

December 14, 2008
Third Sunday of Advent

This Week

Saturday

7-9 PM Marriage Ministry Meets at Wrights
(column 4)

Sunday

11A 1st Reconciliation / Parish Reconciliation

Monday

7PM at St. John's in Chestertown
Eucharist & Sacramental Anointing of the Sick

Tuesday

11AM AT SACRED HEART IN LAKE GEORGE
ADVENT RECONCILIATION PLUS SOUP!
11:30A-1P GATHERING PLACE
7P BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT... CONVENT
8P AA IN HALL:

Thursday

7PM RCIA MEETING, CONVENT

Friday

9AM EUCHARIST
11:30A TO 1P GATHERING PLACE, HALL

Next Sunday

9:30 Youth Music Rehearsal
11A Pageant Rehearsal / Youth Music Reh.
2PM Caroling to Elders / Cookies

SOON

9/2010 Oberammergau Tour Germany/Paris!

MORE ADVENT INFO

- Monday, Dec 15, 7PM Mass with Sacramental Anointing of the Sick, St. John's in Chestertown (12 mi. north, left at yellow blinking light.)
- St. C's Advent Giving Tree**
Again, this year, we will support **WAIT HOUSE**, the area home for homeless youth. The tags will be available next weekend. (25% of the youth they help are from Warrensburg.)

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS GIVING:

Consider making a contribution to the support of the new Warrensburg Center for North Country Ministry, a place from which anyone in need can find support and/or services. **Or** make a contribution to the NCM Emergency Fund. In your note, tell them what it is for and then mail the check to Br. James Posluszny, PO Box 111, NCM, North Creek, NY 12853

WORSHIP

Advent Reconciliation Celebration

Sunday, December 14 - at Saint C's
11AM with our Faith Formation Youngsters
Tuesday, December 16- at Sacred Heart
11AM followed by (free) Soup/Bread Lunch
Confess what is dragging us down, holding us back, and **START OVER!**



Christmas Mass Schedule for our area

4PM, Christmas Eve St. John's
4:30PM, Christmas Eve St. C
8PM, Christmas Eve St. C
9A St. John's & Sacred Heart
11 AM Christmas Morning St. C

Liturgical Dance

As announced in our bulletin on November 23rd, at the 10 AM Eucharist on the four Sundays of Advent, we would begin with nine young women of our community inviting us to praise and reconciliation by means of gesture. The symbolic movements were designed to express joy and community, as well as mercy and forgiveness. The grace of the movements lift our spirits and invite us into the presence of God. "The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy," the first document produced by the Second Vatican Council, promoted "Full, Conscious, and Active Participation of All in the Sacred Liturgy." That is the ideal for every worshipping community. It states in paragraph 30: "To promote active participation, the people should be encouraged to take part by means of acclamation, response, psalmody, antiphons, and songs as well as by actions, gestures, and bodily attitudes." Notice the movements that we are already so familiar with that we take them for granted: our processions, bowing, standing, sitting, sign of peace, sign of the cross, kissing the altar, genuflecting. These are all "external expressions of internal dispositions," a sacramental way of looking at the world, a sacred choreography.

As Psalm 150 says:

Praise the Lord!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!
Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
Let everything that breathes
praise the Lord!



CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSINGS ON

Tommy Birkholz
Duncan Blydenburg
Mairina Callahan
Christian Carrion
Zack Davis
Travis Gosselin
Megan Hughes
Gavin Jones
Danny Kelly
Megan O'Sullivan
Willow Swan/Scott
Charlie Weick
Sean Winter

as they celebrate their

FIRST RECONCILIATION

this weekend. And thank you to the families of these young Christians for the good example of discipleship that you give them. Thank you to their teacher, Kristine Williams, and our Faith Formation Guru, Phllis Welsh! God Bless!

