

*Mass Intentions for the Week*



**MONDAY DECEMBER 14**

*John of the Cross, priest & doctor*  
(Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a/Matthew 21:23-27)  
**8:30 A.M.** Ruth Klima

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 15**

*Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13/Matthew 21:28-32*  
**8:30 A.M.** David Whitlatch

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16**

*(Isaiah 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Luke 7:18b-23)*  
**8:30 A.M.** Patricia Hobbs

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 17**

*(Genesis 49:2, 8-10/Matthew 1:1-17)*  
**8:30 A.M.** Vicki Barnette

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 18**

*(Jeremiah 23:5-8/Matthew 1:18-25)*  
**8:30 A.M.** Mary Pool

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 19**

**5:00 P.M.** Millie Murtha

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 20**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**8:00 A.M.** Maria Landone  
**9:30 A.M.** For the People  
**11:15 A.M.** Deceased parents of John & Joanmarie Trainer

**TO PREPARE FOR SUNDAY LITURGY**

**DECEMBER 20, 2009**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**FIRST READING** MICAH 5:1-4a  
**SECOND READING** HEBREWS 10:5-10  
**GOSPEL** LUKE 1:39-45



**UNBOUNDED JOY**

The victorious Lord is already in our midst, rejoicing with gladness and dancing with delight! Jesus revels in his birth among us through his mother Mary. He glories in becoming one of us. He welcomes our response to the good news proclaimed by John the Baptist: baptism with water and baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire. This bath gives us a safe place with God's people. The Lord comes – Emmanuel, Wisdom, Might Lord, Root of Jesse, Key of David, Dayspring, Desire of Nations. O happy time!  
*Philip J. Sandstrom, STD © 2000, OCP. All rights reserved.*

*This Week in our Parish*

*Flowers on the altar today are in celebration of 40 years of marriage: Jack and Rita Spiers. In loving memory of B.J. Ragland*

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>12/13</b>	<b>K OF C PANCAKE BREAKFAST</b>
		<b>VISIT WITH SANTA</b>
		9:30am Kindergarten RE
		1:00pm Baptisms/Ch
		5:45pm SPY
		7:00pm Rosary/EC
		7:30pm SPY
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>12/14</b>	5:00pm Religious Education/CI
		6:30pm Rosary for Military/EC
		6:45pm Religious Education/CI
		7:00pm Handbells/Ch
		8:00pm Brass/Ch
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>12/15</b>	5:00pm Religious Education/CI
		6:45pm Religious Education/CI
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>12/16</b>	9:30am Seton Parish Pre-School
		10:00am Scripture Study/CI-A
		4:30pm Seton Youth Choir/Ch
		5:15pm Seton Youth Ringers/Ch
		6:25pm Cantors/Ch
		6:55pm Adult Choir Reh/Ch
		7:00pm Pastoral Council/CI-A
		7:00pm K of C Assembly/CI-7&9
<b>Thurs.</b>	<b>12/17</b>	9:30am Seton Parish Pre-School
		7:00pm Spiritual Life/CI-A
		7:00pm RCIA/CI-7&9
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>12/18</b>	9:30am Seton Parish Pre-School
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>12/20</b>	9:30am Kindergarten RE
		5:45pm SPY
		7:00pm Rosary/EC
		7:30pm SPY

**FINANCE INFORMATION**

<i>December 6<sup>th</sup> collection</i>	\$25,041.00
<i>Monthly Collection:</i>	\$18,303.00
<i>Year to Date Collection</i>	\$478,879.00
<i>Children's Collection (2) envelopes</i>	\$2.21

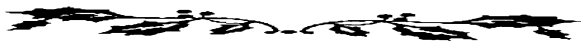
**RETIREMENT FOR THE RELIGIOUS**

Religious face rising costs. Data submitted to the National Religious Retirement Office reveals that the average annual cost of care for women and men religious age 70 and over has more than doubled since 1989. Current statistics put this figure at \$35,077 per person annually, with skilled care reaching nearly \$55,000. Your donation to the Retirement Fund for Religious provides critical support to religious institutes in meeting the escalating costs of elder care. Please pray for all religious and give generously to today's second collection. [www.retiredreligious.org](http://www.retiredreligious.org).

