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Christmas Schedule

Dec. 23-Decorating Church 4:00PM Dec. 24-Christmas Eve Mass 5:00PM Midnight Mass 12:00AM

Dec. 25-Christmas Mass 10:00AM **Jan. 1**-Mass for Mary, Mother of God 10:00AM

Haitian Mass 1:30PM

Parish Office closed Dec. 24, 25, 26, 31, Jan. 1.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 2, 2012

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, December 7th-Vigil Mass 7:00PM Saturday, December 8th-Mass 8:30AM

"Journeying with Mary" Monday, December 3rd at 7:00PM

Women of Faith & Movement invites all women of the parish to "Journeying with Mary", an evening of storytelling, reflection & prayer as we join our Mother Mary on her journey to Bethlehem.

St. Nicholas Breakfast

The Men's Club invites all our parishioners and well-wishers to participate in the St. Nicholas Breakfast on Sunday, December 9th after the 8:30AM Mass. This will be a full breakfast of coffee, juices, eggs, grits, bacon, chicken and sausage. The cost per person is only \$5.00. The breakfast will be free for children ages 12 and under. Fifty gift bags will be presented.

Be An Angel

If you know of anyone within the parish who will be having financial difficulties with Christmas gifts for their children, please send the name of the child, his/her age, sizes, and what they want for Christmas to the Parish Office, along with a contact number. Please submit the info in writing, no phone calls please. The names of the children will be kept anonymous. The information will be placed on the Angel Tree. Parishioners will then choose an angel from the tree and purchase the items for that child. If you have any questions, please contact Mae Barron at (404) 304-0992 or the Parish Office.

2012 Annual Appeal Update

Parish Goal: \$52,200 Amount Pledged: \$44,784 Amount Paid: \$34,994 (As of 11/16/2012.)

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December 2, 2012

First Sunday of Advent

This Coming Week

Monday, 3rd

Novena 7:00PM-Chapel

Women of Faith: "Journeying with Mary" 7:00PM-Church

Tuesday, 4th

Haitian Liturgy Committee 6:00PM-Parish Office (C) SVDP Circle 7:00PM-Parish Office (M) Evangelization Committee 7:30PM-Parish Office (C)

Wednesday, 5th

Bible Study 10:30AM-Parish Office (C) Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM-Church Welcome Ministers 7:00PM-Parish Office (C)

Thursday, 6th

Parish Council 7:00PM Haitian Rehearsal 7:00PM-Church

KPCLA Executive Board 7:30PM-Parish Office (C)

Friday, 7th

Adoration 9:00-10:00AM-Chapel Health Screening 2:00-7:00PM-Parish Office (C) Adoration 6:00-9:00PM-Chapel

Saturday 8th

KPC/LA Zone Meeting 9:00AM
Haitian Day of Reflection 9:00AM-2:00PM-Church
Bible Study 9:00AM-Parish Office
Outreach 9:45-11:00AM
Peace & Justice 10:00AM-Parish Office (M)
Storytelling Class 10:00AM-Classroom

Sunday, 9th

Blessing of Ministers to the Homebound at Masses RCIA Class 10:00AM-Parish Office (C) St. Nicholas Breakfast 10:00AM-Price Hall KPCLA 1:00PM-Classroom KPC 1:30PM-Parish Office (C)



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Stewardship-A Disciple's Response

PRAYER FOR

God bless you all for your generous offering!

Nov. 18th \$8,746.42 Children's Offerton

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Nov. 25th \$7,022.95 Children's Offertory \$44.57 Building Fund \$6,152.96 Pennies from Heaven \$31.97

Readings for the Week

Monday, 3rd St. Francis Xavier
Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday, 4th St. John Damascene

Is 11:1-10 Ps 72:1,7-8,12-13,17 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, 5th

Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37 Thursday, 6th St. Nicholas

Is 26:1-6 Ps 118:1,8-9,19-21,25-27a Mt 7:21,24-27

Friday, 7th St. Ambrose

Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, 8th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 3:9-15,20 Ps 98:1-4 Eph 1:3-6,11-12 Lk 1:26-38

Sunday, 9th Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-6,8-11 Lk 3:1-6

THE SICK
Please pray for the sick of our parish

and those who have asked for our prayers, especially:
Bill Allen, Ulysses Bailey Jr., Gazela Ann Bell, Jerome & Lula Bullard,

Ephraim Burrell, Bob Carter, Marie Charles, Stephanie Cooper, Ida Cruse, Phyllis Daniel, Patricia Davis, Webert Devilme, Christine Edwards, Elaine Galbreath, Sharon Giles, Yohannes Hamido, Laura Hassell, Grace Hodge. Willie Hugley, Brittany Ivory-Brown, Joseph Mario Jean-Louis, Rosemary Jean-Louis, Benjamin Jean-Mardy, Carmela Jules, Yvonne Kage, Dot Lewis, Andrea Lys, Rita Maag, Elsa McBean, Barbara McElrath, Myeshia Moore, William O'Neal, Ronald Pierre, Dulcie Philip, Lynette Reid, Charles & Emma Reynolds, Lamercie Sanon, Audrey Shirley, John Sylvester, Roland Woods, Donald & Robbie Wright, Sharon Wyatt

Please help us to keep our prayer list

updated-by adding and removing

names. Thank you.



