

DEC. 31, 2016/JAN. 1, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

NO MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

8:05 A.M. MASS

Suzanne Wassmer
By Jane Johnson

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

8:05 A.M. MASS

Cole Hayden by Diane Mielke

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

8:05 A.M. MASS

James Bien by Nancy Bien

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

9 A.M. THURSDAY MORNING

UNTIL MIDNIGHT

5 A.M. UNTIL 8 A.M.

FRIDAY MORNING

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6

8:05 A.M. MASS

Mary McClure, Mother
By Elaine and Robert Covin

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

5:30 P.M. MASS

Chadd Lowderman
By Rosemary and Dennis Pratt

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00 A.M. MASS

For the People of the Parish

11:00 A.M. MASS

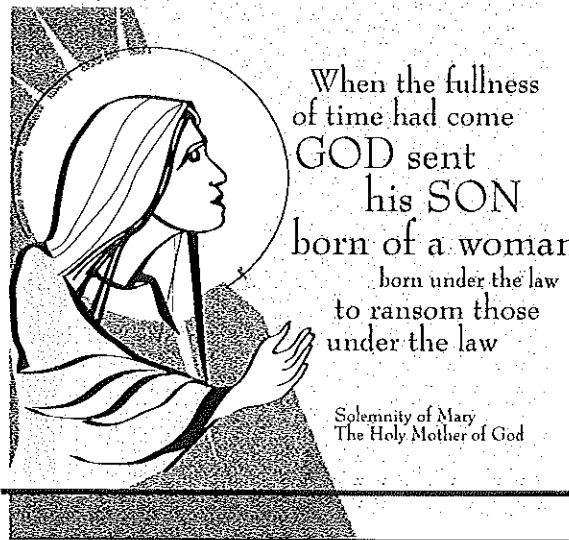
Roger Landwehr, Dad
By Becky Shrimplin

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Jack Shepard, The Family of Cole Hayden,
Ken Halligan, Veronica Ouellette, Mark Denney,
Dee Harris; Lisa Garman; Eleanor Mikulan,
Reba Miller, Koby Becker, Donna Patry, Paula Mages, Bev Robbins, Rita
Mayes, Elva Higgins, Slater Hedrick, Jim Clark, Bernice Smith, Matt
Floersch, Eddie Heiman, Larry Fisher, Bob Shields, James & Elizabeth
Fisher, Joan Cook, Lindsay Hurley, Jack Welborn, Don Schamle, Kathy
Jordan, Laura Sommer, & Delaney Murphy*
Carrie Gordley, Tiffany White, Warren Black, Eddie Scheufler,
Fr. Paul Frank, Mary Meeks, Cody Goodrich, Pat Hornung, Tim Morrow,
Cindy D. Eden, Stacy, Janet Ledford, Mary Jean Miller, Roger Rockers,
Patrick Shannon, Adrianna Fehrenbach, Tanishe Favor, Damon Wallis,
Gary Bowling, Amy & Allen Richardson & Family, Carsyn Aylward, Kent
Porter, Fisher Thompson, Jenn Pattison, Liem Nickerson, Florence
Tetuan, Connie Briar, Mark Gordon, & John Wegman.

CHURCH CLEANING ANGELS

Lisa Garman/Tamra Coopman/Laurie Miller
Mary Alice Lasseter/Lisa Rossman




Additional Christmas Flower Memorial
CECIL HOEHN & ROSE M. SHAW
by Barbara Hoehn

LITURGICAL ROLES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

5:30 P.M. MASS

Gifts: Leonard & Judy Koczurowicz
Greeters: Mary Alice Laseeter
Theresa Paxton/(2 OPEN POSITIONS)
Servers: Emma Tumberlin/Sydney Evans
Eucharistic Minister: Craig Evans
Music: James Mahan
Lectors: Betty Birzer/Sherry Engelbert
Sacristan: Eric Guenther
Rosary Leader: Judy Koczurowicz

