, especially the poor and those in need.*

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 6:30, 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

Daily (Monday - Saturday): 6:30 & 8:30 AM

Holy Day: varies; Holiday: varies

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 PM & 7:30 - 8:00 PM

Eve of First Friday: 7:30 - 8:00 PM

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

*Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance.*

Matthew 3:8

**What good fruit do you think  
you can produce as evidence  
of your repentance this Advent?**

**PARISH ADVENT PROGRAM**

**DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR?**

**DECEMBER 17**

## CHURCH AND RECTORY OFFICE

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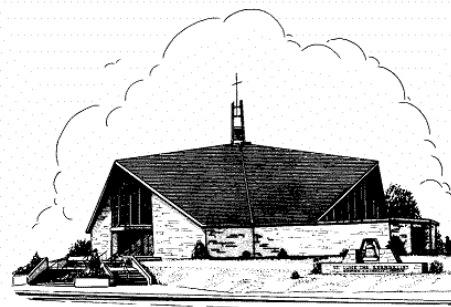
## Office Hours:

9:00 AM - 8:00 PM, MON - THURS

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, FRI

3:00 PM - 7:00 PM, SAT

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM, SUN



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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2007

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9;  
Matthew 3:1-12  
Mon Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26  
Tues Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14  
Wed Zechariah 2:14-17; Luke 1:26-38  
Thurs Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15  
Fri Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19  
Sat Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Matthew 17:9a,10-13  
Sun Isaiah 35:1-6a,10; James 5:7-10;  
Matthew 11:2-11

## WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, December 10 - Advent Weekday

6:30 am Martina Manero  
8:30 am Terrence McCann

### Tuesday, December 11 - Advent Weekday /

#### Damasus I, pope

6:30 am Mary & Lawrence Scully  
8:30 am Margaret Fitzgibbon

### Wednesday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

6:30 am Maripat Filmyer req. by Paula & Ed Murphy  
8:30 am Richard Kain

### Thursday, December 13 - Lucy, virgin, martyr

6:30 am William Joyce req. by his grandchildren  
8:30 am Mary Winstanley req. by Kathleen Kennedy

### Friday, December 14 - John of the Cross, priest, doctor of the Church

6:30 am Lillian Sanginiti  
8:30 am Margaret M. Kelble

### Saturday, December 15 - Advent Weekday

6:30 am Elizabeth Curcillo  
8:30 am Jack Kennedy

## ST. LUKE PARISH STEWARDSHIP

The collection for December 2 was \$19,899.22

*Thank you for your consistent stewardship to your parish*

E-giving for the month of November was  
\$2,526.16.

*Contact Joe Hart for information on e-giving.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. LUKE

**Sunday, December 9 - Second Sunday of Advent**  
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

### Monday, December 10

9:00 am Bible Study, Alumni Room  
4:15 pm PREP  
7:15 pm PREP  
7:30 pm RCIA, Alumni Room

### Tuesday, December 11

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:30 pm One Act Play Rehearsal, FFH  
7:00 pm Sodality Mass  
7:30 pm Boy Scouts, FFH

### Wednesday, December 12

7:00 pm Cub Scouts, FFH  
7:30 pm Guitar Group, Music Ministry Room

### Thursday, December 13

9:00 am Lunch with Santa, FFH  
7:00 pm Youth Group planning, Alumni Room  
7:30 pm Choir, MMR

### Friday, December 14

9:30 am Hearts & Hands Quilting Group, FFH  
3:30 pm One Act Play Rehearsal, FFH

### Saturday, December 15

### Sunday, December 16 - Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Eucharistic Ministers at Abington Hospital  
5:30 pm Youth Group Mass

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 17 Parish Advent Program  
*Do You Hear What I Hear?*  
January 2 Voces Novae et Antiquae Concert  
January 11 & 13 One Act Play  
February 3 World Day for Consecrated Life  
February 5 Mardi Gras Party  
February 6 Ash Wednesday  
February 10 World Marriage Day  
March 2 Spaghetti Supper  
March 8 & 9 Bishop Thomas visit to parish  
March 23 Easter  
April 12 Confirmation at St. Luke Church

