

**SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 8, 2012**

Mass Intentions For the Week

Monday 8:30 am
Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11/Acts 10:34-38
Or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Leroy Spradlin

Tuesday 8:30 am
1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and
1:21-28
Deceased members of the Pieramico family
By Alex Pieramico

Wednesday 8:30 am
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Jo Ann Montell by Dick Albert

Thursday 8:30 am
1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Barbara Droegmuller by Al & Kathleen Fisher

Friday 8:30 am
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Florence Boswell

Saturday 5:00 pm
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17
Malcolm and Margaret Boutilier
By Jim & Donna Doone

Sunday 9:00 am
1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20
Jn 1:35-42
Eileen Connolly by Ginny English

11:30 am
Living and deceased members of St.
Thomas

STEWARDSHIP

The total collection amount for January 1st was \$8119. We are truly a blessed community because of the generosity of many who return something of their time, talent and treasure to the work of God.

This Week at St. Thomas

Tuesday, January 10
7:00pm Choir rehearsal
7:00pm Parish Council
Wednesday, January 11
10:00am, 5:00, 6:00, and 7:00pm
ESL in the Parish Center

Sick in our Parish

Please remember the sick and homebound in your prayers: Emma Alaskiewicz and Dick Clark.

Prayer Chain

St. Thomas has an active prayer chain. If you have a prayer request, such as illness or surgery, please call Louise Layne (258-6406) or Essie Cannon (501-6081).

Epiphany Chalk

All are invited to take home a piece of Epiphany Chalk this weekend to bless your home for the new year. The blessing, which traditionally is written on the inside lintel above the front door, should read:

20+C+M+B+12

The numbers at the beginning and the end represent the year and the letters, C,M,B represent the traditional names of the magi, which are Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. They also abbreviate the Latin words "Christus mansionem benedicat." "May Christ bless the house." The crosses + represent Christ, whom we invoke, and the saintliness of the magi.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule for Jan 14th and 15th

	Sat. 5pm	Sun. 9am	Sun. 11:30am
Lector 1	T. Butler	Megan Walker	W. Rapp
Lector 2	L. Hill	J. Walker	J. Newland
Communion 1	L. Myers	B. Walker	S. Rangel-Ibarra
Communion 2	T. Needles	C. Walker	E. Ovalle
Communion 3	F. Frazier	R. Diggs	T. Jackson
Server 1	K. Peck	P. Carle	M. Martinez
Server 2	J. Neal	Maggie Walker	E. Lemus

Communion 1 ministers the Eucharistic Bread; Communion 2 & 3 minister the cup

Reflection

They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

~Matthew 2:11

You can walk on the roof of the enormous Gothic cathedral in Milan. I did this last year. The views of the city and the Alps in the distance were stunning. The experience of being amid the turrets with my little boys and hordes of tourists was delightful. But what I remember most were the saints in the corners. Not only saints—but creatures and flowers, winding leaves and angels carved in crevices and behind columns high in the air amid the buttresses. Such artistry—such care. Hours and hours—days of work for something that hardly anyone would ever see. Except the One to whom these gifts are given.

In a world that urges me to strive for success and big achievement, I need reminders that the most important things I do every day are the quiet, unseen gifts of love I offer to the Child who loved me first.

~Amy Welborn

Congratulations!!! to Darren DeLimond for his achievement of Honor Roll for the second quarter at St. Charles Preparatory School and to Thomas Phillips for his placement on the Dean's List for the first semester at Ohio State.

Martin Luther King Day Mass at Holy Rosary/St. John. At noon Monday, January 16th, 2012, the Community of Holy Rosary St. John will celebrate the life and achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holy Rosary will honor the day with a celebratory Mass and reception. The guest speaker will be Jerry Revish, TV 10 anchor and pastor of Unity Temple Church of God in Christ. The Mass celebrant will be Fr. Joshua Wagner. Please join us and invite your family and friends to the 12 noon Mass and reception on Monday, January 16th.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Learning at Capital University.

All are invited to begin the day with a Community Gathering on the Bexley Campus at Capital University at 8:00am. Convocation will begin at 9:00am with Gay S. Steele Keynote Speaker Dr. David Emmanuel Goatley, Executive Director of Lott Carey International. Workshops will take place from 10:30am to noon. Hank Marr Jazz Luncheon will take place

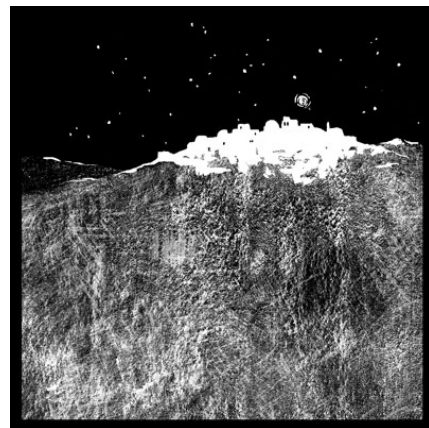
from 11am to 1pm. Cost for the luncheon is \$12.25 for adults and \$8 for children 10 and younger. There will be several Ongoing Events and Special Events beginning at 11am. All events (except the jazz lunch) are free and open to the public. For a complete list of the days events go to www.capital.edu/MLK-Day or for more information call 614-236-6181.

Theology of the Body

Friday, January 13th, 2012 7:00-9:30pm Saint Mary Delaware and Saint John Neumann will co-host nationally known speaker, Bill Donaghy. This special presentation is for anyone searching for their ultimate purpose in life as it breaks open the most basic truths and questions. Attention 8th-12th graders: On Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 10:00AM, Mr. Donaghy will present the Theology of the Body to you! Bring \$5 for Chipotle lunch. Meet in the Upper Social Hall St. John Neumann Parish, 9633 E. St. Rt. 37, Sunbury, Ohio 43074.

Josephinum Rector to Speak on New

Evangelization. The general public is invited to a lecture by Father James Wehner, rector of the Pontifical College Josephinum, on January 26, 2012 at 6:30pm in the Jessing Center. Father Wehner will discuss his new book, *The Evangelization: The Who, What and How*, and will present a strategy to accomplish the realization, rehabilitation and renewal of man's image and likeness of God. Refreshment's and social to follow; there is no charge for admission. Call 614-885-5585 for more information.



“And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah.”
Matthew 2:6