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

9:00 A.M. MASS

Gifts: Jim & Dixie Dorsey
Greeters: Jim Dorsey/Dottie Quinn
Dale & Linda Hermreck
Servers: Spencer Mayes/Jimmy Dorsey
Eucharistic Minister: Harold Mayes
Music: Mark Paquette
Lectors: Bob Redeker/Jennifer Curry
Sacristans: Ervin & Janet Prather
Rosary Leader: Ann Hunsicker

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

11:00 A.M. MASS

Gifts: Brent & Emily Mathis
Greeters: Brent & Emily Mathis
Jim & Sherry Huschka
Servers: Caleb McKenzie
(1 OPEN POSITION)
Eucharistic Minister: Stephanie Orr
Music: Becky Shrimplin
Lectors: Steve Boetel/Hannah Heatherman
Sacristan: Ruthanne Wasko
Rosary Leader: Galen Ouellette
Counters: Deb Henningsen/Ruthanne Wasko

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS!

Sunday, January 1: Pope Francis

Monday, January 2: Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Tuesday, January 3: Archbishop Joseph Nauman

Wednesday, January 4:

Archbishop Emeritus James P. Keleher

Thursday, January 5: Abbot James Albers, OSB

Friday, January 6: Rev. Lazar Carasala

Saturday, January 7: Rev. Curtis Carlson

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The January K. of C. Meeting normally
scheduled for the first Monday of the month
has been rescheduled for JANUARY 9TH
because of the New Year's Holiday.
We will meet in the basement.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH
@ 6:30 IN THE PARISH CENTER

YOUNG AT HEART
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD
11:30 A.M. AT SIRLOIN STOCKADE
If you are 55 or older, come join us!

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
FOR THE 3-8 YEAR OLDS
NO CLASSES ON
DEC. 25, JANUARY 1ST OR 8TH

**BENEFIT AUCTION SACRED HEART
"BASH"**

If you would like to sponsor, be a volunteer or donate items, please contact
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CHAP CLARK, Author of HURT 2.0

He provides a vivid and insightful view into the world of today's teenagers. Now leading youth ministry expert Chap Clark substantially updates and revises his groundbreaking best seller (over 55,000 copies sold). *Hurt 2.0* features a new chapter on youth at society's margins and new material on social networking and gaming. Each chapter has been thoroughly revised with new research, statistics, quotations, and documentation.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18TH AT
ST. JAMES ACADEMY 7:00 TO 8:30 P.M.**

OR
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19TH AT
SAVIOR PASTORAL CENTER
9:30 A.M. TO NOON**

UPCOMING BOOK CLUB DATES

***The Creed* by Scott Hahn**

Wednesday, January 4, 3:30-4:30 Chapters 7 & 8
Wednesday, January 18, 3:30-4:30 Chapters 9 & 10
Wednesday, February 1, 3:30-4:30 Chapters 11 & 12
Contact Person: Rosemary Pratt 785-248-1700

Let the Contest Begin!

"Trash to Cash"

Sacred Heart Redemption Program

With all your holiday cooking, baking, and gatherings you may have had lots and lots of opportunities to clip Box Tops for Education, Labels for Education, Best Choice UPCs, Coke Reward codes, Sunny D UPCs, and Tyson A+ coupons. **Clip, clip, and clip some more.** The school has a contest starting January 2 to see which classroom can collect the most redeemables per student. **Ready. Set. Go!**

Do you desire time away to pray about God's Will for your life? Single women between the ages of 18 and 30 are invited to Prairie Star Ranch to participate in an overnight discernment experience. This Retreat is full of opportunities to grow in community and friendship, develop a deeper understanding of how God is speaking to you, and meet some of the consecrated women who are joyfully serving the Church today. Register today at www.archkck.org/ranch.

What: WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Where: PRAIRIE STAR RANCH
1124 California Road
Williamsburg, KS. 66095

When: JANUARY 20 - 21st, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

MARRIAGE MINUTE

By the time this Sunday's gospel had taken place, Mary had been through a lot, the most recent of which is a visit by shepherds sent by angels. Scripture tells us that she *"kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart"*. While none of us will literally bring the Messiah into the world, we all have had moments where God has touched our marriages. Do we take time to *"keep all these things,"* or *"reflect on them in our hearts?"* When we fail to reflect, we can miss God's action in our lives!