## WEB SITE OF THE WEEK

To read Pope Benedict's newest  
Encyclical Letter  
*Spe Salvi (Saved by Hope)*

go to

[www.vatican.va/holy\\_father/  
benedict\\_xvi/encyclicals/  
documents/hf\\_ben-  
xvi\\_enc\\_20071130\\_spe-  
salvi\\_en.html](http://www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/encyclicals/documents/hf_ben-xvi_enc_20071130_spe-salvi_en.html)

*(hyphens are part of the address)*

or go to the Vatican's site:

[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

choose the English option,  
the next page will let you choose  
the encyclical

or go to our website  
[www.stlukerc.org](http://www.stlukerc.org) and choose the  
link on the main page..

## LECTORS NEEDED

Are you interested in becoming a  
lector (reader of Scripture) at  
Mass? The church needs you! To  
find out more about the require-  
ments for lectors and/or to ar-  
range for training and practice  
with the microphone, contact  
Jeanne Kyle, 215-572-0128.

## SODALITY AND MIRACULOUS MEDAL DEVOTIONS

On Tuesday, **December 11**, at  
7pm Msgr. Flood will celebrate  
our monthly Mass. It is offered  
for all living and deceased Soda-  
lists. Novena prayers are said after  
the Mass.

This evening is the final collection  
for our sister parish in Haiti.

All parishioners are welcome at  
our Mass.

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

More than 19,000 religious  
(mostly sisters and nuns) have less  
than 20% of the amount needed  
for the projected costs of living  
and health care as they age.  
**Please be generous in today's  
appeal** for the Retirement Fund  
for Religious. Learn more about  
this appeal at

[www.retiredreligious.org](http://www.retiredreligious.org)

## PRAYER FOR PEACE

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called  
the Prince of Peace, who are  
yourself our peace and recon-  
ciliation, who so often said,  
"Peace to you," grant is peace.

Make all men and women wit-  
nesses of truth, justice, and  
brotherly love.

Banish from their hearts whatever  
might endanger peace.

Enlighten our rulers that they may  
guarantee and defend the  
great gift of peace.

May all peoples of the earth be-  
come as brothers and sisters.

May longed-for peace blossom  
forth and reign always over us  
all.

-Blessed John XXIII

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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repentance.*

Matthew 3:8

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## HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULES

### Christmas

**Monday, December 24**

4 pm, 7 pm, 10 pm

**Tuesday, December 25**

6:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

### Mary, Mother of God

**Monday, December 31**

5 pm

**Tuesday, January 1**

6:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am



## Our Lady of Guadalupe

### VOCATION VIEWS

Who will herald Christ in our  
world? Consider becoming a  
priest, brother, or sister. (*Matthew  
3:10-12*)

### TRAVELERS

For Mass times and church  
locations (USA and abroad) visit

[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)

## CHRISTMAS IQ

What Christmas song is based on Psalm 98:4-9? Discover the answer and listen with new ears to the sounds and symbols of Christmas at our Parish event:

### *Do You Hear What I Hear?*

**Monday, December 17**

**7:00 pm**

### SAVE THE DATE

Shop at 10,000 Villages  
8331 Germantown Ave.  
Chestnut Hill

**Thursday, December 13**

from 5 to 9pm

15% of all sales during that time will go to the Cecilian Center for Earth, Arts and Spirit located at 100 Carpenter Lane, Mt. Airy

## ST. HUBERT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

St. Hubert High School's Chorus, Senior Orchestra, Junior Orchestra and Wind and String Ensembles will be performing a free Christmas concert on Sunday, **December 16**, at 2pm in the school's auditorium.

