

School News

Have A Blessed Christmas

The school community wishes everyone a Blessed Christmas! May the Peace of the Christ Child continue to be with us during 2012! We thank you for your continued support of the school!

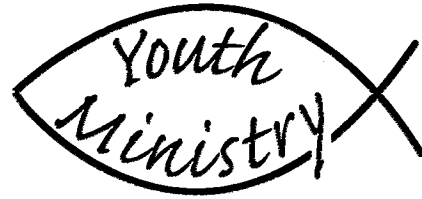
Eagle Scout Project ... The school cafeteria is getting painted during the Christmas break. This is part of an Eagle Scout project. If you are getting ready to do a project please let us know. There are many wonderful completed Eagle Scout projects around the property! Thank you boys!

Lottery Calendars ... The school is now selling Lottery Calendars for January 1 - December 31, 2012, with payouts daily, including bonus days. For information or to purchase a calendar, call Linda Passatore at 412-531-2074, or email lindap2276@verizon.net. Contact can also be made by calling the school at 412-922-4765.

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ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

In the last few months, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring Christ to the hearts of the poor, by assisting 16 families, providing \$675 in food, \$1,250 for rent and \$1,250 for twinning with other Vincentian conferences which help the poor in areas outside of Green Tree. Thank you!

Christmas
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On behalf of all the Youth Ministry members, we would like to wish all parishioners a **Happy and Blessed Christmas!** May our celebration of Christ's birth renew in us all a spirit of gratitude and love for our Savior.

Silver Ring Thing ... The Silver Ring Thing is a high-tech, high-energy performance that educates teens about the benefits of remaining abstinent until marriage and the dangers of promiscuous behavior. It will be held on January 13, 2012 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at Seton-LaSalle High School. For additional information or to register please contact Dean.

Youth Night ... Our next Youth Night will be on January 15, 2012 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Hoehle House. Hope to see you there!

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SINGLE, 21 AND OVER

Looking for a way to meet people, make friends and share good times with others? The Catholic Alumni Club is a non-profit organization providing a framework for single Catholics to meet and socialize with other single Catholics. The group offers a variety of different activities including parties, picnics, hiking, sports leagues, dinners, and many other great events. For more information, call us at 412-341-4070, check out our Facebook page, or visit our website at: www.cacapittsburgh.org.

CCD NEWS

Wishing all a Blessed Christmas and Peace filled 2012!

CCD Classes ... We will not have class the week after Christmas. The January 2, 2012, class will not meet, but January 3 and 9 and 10 classes will be in session.

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BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism Class is **Sunday, January 15, 2012** after the 12:15 pm Mass. You must register for the class by calling 412-921-1613. A date cannot be confirmed for baptism until your documents are in the office and you have taken the class.



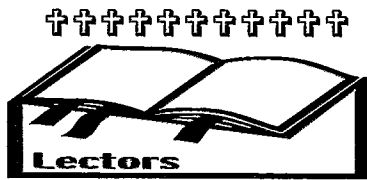
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2011

4:00 pm Jordan Lindsey and Ashley McGovern

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2012

8:00 am Danny Bigley and Morgan Vonada
10:00 am Anthony Ferrella and
Brendan McNamara
12:00 pm Ryan Roell and Alex Williams



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2011

4:00 pm Ron Pferdehirt

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2012

8:00 am Ralph Vitt
10:00 am Meg Gegick
12:00 pm Joe Nardozi

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation for our Parish is scheduled for 7:00 pm on Tuesday, May 1, 2012.

Rehearsal for all those to be Confirmed, as well as their sponsors will be Monday, April 30 at 6:30 pm.

All those preparing for Confirmation should have completed and turned in the report on their first Corporal Work of Mercy.

The Confirmation Retreat scheduled for January 21 has been moved to April 14, 2012.