Need some help building this time into your day? Try signing up for our free email retreat based on Chapter 4 of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of Love*. Every day for a month, you'll receive a brief excerpt from the letter with practical insights and reflection questions.
www.archkck.org/30 Day Retreat.

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January 2017

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Fr. William Fisher, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Genevieve

St. Genevieve was born in Nanterre near Paris in 422. She became a nun at the age of 15 and moved to Paris, where she became known for her piety. When Attila the Hun marched on Paris, Genevieve convinced the inhabitants to pray and fast. Attila retreated, leaving Paris untouched. Again, when King Childeric occupied Paris, she crossed enemy lines to bring food to prisoners and convinced the king to release them. She is the patroness of Paris.



Hope in God

Even the saints experienced times when their faith in God's goodness was tested, yet they never gave up hope; they knew that whatever happened, God's unchanging love would see them through. When you feel disheartened, pray for God's grace and hope in him.

"I have told you this that you might have peace in me. In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world" (John 16:33).



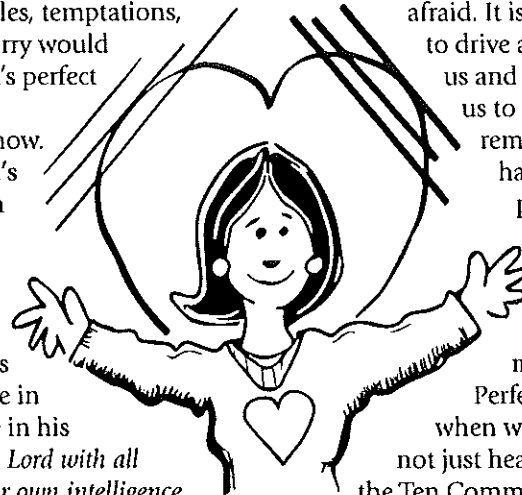
Resolve to have perfect faith

Imagine having complete confidence that God was with you in all things. Think how differently you would respond to troubles, temptations, or hardships. Worry would be obsolete. That's perfect faith and it is possible. Here's how.

Believe in God's love. Perfect faith comes from believing that God loves you without limit or condition. God is love, so to believe in God is to believe in his love. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence do not rely"* (Proverbs 3:5). The key is to remember that God loves you and only wills your good.

Banish fear. *"There is no fear in love, but perfect love drives out fear because fear*

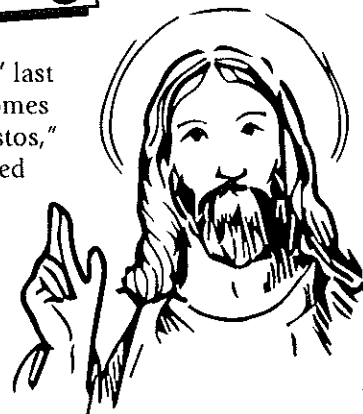
has to do with punishment, and so one who fears is not yet perfect in love" (1 John 4:18). We were not created to be afraid. It is Satan who wishes to drive a wedge between us and God and tempts us to fear. When we remember that God has consistently proven himself to be faithful and dependable, only faith is left. Practice makes perfect. Perfect faith results when we live God's word, not just hear it. Adhering to the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes and the two Great Commandments (love God, love your neighbor), we notice God's hand in our lives and trust in him grows.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Jesus "Christ"?

"Christ" is not Jesus' last name, but a title. It comes from the Greek "Christos," which means "Anointed One." Ancient Jews enthroned their kings in a ceremony by anointing them with oil. This anointing distinguished the king as being the



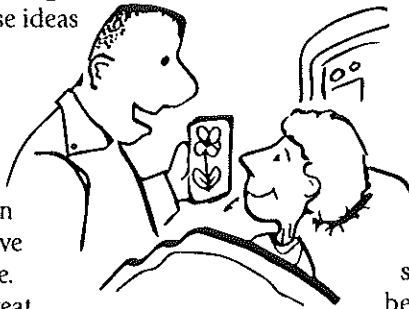
one chosen by God to deliver Israel from its enemies. So in calling Jesus "Christ," Christians affirm not only his Lordship over all creation, but also his mission as Savior and the promised Messiah of the Jews.