## MARRIAGE HELP

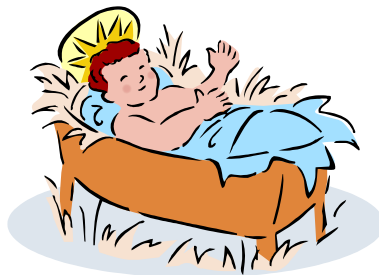
Retrouvaille Marriage Program is a program for married couples who feel anxious or stressed about their marriage. If your marriage is tearing you apart and there is little or no meaningful communication, then Retrouvaille may be able to help you. Learn how to re-focus your marriage at the next program, to be held on **February 8-10**, 2008 at the Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA. For more information call 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## BLESS THE BABY JESUS

### ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE

The annual Bless the Baby Jesus Advent Prayer Service will be held with Cardinal Rigali on Sunday, **December 9**, at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter & Paul (18th St. and Benjamin Franklin Parkway). The Family Life Office and Catholic Social Services plan this event to provide an afternoon of joyful prayer and song in the spirit of the Advent season, complete with beautiful pre-Christmas music. Everyone is encouraged to bring an image or figurine of the Baby Jesus, perhaps from your family Nativity Crèche, to be blessed by Cardinal Rigali during the service.

This is also an opportunity to assist the less fortunate. Baskets will be available to collect new infant clothing, infant formula, and monetary donations for the poor. Please come and enjoy this special Advent celebration!



## CECIL B. DEMILLE'S THE KING OF KINGS

The original 1928 silent picture with live accompaniment on the Keswick Theater pipe organ will be shown at 3pm, Sunday, **December 16**. Special guest is renowned New York organist, Michael Xavier Lundy! Cast of thousands! Admission \$10 at the door, \$5 students/seniors.

## E-GIVING

If you would like the convenience of automatic giving for your church contributions you may sign up on our website

[www.stlukerc.org/  
stewardship.htm](http://www.stlukerc.org/stewardship.htm)

or fill out a form available at the rectory. Return the form to the rectory. You may use your bank account or credit card for automatic giving. You may choose monthly, quarterly, or yearly contributions for your regular Sunday offering. In addition, you can specify amounts for Easter, Christmas, and all the other Holydays and special collections.

## COFFEE & CONTEMPLATION

Come to relax and renew yourself in a quiet, prayerful atmosphere at the SSJ Center for Spirituality. These mornings will include a brief focus for your personal reflection time.

The time will conclude with a brief sharing of the heart. The remaining dates are Thursdays: **December 13**, January 10, February 14, March 6, and April 10. Time: 9:30am to Noon. The cost: \$15 to \$20 (sliding scale).

To register: Contact the SSJ Center for Spirituality, Sr. Kathleen Moriarty, SSJ at 215-248-7222 or [spiritualcenter@ssjphila.org](mailto:spiritualcenter@ssjphila.org).

Please forward a non-refundable deposit of \$10.00, applicable to the program cost, to SSJ Spiritual Center, 9701 Germantown Ave., Phila., PA 19118-2694. Remember to include your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address (if you have one).

## CALIX

### Communion with Christ enhancing our Twelve Step Program

A new chapter of Calix has been recently established at St. Luke's. Calix (founded in 1942) is an international association of Catholic alcoholics who are maintaining their sobriety through affiliation with, and participation in, the Fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous.

We meet on the last Saturday of each month at 8:30am Mass followed by a meeting (the next meeting is **December 29**). We have received approval for this chapter from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and have a participating chaplain.

Calix's first concern is to interest Catholics with an alcohol problem in the VIRTUE of total abstinence. Our second purpose is to promote the spiritual development of our membership.

Our participation in all other spiritual activities of Calix, such as the frequent celebration of Mass, Sacraments, personal prayer, Holy Hours, retreats, etc., aid us in our third objective, namely, striving for our personal sanctification.

It should be noted that Calix is also for members of Al-Anon and other 12-step programs.

If interested, please call Ken at 215-327-3236 or Amy at 610-405-7747 or e-mail us at

StLukeCalix@comcast.net

Our web address is  
www.stlukecalix.org

## SAINT MALACHY'S FOOD CUPBOARD

You ... Saint Luker's, the Youth Group, the school students, and all who gave a can of soup or a bag of food ... and all the other donations (alms) for our brothers and sisters ... those in our parish, at Saint John's Hospice, and at Saint Malachy's ... we raise our voices in appreciation to your response in feeding the hungry.

