

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**SPECIAL TIME OF GIVING
AND SHARING...**

A GIFT FROM THE HEART....

How large should your Christmas gift to the infant Jesus be?

Clearly, that is for you alone to decide. You are the only one who can consider your wants, needs and responsibilities, and make a judgment about your level of assistance to His Church.

However, there are historical examples that can help you decide.

Sacrificial giving is not a new idea. Through the centuries, the Faithful have given generously of their time, talents and fortune to do the work of the Church. The Acts of the Apostles details many such examples, providing us a thread of continuity with the earliest days of the Church.

Tithing is one such example. Centuries ago, ten percent of earnings was the standard. Given the responsibilities of today, even five percent annually in charitable gifts can be an important contribution.

In any case, what you give must be from the heart. Consider what your Church and parish have meant to you and to all those who came before. And consider your role as a steward, one who will pass on care of the Church to the next generation.

Searching your heart will help you decide an honest and reasonable level for your special gift.



Ushers Needed.... Christmas Eve & Christmas Day
Those who wish to volunteer, call Joe Scerbo at 954: 401-6428. We need your help.

Music Ministry News

The Cardinal Gibbons Music Department will be blessing us with the **Sounds of Christmas** on **December 17 at 4PM**. Please join us to welcome this fine group of performers. What a great way to ring in the Christmas Season! Tickets will be sold at the doors for \$10. If you wish to purchase advanced tickets, see Kristen DiNonno.



Are there any repressed singers out there? Do not be intimidated, stand up and sing! If you love to sing and want to be involved in our great music ministry, now is the time to join! We have started rehearsing for Christmas and would welcome any new-comers with open arms. Please see Kristen if you are interested.

Choir schedule, Sunday, December 17 at 9:30AM
Saturday, December 23 at 5:30PM Mass
Midnight Mass: Sunday, December 24, (11:35 music)
Christmas, Monday, Dec. 25 11:00AM Mass, (10:45 music)

GARDEN NEWS

Phase V is open for the ordering of bricks. Think of that special someone, anniversary birth, death, etc. and consider ordering now so that Phase V will have the necessary number of ordered bricks to go to print as soon as possible. We are looking to Easter for delivery of Phase V. That will only be possible if we have enough brick orders to submit. For information call **Barbara C. Scerbo**, Garden Chairman, 954: 563-3735 or cell, 954: 610-5641-BSCERBO1935@AOL.COM.

This Week On St. Pius X WebSite

Get your Christmas bracelet
Saint of the Day
Father Frank Pavone's "1 Minute Pro Life Radio Message
Catholic Jukebox
Christmas Grinch Awards
Catholic Movie Review – Mel Gibson's "Apocalypto"
<http://www.saintpiusthetenth.org>

FLOWERS for our altar.....

For the celebration of the Birth of Our Lord, the floral display in our sanctuary will be in memory of our departed loved ones and friends. Envelopes for this offering can be found at the Church entrances.



BINGO

Every Thursday

“Progressive Game”.....

All parishioners and friends of St. Pius are invited to attend **every Thursday. Doors open at 5:30PM** with food and refreshments being served. **Early bird starts at 6:30PM and regular bingo at 7:00PM.** All profits are for the Church Beautification Program.

The St. Pius X Snack Bar serves up coffee, tea, hot chocolate, hot dogs and an abundant array of cookies and snacks to the early birders and during the intermissions.

Note: We Need Your Help...Bingo is moving into the Season!!! That being the case, we need people persons who enjoy having fun and giving to the effort of the Beautification Program. Assistance is needed in all areas. Callers, floor persons, door & entry people and food and beverage servers. No experience is necessary and the pay is rewarding! We will be happy to have you for whatever time you can give. We are attempting to establish the winter schedule now, so PLEASE give us SOME of your time and smiling faces. For details call **Joe Scerbo 954: 563-3735.**

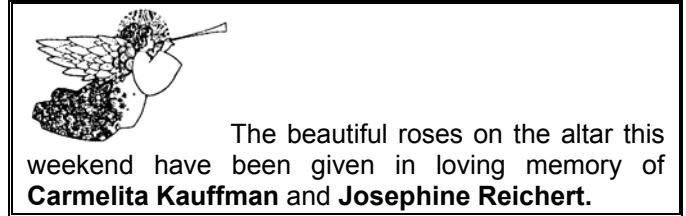
Prayer Request for the sick....

Rosario Satelo, Mrs. Iverson, Barney Hlavaty, Dorothy Croupen, Father Thomas Lavelle, Kathy Masotti, Miriana Belchino, Vasiliki & “Gus” Marchelos.and Frank Abadessa.

The Sanctuary Lamp signals the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the tabernacle and burns continuously for 7 days. You may have the sanctuary lamp memorialized for either a sick person, a deceased loved one, or a special intention, for a weekly donation of \$10.00. Please call the parish office to reserve a specific date.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in the Church, in memory of **Kenneth Vinning** in the Chapel in memory of **Chris McDonald.**

University of Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra Winter Concert – presented by the Notre Dame Alumni Club of Fort Lauderdale..... Saturday, January 13, 2007 at 8:00PM at Assumption Catholic Church, 2001 South Ocean Boulevard, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea. Tickets are \$25 per person. For information call Harry Durkin at 954: 771-6773. Mail payments to: Notre Dame Club of Fort Lauderdale, 4450 NE 25 Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33308



The beautiful roses on the altar this weekend have been given in loving memory of **Carmelita Kauffman and Josephine Reichert.**

MASSES For The Week

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 16th

4:00PM Valko & Rossi Families
5:30PM Balogh & McArdle Families

SUNDAY – DECEMBER 17th

8:00AM John & Mary Shogan
9:30AM John Kish
11:00AM Carmelita Kauffman & Josephine Reichert
12:30PM Dexter Woodman

MONDAY – DECEMBER 18th

8:00AM Jean Clark
9:00AM For Our Parish Community

TUESDAY – DECEMBER 19th

8:00AM Doris Campbell
9:00AM Mary Gillan

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 20th

8:00AM Marian & Edward Stitzell
9:00AM Nina J. Piedra

THURSDAY – DECEMBER 21st

8:00AM Mary Gillian
9:00AM Emma DeRuzza

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 22nd

8:00AM Meister Family
9:00AM Emma Rita DeRuzza

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 23rd

8:00AM Hornsby Family
9:00AM Gertrude McArdle

CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR 2007

St. Pius X Church collection envelopes for the year 2007 are to be picked up by our registered parishioners. Please stop at the tables at the church main entrance to pick-up your envelopes.

Peace