



Rectory Hours  
During  
Christmas/New  
Year Week

Monday Dec 21 9am to 5pm  
 Tuesday Dec 22 9am to 8pm  
 Wednesday Dec 23 9am to 8pm  
 Thursday Dec 24 9am to 3pm  
**Friday Dec 25 Closed**  
**Monday Dec 28 Closed**  
 Tuesday Dec 29 9am to 5pm  
 Wednesday Dec 30 9am to 5pm  
 Thursday Dec 31 9am to 3pm  
**Friday January 1 Closed**



**2010 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

2010 Offertory envelopes will be available for pickup Dec 19/20 & Jan 2/3. You may take any box number. Please print your name and address on the first two donations and our secretary will record it for income tax purposes.

It is very important to NOT USE OLD YEAR ENVELOPES. DESTROY ALL ENVELOPES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS as the old number belongs to someone else in 2010 and you risk your tax credit going to someone else.

**2010 St. John The Evangelist Calendars**

The 2010 parish calendars are available at the back of the church, compliments of W.C. Town Funeral Chapel. Please take one

**Used 2009 Church Calendars**

Please do not discard your used 2009 Church calendars at the end of this year. The pictures can be used for Catechism classes in the **African Missions**. Fr. John Boos will collect them in early January. A box will be located in the foyer for collection of the calendars. Thank you!



**THE ADVENT WREATH**

Fourth Week of Advent:  
Family Liturgy

Together say: "In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."

1. A family member lights all four candles.
2. A family member reads the bible reference for the day.
3. Together recite the prayer for the Fourth Week of Advent:

Lord, with these lit candles, we thank you for the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ. During this last week of Advent, bless our home and family with joy and peace in Jesus.

4. Together recite the Our Father and the Sign of the Cross.
5. A family member extinguishes the candles.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE 4th WEEK OF ADVENT

The theme is THE PROMISED MESSIAH!

Sunday: Micah 5:1-4A or Luke 1:30-45  
 Monday: Zephaniah 3:14-18 or Luke 1:39-45  
 Tuesday: 1 Samuel 1:24-28 or Luke 1:46-56  
 Wednesday: Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24 or Luke 1:57-66  
 Thursday: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16 or Luke 1:67-79  
 Christmas Day: Isaiah 62:1-5, Acts 13:16-17, Matthew 1:1-25 or 1:18-25



Peace  
On Earth

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, December 24**

Vigil of Christmas 5:00pm  
8:00pm  
11:00pm

**Friday, December 25**

Nativity of the Lord 9:00am  
11:00am

**Saturday, December 26**

Feast of Stephen 9:00am  
Sunday Liturgy 5:00pm

**Sunday, December 27**

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 9:00am  
11:00am

**Thursday December 31**

Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas 8:20am  
Vigil, Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God 5:00pm

**Friday, January 1**

Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God 9:00am  
11:00am



**SNOW REMOVAL ASSISTANCE REQUIRED**

Volunteers are needed with shovels in hand during the winter season for shoveling the sidewalks and pathways to the church before our Masses (3pm-4pm) Saturdays & (7am-8am) Sundays. Call the office please! (905) 668-3676.

**Knights of Columbus**  
**St John the Evangelist Council**  
**4895**

**NEW YEARS EVE PARTY**

December 31, 2009 – 8:00 pm  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
133 Brock Street N

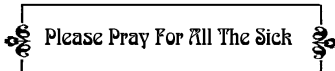
Prizes, Favours Cash Bar,  
Late Night Buffet

**Tickets: \$60.00 per Couple**  
(Reserved table with group purchase of 4 or more tickets.) **For Tickets & Information –**  
**Contact: John or Chris: (905) 668-5608 or**  
[509kent@gmail.com](mailto:509kent@gmail.com)

**LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY**

10 Mondays  
January 11 – March 15, 2010  
7:30 – 9:pm, Parish Centre  
Fee \$20 (for books)

Topic: The Acts of the Apostles  
**BRING: Your Bible, a notebook and a friend!**  
To register: phone the Parish Office (905) 668-3676



Please remember in your prayers this week, our parishioners and family who are ill, and those who care for them: RAY HAYES, LINA SPENCER, ASHLEY HUININK, FRANK PLUE, MICHAEL LAVIOLETTE, LEONARD CLARKE, SHANNON CRAWFORD.



### CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND

Each year you are invited to assist with the cost for decorating the Church for Christmas and throughout the Christmas Season. Special envelopes are available at the back of the Church for this purpose. You can deposit them in the regular collection over the next few weeks. Just put your envelope number or name on the front for income tax purposes. As always, we appreciate your support and assistance at this time of year

### St. John the Evangelist's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Coffee House

Will be held at All Saints C.S.S.  
January 16, 2010 at 7pm  
Tickets \$10/adult and \$5/youth  
Cash Bar

Tickets available after Mass December 19/20 & January 9/10 in the foyer or by calling Robert D'Cruz (905) 438-3734.

#### What is the Coffee House?

The Coffee House is a fun-filled evening for adult and youth displaying various forms of talent from within the parish such as:

Bands and solo performers from a varied genre of music

Standup comedy; Plays: Poetry; Dances

It's the parish's biggest event and we invite all our parishioners to come out and join us!



### Masses For The Week

Sat. Dec 19 - 5:00pm

**+Paulina Princiotta,**

req. by Filippo Princiotta

Mon. Dec 21 - 8:20am

**+In Celebration John & Theresa**

req. by John & Theresa Robinson

Wed. Dec. 23 - 7:00pm

**+Joseph Bone**

req. by His Family

Thu. Dec. 24 No Intentions

Fri. Dec. 25 No Intentions

Sat. Dec. 26 - 9:00am

**+Mario, Fortunato, Antonio & Daniele Ciardullo**

req. by Natale & Anna Ciardullo

Sat. Dec. 26 - 5:00pm

**+Nellie Wydeven**

req. by Mary-Louise LaBarre & Maureen LaBarre

#### Marriage Enrichment Program

**A Special Gift** for married family, friends or yourself this Christmas might be an inspiring, peaceful weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre. The Centre offers privacy, comfort, excellent cuisine and a program that will enrich a marriage relationship. The next marriage enrichment program will be Jan 15-17<sup>th</sup>, 2010. For information telephone: 905-278-8879; 416-694-1742, or register at Queen of Apostles: 905-278-5229.

## In Appreciation

### Priests for Life Canada

Thank you for your participation in the recent "Just for Life" weekend held in our parish. The draw for the statue was held and the winner was one of our own parishioners - Freda Langford. We encourage you to continue to spread the message that human life is sacred to all your friends and neighbours. Should you wish to receive free pro-life information for one year, please contact: Priest for Life Canada, P.O. Box 31 Pembroke ON K8A 6X1. Tel. (toll free): 1.888.300.2007; E-mail: info@priestsforlifecanada.com.

### Spread the Warmth

#### *A letter from Durham Mental Health Services*

On behalf of Durham Mental Health Services and all of our clients I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for your very generous donations of gloves, hats, scarves and slippers has brought much warmth to our clients and is especially appreciated at this time of year.

It is part of our job to help our clients become as involved and engaged in the community as possible. These items will help clients to be able to stay warm during the coming winter months and more comfortably able to attend to

appointments and involvement in our Community Crisis Response and Case Management Programs.

We continue to look forward to making a positive difference in our community and in the lives of those we serve. With your help this year, it is much easier! If you would like more information on our programs and services, please see us at [www.dmha.ca](http://www.dmha.ca)

We are truly blessed to receive your gifts. Thank you!

#### Toronto Serra Clubs

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest or religious to carry the Good News of God's great Love? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park (416) 968-0997.

### Catholic Family Services 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart to Heart Ball

February 20, 2010

Oshawa Golf Club

We are honoured to have Archbishop Collins present for this special occasion.

Tickets \$75 each and would make a wonderful Christmas Gift!

Proceeds to support the education agencies and counseling services provided to clients in Durham Region. Call Natacha Ward at

[n.ward@cfsdurham.com](mailto:n.ward@cfsdurham.com) or  
905-725-3513 x 155



### DID YOU KNOW?

**DOES YOUR CHILD ATTEND PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL?**

**DID YOU KNOW THAT YOUR CHILD MUST ATTEND**

**PARISH HOME CATECHISM CLASSES AT THE PARISH FROM GRADE 1-8 IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION?**

**PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE OR CONTACT CHRISTINE HANNON AT 905-444-9913 FOR INFORMATION.**