The holiday baskets were filled and delivered ... John Alekna and Dave Daniel and the truck traveled to 11th & Master with your "good cheer." *Deo Gratias!*

### HOLIDAY SEASON BULLETIN DEADLINES

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Deadline</i>
12/16	12/11
12/23	12/14
12/30	12/20
1/6	12/27

Information for the bulletin should be submitted in writing to the rectory, by fax, or by e-mail to StLukeRC@aol.com. Items should be submitted by noon. Regular deadlines are the Tuesday before the weekend of publication.

### PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

Immaculate Conception Church, Jenkintown, presents a pilgrimage to France, visiting Lourdes, Carcassonne, Naarbonne, Montpellier, Avignon, Lisieux and Paris, **June 23 - July 3, 2008**. Led by Msgr. John Conahan. Price pp (double) \$3039; pp (single) \$3838. Please call the Immaculate Conception rectory for more info at 215-884-4022.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

**Thursday, December 13** – Lock In planning meeting in the Alumni Room of Father Fitzpatrick Hall from 7 to 8:15pm.

**Operation Santa Claus – Sunday December 16.** We will meet at the church outside Father Fitzpatrick Hall at 9am. We will take the train to the wrapping center in Philadelphia where we will help wrap gifts from 10am to 1pm. We will then go to lunch at the food court at Liberty Place. Bring a roll of wrapping paper and money for lunch and the train. Service hours are available for this event. We should return to Glenside by 4pm so you can go to the Youth Mass at 5:30pm. If you have any questions email us at stlukeyouthgroup@yahoo.com.

**Youth Mass- Sunday December 16** at 5:30pm. If you would like to be a lector, usher, altar server or take up the gifts email us at stlukeyouthgroup@yahoo.com.

There will be no activity after the Mass since we are doing Operation Santa Claus earlier in the day.

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***Celebrate the Bicentennial of the Archdiocese at Saint Charles Seminary!*** Spring course offerings are now posted on the Religious Studies Division website at www.scs.edu. New courses for the bicentennial include *The History of the Church in Philadelphia* and *The History of Hispanic Catholics in the United States*. Online courses are also available. Classes start **January 14**. For a course brochure, call 610-785-6287.



### ***“It’s Beginning to Look Too Much Like Christmas”***

brought to you by Peace in Our Day

### **Let’s have A Biodegradable Christmas!**

Instead of buying material gifts for one another, avoid anxiety about unsafe foreign-made toys and consider other options this year.

Make a contribution to a charity in honor of a friend (Heifer Project encourages you to donate animals to third-world countries).

Plan an activity in lieu of a material gift. Give theatre tickets or restaurant certificates.

Choose someone at random and give him/her a certificate for your time – as a babysitter, a cook, a gardener, a snow-shoveler, or another service you know would be appreciated.

Give biodegradables like birdseed wreaths that can be put in the yard after Christmas and enjoyed during the winter.

The school office can always use 8 ½ x 11” white copy paper that has print on one side. No stapled, shiny or computer paper, please, since this will not go through the copy machine. Also, brown or white envelopes with clasp, size 8 x 10 or larger. Thank you!



### **TEACHER FEATURE**

***Mr. Andy Liebel***

When in grade school, most of us have little idea what our future holds. **Mr. Andy Liebel** attended grade school at Nativity of Our Lord School in Warminster. While sitting at his desk at Nativity, little did *he* know what a big part St. Luke’s would eventually play in his life.



Mr. Liebel is one of our fifth grade teachers here at St. Luke’s, instructing his students in math, science, and religion. It’s a perfect fit for Mr. Liebel, as math and science are his favorite areas of study. He is in his fifth year teaching at St. Luke’s, and brings with him many years of experience in the field.

