

QUEEN *of the* HOLY ROSARY

7023 W. 71st Street • Overland Park, KS 66204
(913) 432-4616

January 8, 2012 • Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Schedule

Weekend: Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday: Tuesday-Friday 8:15 a.m.

Communion Service Monday 8:15 a.m.

Holy Day: See inside bulletin

Confession: Saturday 2:30 p.m.—3:15 p.m.

*Those needing hearing assistance,
receivers are available by contacting an usher.*

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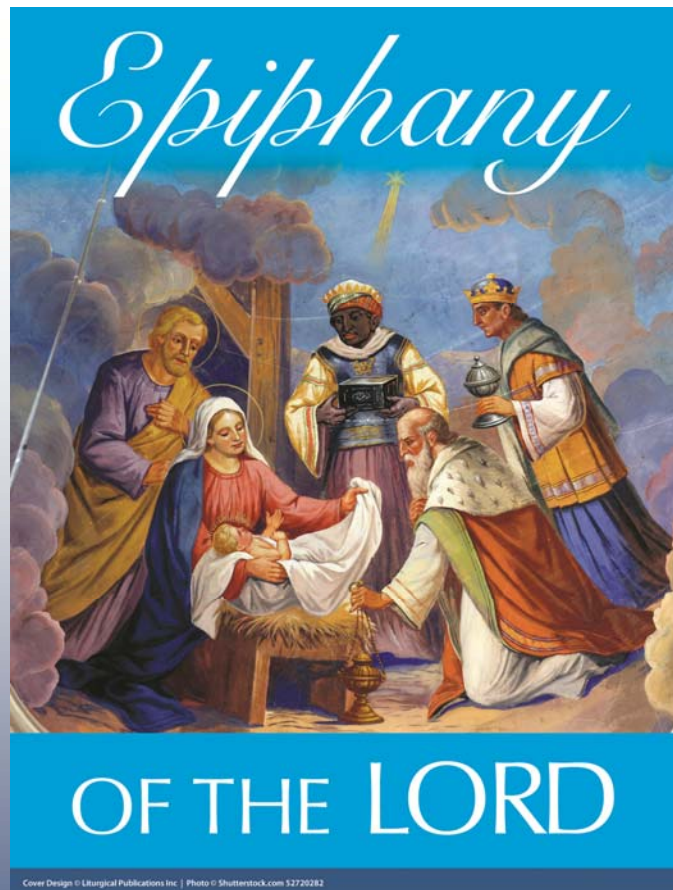
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Our Mission Statement

Led by the Spirit of God... We are a Catholic faith community dedicated to becoming a dynamic center of worship and Christian involvement. Our enthusiasm and love will fill each member and permeate the larger communities that surround us. We strive to recognize and celebrate our unity. We challenge ourselves to lead lives that will reflect our beliefs.

Pastoral Council

Pastor: Father Don Cullen
 President: Judy Wolf
 President Elect:
 Secretary:

Members:

John Paul II School:
 Tim Rafferty
 Religious Education:
 Denise Godinez
 High School Youth Representative:
 rotating position
 Parish Social Activities:
 Kevin Caldwell
 Community Outreach:
 Sue Ryan
 Rick Alvarez
 Parish Administrator:
 Gene Meiners
 Parish Customer Service:
 Carolyn Elder
 Nancy Pullo
 Buildings and Grounds:
 Bill Staudenmaier
 Liturgy & Music :
 Judy Wolf
 Knights of Columbus:
 Matthew Harkins
 Queen's Ladies:
 Sue Ryan
 Issues at Large:
 Terrie Stanker
 At Large:
 Jeff Belgum

Phone numbers for Council members may be found in your copy of the church directory.

Finance Council

Pastor: Father Don Cullen
 Parish Administrator: Gene Meiners
 Chair: Dave Richardson
 Bookkeeper: Ruth Mailand
 Members:
 Marilyn Dugan
 Chris Redmond
 Mike Kerr

The Sacraments

Confession

The Sacrament of Confession: Saturday 2:30-3:15 p.m.