*Christmas flowers: suggested donation \$10.00. Names will be published in the December 27<sup>th</sup> bulletin.*

***Sick Relatives & Friends***

Mark Bailey	Augustine Beckemeyer	Ada Brennan	
Jacob Brewer	Ann Brown	Betty Ann Brunner	
Annette Carrel	Barbara Cartee	Duane Carter	
Stacy Cesarz	Penny Conner	Jeff Corbin	
Debra Cunningham	Ruth Dattalo	Winnie Deibel	
Chuck Dillon	Colin Donohue	Martha Dyer	
Millie Egan	Kevin Eichner	Ralph Emrich	
Roberta Emrich	Rose Fradette	John Gentile	
Jimmy Gibboney	Judy Gilmore	Jimmy Green	
Julie Gribben	Mackenzie Hedges	Ashley Hohman	
Brian Holland	Rita Humphries	Lynn Kartavich	
Kathleen Lievense	Ed Loch	Lucille Loudenslager	
Kathy Marofsky	Delores McCann	Joanne McCaw	
Adolph Melket	Mary Mitchell	Loretta Nichols	
Al Olson	Mike Pankey	Theresa Petsock	Mary
Piek	Thelma Pione	Reigle Family	Bridget
Reitano	Elias Rizkallah	Jeff Samborsky	
Robert Seymour	Carol Smith	Donna Spiers	
Jerry Truchan	Rosemary Wagenbrenner	Ryan Winstel	



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**December 13<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Advent**

Regular Mass Schedule

7:00pm Advent Penance Service at St. Pius

**December 20<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Regular Mass Schedule

**December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve**

No 8:30am Mass

4:00pm Mass (Church and PAC)

6:00pm Mass

11:00pm Mass

**December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day**

9:30am



**ADORATION CORNER**

Put more meaning into your Advent...spend an hour in the Eucharistic Chapel. Stop in for a quiet time of reflection and prayer. If you would like to take an hour that has no adorer scheduled, please call Shirley and Paul. No weekly or monthly commitment...just that hour! Of course, anyone is welcome to stop in for a visit *anytime*. Come in out of the cold and warm your heart with Jesus! Shirley or Paul Thoburn at 833-1288.



**CLEAN AND SHINEY**

Take a few hours to help us make the church bright and clean for Christmas. We are asking for volunteers to help on Thursday, December 17, 9am-lunchtime (lunch is on us!) to help clean the church. Many hands will make the work go quicker! Join us for fun and fellowship!

**A Word from Fr. Jim**

The third Sunday in Advent is traditionally called “Gaudete” Sunday, a day on which the church focuses special attention upon the Christian attitude of joy. There are many expressions of joy in the prayers of the liturgy this day, jumping the gun so to speak, anticipating the celebration of Christmas that is to come. In the gospel, once again, John the Baptist appears and as the people come to him, they ask, “What should we do?” John’s call is to repentance and to changes in our behavior that must take concrete expression in our lives. We offer this opportunity for repentance this evening with our joint Penance Service at St. Pius Parish Sunday evening at 7:00 p.m. There will be several visiting confessors present.

If you have not as of yet made a contribution to our Portsmouth Christmas Outreach in which we make up 750 food baskets for the needy, it is still not too late. I am very grateful to all of you who have already so generously donated, and I ask those of you who have not yet done so, to please consider making a donation. With the participation of everyone in the parish, we will easily reach our goal. It is so easy when each person does their part. There are still envelopes and food requests on the tables in the gathering space. We need those in the next day or two, as all food will be packed at the end of the week for distribution in Portsmouth next weekend. If you bring any food items next weekend, it will be too late.

**FOR BETTER & FOR EVER Sponsor Couples:**

We are seeking the assistance of married couples of our church who are willing to be trained to be “sponsors” for engaged couples. Deacon Hector is asking for all married couples to consider serving in this important ministry. After the married volunteers have taken part in a one-day training course, they will be assigned to guide an engaged couple through a series of meetings in their home. Hopefully we can get enough “sponsor couples” to minister to no more than 2 engaged couples per year. Please contact Deacon Hector if you would like to be a Sponsor Couple. 833-0482, ext. 243 or [hraymond@setonparish.com](mailto:hraymond@setonparish.com)

**JORDAN COUPLES**

We are looking for mature (ages 30-50) couples who would like to accompany young parents who will be having their child Baptized. You will be asked to do the following: be present at one or both Baptism classes, usually on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month; be present at the time of their child’s Baptism; maintain contact with them during the first year of their child’s life; share your parenthood experiences with the couple as needed. You will become friends with them as well as mentor them spiritually and physically. We hope to sign-up as many Jordan Couples to each child that is being Baptized. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Deacon Hector for more information at 833-0482, ext. 243 or [hraymond@setonparish.com](mailto:hraymond@setonparish.com).

**BISHOP GRIFFIN CENTER** We are now collecting warm clothes of all sizes, especially coats. Shoes and denim jeans are also needed. Household items, sheets and towels are always welcome. Also, if you could spare a box or can of food it would be greatly appreciated. All items can be placed in the boxes under the mailboxes in Herrmann Hall.

*"I tell you, anything you did for the least of my brothers, you did for me, says the Lord."* (Matthew 25:40)

Thank you, thank you, thank you!! !!

#### HELP!

**Over 50 food items are still needed for the meals for volunteers attending the Portsmouth Outreach Weekend.**

Nearly all items cost under \$10 and require no cooking or baking. If you can help, please contact Marianne Wenger at [mwenger@insight.rr.com](mailto:mwenger@insight.rr.com) or 868-0854. Thank you!

Please drop off the items in Herrmann Hall by December 13<sup>th</sup>. The food will be packed up that week and distributed in Portsmouth December 18-20. All are welcome to help sort, pack, and distribute the food. Seton Parish Youth in grades 9-12 are encouraged to participate. Youth in grades 7 & 8 are welcome **with an adult chaperone**-all forms are online and due in by December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Go to [www.setonparishyouth.org](http://www.setonparishyouth.org) and click on the Outreach Food Trip 2009.

#### MOTHERS OF MINISTRY AT SETON

Assisting families with young children through prayer, social support, meal sharing and faith building. Please contact Pam Glass at 861-9819 or [bglass@insight.rr.com](mailto:bglass@insight.rr.com). Our website is [www.setonparishmoms.webs.com](http://www.setonparishmoms.webs.com).

#### PRESCHOOL:

Seton Parish Preschool operates from 9:30am-1:30pm Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays - September - May. Please call Karen Pitt or Donna Swartz at (614)833-0482, ext. 229 or email: [sppteam@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sppteam@sbcglobal.net).

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

Just a reminder that there will be Religious Education Classes the week of December 20<sup>th</sup>. We will have a short prayer service followed by our Christmas Parties! For the Christmas party we are asking that students in grades 4 and 5 bring in 2 dozen cookies (please remember no nuts) and students in grade 6 bring in 1 gallon of orange drink. We will be asking the students in the other grades to bring things in at the end of the year parties.

#### Other News:

**Portsmouth Outreach (Baby Items)** need to be brought to class December 14 and 15. The trip to Portsmouth is December 18-20.

RE/SPY Offices will be closed December 23-January 3. RE classes resume on January 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Kindergarten and SPY classes will resume on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Merry Christmas!!!

#### ALL IS CALM, ALL IS BRIGHT

##### 7 Ways to a More Spiritual Holiday With Kids

Take a moment to ask yourself what Christmas means to you and how you can make that meaning have spiritual resonance with your family.

1. Recycle catalogs and newspaper inserts so that your child isn't inundated with commercial messages.
2. Encourage family spirit by creating opportunities for being together; decorating a small tree, making secret gifts, planning a Christmas breakfast.
3. Give back to the community. Help out at a food pantry!
4. Don't forget the critters! Make pinecone ornaments for the birds... pinecones, peanut butter and birdseed are all that is needed!
5. Share stories of Christmas's from your childhood with your children.
6. Light a candle weekly on an Advent wreath.
7. Make decorating the Christmas tree a family event.

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#### SPY EVENTS:

##### SPY contact information:

Barbara Serrano at (614)833-0485, ext. #228

[bserrano@setonparish.com](mailto:bserrano@setonparish.com)

**SPY THOUGHT FOR WEEK.** *Rejoice in the Lord always, and continue to prepare for the coming of Christ.*

**No SPY Mass in December!**

**December 13<sup>th</sup>:** *SPY Bake Sale before and after sessions.*

*SPY is adopting a Seton family for Christmas. All proceeds from the bake sale will go towards our family. If you would like to contribute bake sale items, please drop them off at the Religious Education Office this evening.*

**No SPY classes** Sunday December 27<sup>th</sup> and January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Classes resume Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>...which will also include a SPY Mass at 6:45pm. If your child attends the 5:45 session and will not be attending Mass they must have a note to be dismissed at 6:30pm. Also, second session students not attending should not arrive before 7:45pm.

**SPY BAND:** SPY Band practices on Sunday evenings at 5:30pm. If you are interested in joining SPY Band or would like more information, please contact Sean O'Connor at [occonnor129@gmail.com](mailto:occonnor129@gmail.com) or Barbara Serrano at (614)833-0485, ext. 228

**RESPECT LIFE:** Don't miss the Washington D.C. March for Life - January 21-22.

*Information and forms can be found online:*

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

**Don't forget: Recycle ink cartridges at Seton Parish Kroger Community Rewards for SPY!**

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### **WE BELIEVE IN...REGIFTING!**

If you receive a gift you don't know what to do with, or find an awesome sale and just want to pick something up...think of our catechist and facilitators! Our catechist appreciation dinner is quickly approaching and we are collecting door prizes to give to our volunteers at their appreciation dinner. If you have something that you would like to donate, please contact the Religious Education Offices at 833-0485.