After graduating from Archbishop Wood High School and earning a BS in Elementary Education from Temple University, Mr. Liebel began his teaching career. He taught fourth and fifth grade for four years at Our Lady Help of Christians (Abington), and then eighth grade and sixth grade at Lower Moreland Middle School. Mr. Liebel then moved on to Corpus

Christi in Upper Gwynedd, where he taught fifth grade for five years, and sixth grade for one year. He also has experience working with children with emotional problems, as he spent time working at Silver Spring / Martin Luther School in Plymouth Meeting.

So how did St. Luke’s finally find Mr. Liebel? Through his wife, Mrs. Teresita (Terry) Liebel! Mrs. Liebel (formerly Coyle) is a St. Luke School Alum. Mr. Liebel and his wife decided to raise their own children in the area, and enrolled their daughters at the school. Mr. Liebel was so impressed with the quality of education at St. Luke’s that he wanted to be a part of our team. Currently, daughters Teresita and Stephanie are in seventh and fifth grades respectively.

In his free time, Mr. Liebel enjoys gardening, landscaping, and maintaining his fishponds. Mr. Liebel looks forward to the upcoming winter months, as he has taken up the hobby of snowboarding! Having never been a skier, he “decided snowboarding looked like more fun than skiing. At age 45, (he) was the only grey-haired student in the beginner class.” He sets a great example for his students – a man who values family, faith, work and is not afraid to tackle new challenges. Many thanks to Mr. Liebel for being our *Teacher Feature*, and best wishes for many more years teaching at St. Luke School.





## DO YOU HEAR WHAT I HEAR?



Come to Church on Monday, December 17, at 7pm for an interesting and fun exploration of Christmas Carols. You will be encouraged to listen with new ears to our familiar carols and learn some carol trivia! The program is suitable for all ages. There will be refreshments following the program.

## Christmas Carols

Monday, December 17

7:00 pm

### OPERATION SANTA CLAUS

Last Sunday, St. Luke CYO volunteers filled the trees in the back of church with tags lovingly made by Helen Foster, a long time parishioner. Each tag has a gender and age range on it. Parishioners then purchase gifts appropriate for the tags they have chosen. The gifts are then returned to Church the third Sunday of Advent (**December 16** this year).

Wrapping is optional but encouraged. Operation Santa Claus requests that the toys be new and unopened, no war toys, videos, DVDs, CDs, video games, clothes\* or food. (\*Hats and gloves for older children are acceptable.) Batteries are always in demand as are toys for older boys and girls. Monetary donations are also welcome.

Then St. Luke CYO volunteers gather the gifts under the trees and take them to Father Fitzpatrick Hall for sorting. First, the gifts are sorted by gender and age. Next, gifts are chosen for families in St. Luke parish that are referred from St. Luke's Vincent DePaul Society. All adult gifts received go to these families. Next,

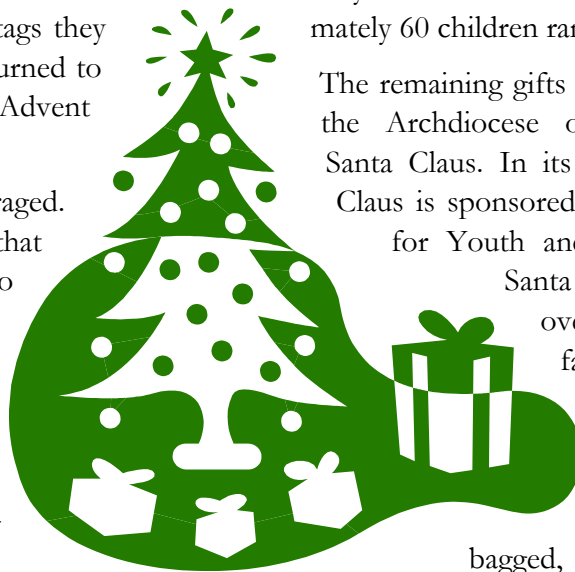
gifts are sorted for children of the Ludlow Community Center. The Ludlow Community Center is located in St. Malachy's parish in North Philadelphia. They have an after school program for approximately 60 children ranging from 5 to 13 years old.

