Around the Parish

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER



A Prayer for Christmas Morning

The day of joy returns, Father in Heaven and crowns another year with

peace and good will.

Help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds and the worship of the wise men. Close the doors of hate and open the doors of love all over the world and Let kindness come with every gift and good desires with every greeting.

Deliver us from evil by the blessing that Christ brings and teach us to be merry with clean hearts. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children

And the Christmas evening bring us to our bed with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for *Iesus'* sake.

Amen

Loving Father, Help us remember the birth of Jesus,

that we may share in the song of the angels,the gladness of the shepherds,and worship of the wise men.

Amen.

by Robert Louis Stevenson



2021



SVDP Bits and Bytes



Thank you to everyone for an awesome response to the Food Drive for St. Joseph's Food Pantry!

SVDP of Sacred Heart delivered a van load of food donations and over \$800 in cash donations to St. Joseph's in Reading.

We are a truly generous and giving parish.

Thank you for all you do to share your blessings by supporting those who are struggling in our community.

Thank you,

Kathy Nevel

Sacred Heart School News

Principal of Sacred Heart School, Mrs. Joan McNeil

Our Home School Association is hard at work planning the events that make Sacred Heart School such a special place. Our President, Amanda Spencer, and Co-Vice Presidents, Sabrina Cirandine and Tina Cirandine are organizing a Thanksgiving Meal to be served to all SHS students on Monday, November 22nd.

St. Nicholas Day is December 6th. We will continue our tradition of leaving our right shoes in the hallway and waiting for St. Nick to come to school to fill them with candy and a prayer card telling the history and story of St. Nicholas. Once the students hear bells ringing, they know St. Nicholas has left the building and they can enjoy their treats!

Our Christmas Bazaar Preview Party is planned for Thursday, December 9th from 6:00 - 9:00 PM. Parents can bid on silent and live auction items and enjoy entertainment by VUJA DE! Friday December 10th is the Christmas Bazaar for our students and we are gearing up for an exciting day!

A Live Nativity will be held on Saturday, December 11th from 6:00-9:00 PM. Please join us for this beautiful event at Sacred Heart Church.

Our *school* Nativity play will be held at the Church on Friday, December 17th. The children are practicing their songs and their parts and we look forward to a reverent and faith filled performance.

Sacrament of **Baptism**

Joshua Philip Areoye

Son of Dr. Gabriel and Ayodele Areoye

Born December 13, 2020



Christian Simmons

Son of Randy and Gabriela **Simmons**

Born March 26, 2021

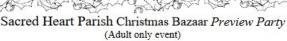


Remy Kahn

Daughter of Dr. Daron Kahn and Dr. Kathleen Lamb

Born June 5, 2021









Sacred Heart School is

seeking qualified candidates for a Grade 5 classroom teacher for all subject areas.

Full time candidates interested in a faith filled, Christ centered teaching position are invited to contact Mrs. Joan McNeil, Principal at

610-373-3316 or jmcneil@sacredheartreading.org



TO ALL PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART AND HOLY ROSARY

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

FROM ALL THE MEMBERS OF

THE BORNEMANN COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!

Thank you to everyone who made our Annual Holiday Pie Sale a great success! We truly appreciate your participation in our activities throughout the year and are looking forward to 2022!

Congratulations and welcome to our newest Knights: Blake Molinaro and Matt DePledge. Welcome!

Recitation of the Rosary is now on the weekly schedule, and we hope you can join us on Sunday mornings, at 10:40AM in the church and after Adoration on Tuesday evenings.

All are welcome to participate.

Wednesday evenings, at 6:30PM in the church we continue to focus on the Year of St. Joseph including more about this important figure of our faith, the Novena to St. Joseph, and The Chaplet of St. Joseph. All are welcome to attend as we celebrate The Year of St. Joseph.

Important 2021 K of C dates for your calendar:

December 2 - Officer's Meeting – IHM Room 7:00 PM

December 16 - Membership Meeting – IHM Room 6:30-9:00 PM

December 24 – Christmas Eve

December 25 – CHRISTMAS

December 31 – NEW YEAR'S EVE

The Knights of Columbus Monsignor Bornemann Council membership is open to all practicing Catholic male adults, aged 18 and over, who wish to serve their parish and community. Meetings are the third Thursday of the month. To join, contact John Sylvester at 610-451-6980.



Welcome

to the Parish:

Thomas Vitola

and Son, Thomas Jr.



Lisa Santarelli

and Grandson, Dyllan



Congratulations on your Wedding:

Alexander LaManna and Lauren Eckel

Married November 13, 2021

DECEMBER 2021 LECTOR SCHEDULE

December 4/5 Second Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM Terry Vogel 7:30 AM Mary Ann Kase 9:30 AM Lou Sutherland 11:15 AM Margaret Hueske

December 7/8 Immaculate Conception of Mary

5:15 PM John Sylvester 7:00 AM Lou Sutherland 12:10 PM Joe Tharp 7:00 PM Steve Bell

December 11/12 Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM Mary Ann Kelly 7:30 AM Kathy Nevel 9:30 AM Mike Gallagher 11:15 AM Karen Ann Cameron **December 18/19** Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 PM Steve Krupa 7:30 AM Vince Moffitt 9:30 AM John Gleason 11:15 AM Sheila Walsh

December 24/25 Christmas

5:00 PM Mary Ann Kelly (Vigil) 10:00 PM Mike Gallagher (Night) 7:30 AM Mary Ann Kase 9:30 AM Denise Mogel 11:15 AM John Sylvester

December 26 The Holy Family

7:30 AM Joe Tharp 9:30 AM John Gleason 11:15 AM Beth Tharp



Our Condolences to:

The Floriani Family and Friends on the passing of:

Patrick Floriani

10-29-2021



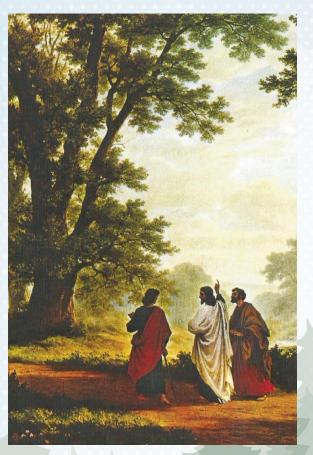
The Nouhra Family and Friends on the passing of:

Jorge Nouhra

11-2-2021



If you are interested in helping out, or have any suggestions, with any <u>Activities</u> or <u>Events</u> please contact **Kirsten** in the Parish Rectory or by e-mail at <u>activity@shrcparish.org</u>! Your help is greatly appreciated!



THE PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.



MOST REVEREND ALFRED A. SCHLERT

Please Join us after 5PM Mass, in front of the Church!



PARISH FINANCIAL REPORTS 1st Q

JULY 1,	2021 TO S	JULY 1, 2021 TO SEPT 30, 2021			
	9/	3 Months 9/30/2021	9/	3 Months 9/30/2020	
CHURCH INCOME:			-		
Offertory Collections Income		170,805		150,518	
Donations, Bequests, Memorials Income		22,368		511,757	*
Program Income		9,334		4,837	
Other Income		2,613			
TOTAL CHURCH OPERATING INCOME	**	205,120	40	667,112	
CHURCH EXPENSES:					
Administration Expenses		65,160		68,406	
Religious Education Expenses		21,821		51,636	
Diocesan Assessment Expenses		26,682		26,316	
Church, Rectory, Parish Center Expenses		60,980		59,206	
Capital Expenses		220,100 **		15,550	
TOTAL CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES	s	394,743	1/1	221,114	
SUBTOTAL OF OPERATIONS	10-	(189,623)	45	445,998	
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Church Subsidy to School Expense					

^{*}Donation Income - 2020 includes large donations to start endowment fund.

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SCHOOL INCOME:	1				
Tuition & Fees Income		172,456			160,137
Fundraising Income		42,219			40,370
Gifts & Bequests					1,000
Other Income		43			270
TOTAL SCHOOL OPERATING INCOME	4.	214,718		S	201,777
SCHOOL EXPENSES:					
Administration Expenses		61,841	•		50,996
Instruction Expenses		157,926	•		144,355
Building Operation & Maintenance		28,645			20,909
Other Expenses		9,663			9,207
Capital Expenses		3,793	:		23,969
TOTAL SCHOOL OPERATING EXPENSES	44	261,868		45	249,436
SUBTOTAL OF OPERATIONS Before Subsidies	45	(47,150)		\$	(47,659)
Remaining PPP Subsidy					17,567
Church Subsidy to School Income		76,000			52,000
NET INCOME/LOSS After Subsidies	**	28,850		·s	21,908

Admin & Instruction Expenses 2021 include unused slck & vacation day payouts to some retiring staff.
 ** Capital Expenses: 2020 - refrigerators purchased for cafeteria, ceiling/roof work in school
 2021 - new commercial stove for cafeteria.

DID YOU KNOW?

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

You can reduce your taxes with an IRA gift. The IRA charitable rollover permits individuals who are 70 1/2 to roll over up to \$100,000 from their IRA to Sacred Heart Church and/or Sacred Heart School free from federal income tax. An IRA rollover gift also qualifies for your Required Minimum Distribution, permitting you to lower your income and taxes this year

^{**}Capital Expenses - 2021 remainder of school roof replacement expenses.

^{***} Less church subsidy needed by school due to remaining PPP monies available