### **YOUNG ADULTS**

A new Young adult social group is forming for Seton and East Side Deanery parishes. Our meetings are the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month, 7pm, at Panera Bread (SR256 and Taylor Rd in Reynoldsburg. Next meeting will be January 6<sup>th</sup>. SPY alumni, college students, all young adults 18 and over welcome. Christmas party will be on Tuesday, December 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Contact Carol Wagner, 740-927-6662 or email [sixwags78@gmail.com](mailto:sixwags78@gmail.com) for info.

### **SETON SINGLES GROUP**

We are a group of divorced, never-married, and widowed singles. No activities are formally planned for the remainder of this year. For January meeting information please call Carol at 863-5147 or Dee at 837-3052.

### **SETON SAGES NEWS**

December 14<sup>th</sup> is Euchre at 1pm.  
December 17<sup>th</sup> is the Seton Sages Mass. We will go out for breakfast following the Mass.  
Merry Christmas to all!

### **DIVORCE CARE**

DivorceCare: video and discussion support group for those who are undergoing separation or divorce. For more information on when the next session is to begin, please contact either Susan Shelko at (614)832-6734 or Dee Machinski at (614)837-3052.

### **GREAT ADVENTURE BIBLE STUDY**

Ready for the next series? Starting January 5<sup>th</sup> 9-11am and 7-9pm in classrooms 7&9. This series is a little longer and will cost \$45 to purchase the materials. Register by Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, forms are available in the Parish Office and gathering area.

### **ATTENTION SCRAPBOOKERS AND CARD MAKERS**

Beginning January 9<sup>th</sup> from 9am-1pm, a new scrap booking and card making group will be meeting at Seton Parish. It is a wonderful way to start the new year preserving your memories, making new friends and enjoying the fellowship of others. Whether you are new to this hobby or a seasoned veteran, come and join us. For further information or questions, please contact Amy Bozzelli at 755-5468 or [eabozz92@hotmail.com](mailto:eabozz92@hotmail.com) or Pamela Glass at 861-9819 or [bglass@insight.rr.com](mailto:bglass@insight.rr.com).



### **MUSIC CORNER NOTES**

**SETON CHOIRS:** there is always a place in the choir for YOU! Contact Pandora at 833—0482, ext. 240.

**Catch the Seton Youth Ringers and Choir** on Sunday: December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2pm at Wal-Mart in Reynoldsburg and the Youth Ringers at the North Market on December 19<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm.

#### **Dress Rehearsal Schedule:**

*Seton Youth Ringers and Seton Youth Choir:* December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:30-6pm.

*Guitar ensemble, Violins, and Trumpets:* December 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7-8:30pm.

**The Seton Youth Choir and Youth Ringers** will be singing and playing at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass in the Church.

**Guitar, Violin and Trumpet Ensembles** are at the 6pm Mass in the Church.

**Adult Choir and Adult Handbell Ringers** are in the church at the 11pm Mass.

**Resurrection Choir and Strings** will play and sing on Christmas Day.



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The one and only Santa Claus is in Herrmann Hall Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> during the Pancake Breakfast! Stop by for a visit and breakfast!

### **Want more information on the Knights of Columbus????**

If you are 18+ and would like to have more information on the Knights of Columbus, check the bulletin board in Herrmann Hall or go to [www.setonparish.com](http://www.setonparish.com) and click on the link for Knights of Columbus Council 11187.

### **KNIT AND CROCHET GROUP**

Our next meeting will be January 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-3:30pm. For more information call Donna Kane at 868-5231. Thanks!

### **LOOKING FOR AN ANTIDOTE TO HOLIDAY**

**STRESS?** In a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend, you'll learn how to stay close to each other amid all the winter's storms, in just 20 minutes a day. Plan ahead for one of the next two weekends in Columbus, on February 19-21 and April 23-25. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003 or visit our website at [www.wmecolumbus.org](http://www.wmecolumbus.org).

### **CATHEDRAL BOOK SHOP OFFERS DISCOUNT**

Bring in any of the following items for distribution to the poor and receive 15% discount on in-store purchases: Toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, hand lotion, multi-packs of bar soap, laundry detergent, and diapers. Please be generous – the need is great! Open Monday through Saturday 9:30am-5:30pm and Sunday December 13 and 20 11am-3pm.