The remaining gifts are bagged and picked up by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Operation Santa Claus. In its 40th year, Operation Santa Claus is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Youth and Young Adults. Operation

Santa Claus will provide toys for over 5,000 children in needy families throughout the city of Philadelphia. During the month of December, thousands of toys will be collected, sorted, wrapped,

bagged, and finally delivered to 700 families on Christmas Eve.

St. Luke's Parish is consistently one of the most generous contributors in the archdiocese. Our CYO thanks all of the parishioners who so generously participate in Operation Santa Claus. Without you it would not be possible!



### ADVENT WREATH PRAYER—SECOND WEEK

(Two purple candle are lit.)

O God of Justice,  
As we light two candles, bend our hearts and minds toward those who wait in darkness to see the light of justice and freedom. May your Holy Spirit enable us to bring forth justice for the poor, mercy for the prisoner, welcome to the stranger, and freedom for the oppressed. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Light and our Hope, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near.

*Suggested Readings:* Micah 6:6-8; Luke 1:46-55

Find more Advent Wreath prayers at [www.stlukerc.org](http://www.stlukerc.org)

## BE AN ANGEL!



Drivers are needed for the Angels of Mercy program. Please consider this ministry if you can spare time to help others with their appointments or errands. Call the Rectory at 215-572-0128 to volunteer.

**The Poor Boxes are the bread boxes of the needy.**

## SNOWBIRDS

For our parishioners who either spend part of the year at a winter or summer residence, or go on an extended vacation, our envelope company has made it easier for us to change their "active" status to "temporary inactive". Doing so saves us \$\$! Just call the rectory at 215-572-0128, or email at stlukerc@aol.com, to leave your name and the dates of your absence.

The flowers placed before the statues of Mary and St. Joseph in Church are called the 'Pro-Life Rose' and the 'St. Vincent de Paul Carnations.'

In addition to honoring Mary and Joseph, the flowers usually are used to remember or honor a loved one.

The donations (\$5.00 each) are used to defray the cost of the flowers and to support the programs of the Right-to-Life Committee and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, respectively

We will stop sending Sunday envelopes to parishioners who have signed up for regular e-giving.

## ENTERTAINMENT 2008

St. Luke's Choir is currently selling the Entertainment 2008 edition. These books make wonderful gifts for birthdays, anniversaries, or the holidays. The price remains the same as last year -- \$25. The new edition can be used immediately upon receipt.

The funds generated from this sale are used to help the choir purchase new music or new equipment. If you are interested in purchasing a book, please contact any choir member or Carol Matula at 215-885-7393.

Members of Peace in Our Day are putting together a panel discussion by young adults who are doing or have done social justice or sustainable development work in underdeveloped countries. If you or someone you know is so engaged and would like to share your experiences, please contact Mitch Harbison, 215- 884-4776.

## CHRISTMAS IQ

What favorite Christmas Carol was written in Pittsburgh for his nieces and nephews in 1857? Hint: the song speaks of Jesus bleeding, dying and sealed in the stone-cold tomb. Discover the answer and listen with new ears to the sounds and symbols of Christmas at our Parish event:

***Do You Hear What I Hear?***  
**Monday, December 17**  
**7:00 pm**

## EPIPHANY GIFTS

Consider giving gifts to the men in St. John's Hospice and the women in the Archdiocesan Prisoner Reentry Program and Women of Hope. The gifts should be new clothing articles,



such as underwear, socks, caps, scarves, mittens, and gloves. Any size of underwear can be used - but the need is especially sizes L and XL for women and S and M for men. We will collect these unwrapped gifts on **January 5 & 6.**



## CHRISTMAS SHOPPING?

Save yourself from the pandemonium of the malls! Consider ordering gift items that are made by impoverished people. Help those less fortunate than us to help themselves:

Available at the doors of the church are websites and phone numbers of organizations that subscribe to "Fair Trade" practices and ensure that the profits from their sales benefit the artisans. Catalogs can be viewed online or requested by phone (in order that you can evaluate these products) and purchases can also be made on-line or by phone.