Baptisms

Baptisms are conducted on the first Sunday for each month. Registered parishioners must complete the Baptismal Preparation Class prior to their child's baptism. It is recommended to take this class at least 3 months prior to the birth. To reserve your place in class, please contact Rosalynn Redmond in the Religious Education Office (913) 378-2700, Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., after hours please leave a message, or send an email to: rosallynn@qhr-opks.org. Your child's Baptismal date will be scheduled upon completion of this class. This is a requirement for your first child and we invite you to attend the class for each child hereafter as a refresher course. It is highly recommended, but not required, for your child's Baptismal Godparents to attend this class with you.

Weddings

Weddings require six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage program. An appointment with the Pastor is necessary **before a date can be set.**

Anointing of the Sick

If you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, please see Father Cullen after Mass. The sacrament is available to all those who are ailing physically, mentally or spiritually.

Timely Information

Bulletin & Announcement Deadlines

Items for the bulletin are due the Monday prior to publication by 4:30 pm. Please drop your items off at the parish office or e-mail them to QHRBulletin@gmail.com. **Full page notices need to be submitted 2 weeks in advance for consideration and approval.** Questions? Please e-mail the above address.

Please remember that announcements and petitions (i.e. sick list) for masses must be turned into the parish office no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Thursday prior to the weekend masses.

Altar Linens

St. Barbara's Circle is in charge of taking care of the linens for the month of January.

Hospital Reminder

If you are in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion, please have a family member contact Sheryl Lickteig at the Parish Office (913) 432-4616 or (913) 722-2250.

Parish Prayer Chain

The Parish Prayer Chain is ready to pray for your intentions. Please contact Doris Kapsch at 642-0410 or Carolyn Pate at 492-7612.

New Parishioners

Please register at the Information Station after any weekend Mass. The Information Station is located in the southeast corner of the church at the top of the steps by the elevator. You may also register in the rectory office Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm. If you are currently a QHR parishioner but have never registered, please stop by the Information Station or the parish office and fill out an official form.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, January 9

8:15 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday, January 10

8:15 a.m. Thomas and Daisy Judge-Rueb

Wednesday, January 11

8:15 a.m. Frank Enright-Enright

Thursday, January 12

8:15 a.m. Clara Steiner-Steiner

Friday, January 13

8:15 a.m. Randy McDonnell-Bannister

Saturday, January 14

8:15 a.m. Communion Service

4:00 p.m. Ann Bartholomew-Krogmeier

Sunday, January 15

7:00 a.m. Eva O'Neil Spaeth-Henderson

9:00 a.m. Bob Wormington-Humphrey

11:00 a.m. Pauline Walker-Oshman

5:00 p.m. Cristina Kerr-Kerr

For Mass times around the country when you travel, call 1-734-794-2100 or visit www.masstimes.org.

This Week's Events

We pray the Rosary at 7:50 am Monday-Saturday before daily Mass or Communion Service.

Sunday, January 8

7:30 a.m.—Coffee & Donuts and Scrip

10:15 a.m.—JPII—School of Religion

6:15 p.m.—Junior High SOR

6:30 p.m.—FZC—Confirmation Workshop

Monday, January 9

7:00 p.m.—FZC—Boy Scouts

7:00 p.m.—C—Men's Group

7:00 p.m.—C3—Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday, January 10

2:00 p.m.—C2 — Legion of Mary

5:00 p.m.—FZC—Aerobics

7:00 p.m.—FZC—RCIA

7:00 p.m.—CH—Novena/Benediction

7:30 p.m.—CH—Choir Practice

Wednesday, January 11

9:00 a.m.—C2—Bible Study

5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.—JPII—Children's Choir

6:30 p.m.—CH—Divine Mercy

7:00 p.m.—C2—Bible Study

6:30 p.m.—FZC—High School Youth Group

Thursday, January 12

Queen's Day to Serve St. Mary's Food Kitchen

5:00 p.m.—FZC—Aerobics

7:00 p.m.—CH—1st Communion Class Meeting

Friday, January 13

8:15 a.m.—CH—All School Mass

9:00 a.m.—FZC—Seniors' Meeting

Saturday, January 14

BR—Bride's Room • C1-C5—Convent • CH—Church
CGS—Catechesis of the Good Shepherd • CMR—Church Meeting Room • FZC—Father Zawacki Center (church basement) • REO—Religious Education Office • RMR—Rectory Meeting Room

