

St. Mary's Church of Iowa City

January 21, 2007

	SCRIPTURE	MASSES	CALENDAR
Sunday January 21	Neh 8:2;-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4	8:00 +Charlotte K. Fisk Thompson +Virginia Lamansky +John O'Neill 9:30 Parishioners 11:00 +Emmett McCabe +Jai Ryu +Aage Jensen 2 PM Vietnamese Mass	All Masses– Introduction of First Communion Candidates 7 PM Holy Hour for Life
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Monday January 22	Heb 9:15, 24-28 Mk 3:22-30	12:10 +Loyle Mueller +Brendan Fisher, Erin Calteux, and Kristin Schneider	7:30 PM Widowed/Separated/Divorced
Weekday			
Tuesday January 23	Heb 10:1-10 Mk 3:31-35	12:10 +Ed and Florence Chaloupka +Jake and Phyllis Roskup	6:30 PM Rite of Christian Initiation of Children
Weekday			
Wednesday January 24	Heb 10:11-18 Mk 4:1-20	12:10 +George Fee	NO Children's Choir Practice 6-7 PM Adult Choir Practice 7 PM Leap of Faith concert (parish hall)
St. Anthony			
Thursday January 25	Acts 22:3-16 Mk 16:15-18k	12:10 Special Int.– Ray Burlingame +Regina Aschenbrenner	6:30 PM First Eucharist class
Weekday			
Friday January 26	2 Tim 1:1-8 Mk 4:26-34	12:10 +Ray Scheetz	12:05 PM Angelus for Life 12:50 PM Prayer at Emma Goldman Clinic 5:30 PM Legion of Mary
Weekday			
Saturday January 27	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Lk 4:21-30	5:10 +Tom Alberhasky	10-11:30 AM Sacrament of Penance
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Sunday January 28	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Lk 4:21-30	8:00 +Betty Fisher 9:30 +Emmett McCabe +Jai Ryu 11:00 Parishioners	Catholic Schools Week begins Pantry Sunday Homeless Overflow Shelter begins
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			

FAITH FOCUS QUESTION

What are my favorite stories from the Bible, and what do they teach me?

Sacrament of Baptism

Recently we welcomed the following new members to the community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Kate Meyer & Matthew Adam Cannon,
children of Adam & Kristin

Matthew Kellner Colony, son of Ray & Deb

Nolan Patrick Craig, son of Jason & Ellyssa

Cody Michael Daringer, son of Neal & Nichole

Noah Edward Gregoire, son of Charles Jr. & Amy

Dale Jonathan & Gage David Heck,
sons of David & Suzy

Nathan Michael Heenan, son of Michael & Sarah

Kevin Daniel Howe, son of Justin & Tamra

Olivia Joan Kirk, daughter of Kevin & Lori

Emmy Krystyna McComas, daughter of Robert & Anna

Santiago Jose Perez, son of Bernardo & Yolanda

Isabella LouJean Tafolla, daughter of Travis & Heidi

Rein Baraka Wegman, son of Kerry & Kankiza

Spencer Jamison Winders, son of Jamison & Michelle

We congratulate these families and promise them our continued prayerful support.

Special thanks to Peter Doucette, Jason Madsen, and Jonathan Berger for videotaping these celebrations.

THANK YOU

Despite the weather outside, a great time was had by all inside the parish hall last Sunday night. Due to the efforts of many people, the annual chili supper with the Iowa women's basketball team was a success! We served about 125 guests including several parents of team members. The Family Life Commission would like to thank all who helped set-up, cook, serve, and clean-up. Also, thanks to those who provided the meat and ingredients, bread, carrots, celery, and brownies. We are grateful to all who come to support the team. Go Hawks!

THE CATHOLIC MESSENGER

What's our new Bishop like? Find out in *The Catholic Messenger*, your diocesan newspaper. Read what Bishop Martin Amos has to say about *The Messenger*: "As your new Bishop, I find it to be a valuable communications tool for conveying important information about the Diocese and the Universal Church." Subscriptions are available in your envelope packets or you may call the office (337-4314).

Holy Hour for Life

This evening, January 21st, there will be an ***Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer for Life*** here at St. Mary's Church in Iowa City from 7:00 to 8:00PM. This is in commemoration of the 34th Anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion in our country. All are invited to attend.

ATTENTION CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's Choir will not rehearse on January 24th due to scheduling conflicts. Thank you for your understanding.

Leap of Faith Concert for Youth
Wednesday, January 24th from 7-8 PM
St. Mary's Parish Hall

Leap of Faith is a contemporary Christian band led by a group of college students, who aspire to spread the word of God through their music. They focus their message towards high school youth ministry programs. Their program consists of praise and worship music, original and liturgical music, and testimonials.