**ALL SINGLE CATHOLICS...**

You are cordially invited to the Columbus Catholic Alumni Club's Christmas Gala Singles Dance on Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:30pm at St. Michael's Church, 5750 N High St in Worthington. \$7 admission (\$5 if you bring some Christmas goodies) includes music, soda and snacks. Dressy attire requested. DeeJay. BYO Alcohol. For information call Peggy Schano at (614) 575-0518.

**CHRISTMAS AT SAINT JOSEPH CATHEDRAL**

Confessions: Tuesday, December 22 – 11:15am  
December 24: 4:30pm Cathedral Musicians Concert followed by 5pm Vigil of Christmas Mass

7pm Cathedral Musicians Concert followed by 7:30pm Vigil of Christmas Mass

11pm Cathedral Choir, Cathedral Brass and Organs perform a program of seasonal music followed by 12 Midnight Mass

10:30am Christmas Morning mass

**TIME OUT**

*Be still and know that I am God. (Psalm 46:10)*

*Close your eyes; See Jesus  
Feel the peace He brings  
Or are you running to and fro  
And you can't feel a thing!*

*Life can get crazy  
Sometimes you want to shout!  
Listen to your "Father"  
Take a time out.*

*Check your to do list  
Is prayer number one or two?  
What are your priorities  
God is asking you.*

*Do we have to be perfect?  
I certainly hope not!  
But if your faith is important  
You'll give it all you've got!*

*Follow God's commandments  
Put "Him" first and you will see  
You've become the beautiful person  
That God created you to be.*

Brenda Wooley



**Ministries Schedule December 19/20**

*Please remember to check online for the up-to-the-date schedule*

**Sign-up sheets for Christmas Eve/Christmas Day Masses are in the gathering area this week.**

**5:00pm**

**Servers:** Megan McFaul, Victoria Ojeda-Pesa, Hanna Piper, Bailey Sweeney

**Lectors:** Cathy McFaul, Frank Piper

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Brien Bellous, Jan Hatton, Colleen Lumannick, Jean Monnin, Mike Monnin, Carol Puhlmann, Debbie Segbers, Sandra Stewart

**Greeters:** Roselyn Abbim-Jackson, Mike Morrow, Mabry Morrow, Barbara Smithberger

**Welcome Center:** Debbie Segbers

**8:00am**

**Servers:** Bobby Hopkins, Danny Hopkins

**Lectors:** Dee Machinski, Kevin McDaniel

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Barb Besancon, Barbara Diewald, Cheryl Hopkins, Bernardine Kenny, Adam Nowocin, Becky Sandor, Carol Schmidt, Theresa Wessel

**Greeters:** Fred Barwick, Nicki Barwick, Betty Crock, Mary Jane Himes

**Welcome Center:** Cora Snider

**9:30am Servers:** Kristen Flis, Julie Flis, John Flis, Garrison Reigle

**Lectors:** Patty Hillwertz, Don Shaffer

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ann Brown, Cathy Flis, Charles Johnson, Steve Katona, Carol O'Connell, Bill O'Connell, Jesse Pope, Carole Pope, Misty Reigle, George Schneider

**Greeters:** Edd Chinnock, Vicki Chinnock, Carole Holland, Bernard Holland

**Welcome Center:** Harry/Linda Clyburn

**Nursery:** Theresa Golden, Suzy Farrell

**Children's Liturgy: PreK:** Krista Schumacher, Debbie Nase

**Grades:1-2:** Sara Boulds, Michelle Glanzman

**Grades 3-4:** Ann DePaauw, Jennifer Beck

**11:15am Servers:** Matthew Johnson, Jasiu Kmiec, Mackenzie Short, Makayla Tatarko

**Lectors:** John Kmiec, Scott Mucha

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Anna Marie Friedman, Jacinta Hooker, Nelda Humphries, Tristan Koenig, Ryan Leszczewski, Nancy Miller, William Richards, Sharon Richards, Judie Schoyer, Joanmarie Trainer

**Greeters:** Natalie Mercuri, Andy and Marti Mercuri, Theresa Mercuri

**Welcome Center:** Laura Keen

**Nursery:** Donna DeWees, Paula Dobias

**Children's Liturgy: PreK:** Kim Kerschner, Chris Kerschner

**Grades: 1-2:** Cathleen Opperman, Paul Timmel

**Grades 3-4:** Kathi Combs, Colin Combs

**COLLECTION COUNTERS: Team #6:** John/Eleanor Samborsky, Joyce Schneider, Carol/George Yurt, Diane Paxton