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

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

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17

Change in Parish Information

Old Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

New Information

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

If you are moving out of the parish, please check.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 14 - January 15: Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

| | Lector | Sacristan | Eucharistic Minister | Altar Server | Usher | Greeter | Children's Liturgy |
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| Saturday, 4:00 PM | Hayek, Brian (1) Pyle, Dawn (2) | Benson, Theresa | Braden, Merle Braden, Dolores O'Connor, Jim O'Toole, Lisa Scanlon, Mike Staudenmaier, Andrea Ternus, Jean Anderson, Marcie | Hawk, Sam Huynh, Daniel Huynh, Paul I | Bossing, John Casida, Mary Huynh, Huey Relic, Clarence | Middlemass, Audrey Miller, Mary Rusovick, Pam | |
| Sunday, 7:00 AM | Carter, Bruce (1) Sostarich, Abby (2) | Finnerty, Jeff | Haase, Kristi Lacy, Nan O'Connor, Michelle Rimman, Joanne Roche, Tina Sostarich, Tim Weber, Janet | Gomerding, Victoria Lacy, Bea Zawada, Bryan | VanGoetham, John Rodriguez, Rod Weber, Al Zawada, Anthony | Lacy, Nan Price, Mary Roche, Tina | |
| Sunday, 9:00 AM | Caldwell, Kevin (1) DeBauge, Joan (2) | VanBooven, Annette | Belgum, Jeff Geving, Theresa Honas, Brian/Mary Oswald, Delores Oswald, Don Sanches, Kathy Van Sickle, Lindsey | Beland, Bailey Belgum, Hallee Hohnecker, Justin | Dean, Tom Hernandez, Ricardo Miller, Will Ryan, Lori | Martin, James Goldssich, Marianne Goldsich, Theresa | Gouvion, Linda (1) Westermayer, Thomas (2) |
| Sunday, 11:00 AM | Rubaie, Cindy (1) Sutryk, Robert (2) | Brown, Kevin | Brown, Sheryl Cattaneo, Carol Dowd, Judy Dowd, Mike Johnston, Tim Meiners, Gene Schreiner, Gene Smith, Paul | Cerda, Anthony Owsley, Melissa Sharpton, Maria | Alvarez, Rachel Alvarez, Rick Kirchner, Bill Serrano, Chris | O'Shea, Sherri Pantoja, Jennifer Sandlin, Mary | Kolarik, Debbie (1) Jones, Yolanda (2) |
| Sunday, 5:00 PM | LeValley, RaeAnn (1) Dillingham, Susan (2) | Wiesing, Ed | Dillingham, Mary Kay Krieg, Bruce Scalzi, Ann Scalzi, Howard Schmidt, Teri Strobl, Phyllis Usovicz, Elizabeth Wiesing, Ed | Bucklin, Andrew Martinez, Santana Schmidt, Collin | Brady, Mark Crutchfield, Lee Karlsen, Beth Mischka, Scott | Barrick, Mary Hahn, Mary O'Connor Taylor, Sharon | |

Cantor/Accompanists:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Choir's Choir
Sunday 11:00 a.m. Saints Alive!

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Judy Hinchey/Parish Choir
Sunday 5:00 p.m. Trinh Huynh/Judy Wolf

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK

Due to privacy laws, we will not be able to put a name on the sick list unless we have been asked to do so a family member. To keep the Prayer List manageable, names will be dropped after *3 months* unless they are requested to be left on. Please call Sheryl Lickteig (913-722-2250) if you wish to have someone put on this list. Names must be received before 4:30 p.m. on Monday to appear in the next bulletin, names received after that time will be held until the next bulletin.

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| Rita Austin | Mary Elaine Conrad | Mary Anne Hickox | Megan Prince | Chris Whittier |
| Don Armstrong | George Curry | Farrell McGinnis | Jim Russell | Phyllis Whittier |
| Caroline Batson | Ted Domanski | Gerry Mermis | Joe Sanches | Tristan Wiesing |
| Steve Broaddus | Lois Evans | Carole Murdoch | Joanne Schmidt | Vincent Wiesing |
| Craig Bruenger | John Gualtieri | Terry Navickas | Hayden Scraggs | Anna Marie |
| Vera Byrnes | Barbara Harper | Tony Navickas | Al Schweers | Wilkinson |
| Rod Caldwell | Donilita Hasty | Pat Nolan | Dan Sullivan | |
| Colette Canchola | Anne Hendricks- | Gene Parisse | Gregory Tate | |
| Jackson Coleman | Darnell | Alex Perez | Betty Tyler | |

Please remember in your prayers, those serving in the military...