A SHOPPING LIST FOR PANTRY SUNDAY
(January 27th and 28th)

- Canned fruits, vegetables, meats, and fish
- Peanut butter
- Cooking oil
- Potato, rice, and pasta products
- Juice, baby formula, baby wipes and diapers
- Paper products: toilet paper, tissues, towels
- Toothpaste, soap, feminine hygiene products

Why Catholic?

Why Catholic? sign-up forms are due now. If you need a sign-up form, call Sr. Laura at 338-0939 or email at LGoedken@juno.com. You are encouraged to sign-up even if you did not participate last fall.

St. Mary's—First United Methodist Pot Luck

Our annual potluck supper with our neighbors will be Sunday, February 11th, at 5 PM. This year's gathering will be held at the First United Methodist Church. There is always good food, conversation and entertainment. Mark your calendars!

REGINA HAPPENINGS

Regina is accepting applications for a Special Events Associate. 60% of the work will be as coordinator of the Scrip program. Effective communication skills, typing and spreadsheet skills, and accounting reconciliation knowledge required. Send your resume to Alan Opheim, Regina Education Center, 2140 Rochester Avenue, Iowa City, IA, 52245.

REGINA HAPPENINGS (continued)

The Regina Boy's Basketball Team and the Knights of Columbus will be having a pancake breakfast on Sunday, January 28th from 8 AM– 1 PM at the KC Family Center. The cost is \$7 per person.

HAPPENINGS ELSEWHERE...

Need a New Year's Resolution? Why not volunteer at the Crisis Center? An informational meeting will be held on January 25th, at 7 PM, at the Crisis Center.

Soup Supper at St. Joseph's Church, Hills

Sunday, January 28th from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM

\$5 for adults and \$3 for children

Proceeds will be used for educating Nigerian orphans.

The National Geographic Society is presenting a very interesting program called "In the Womb: Multiples." This documentary depicts the life of twins prior to birth. It reinforces what the church teaches about the sanctity of human life, using science as its criteria. The program will be shown on the National Geographic Channel (channel 65), on Monday, January 29th, from 3-5 PM. It would be worthwhile to set up your VCR to record it! The program does show a woman giving birth, so parental discretion is advised.

Hope and Healing Ministries, of the Diocese of Davenport, is presenting two seminars: *Pastoral Care Training*, Friday, February 16th, open to anyone interested in helping sexual abuse survivors and *Beyond Abuse*, Saturday, February 17th, for survivors, their support network, and those who want to learn more. These will provide a broad overview of issues resulting from sexual abuse and spiritual insights to move beyond abuse. The seminars will be held at Sacred Heart Parish Center, Newton. Scholarships are available. To register, call 319-338-2497 or visit hopeandhealing@davenportdiocese.org.

Martha and Mary Women's Conference Grand River Center, Dubuque, Iowa

Renew your spirit and prepare yourself for Lent at the 4th annual Martha and Mary Women's Conference on February 17th. To register or for more information visit springtimeofhope.org.

Vocation Discernment Day Saturday, February 24th

Diocese of Davenport Pastoral Center

This day-long event for single men and women, college age and older, will give participants some practical ways to discern God's call in their lives with the main focus on vocations to priesthood and religious life. Register with Fr. Bob Gruss at 563-324-1912, or gruss@davenportdiocese.org.

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Anna Stranieri – President

EDUCATION**Regina Catholic Education Center:**

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 Director, 351-7638
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DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION & STEWARDSHIP

Sr. Laura Goedken, OP, 338-0939

LAST WEEK'S FINANCES

January 14th, 2007

Envelopes	\$	11,227.00
Offertory (loose cash)	\$	968.00
Total	\$	12,195.00
Amount needed each week:	\$	16,800.00
Amount received last week:	\$	12,195.00
UNDER budget:	\$	4,605.00
Amount needed year to date:	\$	487,200.00
Amount received to date:	\$	529,714.00
OVER budget:	\$	+42,514.00
Number of envelopes used last week: 291 (out of 1700)		
Average per envelope: \$38.58		
Stewardship of Treasure Goal: 5% GIVEN IN GRATITUDE		

Thoughts on Stewardship

Again, Paul reminds us that we all have different gifts and responsibilities. How are we using our gifts? Do we appreciate others' gifts?

Choose Life Prayer – We pray that the sadness of each anniversary of Roe v. Wade may someday be turned to joy in a life-respecting society.

Vocation View – The Spirit of God is upon you! Are you called to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister?