

FROM THE PASTOR



As we observe this Sunday the Feast of the Epiphany, we celebrate the “epiphany” or revelation of God to the Gentiles---that is, to us. Just as the shepherds, representing the Jewish people, were the first to witness the appearance of God in the Person of the Christ-Child at Bethlehem, the Magi from the East represent the remaining peoples of the world, for all of whom Jesus comes as Savior and Lord.

The Wise Men also remind us in the gold, frankincense, and myrrh they bring that the exchange of gifts is not meant to be a one day event, restricted to December 25. The practice of divine and human charity is meant to form the ordinary pattern of our lives in Christ.

I continue to be deeply grateful the generosity of so many who have given gifts both to the Parish and to me personally this year. I am particularly thankful for all the behind-the-scenes musical work that Aaron Renninger, our Director of Liturgy and Music, and Lynn Lambert, the music instructor in our School, have coordinated with our adult and children’s choirs.

On their behalf, I invite the whole Parish to attend our Epiphany Choral Concert this coming Thursday, January 7, at 7PM in church. I am hoping for a packed church, as an expression of faith that the true spirit of Christmas continues to thrive at Queen of Peace long after the world thinks that it is over.

Please also come back to church this evening (Sunday) at 5PM for our Epiphany Vespers, sung Evening Prayer by candle-light, with Christmas hymns. The Magi spent many days traveling under the stars to find our Savior.

On a final, personal note, this has been the first year of my Priesthood that I have spent the Twelve Days of Christmas in the Parish. Because of my former teaching schedule and the necessity of fitting times of rest with the academic calendar, I would always be gone for retreat and vacation after the last Mass on December 25. It has been a special joy to spend these days with you, “home for Christmas,” so to speak. And how could I spend time away from the Parish in these days, now that the completion of the new Confessional (my “man cave”!) is so near!!!

From Blessed Mary, Christ the Lord is our Peace!

Fr. Daniel Scheidt

P.S. The day is almost upon us for the installation of Bishop Kevin Rhoades as our new Bishop of Ft. Wayne-South Bend. Please keep both him and Bishop D’Arcy in your prayers that the Lord might continue to confirm and strengthen them as good shepherds and successors of the Apostles, as well as bestow upon our Diocese many new gifts of grace.



PARISH NEWS

SENIOR LUNCHEON - is Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at Noon. Menu: Stew, salad, roll/butter; chocolate and lemon surprise desserts. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board in gathering area of church. Any questions contact Linda O’Neil, 250-3688.

LOOKING FOR SUPPORT? There is a Parkinson’s Support Group who meets the first Monday of every month. Please call Pat Feehly 574-252-0101 or Bill Siri 574-674-6542 for more information.



No weekly PREP today. Classes will resume on January 10, 2010. Enjoy your holiday break!



EPIPHANY VESPERS- Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer) will be prayed on the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, Sunday, January 3 at 5 PM. All are welcome to join in prayer with our parish family as we celebrate the arrival of the Magi, one of the manifestations of Christ.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF TEENS - The Queen of Peace Parish Youth Group, Antioch, needs your help! Please consider supporting your teen’s youth program by offering your gifts and talents. Contact Chip & Virginia Leinen to learn more about the needs of Antioch and how you can serve this ministry. See contact information below.

Queen of Peace Parish Youth Group: **ANTIOCH**

Next Meetings:

January 3: 8th Grade Students will meet for Agape at 6 PM at St. Joe-Mish School cafeteria

Save the Date!

January 19: Ladies in Waiting begins. Contact Virginia Leinen for more details.

January 30: XLT, Queen of Peace Parish, 7 - 8:30 PM

February 13-14: “Empty & Beautiful”
High School Girls Retreat

Leaders: Chip & Virginia Leinen

E-mail: antiochmishawaka@gmail.com **Phone:** 574-217-4671

Calendar of Events: www.weadore.com

Facebook Group: antioch-mishawaka

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL - Thank you to everyone who contributed to the annual Catholic Charities’ Appeal this year. If you have not yet made your contribution, you may still do so. Your support means so much to the families served by this Agency.

PARISH LIFE 2010 MAGNET - Included in this bulletin is our 2010 Parish Life Calendar magnet listing important events and dates throughout the coming year. We are excited to announce our Parish Mission and “Christ Renews His Parish” Retreats.

QUEEN OF PEACE
CHURCH AND SCHOOL

PRESENT AN

Epiphany
Choral Concert

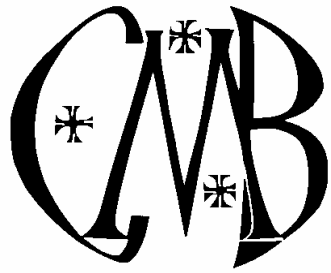
Please join us as we continue to celebrate the
Christmas Season with festive music.

The Parish Children's and Adult Choirs, and
Q of P School Students will be performing
exciting Christmas pieces from around the
world, including assembly sung carols.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7TH
7 PM

Queen of Peace Catholic Church
Mishawaka, Indiana





Epiphany Blessing of Chalk

It has been a tradition in the Catholic Church to bless chalk at the Masses for Epiphany, and then use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home in the New Year. Use the blessed chalk to write:

20+C+M+B+10

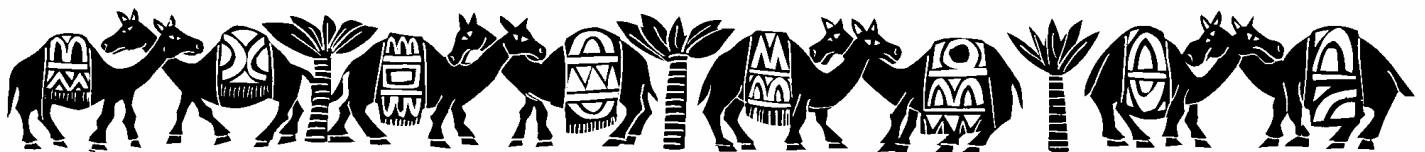
above the doorways: 2010 for the year; C, M, B for the traditional names of the three Magi— Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar— and for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for “May Christ Bless this House.”

As you are writing, you may pray one the following prayers:

May all who come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord our God, bless this household. May be we blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness, and the keeping of your law. We give thanks to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.



AROUND TOWN

LIGHT WEIGH IS COMING ...Like a beacon of light at the beginning of the year. Would you like to learn how to overcome temptation and eat the foods you enjoy, while you grow closer to God and lose weight? Come see how this program has helped and blessed others. An Orientation Meeting will be held on Mon. January 4 from 6-7:00 PM at St. Joe-Mish Parish Office.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY SERIES - Mondays, January 11 - February 8, 7-9pm. St Joseph Parish Center, South Bend. When it comes to relationships, the secular world tells us that men are from Mars and women are from Venus. What does our Catholic faith say? Discover the teaching of Pope John Paul II's "theology of the body" and the compelling truth behind the Church's teachings on marriage and the family, chastity, contraception, homosexuality, celibacy, and the purpose of human life. This 5-week series is for all local young adults (age 18-39, single or married). Dr. Mary Healy's book, *Men and Women are from Eden*, will guide our discussions. Books can be purchased for \$10 at the initial session if requested in advance. This event is co-hosted by the diocesan Office for Campus & Young Adult Ministry, the Office for Family Life, and St Joseph Parish.

Contact: Sean Allen at sallen@diocesefwsb.org or 858-354-9006 OR John & Monica Sikorski at jksikorski@gmail.com or 574-386-8434

YOUNG ADULT (18-35) MINI-RETREAT - Join us for an afternoon of prayer, inspiration, and quiet on Sunday, January 17, 2010. **Topic:** Faith & Reason in Today's world and How do we bring Christ to it? **Presenter:** Fr. Glenn Kohrman, Pastor of St. Vincent Parish, Elkhart. **Place:** Convent of Sister of St. Francis of perpetual Adoration, 1515 W. Dragoon Tr., Mishawaka. **Time:** 1:00—6:00 PM (Sunday Mass at 5:00 PM). **Cost:** \$5.00

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 4 - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:15AM Glenna Wright - *Patricia Ganser*

Tuesday, January 5 - Saint John Neumann

8:15AM Evelyn Cabana Ciesielski - *Linda Krzyzniak*

Wednesday, January 6 - Christmas Weekday

8:15AM Betty J. Oho - *Mr. and Mrs. Kolman*

Thursday, January 7 - Christmas Weekday

8:15 AM Bill Moers - *Cliff & Kay Huther*

Friday, January 8 - Christmas Weekday

8:15 AM Gabriel Castro/William Perez/Roxanna Perez -
The Leap Family

Saturday, January 9 - Vigil, The Baptism of the Lord

5:30PM Deceased Members of the Riffel Family -
Don & MaryAnn Riffel

Sunday, January 10 - The Baptism of the Lord

7:30AM Anne Lanchsweerd - *Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wood*

9:30AM Jim Burnham - *The Burnham Family*

11:45AM Parish Community

Bulletin— "Sponsor of the Week"

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Amount needed for Balanced 2009-2010 Budget.....\$11,600.00

12/20/09

Adult (292 envelopes)	\$9,478.00
Loose	\$1,432.55
Children (39 envelopes)	\$44.98

Total **\$10,955.53**

<i>Growing Together With Christ</i> (2 envelopes)	\$100.00
<i>Christmas Flower Fund</i> (9 envelopes)	\$138.00

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 4

8:15 AM Mass

6:00 PM Jubilee Society, Room 10

Tuesday, January 5

8:15 AM Mass

8:45 AM Prayer/Share, Parish Library

7:30 PM K of C, Rectory Basement

8:30 PM Pack Committee Mtg.,

Wednesday, January 6

8:15 AM Mass

7:00 PM Adult Choir

Thursday, January 7

8:15 AM Mass

7:00 PM Epiphany Choral Concert



Friday, January 8

8:15 AM All School Mass

Saturday, January 9

9:00—1:30 PM Basketball games, Gym

3:30-5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions

5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 10

7:30, 9:30, 11:45 AM Mass

Food Sunday

10:30 AM Weekly PREP

12:45 PM Decorations Taken Down