Eucharist the Week of 12/13-14

4:30 Intentions of Dan & Belinda O'Grady
Req. Pam Heyer
10 For a Special Intention req. Mary Murphy
Fri 9A Deceased Members of
Chris & Eva Detmer Family

Eucharist the Week of 12/20-21

:4:30 Frances Auer
req. St. C's Rosary Altar Society
10 Gerard Schuster
Req. Bob and Kathy Marquadt

Area Churches:

SACRED HEART Lake George 668-2046
BLESSED SACRAMENT Bln Lndng 644-3861
ST. JOHN the BAPTIST Chestertown 494-5229

www.stceciliachurch.com

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TEACH

ADULTS

Many opportunities are available via the Priory in Chestertown. Go to their web site at www.prioryretreathouse.org or call 494-3733. Please note the wonderful Advent Opportunities at St. John's in Chestertown and Sacred Heart in Lake George.



"HAND IN HAND"

MARRIAGE MINISTRY IS A WONDERFUL, NON-THREATENING OPPORTUNITY FOR COUPLES TO GATHER, LAUGH, MUNCH, AND RELAX.

FROM 7-8PM TONIGHT, SATURDAY, THE TOPIC WILL BE "YOUR PERSONAL TALK STYLE" FROM LES AND LESLIE PARROT'S BOOK LOVE TALK. FROM 8-9PM, FOLKS JUST RELAX. THE MEETING THIS MONTH WILL BE HELD TONIGHT, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, AT DAVE AND ANNE WRIGHT'S HOUSE AT 155 MOOSE RIDGE DRIVE (SHORT WAYS UP HARRINGTON HILL). IT IS EASY TO FIND. JUST SHOW UP! BRING A MUNCHY IF YOU WANT.



RCIA

Come to the Convent any Thursday, 7PM to join Sharii Blydenburgh and John Cleveland to learn more about what our Church is about and what we teach. It is important for Shari and John to meet and know as many parishioners as possible. Just showing up is a ministry of hospitality! Thank you to Lee VanHatten for coming this past Thursday. It was really wonderful!

CHILDREN

Grades K-6 will join in the celebration of First Reconciliation of our 2nd Graders and prepare themselves spiritually for the Feast of the Incarnation. Meet in the Nave after 10AM Eucharist.

TODDLERS to GRADE 2

Each Sunday Eucharist at 10AM
Children's Liturgy of the Word

BABIES

The next "Babies Day Out" will be celebrated in January. Welcome to all with little ones!

Further info is available from
Rita Lang at 623-9124.



Shoveling! (Here we go again!)

- #1 Each Tuesday and Friday, the sidewalks in the front and back of the Parish Hall need to be clean by 9AM for the Gathering Place folks.
- #2 The sidewalk into church needs to be clean each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at least one hour before Mass time. (Doctor's orders: SLH's shoveling = over.)

SERVE

St. C's MEN ARE THE BEST!

(PLUS ONE GAL)

- LAST WEEKEND, THE MEN MOVED THE SCAFFOLDING FROM AGAINST THE GRANITE WALL TO THE BACK PORCH FOR WINTER STORAGE. (JUST IN TIME!)
- TIM AND TYLER TOOLAN CLEARED THE SIDEWALKS ON FRIDAY MORNING AND DICK OUELLETTE "SPIFFED THEM UP" AFTER THE NEXT SNOW.
- RON BOCCIERRI OFFERED TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR "6 MINUTE MICROPHONE MINISTRY" AFTER THE 4:30 MASS EACH WEEK.
- ED GAIOTTI FIXED THE NARTHEX BATHROOM LIGHT AND PROCURED A NEW BULB... AND FIXED THE CONVENT KITCHEN LIGHT AS WELL.
- DICK OUELLETTE AND JUDY ROZELL INSTALLED THE STORM WINDOWS ON THE CHURCH.