## Reminder:

**No baptisms** are held at St. Luke parish during Lent, which begins on **February 6** next year. If you wish to schedule a baptism, contact the rectory during regular office hours.



**Remember those who are serving  
in the Armed Forces**

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| Sean Biggio     | John Monaghan      |
| John Crockett   | Nicholas Nedbal    |
| Michael DiCicco | John Scanlon       |
| Eric Duckworth  | Daniel Scharle     |
| Erin E. Duffy   | Gary Stanley       |
| Colin A. Graham | Brian Starkey, Jr. |
| Ronald Green    | John L. Sullivan   |
| Robert Grimming | Marygrace Telman   |
| Michael Hotz    | Travis Telman      |
| Andy Johnson    | Calvin Travers     |
| Michael Johnson | Tim Tumelty        |
| Charles Keller  | Kevin Ward         |
| Edward Keller   | Meghan Wendell     |

**RESPECT LIFE PRAYER:**

For prisoners, away from their families and friends, and especially for those who wait on death row: that our prayers might bring them peace.

**OUR ADVENT PRAYER INTENTION:**

Peace within our hearts, our city, our communities, and our world.

**Pray for our sister parish,  
Notre-Dame de la Presentation,  
in Los-Palis, Haiti.**

**STAFF**

- Rev. Msgr. J. Michael Flood ..... Pastor  
 Rev. John F. McBride (Senior Priest) Parochial Vicar  
 Rev. Joseph T. Murphy ..... Retired  
 Deacon Thomas M. Croke ..... Permanent Deacon  
 Sr. William Adele, SSJ ..... School Principal  
 Sharon D’Amore ..... Director of Religious Education  
 Jeanne Kyle ..... Director of Parish Services  
 Molly Mahoney ..... Director of Music Ministries  
 Tina Dean ..... Secretary  
 Cathy Berry ..... Evening Secretary  
 John Alekna ..... Maintenance  
 Dave Daniel ..... Maintenance  
 Joe Hart ..... Business Manager  
 Beth Stieritz ..... Development  
 Cathy Foley ..... Sacristan



- Sidney Bowie  
 Jean-Claude Goulet  
 Carlo Nicastro



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| Sr. Mimi Bodell    | Bud Kelble              |
| Marian Bomher      | Eleanor Maier           |
| James Bradley      | Godric Maier            |
| Jerry Bradley      | Jim Markham             |
| Sara Kate Burke    | Ruth McCarthy           |
| Marie Cairns       | Joe Mooney              |
| Joan Conti         | Jake Nasto              |
| David Cullman      | Louise O’Neill          |
| Connie D’Amore     | Patrick Quigley         |
| Philip D’Amore     | Julia Quinn             |
| Jean Dee           | Jim Rowley              |
| Luke Della Penna   | Julia Sherlock          |
| Len Dolan          | Kevin Smith             |
| Al Dorley          | Mary Jo Smith           |
| Violetta Dougherty | Alice Sutrynowicz       |
| Charlie Fagan      | Henry Sutrynowicz       |
| Nicholas Fetscher  | Anthony Teti            |
| Ed Fitzgibbon      | Jennifer Trainer        |
| Ethel Fitzgibbon   | Tim Walsh               |
| Gemma Flanagan     | Andre Washington        |
| Anne Fleming       | &                       |
| Deborah Gormley    | All those who are sick  |
| Joan Hennessy      | and homebound in the    |
| Catherine Hoyer    | parish, and patients at |
| James Kain         | Abington Memorial       |
| Joe Kane           | Hospital                |

**RESPECT LIFE THOUGHT:**

I ... decisively support you in your political efforts to favor conditions enabling young couples to raise children. Yet all this will be pointless, unless we can succeed in creating once again in our countries a climate of joy and confidence in life, a climate in which children are not seen as a burden, but rather as a gift for all. - Benedict XVI, Address to Authorities and Diplomatic Corps, Vienna, September 7, 2007

## SCHEDULES

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### Saturday Vigil, December 8

