

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES
AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

JANUARY 3—SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

4:30 pm **Sat.** (Birth) Walter Cwiakala—Wife, Nancy
 9:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish
 11:00 am Stephen Mavrakis—Shirley & Children
Sacrament of Baptism

MONDAY, JANUARY 4—ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

8:00 am (Anniv) Anna Gadus—Helen Yencsik & Family
 After Mass: Miraculous Medal Novena & Rosary

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5—ST. JOHN NEUMANN

No Morning Mass Today

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6—BLESSED ANDRE BESSETTE

9:30 am *School Mass* Jack O'Toole—Wife & Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7—ST. RAYMOND of PENAFORT

8:00 am Peter Sopko, Sr.—Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8

8:00 am Paul Adametz—Sam & Helen Sellaro

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9

11:30 am Sacrament of Penance

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

4:30 pm (Birth) Kathryn Drabik—Sylvia Gigliotti

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10

9:00 am (Birth) Chris Williams—Mom & Dad
 11:00 am For All the People of Saint Sebastian Parish
 Liturgy of the Word for Children

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS—SERVERS &
MASTER OF CEREMONIES**

Weekdays, Jan. 4,7,8 8:00 am L. Perozzi
Wednesday, Jan. 6 9:30 am School Mass
 Saturday, Jan. 9 4:30 pm H. Heilman—M. Lowe
 (MC) G. McLaughlin
 Sunday, Jan. 10 9:00 am M. Bury—L. Galiszewski
 (MC) E. Russell
 11:00 am T. & J. Beeler
 (MC) D. Kossol

LECTORS COORDINATOR MINISTERS

Saturday, Jan. 9
 4:30 C. Gorski S. Wawro K. Rygiel—S. Rygiel

Sunday, Jan. 10
 9:00 B. Moskovitz S. Raymond E. Niehaus—J. Russell

11:00 C. Rhodes M. Druciak C. Zoppetti—C. Simboli

SUNDAY COUNTERS

Jan. 3—C. Shernisky, S. & B. Monro, S. Schussler
 Jan. 10—D. Lisovich, S. Wawro, S. Mavrakis, D. & G. Sepic

GEIBEL HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST The Geibel Catholic 9th Grade Placement Test will be given on January 9, 2010 at Geibel Catholic High School. Any 8th grade student who is considering enrolling in Geibel Catholic for the 2010-2011 school year should take this test. Please register for the test by calling 724-628-5600. Cost for the test is \$20.00.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, January 31, 2010—Chicken and Biscuit Dinner! **SAVE THE DATE!**

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS Please remember in your prayers those who died last week: LENA SICHI and THERESA CARROZZA, our parishioners, JOHN DEMKO, father of Marjorie Lopez, our parishioner, LESTER BAINBRIDGE, brother of Richard Bainbridge, our parishioner, and WALTER KANE, brother-in-law of Agnes Krolik & Chester Ludwick, our parishioners. We extend our sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace.

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Monday - Rel. Ed. Class, Gr. 1-5, School Bldg., 6:15 pm
 - Jr. Youth, School, 6:30 pm
 - Valley of Hope, Church/Hall, 8:00 pm
 Wednesday - Choir, Church, 6:30 pm
 - RCIA, Parish Center, 7:00 pm
 Thursday - 1st Eucharist Parent Meeting, Parish Hall, 7 pm
 Sunday - Jr. Youth Meeting, Parish Hall, 6:00 pm—7:30 pm

Stewardship of Treasure

	Sunday Stewardship	Needed for Budget	Over/Under + / -
Dec. 26/27	\$9,087.76	\$9,800.00	-\$712.24
Fiscal Year to Date	\$226,470.27	\$254,800.00	-\$28,329.73

CHRISTMAS—\$27,574.56 Children & Family Services—\$2,649.00		
Today's Challenge, Tomorrows Hope Goal: \$720,000.00		
	This Week	To Date
No. Families	10	265
Pledged	\$ 13,940.00	\$642,370.00
Paid	\$ 2,490.00	\$ 64,225.00

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH especially Leda Arrigoni, Paula Baker, Sister Mary Vera Bartley, Joseph Beresik, Donna Biagini, Greg Brooks, Peter Carrozza, Jenna Christner, Irene Colborn, Alex Danyi, Ernest Ehlers, Darlene Engle, Joan Eversburg, Michael Fenyar, Thomas W. Galley, Jr., Madison Marie Gardner, Mary Gira, Rudy Halgas, Betty Jean Henderson, Janice Hill, Ann Husovitz, Philomena Iacovangelo, Marie Koliscak, Barbara Kubik, Debbie Kurtis, Ann Krossoff, Stanley Lubinski, Kenneth Mathianas, Fr. Leonard McAlpin, Kathleen McCullough, Mike Mendicino, Janet Misenko, William Molnar, Sr., Mary B. Nagy, Joseph Naylor, Karen O'Neil, Joanne Pavalonis, Stella Povlich, George Rue, Mary Ann Rocco, Mathew Russell, Joylyn Sabolek, Barbara Sedlak, Steve Semancik, Loretta Senich, Guido Simboli, Joseph Smith, Darla Staff, Laverne Stark, Frank Stancato, Chuckie Stringhill, Clara Tonarelli, Jim Webb.

Lord, we ask that you bless our friends who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MANY OF THE NAMES IN OUR PRAYER LIST HAVE BEEN ON FOR OVER A YEAR. IF YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR NAME OR THE NAME OF A LOVED ONE REMOVED, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 724-929-9300.

Second Collection next Weekend is the monthly UTILITIES & MAINTENANCE collection.

THE EPIPHANY BLESSING OF HOMES 2010



The household gathers at the manger scene or in some other convenient area of the house.

-Begin with a Christmas Carol; sing "We Three Kings of Orient Are" or "O Come, All Ye Faithful."

Leader: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: AMEN.

Leader: Peace be with this house and with all who live here. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

ALL: NOW AND FOREVER.

Leader: During these days of the Christmas season, we keep this feast of Epiphany, celebrating the manifestation of Christ to the Magi, to John in the River Jordan, and to the disciples at the wedding at Cana. Today Christ is manifest to us! Today this home is a holy place.

-A reading from the Bible is now read.

Leader: Let us listen to a reading from the Gospel of Matthew:

Read from the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 2, verses 1-11.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

ALL: PRAISE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

-Now the leader or another member of the family marks the top of the door or door frame with chalk as follows:

AD+20+C+M+B+10

Leader: Lord God, fill this house with love for one another and with respect for guests. Fill us with wisdom to seek Jesus always, now and forever.

ALL: AMEN.

-Now all family members, if possible, go to each room. Each room is then sprinkled with a little of the blessed water. When all return to the starting place, they pray together.

Leader: With Jesus our Savior and our Brother we say:

ALL: OUR FATHER...

Leader: Let us pray.

-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.

ALL: AMEN.

Leader: May Christ Jesus dwell with us, keep us from all harm, and make us one in mind and heart, now and forever.

ALL: AMEN

-The blessing ends with "Silent Night" or "Joy to the World."

ATTENTION ALL 2ND GRADE PARENTS FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2009 7:00 P.M. UNTIL 9:00 P.M.

SAINT SEBASTIAN PARISH HALL.

All important Sacrament Papers will be distributed at this meeting. It is a "must attend" even if you have a child who received their sacrament in recent years.

Please call the Faith Formation Office if you have any questions or concerns at 724-930-8504.

EPIPHANY BLESSING OF HOMES

There is a tradition in the Church of blessing homes on or around the Solemnity of the Epiphany. The blessing includes a prayer, sprinkling with holy water, and writing the numerals of the year along with the initials of the legendary names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar) over the front door. Today, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, we will bless water and chalk at all Masses for parishioners to take to their homes. A copy of the blessing is in the adjacent column.

MARCH FOR LIFE: Fight for the Unborn

Youth in Grades 7—12 are invited to join the March for Life in Washington D.C. A bus will be leaving St. Sebastian parking lot on Thursday, January 21, at 1:00 p.m. The March takes place Friday, January 22. For more information or to obtain a reservation form call the Faith Formation Office 724-930-8504. Only one bus will be contracted with 40 seats available. These will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.



2009 CONTRIBUTION REPORTS will be mailed to all parishioners by the end of January. We realize many need them for income tax purposes.

2010 CONTRIBUTION CHILDREN/TEEN ENVELOPES

Religious Education students in Grades 1—5 and the children in our Parish School have received their 2010 Contribution envelopes. All other students may pick up their envelopes in the Main Vestibule of the church. All student contributions are recorded on the family contribution record.