A kinder, gentler you

Kindness is contagious. A recent study found that witnessing an act of kindness produces good feelings and inspires imitation. In the new year, try these ideas to be kinder and inspire others to do the same.

Make connections. In days past, households weren't easily relocated, so neighbors were lifelong relations. That made solving disagreements necessary and important. What resulted was a supportive network to help when necessary. Make sure you are part of a supportive network of friends and family wherever you are.

Be interested, not interesting. Many of us treat



conversation like a competitive sport that gives points for the cleverest, loudest, and longest speaker. Interrupting, insisting, and entertaining are not conversing.

Instead, listening is a kindness that shows someone he is valued and understood.

Choose not to be offended. Being right is no compensation for broken friendships. If there is someone in your life who deliberately tries to offend you, walk away.

Otherwise, look the other way when feeling slighted. Being kind is more rewarding than being right.

from Scripture

Matthew 5:1-12, paths to happiness

God wants us to be happy. When he created us, he put into our hearts the desire to be happy (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #1718). During the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus gave us the Beatitudes – guaranteed ways to obtain peace here and happiness in Heaven.

"Blessed are the poor in spirit ..." Recognize that we need God to compensate for our weakness. Depend upon his help.

"Blessed are they who mourn ..." God knows what you need even better than you do. Trust him to strengthen you and bring you comfort.

"Blessed are the meek ..." Jesus is meek and gentle. Imitate him and you will have everlasting peace.

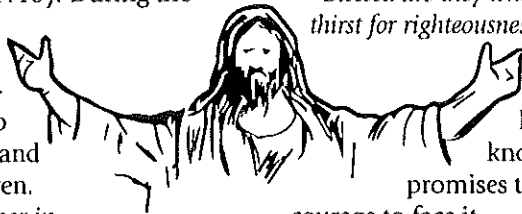
"Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness ..." Peacefully

accept whatever happens knowing that Jesus promises to give you

courage to face it.

"Blessed are the merciful ..." Mercy is love in the face of sin and injury. If we show mercy, we are guaranteed mercy.

Perhaps the real secret to happiness is remembering that when we follow Jesus, there will always be a happy ending.



Q & A

How do we make a good Confession?

Jesus knew that, even after Baptism, we would fall into sin, so he instituted the Sacrament of Confession. In confession,



we admit what we've done, apologize, and resolve not to do it again. In return, we receive absolution and the grace to fight against temptation. "His mercy is infinitely greater than our sins" (Pope Francis).

A good confession begins with a thorough examination of conscience. Using the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes as guides, reflect on instances when you have failed to love like Christ. Confess any mortal sins since your last confession and any venial (lighter) sins that you remember. For sin to be mortal, it must be serious, freely chosen, and committed knowing it was a sin.

After hearing your confession, the priest will ask you to make an Act of Contrition expressing sorrow for sins and a desire to change. He will give you absolution and assign you penance. Remember, God loves you dearly and he wants to forgive you; you need only ask for it.

Feasts & Celebrations

Jan. 1 – Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. Today, we honor Mary, but also Jesus as God. Today is a holy day of obligation. In their honor, attend Mass and pray a Rosary.

Jan. 7 – St. Raymond of Peñafort (1275). St. Raymond studied and taught canon (Church) law in Barcelona, and later joined the Dominican Order. He was called to Rome to work for Pope Gregory IX. He was appointed archbishop of Tarragona, Spain. He

retired after two years, only to be elected head of the Dominicans. He is the patron saint of lawyers.

Jan. 9 – Baptism of the Lord. Jesus began his public ministry by getting baptized by St. John the Baptist. Jesus was free of sin, but he allowed himself to be baptized in order to "fulfill all righteousness" (Matthew 3:15). By his baptism, Jesus declared his willingness to fulfill God's saving plan. It is also at this time when God revealed Jesus as his "beloved Son" (Matthew 3:17).



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