5:00 pm Jerry Amodei, Joseph Krause, Teresita Liebel

#### Sunday morning, December 9

6:30 am Jacob Ross, Zach Ross

8:00 am Jake Meizinger, Joseph McNiff, Tim McNiff

9:30 am Matt McDonough, Daniel Nedbal, Riley Slusarski

11:30 am Amanda Settembrino, Carey Patton, Christine McIntyre

#### Monday & Tuesday, December 10 & 11

6:30 am Michael Newns, Olivia O'Donnell

8:30 am Dan Motz, Nicole Motz

#### Wednesday & Thursday, December 12 & 13

6:30 am Joey Borowy, Nick Borowy

8:30 am Maureen Regan, Courtney Wood

#### Friday & Saturday morning, December 14 & 15

6:30 am Claire Salazar, Joseph Krause

8:30 am Teddy Ryan, Cameron Gillaspay

#### Saturday Vigil, December 15

5:00 pm Kathleen Cassidy, Lauren Mitros, Maura Angiolillo

#### Sunday morning, December 16

6:30 am Anna Fiorella, Kathleen Doyle

8:00 am Stephen Jeffers, Anthony Scalfaro, Nicole Scalfaro

9:30 am Billy Joyce, Tommy Joyce, Michelle Harbison

11:30 am Stephen DiCicco, Kyle Donahue, Jack Kehres

### HOSPITAL MINISTRY

#### DECEMBER 16

Agnes DiLanzo, Lorraine Markey, Peggy O'Sullivan  
Dan Moyer, Michael Shea

#### DECEMBER 30

Kevin Potter, Clara Duffy, Linda O'Donnell  
Karen Giannetti, Dave Daniel



### LECTORS

#### 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT—DECEMBER 8 & 9

5:00 Helen Watkins Aileen Regan

6:30 Michael Piotrowicz Daniel Moyer

8:00 Al Dorley Jim Dean

9:30 Renie O'Meara Denise Tumelty

11:30 Bill Edwards Peggy Zehner

#### 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT—DECEMBER 15 & 16

5:00 Kevin Potter Cathy Dunigan

6:30 Michael Piotrowicz Michael Sweeney

8:00 James Burke Ceil Matthews

9:30 Lisa Boyle Bonnie Dalzell

11:30 Joseph Sheerin Mary Jane Dean

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### DECEMBER 8 & 9

5:00 Eileen Breslin, Porter Bush, Gloria D'Agui, Lou Lupinacci, Dennis McNulty, Barb O'Neill, Kevin O'Neill, Drew Sharkey, Lori Spanier

8:00 Jim Burke, Frank Emmerich, Kate Jaskiewicz, Tom Keane, MaryBeth Meakim, Judy Reale, Mary Santarelli, Jayne Spencer, Carol Talaga, Robert Talaga

9:30 Mitch Harbison, Mary Limburg, Irene MacDonald, Rose McDonough, Sue Nedbal, Theresa Pompilio, Kathy Pritz, Mark Slusarski, Charlie Spencer

11:30 Anne Clancy, Sam Couchara, Dave Daniel, Ann Del Carlino, Bernadette Dougherty, Dan Dougherty, Kathy Edwards, Michael Shea, Susan Shea, Mark Zehner

#### DECEMBER 15 & 16

5:00 Del Axford, Linda Calio, S. Nora Friel, Chris Gardner, Rob Henstenburg, John Monaghan, Pat O'Donnell, Emilie Quigley, Pat Sharkey

8:00 Dorothy Baer, Cathy Berry, Jo Ann Foley, Marie Heffernan, Ed McCauley, MaryBeth Meakim, Linda O'Donnell, Barb Piper, Mary Santarelli, Jayne Spencer

9:30 Lyn Church, James Gauger, Janet Gauger, Karen Giannetti, Nick Gibboni, Mary Harbison, Jane Kieser, Kathleen LaMonica, Maryellen Matus

11:30 Ro Croke, Anna Filmeyer, Irvin Fisher, Craig Giandomenico, Jule Hanahan, Trish Hayes, Terry Hersch, Donna Scully, Rita Timoney, Maryann Vesci