Altar Servers' Schedule For 12/8-9/12

5:00PM Mass John Brown

Anthony Ogbonna 8:30AM Mass

Trace Dorsey John Ekpoudom Mahene Lewis

11:30AM Mass

Garrett Grayson Issis Haydel Eric Swain, Jr. 1:30PM Mass

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Sacramental Schedule

Monday, 3rd

8:30AM Communion Service

Wednesday, 5th

6:30PM The Homeless (rescheduled from a previous date)

Friday, 7th

8:30AM 7:00PM

Saturday, 8th Immaculate Conception

8:30AM

4:30PM Confessions

5:00PM For the people of Sts. Peter and Paul

Sunday, 9th 8:30AM

11:30AM

1:30PM Annabelle Alce, b'day.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Support elderly religious. A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, "We thank God for every religious sister who taught us in school, not only our ABCs, but also to love God." Show your support for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have made a positive difference in so many lives. Please Share in the Care and give generously to next week's second collection.

Christmas Spirit Tour

For those who will not be able to enjoy the festivities of the Advent Dance, there will be another venue to enjoy greeting old friends & acquaintances and meeting new ones. The Spirit Tour has been a tradition in our parish for 47 years. This year the festivities will be

Sunday, December 16th will open their doors to fellowship and good beginning Sunday, Dedonation of \$2.00 per ter Infant Births (BIB) to



at 6:00PM. Three homes all parishioners to share food. Tickets will be sold cember 2nd. There is a ticket that will go to Betprovide layettes for

women who get their prenatal healthcare and education at the local health clinics. This event is sponsored by the Women's Council.

Marist School Open House

Sunday, December 2nd at 1:00PM.

Brief school presentations will begin at 1:00 and 2:30PM. Come meet students, teachers, and coaches while learning about our academic, spiritual and extracurricular programs. Marist School is an Independent Catholic School of the Marist Fathers and Brothers that enrolls boys and girls of all faiths for grades 7 through 12. For more information, please visit our website at www.marist.com/openhouse.

Christmas Connections Needs Volunteers

Catholic Charities Atlanta has volunteer opportunities for groups on December 15th in our Christmas Connections program. Last year, we served a total of 3,555 individuals. Duties will include unloading trucks, sorting gifts, distributing to families and individuals, and ensuring all documents pertaining to distribution are signed. This is a great event with a chance to interact with the community and share the Christmas spirit. If interested in volunteering, please contact Margaret Prickett, Manager of Volunteer Resources of Catholic Charities Atlanta, at (404) 885-7271 or mprickett@catholiccharitiesatlanta.org.



Women's Council

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

December 16th: Spirit Tour of Homes December 18th: Women's Council General Meeting

Social Evening

January 6th: Epiphany, BIB Layette Collection

OLM Fall Fine Arts Festival & Craft Show

The Mercy Fall Fine Arts Festival & Craft Show will be held on Wednesday, December 5th, 4:00-8:30PM at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School. Join us for an art-filled evening as we explore our world through Dance, Music, Drama, and Visual Art. Performances begin at 6:30. There will also be a Holiday Craft Show, where you can purchase unique holiday crafts and gourmet baked goods. **There are still vendor spaces available.** If you would like to be a vendor at the craft fair, please email Jennifer Cawley at ica-

wley@mercycatholic.org.
A team of students from OLM will be competing on the long-running Atlanta TV quiz show **High Q** on Sunday, December 9th at 12:30PM on WSB-TV.

Advent Dinner Dance

It's almost time for the Advent Dinner Dance Saturday, December 15th at 8:00PM at the Piedmont Technical College Conference Center (formerly DeKalb Tech). Delicious food, an open bar, and entertainment-all for \$40. Tickets are available from the Social Committee, the Parish Office, or online via the parish website.

"Marriage & Money: Resolutions for the New Year"

The holidays are often a flash point for arguments about money because of the pressure and temptation to spend more. "Marriage & Money: Resolutions for the New Year," presented by Grace and Growth Counseling Center, is a 2-hour enrichment workshop for couples. It is designed to help couples improve their communication about money. During this workshop you can slow down the hectic pace of the season for just a while and work toward getting on the same page for the holidays and the New Year. The workshop will be held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church on Sunday, December 9th, 1:00-3:00PM. The cost is \$30. No one will be turned away due to lack of funds. Registration is required by December 5th. For more information or to register, please contact Linda Sweeney, L.C.S.W. at (678) 235-3912 or Lsweeney@graceandgrowth.org.

Kindred Spirits

Kindred Spirits is a singles group based at the Cathedral of Christ the King but serving all singles, 45 and better, single, divorced, or widowed, in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Our next monthly gathering is Sunday, December 9th at 6:30PM (meet at 5:15PM for 5:30 Mass) in Conference Room 1. If you're dreaming of a White Christmas just like the ones you used to know, drive your sleigh on over and join Kindred Spirits for the December 9th Meet & Greet. Take a break form this hectic season and join us for a relaxed fun time. We plan to have our delicious buffet filled with White Christmas themed fare and invite you to bring your most favorite Christmas dish...provided it is white (or light and bright like the season)! Visit www/kindredspiritsatlanta.org, email us at info@kindredspiritsatlanta.org or call Colin Campbell at (678) 468-7582.