Kenneth Young, spouse of Perry Young
 Capt. Albert Garcia IV, son of Melinda Krautmann
 Capt. Zackary Wilkes, grandchild of Tom & Theresa Wilkes
 Corp. Thomas R. Wilkes, grandchild of Tom & Theresa Wilkes
 Msgt. Timmothy Graves, son of Denny & Kathy Graves
 A1C David A. Bellis, nephew of Robin and Scott Mills
 SSGT Matthew A. Crawford, nephew of Robin and Scott Mills
 2nd LT Jacob Jeffcoat, son of Ruth and Steven Mailand
 Boatswains Mate Michael Price, grandchild of Mary Alice Price
 Cpl. Kenneth Clark, grandson of Bob & Kareen Wormington

SSGT John Ternus, nephew of Jean Ternus

Corp. Michael Wentline, nephew of Carole Saunders

Sr. Airman Michael Lopez III, great nephew of Elise Barbosa

LT Charlie Bennett, nephew of Dave & Mary Lou Richardson

SGT 1st Class William Nash, father of Rebecca Nash

SGT Michael Dowd, nephew of Michael & Judy Dowd

AIC Jonathan Van Ryn son of Mary Van Ryn

Major Christopher Thoendel son of Barbara Thoendel

If you are a parishioner of Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish and have a relative serving in active duty please call Margi or Nancy at the Parish Office (913-432-4616), if you wish to have them listed in the bulletin.

STEWARDSHIP

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| Needed each week | \$ 21,750.00 |
| Received 12/25/11 | \$ 30,928.00 |
| Received 01/01/12..... | \$ 24,087.35 |
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| Christmas Envelope | \$ 18,754.00 |
| Catholic Charities Envelope | \$ 4,419.00 |
| New Year's Day Envelope | \$ 1,621.00 |

God Bless!

Father Cullen & The Financial Council

Marilyn Dugan, Mike Kerr, Ruth Mailand, Gene Meiners, Dave Richardson, and Chris Redmond

Eucharistic Adorers We are in need of adorers, especially during the overnight hours and Saturday evenings. If you have been thinking about spending special time before Our Lord, please consider one of these now.

| | AM | PM |
|-----------|------------|-----------------|
| Sunday | 12-1-2-4-6 | 3 |
| Monday | 1-2-3 | 10 |
| Tuesday | 12-1-2-3 | 5-11 |
| Wednesday | | 11 |
| Thursday | 12-1-2 | 10 |
| Friday | | 10-11 |
| Saturday | 12-2-3-5 | 3-6-7-8-9-10-11 |

Call Virginia at 642-3506 or Judy at 362-7893

Baby Shower Collection The Parish PRO-LIFE Committee and the Knights of Columbus are again collecting items for babies with our Baby Shower for Life. We will have a playpen set up in the back of the Church thru-out the month of January. There will be an envelope for cash or checks (payable to K of C). Items and money will be donated to the Advice and Aid Center.

Roses for Life: The Pro-Life Committee has partnered with the Knights of Columbus to sponsor the Roses for Life Campaign. This project will raise awareness of our pro-life beliefs and desire to end abortion. At mass on January 14 and 15, you will receive the opportunity to sign a paper rose in support of life. All roses from Queen of the Holy Rosary and neighboring parishes will be hand-delivered to Topeka on January 23rd, the 40th Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. Thank you for supporting life, please continue to pray for our leaders and the upcoming election. What a beautiful example for us to follow!

March for Life Do you want to personally stand up for life? There will be a group of people driving to Topeka on January 23rd for the March for Life. If you would like to join the March, contact Judy at 362-7893 for more details.