AND HUGE THANKS TO THE FAITH FORMATION FOLKS FOR THE SUCCESSFUL BASKET PARTY:

PHYLLIS WELSH AS THE MASTER ORGANIZER; RICHARD & CATHY BONK, TERRI & SARAH LEQUIRE FOR SET UP ON FRIDAY EVENING; EMILY KLADIS, DEBBIE TOOLAN, JENNIFER SCHUETTINGER, LAURA DANNA, DANIELLE ROBICHAUD, SHANE & NICK PUTNEY, KRIS WILLIAMS FOR TICKET SALES; ERIKA WALKER, DEBBIE TOOLAN, MEGAN PIERCE, LAURA WEICK, SHARI BLYDENBURGH, AMY TOOLAN, LOGAN WEBSTER & MAGGIE DANNA FOR BEING THE SUPER SUNDAY HELPERS WITH THE CHILDREN; KRIS WILLIAMS, LOGAN, MOLLY AND ED WEBSTER, LINDA JOHNSON FOR CLEANING UP; ALL THE FAMILIES THAT PROVIDED 30 BASKETS AND YUMMY BAKED ITEMS; BOB CROFT WHO DONATED HIS 50/50 WINNINGS BACK TO THE CHURCH! IN TOTAL, \$880 WAS RAISED TO PUT TOWARD THE PAYMENT OF THE HALL RENOVATION DEBT. MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO BOUGHT THE TICKETS!!

FINANCE FACTS

LAST WEEKEND, THE COMMUNITY SACRIFICED \$1869.50 TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRY AND MAINTENANCE OF ST. C'S. PARISHIONERS ARE VERY FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS, EVEN WHEN TIMES ARE DIFFICULT. \$102 WAS OFFERED ON THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. TO THE NORTH COUNTRY MINISTRY EMERGENCY FUND, \$99.77 WAS OFFERED. THE BASKET PARTY EARNED \$880 FOR THE HALL DEBT.

GATHER

NEXT SUNDAY IS VERY BUSY!!

BRING COOKIES!

HOMEMADE CHRISTMAS COOKIES TO THE NARTHEX ANYTIME DURING THE WEEKEND BUT BEFORE 10AM SUNDAY MASS

At 11AM-12N Next Sunday

- Drawing of Creche Winner
- Pageant Rehearsal
- Rehearsal of Christmas Youth Choir for 4:30 Eve Mass (K-6)
- Adults will put together the "cookie dishes" for our homebound

2PM -4PM

Caroling and Cookies to our Elders



CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSALS

GRADE K-6 FOR 4:30 EVE

- #1 NEXT SUNDAY, 9:30 TO 10AM AND 11-12N
- #2 MONDAY 12/22 3:30-5PM
- #3 WEDNESDAY, 12/24 3-4PM

ADULTS SINGING AT THE 4:30 EVE MASS

REHEARSE MONDAY 12/22 6:30-8PM
WEDNESDAY 12/24 3-4PM

ALL SINGING AT 8PM EVE OR 10AM DAY

REHEARSE TUESDAY 12/23 6:30-8PM
AND ONE HOUR BEFORE THE SERVICE YOU ARE ATTENDING.



CRECHE DRAWING NEXT SUNDAY

YOUR CURRENT CHANCE OF WINNING THE BEAUTIFUL CRÈCHE SET IS 1 IN 28!

THE DOLLHOUSE WAS WON BY SUMMERITE DEBBIE EVERY.



NOTECARDS GREAT STOCKING STUFFER: \$5 A PACK UNTIL THEY ARE GONE.

Christmas Flowers

And décor will be purchased in memory of or honor of anyone you would like. Feel free to use the envelop enclosed. Thanks for returning it by next Sunday.

Save a Seat at St. C's

In honor of or in memory of someone who worships with us (from wherever they are!) This is a way to symbolize our "Communion of Saints!" A gift of \$55 to the Church results in a name tag on the chair. Recently, a seat was saved for Phyllis Welsh by Sisters Catherine and Linda, and seats for Catherine S. Vetter and Helena C. Shea by Dot and Joe Semon.

