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## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 17, 2017

John is not the  
Messiah; He is the  
herald to Him.

John is not the Word,  
but he is the voice to  
proclaim the Word.

John is not the Light,  
but he is the spark  
to enkindle men's  
hearts to the Light.

John is not the  
Savior, but he is  
the greatest born of a  
woman to prophecy and  
proclaim the Savior



### Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church

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•Father Paul Gebhardt, pastor •Father Stephen Lattner, OSB, parochial vicar  
Deacon Bill Schaefer, Deacon Larry Gronas

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

<b>Vigil:</b> 5:30pm			<b>Sunday:</b> 8:00am & 10:30am
Monday: 9:00am , Tues. no Mass, Wed., 9:00am, Thurs. 9:00am, Fri. & Sat. No am Mass			
Confessions: 4:30—5:00pm on Saturdays			
<u>Saint of the Day</u>	<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b>		
.....	Monday,	Dec. 18— 9:00am	Purgatorial Society
.....	Tuesday,	Dec. 19—	No Holy Mass
.....	Wednesday,	Dec. 20— 9:00am	Thomas Richardson ( L & D Richardson )
St. Peter Canisius, Doctor . . .	Thursday ,	Dec. 21— 9:00am	Shirley Angst ( Larry Angst )
.....	Friday,	Dec. 22—	No Holy Mass
St. John of Kanty, priest . . . .	Saturday,	Dec. 23 — 5:30pm	Julia Angst (Bob & Susan Kennel )
.....	Sunday,	Dec. 24— 9:00am	People of the Parish
<b>CHRISTMAS VIGIL. . . . .</b>			<b>4:00pm</b> Deceased loved ones (from flower donors )
<b>CHRISTMAS VIGIL . . . . .</b>			<b>10:00pm</b> People of the Parish
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY, Monday, December 25 — 9:00am</b>			Purgatorial Society

PARISH WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

<b>Eucharistic Exposition Schedule:</b>			
<b><u>Mon.</u> 9:30 –7pm; <u>Wed.</u> 9:30-9pm; <u>Thurs.</u> 9:30-9:00pm; <u>Fri.</u> 3:00-9:00pm</b>			
Tuesday	12/19	6: 30pm	R. C. I. A.
Wednesday	12/20	6: 30-7: 45pm	Religious Education classes, K-8
Saturday	12/23	5: 30pm	Holy Mass of Sunday Obligation
Sunday	12/24	9: 00am	Holy Mass of Sunday Obligation
SUNDAY,	12/24	4: 00PM	HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS EVE
		10: 00PM	HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS EVE
MONDAY,	12/25	9: 00AM	HOLY MASS OF CHRISTMAS DAY

Notice: there are only two Holy Masses for Sunday obligation: 5:30pm on 12/23 and 9:00am on 12/24.

Office closed from Monday, December 25, until Wednesday, January 3.  
Eucharistic Exposition will close after 8:00pm, Wed., Dec. 20 until Wed., Jan. 3 after 9am Holy Mass.  
No Religious Ed Wed., Dec. 27 and Jan. 3.

STAFF

Pastor . . . . .	Father Paul Gebhardt ———	(513) 539-8061 (at Our Lady of Sorrows)
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COUNCILS, COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES

<b>Parish Council members:</b>		Bob Kennel, chairperson - Bob Edwards, co-chairperson
		Jill Angst — Bob Edwards — Jim Werner — Becky Hedges-Kamp — Carolyn Angst
<b>Finance Council:</b>		Jim Werner, Larry Gronas, Donald Ernest, Shirley Snelling, Connie Schenck.
<b>Committees:</b>		Education: Kathy Menninger (513)222-3039
Parish Life: Susan Kennel 726-5362		Respect Life: Carol Burgher and Sharon Lacy
		<u>Ministries:</u>
Choir .....		Brenda Hicks (513) 869-9651
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Yard-n-Garden/Maintenance Team.....		Pat Bishop 988-6358 <a href="mailto:MaNPaGone@aol.com">MaNPaGone@aol.com</a>
Young at Heart.....		Diane Gronas 726-4436

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 24-25

<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:</b> 5:30pm - Gerry Graham, Ron Angst  To be announced	<b>Servers</b> 5:30pm— Katie Peter, Nick Peter  To be announced	<b>Collection Tabulators</b>  Mary Draman Becky Hileman Shirley Snelling
<b>Lectors</b> 5:30pm— Tammy Menninger  to be announced	<b>Ushers</b> 5:30pm – Leticia Gonzalez, (volunteer)  To be announced	

STEWARDSHIP: A Way of Life

Your Time, Talent and Treasure  
are God's Gifts to you.  
*When you share them,  
it is your gift to God*



Stewardship Reflection

A key facet of stewardship has always been personal witness. Today's readings deal in large part with the witness of John the Baptist. St. John the Baptist, according to historians, was a few months older than Jesus. It is also generally accepted that he began preaching about six months before Jesus came to him to be baptized and to begin His ministry.

St. John the Baptist pointed to Jesus as the Messiah. John the Baptist, through personal witness, raised a great sense of expectancy and excitement, the kind of expectancy and excitement that we associate with this season of Advent. John tries to awaken in people a consciousness of sin, the importance of conversion and change, and the need to become more holy in God's eyes.

Those are the same goals we should have during this Advent season. The matter of witness is a serious and important thing. It establishes truth and a solid foundation for faith. When we personally witness, it means we make a commitment. We cannot be neutral when it comes to our faith. We are called to be disciples, witnesses of and for Christ. We best accomplish that by the ways we live our own lives and how we relate to and treat others.

