

**The Weekly Mass Schedule/Calendar
November 21 through November 29, 2009**

11/28/09, Saturday

4:00PM Living Mass for Bill Weaver

11/29/09, Fifth Sunday

9:00AM Mass for Glen Daniels

(11:00AM Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul, Cole Camp)

7:00PM Life Teen

11/30/09, Monday

No Mass

12/01/09, Tuesday

8:30AM Mass for Jo Sullivan

9:00AM Bible Study

12/02/09, Wednesday

(10:00AM Mass and pastoral duties in Cole Camp)

No Rainbow Colors Programs

12/03/09, Thursday

No Mass

12/04/09, First Friday

8:30AM Mass for Roman & Tillie Schulte

12/05/09, Saturday

4:00PM Mass for Lana Sullentrop

12/06/09, Sunday

9:00AM Mass for Lawrence & Anna Brand

10:30AM RCIA- Baptism & Confirmation-Sandy Haas

(11:00AM Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul, Cole Camp)

7:00PM Life Teen

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Let us pray for: Ed Hoyer, Fred & Mary Pepple, Bill Weaver, Francis Mulich, Fr. Dennis Schaab, Minnie Goffinett, Bob Cross, George Wise, Leroy Risse, ...and all who suffer physically and mentally.

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Thank you Knights of Columbus

Thank you very much for all the planning and effort put in for the Parish Thanksgiving Dinner. The food and fellowship was wonderful. God Bless the Knights of Columbus.

St. Ann Parishioners

A letter from Fr. Dennis Schaab

God bless you and thank you for the cards, letters and prayers. I should reply individually, but I am too lazy. It would not be honest to claim weakness from the surgery & shots. I do work them for sympathy & I appreciate for the concern & prayers. As a priest I've learned to ask for prayers more than promising to pray.

I'm disappointed in the scar on my left arm – not much of an “old navy wound”. I am on my 3rd of 12 series of shots with Levkine which I take 14 on & 14 off. So far not much in the way of side effects other than some soreness & tiredness. I miss all of you and thank you again. God be with you.

Fr. Dennis

The Little Sisters of the Poor want to thank St. Ann Parishioners for their generous donation of \$2,305.00. Their letter is posted on the bulletin board.

Donate Furniture for Refugees

The Diocese is looking for furniture to help immigrants in our area. St. Ann will be collecting any donations of furniture through November to help with this cause. Call the Office 438-3844 for more information.

Servers Schedule

Saturday, December 5, 2009

4:00PM Ben & Blake Brodersen

Sunday, December 6, 2009

9:00AM Jessica Blankinship & Naomi Thomas

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Collection for November 22 = \$2,293.11

Update on Catholic Stewardship Appeal pledges

Goal for St. Ann: \$3,343

Pledges to date: \$2,855

Percent of Goal: 85%

Numbers of Givers: 24

Numbers of Households: 241

Percent of Givers: 0995850622%

Attention all Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors & Greeters

I am making the new schedule for January through March. If you know of any plans to be unavailable during that time, please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you, Dennis Hamilton 438-8393

New Bible Study beginning this...

Tuesday at 9:00AM, Dec. 1. “Mysteries of the Rosary and Scripture”. Gene Kelly, Ted Swift and Carol Daniels will be assisting with this new Little Rock Bible Study course.

St. Ann's Parish Christmas Dinner

The Altar & Rosary Society will once again host St. Ann's Parish Christmas Dinner on Sunday, December 13 beginning at 1:00PM. The ladies are providing **all of the food** and just ask that you come to enjoy the “Christmas Spirit” with your family and your church family.

“**Tis the Season for Giving!**” Each week, St. Ann will feature one of these projects...The Altar & Rosary Society are collecting “gifts” for the nursing homes. Rainbow Colors and Edge are collecting “gifts” for their Christmas Store and we're also collecting food for the Warm House and Benton County Food Pantry. Please bring your donations in soon for each of these projects and put them in the appropriate box. Thank you.

Community Blood Drive Donate Blood at the upcoming blood drive held at Warsaw Community in the Warsaw Community Building, 181 Main St. on Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 11:30AM to 5:30PM. For more information call Bruce Bolzenius at 573-338-1383

H1N1 Vaccines The Benton County Health Department is pleased to announce that beginning Dec. 1, the H1N1 flue vaccine will be available to Benton County residents over the age of 6 months. The vaccine is free.

Warning from the 2010 Census Bureau

With the U.S. Census process beginning, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises people to be cooperative, but cautious, so as not to become a victim of fraud or identity theft. How do you tell the difference from a U.S. Census worker and a con artist?

* If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, they will have a badge, a Census Bureau canvas bag and a confidentiality notice. Ask to see their identification and their badge before answering their questions. However, you should never invite anyone you don't know into your home.

*Do not give your Social Security number, credit card or banking information to anyone.

*Remember, no matter what they ask, you really only need to tell them how many people live at your address.

* The Census Bureau will not contact you by e-mail.

Notes from Fr. Keith 11/29/09

“It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you. . .” (John 15:16)

Shopping is one of the basic activities of our society, or at least it seems to be. I don't enjoy it, however with a multitude of choices for almost everything, shopping is something we all have to do. With a free choice, we can value the amount of control seem to have over our lives: our choice, good or bad, is completely ours, and if we don't like what we get, sometimes we can get our money back. If we don't do our homework, our bad choice is our fault, isn't it?

I'm tempted to say that Jesus Christ is the best deal we can get, however that would miss the important point the above quotation makes. Christ chooses us, and we have no control over that. We can try to send back the parts of our faith back, but that doesn't reflect the reality: it's not like we've chosen Christ instead of Buddha, or Mohammed, or Vishu. Christ chooses us, and when we accept that, accept our powerlessness before God, the world and our place in it, then we can begin to make sense of what is real. The world is not a big megamart for us to take advantage of, it is the place we live with each other, and we're stuck with it. We may enjoy shopping, we may enjoy having control over what we choose, but the most important choice we make isn't really one where we can choose something over something else for relatively equal commodities. Our choice to accept Christ's choice of us is the best deal there is.