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SECOND GRADE PARENT MEETING
FOR FIRST PENANCE

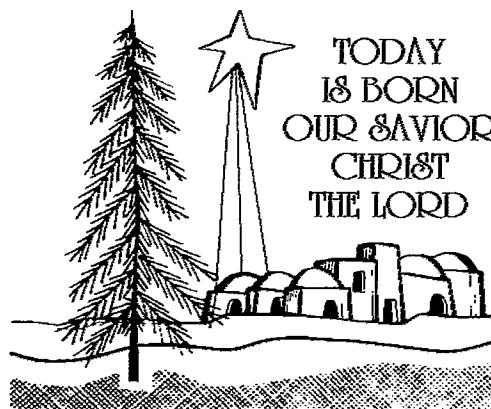
All second grade parents from the school and CCD are expected to attend the First Penance meeting in the cafeteria on Monday, January 9 at 6:30 pm.

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The Weekly Offering for the weekends of December 25 and January 1, 2012 will be listed in the January 8 bulletin. These two bulletins went to the printer early due to the holidays.

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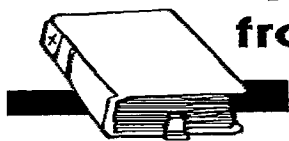
Let those who never loved before,
Love now:
Let those who always loved,
Love more.

-Anonymous



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A Message from the Pastor



Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."

- Matthew 1:23

My Christmas prayer is that all of St. Margaret parishioners and families will experience the birth of the Christ Child and that our parish will be transformed by His love and peace. May the joy and hope of the Holy Family be known in every home in our community of faith.

I pray in the spirit of thanksgiving for all who help to make the presence of Our Savior felt by all who worship at St. Margaret of Scotland. I offer special thanks to all who faithfully offer their talents to build up God's Kingdom among us, in particular our choir, lectors, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist, altar servers, ministers of hospitality, sacristans, altar linen launders, church decorators, church cleaners, and also to our folk choir and resurrection choir.

I also would like to thank all who help the parish by their work with RCIA, those on the marriage preparation team, the wedding coordinators and the money counters.

Thanks to all parents who volunteer in anyway at the school or CCD, offering their many talents. Thanks also to those groups who bring support to the homebound or to the poor or to the mentally challenged. Thanks also in a special way to those who take part in the lives of our youth, sharing of the faith is an example to us all.

There are many other organizations who make St. Margaret a special place, thanks to all who help in any way to make our parish such a wonderful community.

As you celebrate Christmas with your friends and families please know that my prayers and heartfelt love are extended to all of you and your loved ones. May the blessings of the infant Jesus be yours in abundance and in the New Year.



Mass Intentions for December 24, 2011 - January 1, 2012

Saturday, December 24, 2011 - Vigil of Christmas

- 4:00 pm Jack Laquatra
(Wife and Family)
10:00 pm Frank King
(Wife, Pat and Family)

**Sunday, December 25, 2011 - Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)**

- 8:00 am For Our Living and Deceased Parishioners
10:00 am George and Catherine Mildrich
(Bonnie and Rich Kaminski)
12:15 pm Judy Kiel
(Family)

Monday, December 26, 2011 - St. Stephen

- 9:00 am Leo Rihn
(Corpora Family)

Tuesday, December 27, 2011 - St. John

- 9:00 am Jerry Mannsman
(Marsha and Harry Crowley)

Wednesday, December 28, 2011 - The Holy Innocents

- 9:00 am Frank Ciccone
(Family)

Thursday, December 29, 2011 - St. Thomas Becket

- 9:00 am Connie and Dorothy Auth
(Ron and Rosanne Schad)

**Friday, December 30, 2011 - Holy Family of Jesus
Mary and Joseph**

- 9:00 am Harry L. Vidmar
(Carol Roell)

Saturday, December 31, 2011

- 4:00 pm Judy Kiel
(Family)

**Sunday, January 1, 2012 - Octave Day of the Nativity of the
Lord Solemnity of Mary**

- 8:00 am For Our Living and Deceased Parishioners
10:00 am Mary Mackin
(Carroll Gorman)
12:15 pm Bill Campbell
(Joe Kearney)