Jesus can meet our every need. Now is the time for us to accept that and to place our total trust in Him. We can do that best by making our own commitment to be His disciple, a witness to Who He is and what He means to us and all people.

HOLY NAME FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

Needed each week: \$4,420.00

last weekend collection:

66 weekend envelopes used: \$3,455.50

9 electronic giving: \$ 520.00

Total: \$3.975.50

Candles: \$96

6 Trinity Dome: \$120

Christmas flowers: \$392.50

48 Immaculate Conception: \$926

All Saints: \$20

59 Retirement Fund for Religious: \$2,893.00

PRAY FOR PRIESTS

Please pray "A decade a day for the sanctification of a Priest". This week we pray for:

Monday, Dec. 18 Fr. James O'Connor

Tuesday, Dec. 19 Fr. Michael Paraniuk

Wednesday, Dec. 20 Fr. Giles Pater

Thursday, Dec. 21 Fr. Glen Perin

Friday, Dec. 22 Fr. Dale Peterka

Saturday, Dec. 23 Fr. Brian Phelps

Sunday, Dec. 24 Fr. Ronald Piepmeyer

TAKE TRAVELING CHALICE HOME TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

The following families will receive the Traveling Chalice and keep it for 2 weeks:

Brenda Hicks, from Sunday, December 17, 10:30am thru Saturday, January 6, 2018.

When to return the chalice?

By Saturday, afternoon before the 5:30pm Mass, you can leave it in the Sacristy, or at the Sacristy door if it's locked.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jimmie and Lorena Tompkins on the Convalidation of their Marriage on Tuesday, December 12, 2017, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. May the blessing of the Church and Our Lady strengthen them for many years of married loved. My personal thanks to them for their years of patience with the Church's bureaucracy.

THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IN THE GROTTO

On the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe we were pleased to bless the new shrine in our grotto garden which features the statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The statue and the surrounding benches and landscape were provided as the Eagle Scout Project of Nicholas Peter to honor and remember children who were aborted. We congratulate Nick on his accomplishment and thank him for this lovely addition to our prayer garden.

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 30, 31 AND JANUARY 1

Saturday, December 30: 5:30pm — Vigil of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sunday December 31: 8:00 and 10:30am — The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Monday, January 1, 9:00am — Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God

FENWICK NEWS

Area eighth graders are invited to visit **Bishop Fenwick High School's Falcon for a Day on Friday, January 12, 2018 from 8:45 - 1:00 pm.** Experience what it feels like to be a Fenwick Falcon! Eighth Graders will arrive in the morning, and spend the first half of the day learning about the academic and spiritual side of being a freshman at Bishop Fenwick. After an early lunch, students are provided the opportunity to learn about all of the extracurricular activities they can get involved in here at Fenwick. Please register no later than Tuesday, January 9, 2018 by calling our Admissions Office at 513-428-0525 or online at [www.fenwickfalcons.org](http://www.fenwickfalcons.org) and click on Admissions/Visit Experiences link.



Thank you to all of the parishioners who donated gifts, money and time to the Giving Tree Outreach Ministry.

The toys placed under the tree, \$850 collected in the Giving Box, and coats/hats/gloves from the Knights of Columbus Coat Drive were taken to Holy Trinity Church in Harlan, Ky on Tuesday, December 12. Special thanks to Ray Angst for making the drive. Thanks again: Bob Kennel, coordinator.

**The 2018 contribution envelope boxes and calendars are on a table, in the basement ready for you to pick up. If you have any changes or corrections, please print it on the form provided on the table. If you would like to register, please use the orange form and bring/send it to the office (988-6335).**

PRAY FOR THE SICK

*Lord Jesus, You are the Divine Physician, we place all of our sick under your loving care. Please restore them physically and spiritually. In Your Most Holy Will, and in the name of all, together with Our Sweet Mother and all the angels and saints, we intercede in a special way for:*

Joan Wagner, Mary Keith, Danny Roell, Anna White, Tom and Carolyn Martin, Jose Gonzalez, Carol Conover, Anna Hunsinger, Joyce Butler, Joe Pollock, Charles Payne, Orville Brown, Donald Ansberry, Thomas Willke, Bill Schaefer, Janet Gerdes, Joe Hankins, Katie Cecil, Joan Zeis, Joe Orth II, Joe Orth senior, Casey Mitchell, Phyllis Beuerlein, Jane Oberdoft and Frank Ventura.

THE DEAD THEOLOGIANS SOCIETY

The Dead Theologians Society is for teens 8th grade through high school. It is a prayer meeting and the teens learn about a saint, pray for others, spend time in the presence of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and enjoy some social time together and snacks. This group was formed at St. Maximilian Kolbe but it is open to Holy Name teens as well. Their meetings are held at Holy Name so that they can spend time in adoration.

Except for the Lenten season, we meet usually on the first and third Fridays of the month from 7 - 9 pm in the church basement. Next meeting dates are January 5 & 19, February 2, April 6 & 20 and May 4 & 18. For more background on Dead Theologians Society, visit [www.deadtheologianssociety.com/](http://www.deadtheologianssociety.com/)

*Any questions, please call Debby Kellner at 779-7627.*

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS THANKS

Religious give thanks. A religious sister writes: "when we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons in order to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless." Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY — SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, January 6 in the parish hall at 6:30. There will be a dinner followed by the Christmas Pageant and a visit from Santa. Please use the R.S.V.P. form below and return no later than December 31st. We are asking that everyone attending bring their favorite Christmas dessert."



[ ] We/I will be attending the annual Christmas Party on January 6.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Number in party \_\_\_\_\_

Please return no later than December 31, 2017, via collection basket

*Christmas Party Committee (for questions: Pam Hurley [p.a.hurley@sbcglobal.net])*