For Meditation: We just celebrated the Birth of Jesus. Let us take a moment to consider the situation that Our Lady found herself in. She was a very young girl, poor, and unmarried in a society that did not look kindly upon unwed mothers. Did she take the easy way out? No, she fulfilled the Will of God, humbly, without question, no matter what difficulty she encountered.



BAPTISMS DECEMBER 2011

OLIVIA GRACE HART

Daughter of Edwin and Alicia Staudenmyer Hart

CARSON WILLIAM HULL

Son of William and Danae Erb Hull

AUBREY ELLYN MICK

Daughter of Curtis and Elaine Cobb Mick

KACEY LEANN TURNER

Daughter of Gregory and Kimberly Butler Turner

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SAVANA LARAE HERNANDEZ

Daughter of Eldon Wright and Shelby Hernandez

ISAAC COLIN MARTIN

Son of Jason Martin and Shelby Hernandez

LYDIA JEAN ZIEGLER

Daughter of Jason Ziegler and Jennafer Rice Loux

ORION ANTHONY MICHAEL LOUX

Son of Joseph and Jennafer Rice Loux

DEATHS DECEMBER 2011

CAROL M. KOEHLER

WILMA B. BOYLE

MICHELE MARIE (STUEVE) SMITH

Food Pantry: Thanks to all who contribute to help others less fortunate especially during this Christmas season. We need Rice-a-Roni, Ramen noodles, and pastas (noodles, macaroni, etc.) most of all. We are low on applesauce, Jell-O, toilet paper, cream of-soups (chicken, mushroom, celery, etc.), and tuna.



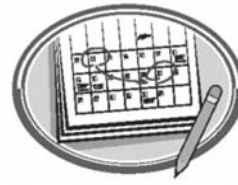


Prairie Star Ranch opens registrations for their 15th camping season of Camp Tekakwitha!

It is Camp Tekakwitha and Camp Kateri time again, and registrations will begin starting January 31st. Registration Forms can be found at the back of the church at the Information Station.

If you don't find any forms located there, then you can also download them at www.archkck.org

- ◆ This year the Prairie star Ranch chapel has been completed. The beautiful new building has been outfitted with statues and sacramentals that will help bring kids closer to Christ. Your prayers are requested for the continuation of furnishing the chapel.
- ◆ Additionally, the amount of meeting space has doubled with the completion of the new chapel. What once was the old chapel has now been turned into a meeting room. Any group can book an event at the beautiful Prairie Star Ranch.
- ◆ **Employment Opportunities—** Camp Staff is continually named as the greatest asset at Camp Tekawitha. Faith-filled Catholic college students are encouraged to apply. The archdiocese pays \$235.00 weekly, for first year staff and they receive extensive training, guided ministry practice and coaching in their ministry skills. Exit surveys characterize camp as a deeply rewarding spiritual experiences to the staff. The return rate is well above the national average, which speaks very well for the camping experience. If you think you are interested in applying, then go to www.archkck.org to download an application.



Sacrament Preparation Calendar



First Communion ~

Thursday, January 12

7:00—8:00 pm, Church

- Eucharist sacrament meeting with Father Cullen—a Must Attend



Confirmation ~

Sunday, January 8

6:30—7:30 pm, Parish Hall

Year II Candidates and Sponsors

A Must Attend Confirmation work-

shop featuring Father Andrew Strobl on the topic of *What's Love got to do with it?*



Queen CRUSADERS

2nd Semester Meeting Schedule

Join us for our high school youth meetings. We meet on Wednesdays, in the Parish Hall from 6:30—7:30 pm

January 11

January 25

February 8

February 15

March 7

March 28

April 4

April 18



Catholic Parenting Newsletter

You will find the January-February, 2012 issue of the Archdiocese's newsletter, *Catholic Parenting*, which comes from the Family Life Office, back in the Information Station area in the brochure rack. Be sure to stop by and pick-up your copy.



Camp Registrations Calendar

- ☞ **High School camps (PSR)** will open registration on Tuesday, January 31, 2012
- ☞ **Junior High camps (PSR)** will open registrations on Tuesday, February 7th
- ☞ **5th and 6th grade camps (Camp Kateri)** will open registrations on Tuesday, February 14.

