



*St. Lucy Catholic Church December 25, 2011*

# Nativity of the Lord

# ST. LUCY PARISH

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Sat 4:00pm Mass-Susan McKeever & Cantor, Sun 7:30am led

by volunteer Ray Organ, 9:00am and 10:30am—Rotating

Choirs and Cantors under the direction of Terri Seitz or Susan

McKeever, Sun 5:00pm Mass—Jen Jaimes & Cantor

**Leslie Hurdis - Food Pantry Coordinator, 939-6485**

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**WEDDINGS** - Should be arranged at least 6 months before wedding date and couples should be registered and practicing members of the parish.

**BAPTISM** - Arrangements for registered & practicing members of the parish can be made after attending the Baptism Prep Class. **Next class: January 8th** at 6:30pm. Call Sandy Gottfredsen, 554-1801, x208 to sign up. Baptisms take place on Sundays at 11:30am (following the 10:30am mass).

**BULLETIN REQUESTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Must be dropped off at the Parish Office in writing or e-mailed to: [stlucy@archmil.org](mailto:stlucy@archmil.org) by Monday, 9:00am for the next week's bulletin. (Schedule changes near holidays.)

**MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Must be received by 9:00am on the Thursday before the weekend in legible print. All announcements will need to be approved by Fr. Mark.



## Prayer List

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers:

Amy, Michele and Michael B., Richard Bentson, Bernice Bloom, A. Braun, D. Braun, Betty Candela, Roger Canfield, Darlene Chart, Chris and Kelly, Barb Christoff, Helen Clark, Marianne Cooper, Betty Costabile, Tom Costabile, Diane Croxton, Luzbella Dela Cruz, Joanne Cutrell, Abigail Margaret Burnett, Daniel, Linda DeGarmo, Dan DeMatthew, Katherine DeYoung, Chris Edwards, Randy Evitts, Maxine Feiler, Fisher, Brian Francke, Friend, John Gabor, Gil, Dorothy Gilbert, Mrs. Marie Gorski, Turan Green, Greg, Spec. Ben Griffiths, Helen Gryczkowski, Marge Hansen, Michael Hansen, Brittany Hardy, Frances Hartwick, Mary Herman, Andrew Hermans, Tracy Hintz, Christopher Jacobson, Clayton Janney, James Jarosz, Jo, James P. Johnson, Sue Johnson, Terry Kammien, John and Mildred Kemper, Joseph Kish Jr., Jeanette Kohel, Gloria Kosterman, Linda, Lorrie Kroes, Rick Kucharski, Jeanette Lasso, Sebastian Latz, Jason Leal, Nelly and Larry Leonard, Paul Lohmann, Chrissy Lorbeck-Hohl, Rex and Jean Lukasavige, Rob Luther, Steve Maritch, Mary, Mary, Jerry Matson, Susan McKeever, Henrietta Meier, Debra Naumczik, Michael Naumczik, Armandó Navarro, Jacque Nielsen, Sue Nielsen, Frances O'Brien, Robert Nelsen, Jill Nielsen, Gladys Panis, Susan Ridgeway, Charlene Ripley, Ed Roeckl, Marion Roiniotis, Lydia Schilke, Chuck and Adrian Schweikl, Bill Seidel, Stephanie Smerchek, Don Smith, Nancy Sobczak, Dian Sorenson, Terri (Ludwig) Stephan, Judy Stublaski, David Sturino, Marge Terry, Tim, Angie Toter, Joan Van Wie, Aunt Vivian, Rano Wells, Bob Willis, Tom Woods, Fr. Brendan Wroblewski, Bill Zelenski, Mike Zelenski, Barb Zarzecki, Carlyn Ziarek, Rose Ann Zickus

To place a name on the Prayer List, call the Parish Office at 554-1801, Mon-Fri., 8am-4pm.

## A Light to the Nations

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program focused on the development of men in the modern world. It combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. A Light to the Nations enables men to take the next step in leadership. Having experienced personal transformation in Becoming a Man after God's own Heart, men are now transformed into agents of change for greater society. This transformation begins in the home.

- No Charge for this excellent, national program
  - - Sunday evenings starting January 8th; doors open at 6:00 p.m. for light snacks and fellowship; program from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. -OR-
  - - Thursday mornings starting January 12th; doors open at 6:00 a.m. for continental breakfast and fellowship; program from 6:30 a.m. until 7:30 a.m.
  - - Come anytime during the program period of 13 weeks!  
- Knights of Columbus Father Michael J. McGivney Hall, 2516 Winthrop Ave, Racine, WI (just east of St. Lucy Church)
  - More info and registration at [www.paradisusdei.org/tmiy](http://www.paradisusdei.org/tmiy) (choose St. Lucy-Racine as the Host Parish) or call Mike Benner at 262-554-1367 or e-mail [MSBenner@gmail.com](mailto:MSBenner@gmail.com)
- Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 697, St. Lucy Church, Men of Christ, Racine Marian Center, Suite Imagery

# WHAT'S GOING ON AT ST. LUCY'S & ST. LUCY'S PARISH SCHOOL?

## Parish Picture Directory Update Sign Up for New Members

We began the process of creating a new St. Lucy Parish Picture Directory last January. As we were not sure if Father Sean would join us permanently until June, we held off going forward. New families have been joining us all year (over 80 families so far) so the decision was made to hold off and give them the opportunity to be included.

In a nutshell, we are taking appointments for any member of St. Lucy who did not have their picture taken last year. We are scheduling two days only, Friday January 6th and Saturday January 7th. Sign ups will only run through December 26. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex or you may sign up by phone at 1-800-866-2263 or online at [signup.olanmills.com](http://signup.olanmills.com). Our contract number is 55066.

Thank you for your understanding and your patience.

Pat McLeod  
Business Manager

## Altar Society Christmas Luncheon

**Tuesday, January 10, 2012**  
**Wells Brothers Restaurant**  
**Luncheon at 12:00 P.M.**

The menu will be soup, chicken salad, bread and butter, dessert, coffee, tea, milk or soda - The cost is \$10.00. To make your reservation, please call Jeanne Jones at 554-7209. All the women of the parish are cordially invited.



## Parish Support

Due to earlier bulletin deadlines, collection information for the weekends of December 18th and December 25th will be printed in the January 1st Bulletins.



- All Rel. Ed. Programs are currently on Christmas Vacation.
- CCD resumes Wed., Jan. 11, 2012.
- Pre-School Sunday School resumes Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012.
- High School and Confirmation Class Schedules are on the St. Lucy Website: [www.stlucychurch.org](http://www.stlucychurch.org)

## A Dream Mary Shared With Joseph

"I had a dream, Joseph. I don't understand it, not really, but I think it was about a birthday celebration for our Son. I think that was what it was all about. The people had been preparing for it for about four weeks. They had decorated the house and bought new clothes. They'd gone shopping many times and bought elaborate gifts. It was peculiar, though, because the presents weren't for our Son. They wrapped them in beautiful paper and tied them with bows and stacked them under a tree. The branches were full of glowing balls and sparkling ornaments. There was a figure on the top of the tree. It looked like an angel. Oh, it was beautiful.

Everyone was happy. They were all excited about the gifts. They gave gifts to each other, Joseph, not to our Son. I don't think they even knew Him! They never mentioned His name. Doesn't it seem odd for people to go to all that trouble to celebrate someone's birthday if they don't even know Him? Everything was so beautiful, Joseph, and everyone was so happy, but it made me want to cry. I had the strangest feeling that if our Son had gone to this celebration, He would have been intruding. How sad for Jesus - not to be wanted at His own birthday. I'm glad it was only a dream. How terrible, Joseph, if it had been real!"

The above story was written by an unknown author. But the message it conveys is a reality to many. Keep Jesus the focus of your Christmas!! What will your gift to Him be??

Sandy Gottfredsen, Pastoral Associate





## Holy Cow! This is Interesting...



**Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24th**

4:00pm Mass

Children's Pageant at 3:45pm

10:00pm Mass

Choir and Brass Prelude at 9:30pm

**Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th**

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, and 10:30am (No 5:00pm Mass)

**New Year's Eve, Saturday, December 31st**

4:00pm Mass

**Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God-  
Sunday, January 1st**

Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am, and 10:30am (No 5:00pm Mass)

### Parish and School Office Hours



The School Office will be closed December 21st through January 2nd for the Christmas and New Year holidays. The Parish Office will be closed from Noon on December 23rd through the 26th. The Parish Office will be open 8am to 4pm on Dec. 27th and 28th, 8am to 12pm on December 29th and 30th, and closed on January 2nd.

### Daily Mass

Daily Mass (Mon. through Sat.) continues as always through the holidays at 8:10am.

### Adoration

Adoration will not be held on December 27th, 28th, or 29th. Adoration will resume its regular schedule on January 3rd.

### Men's Bible Study

Men's Bible Study *will meet* December 31st.

### Holy Hour

Our next Holy Hour will be held on Monday, January 2nd at 6:30pm.

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS AND LECTORS

**For Saturday, December 31st—4:00pm**

**For Sunday, January 1, 2012-7:30am, 9:00am. 10:30am**

**No 5:00pm Mass**

Sign-up Sheets Available

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, December 26th**

8:10am Ray Fleury by Mert and Family

**Tuesday, December 27th**

8:10am Edward and Beverly Kovacik by Grandchildren

**Wednesday, December 28th**

8:10am Jim Grauwels by Wife and Family

**Thursday, December 29th**

8:10am Char Ann Lukomski by Family and Friends

**Friday, December 30th**

8:10am Martin Dierl by Wife and Family

**Saturday, December 31st**

8:10am Louis Klinkhammer by Mr. and Mrs. Ron Strasser

4:00pm Ron Larson by Co-workers at Schoone, Leuck, Kelley and Pitts

**Sunday, January 1st**

7:30am Char Lukomski by Husband, Mel

9:00am Wayne Mercier by Family and Friends

10:30am For Our Living and Deceased Parishioners

**No 5:00pm Mass**

**Confessions will resume at the regular schedule of  
Saturdays, 3:00-3:30pm on January 7, 2012.**

## A Christmas Video Message from Archbishop Listecky

As we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, Archbishop Jerome E. Listecky would like to share a special Christmas video message for the faithful of southeastern Wisconsin. For his thoughts on the true meaning of Christmas, and his wish for a blessed new year, please visit [tinyurl.com/ListeckyChristmas](http://tinyurl.com/ListeckyChristmas).

## End of Year Contributions & Complications of the New Year starting on a Sunday

Per IRS regulations, charitable contributions must be applied to the year in which they are received or postmarked. If a donor has not mailed or submitted a check by year-end, no matter what date is on the check, it may not be attributed to that year. This upcoming end-of-year poses a complication since December 31, 2011 is a Saturday and January 1, 2012 falls on a Sunday. This means that collections taken on these two days need to be and will be separated into the correct calendar year. Also, 2012 Prepays need to be received by 12/30/11 noon in the parish office or postmarked by 12/31/11 if being mailed. If you plan to PRE-PAY 2012 contributions, please place the Prepay in an envelope clearly labeled "PREPAY 2012." Thank you!

### What does that mean for you?

Contributions need to be received in the Parish Office by Noon on December 30, 2011 if dropping off, or postmarked by December 31, 2011 if mailing to be posted to 2011. **All contributions put in the collection on Saturday, December 31, 2011 will be posted to 2011 no matter the date of the contribution envelope. All contributions received on January 1, 2012 will be posted to 2012 no matter the date on the contribution envelope.** This mostly affects the attendees of the 4:00pm Mass on the December 31st. Save your January 1, 2012 envelope for the next week in order for your contribution to be credited to 2012. Whew!

*This situation was clarified by the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in following IRS regulations.*

## Thank You For Your Giving Spirit!!

Once again St. Lucy Parish has come through by showing its generosity and true Christmas Spirit! Within two weekends, children's gift needs were swept up with parish members looking for more. We had 100% return and 300 gifts were delivered, making Christmas brighter for these families. The

Ridgewood Giving Tree was just as successful. Such a positive response—all the 65 tags were taken in one weekend. Thank you to all who participated. We hope you found this as rewarding as we did!



**Lots of presents! St. Lucy Church has its own elves!**



**Working after Masses on both the kids' and Ridgewood's Giving Trees.**



**Loading up Santa's Sleigh**