QHR SAINTS MEMBERSHIP – Anyone 50 and older is welcome to join the Queen's Saints. Activities are planned each month (membership is not required to attend.) If, however, you wish to become a member, contact Joan at 381-0670 for information.

MONTHLY MEETING – Fri., January 13 Anyone 50 and older is welcome to join us for the monthly planning meeting on Friday, January 13, at 9:15 a.m. in the Church Hall. Refreshments will be served.

LUNCH BUNCH – January 18. For January let's imagine we are in warm Mexico at **Jose Pepper's Border Grill & Cantina.** The restaurant is located at 10316 Metcalf, on the west side of Metcalf and the south side of 103rd St. It features the Mexican favorites at reasonable prices, many under \$10. We'll meet on Wednesday, January 18 at 1:00pm. Rides are available. Please call Annette at 649-5868 for reservations and rides.

TOUR OF THE NERMAN ART MUSEUM - FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2012

On Friday, January 27, 2012 we will go to the Nerman Art Museum, JCC College, Quivira and College Blvd, Overland Park. We will meet at the museum at 10:00 for a guided tour. We can have lunch at the Museum Cafe after the tour if you wish. All are welcome to join us. Please call Patti or Frank at 956-7720 to make reservations or if you have any questions.

A MUSICAL AFFAIR TO REMEMBER WEDNESDAY, FEB. 8, 2012

On Wednesday, February 8, 2012 we will go to Atonement Lutheran Church at 9948 Metcalf, Overland Park, for "**A Musical Affair To Remember**". The cost is \$12.00 and includes lunch. The show starts at noon. We will meet in the parking lot of the Lutheran church at 11:30. Money and reservations are due no later than Friday, Jan. 13, 2012. All are invited to join us. For questions or more information please call Patti or Frank at 913-956-7720.



SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday, April 14th is the date set for the Saints' annual dinner party. Our theme this year is "**Glitz on the Ritz.**" It will be a more dressy occasion. No, you don't have to dress formal, but you can if you want—just no jeans this year! Our DJ is wearing a Tux!! A superb menu is being planned, along with drinks. We will enjoy the sound of "Big Band" music during dinner, followed by a mix for dancing. You will enjoy elegant ambiance and a great time of fellowship. You won't want to miss this year's party! Watch the bulletin for updates. Call Patty at 384-4644 if you would like to be on the planning committee.

POTLUCK – January 25- Bring a favorite dish to share with friends on Wednesday, January 25, at 5:30 p.m. in the Church Hall. Turkey, ham, and drinks will be provided. Please bring a salad, a vegetable dish, or a dessert. Calling ahead is not necessary. Please call Delores at 432-7255 for information.



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Susie English, Principal

School Art Class News

We are on break now, but we have been very busy in all the art classes preparing for Christmas. We worked with paint, collages, lots of glitter and even some construction! The students have painted poinsettias, collaged Nativity scenes, cut and glittered Christmas bells. We've water colored beautiful angels and accented them with glitter and jewels. Students built gingerbread houses with graham crackers and lots of sugary additions. These are never as easy as you think! The school looks quite festive during the blessed season of Christmas!

School News

With the beginning of a new year we begin the steady progress towards next year's enrollment. Our first big event is always Open House which is the last Sunday in January. Please take some time with your family and discuss the possibilities of giving your family the benefits of a Catholic education. John Paul II has many things to offer and we would love to share them with you. Please mark your calendars now to attend, take a walk through the building, meet some of our teachers and administrators, and see first hand why John Paul II continues to lead by example.

Schedule

January 29 - John Paul II Open House

As we welcome the new year, we want to say
THANK YOU, THANK YOU
for all the contributions, all the prayers, all the kind words and all the donations that have come our way from our parishioners. We know you work hard to support the school and we appreciate you! Our prayer is for a happy and healthy 2012 for all of you!

Blood Donation

I donated a pint of blood because our church was sponsoring a blood drive. Later, the Community Blood Center sends donors a report on their cholesterol.

Mine was too high that the document included a recommendation to see a doctor. The doctor visit resulted in the diagnosis that my heart was only 30 percent operational.

I was told that people often dropped dead without warning at this level of heart functioning. Shortly after the diagnosis, they started me on medication and installed a pacemaker/defibrillator in my chest.

This combination of medicines has raised my heart function to an acceptable level. And the pacemaker/defibrillator remind me when I am not doing things right. If I had not donated blood, I might never have known until too late. Donate blood; the life you save may be your own.

Bill Coffman, Lee's Summit, Letter to the Editor
K.C. Star Monday December 26, 2011 p. A-16

THE NEXT QHR BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE MON. FEB 6TH 2PM - 6:30PM

National Vocation Awareness Week--January 8-14, 2012 This weekend, we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which begins *National Vocation Awareness Week*, a special time during which the Church prays for the renewal and strengthening of vocations of dedicated people as married and single people; men to serve as priests, deacons and brothers; and women as religious sisters. We, the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth are pleased to be part of this local community in prayer and service for the mission of the Church. Please pray with us as we celebrate all vocations. Let your life proclaim good news! For more information visit our website at www.scls.org.

The Cure' of Ars Singles will host its annual WINTER FANTASY DANCE on Saturday, January 21st from 7:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria at 9401 Mission Road, Leawood, KS. The cost of \$15 at the door includes meat hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, beer, soda, and bottled water.

38th Annual Snow Ball

Celebrate with us! The 38th Annual Snow Ball benefiting Catholic Charities Foundation of Northeast Kansas will be held Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the Sheraton Kansas City Hotel, formerly the Hyatt Regency. The funds raised from this black tie gala will help provide the most basic needs, such as food and utilities, to children and families in our community. Guests will enjoy an evening with a cocktail reception and formal dinner, followed by dancing. Reserve your table or seat before this historic event sells out. Visit www.catholiccharitiessnowball.org or call 913.433.2046.

Support our Seminarians The 19th annual "Support our Seminarians" Benefit Dinner is scheduled for Friday, January 27, 2012. This event benefits seminarians from the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph and Conception Seminary College. It promises to be an evening filled with fun and laughter, celebrating our Catholic faith, dining on wonderful food, and socializing with our priests and seminarians! SOS will be held at the Marriott Allis Plaza, 12th and Wyandotte, Kansas City, Missouri. The ticket price is \$150.00 per person at tables of ten people. To reserve your place, or an entire table, or donate an item to the marketplace, please contact: Martha Hodes (913) 207-9893 or mmmh66@sbcglobal.net.

Advice and Aid Pregnancy Centers, Inc. is in need of volunteers and will be offering a Volunteer Informational Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2012 (7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.). The meeting will be held at 11031 W. 75th Terrace, Shawnee, KS. For more information on volunteering in this ministry or to RSVP, please contact Mary Newcomer at 913-962-0200 or email volunteer@adviceandaid.com.

Marriage for Keeps: Do you and your spouse need help with improving your communication skills? Marriage for Keeps, a program of Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas, offers support and resources for married couples seeking to improve their marriage and strengthen their family. Our workshops, held over eight sessions, help couples develop strategies that enable them to communicate more positively. Open to couples of all faiths, we are a skills-based program.

Classes begin, Wednesday, 1/11/12 at St. Benedict's Early Education Center in Kansas City, KS. Call 913.621.5775 ext. 1403, or email us at marriage@catholiccharitiesks.org. Hurry, space is limited!



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Greetings,

Thank you for your donation of \$875.50 to the Francis D. Sommer Memorial Fund for Homeless Veterans at the Kansas City VA Medical Center.

In keeping with Francis' love of cooking and his concern for homeless veterans we have been able to provide cooking kits and crock pots for approximately 170 veterans in our HUD/VA Supportive Housing program through the use of these memorial funds. These veterans were all very recently homeless and are now residing in permanent housing. These veterans are living with little income and are trying to maintain a household for the first time in years and for some, the first time ever. While these gifts fulfill a practical need for the veterans they also serve as a reminder to them that they are cared for and not forgotten by a grateful nation.

To date, we have received more than \$6,650 in honor of Francis—our largest memorial donation ever received. We will be able to provide more support to the veterans in our HUD/VA Supportive Housing program thanks to you.

Thank you for being part of this tremendous outpouring of care and concern for the Sommer family and for choosing to support a program that was dear to Francis.


Melissa Jacobson
Chief, Voluntary Service

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