

Weekly Schedule of Services
December 24, 2011 - January 1, 2012
St. Maximilian Kolbe Deanery

SATURDAY, December 24 – *Christmas Eve*

4PM Mass in Paulding – Martin & Mae Reinhart and
Bill & Edith Whirrett

6PM Mass in Antwerp – Kenneth Parrish and
Paul Lefeld, Jr.

10:30PM Mass in Payne – Nancy Woodring and
Mildred Wannemacher

SUNDAY, December 25 – *Merry Christmas Everyone*

9AM Mass in Paulding – For the People

MONDAY, December 26 – *St. Stephen*

NO Services Today

TUESDAY, December 27 – *St. John, Apostle*

8AM Communion Services in all locations

WEDNESDAY, December 28 – *The Holy Innocents*

8AM Communion Services in all locations

THURSDAY, December 29 – *St. Thomas Becket*

8AM Communion Services in all locations

FRIDAY, December 30 – *The Holy Family*

NO Services Today

SATURDAY, December 31 – *St. Sylvester*

4PM Mass in Payne – For the People

5:30PM Mass in Paulding – Wayne Lothamer and
Jesse & Larry Moreno

SUNDAY, January 1 – *Mary, Mother of God*

8:30AM Mass in Antwerp – Zachary Arend and
A Special Intention

10:30AM Mass in Paulding – Harry Philipot and
Charles Johanns

MONDAY, January 2

St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen

NO Services Today

MASS TIMES

The Mass Times ministry is to help Catholics get to Mass by helping them find churches and worship times worldwide. When you travel and need to find Mass locations and times go to www.masstimes.org or call 734-794-2100.

Worth Considering: Don't put a question mark where God puts a period.

Dear People of God,

Merry Christmas. I am not going to say much except that I hope you enjoy the celebration of the birth of our Savior. I would also like to just share with you one of my favorite Christmas poems. It was written by G. K. Chesterton in 1899.

A Christmas Carol

The Christ-child lay in Mary's lap;
His hair was like a light.

(O weary, weary were the world,
but here is all alright.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's breast;
His hair was like a star.

(O stern and cunning are the kings,
but here the true hearts are.)

The Christ-child lay on Mary's heart;
His hair was like a fire.

(O weary, weary is the world,
But here the world's desire.)

The Christ-child stood at Mary's knee,
His hair was like a crown,

And all the flowers looked up at Him,
And all the stars looked down.

May the Christ-child bless all of you. Have a wonderful week and enjoy the Christmas Season.

CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

The Catholic Book Club is starting to read a new book entitled *Mr. Blue* by Myles Connolly. We will gather after the holidays for the book review meeting on Thursday, January 19 at 10AM in the Educational Center in Paulding or Tuesday, January 24 at 7PM in the school in Payne. Anyone is invited to read the book and attend one of the meetings. If you have any questions contact Matt Frisbee at 419-399-2576.

LEARN BIBLE BASICS

Have you ever had trouble trying to find something in your Bible? Do you want to read your Bible more but don't know where to start? Are you interested in learning where the Bible comes from and learning about the different translations available? The Mystical Rose Prayer Group would like to invite you to a short series of "Bible Basics" lessons. Theresa Conley will be sharing what every Catholic should know about the Bible. No prior experience necessary! Join us on Thursday, January 5 at 7PM in the basement of the church in Paulding. Please bring your own Bible if you have one, but Bibles will be available there if you need one. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Divine Mercy Parish Offerings

2010-2011 budgeted per week = \$ 9,134.62

December 18, 2011 - Offertory Collection = \$ unavailable
Total number of envelopes used = unavailable
Children's Collection = envelopes = \$ unavailable
2nd Collection to the Maintenance Fund = \$ unavailable
Christmas Running Total = \$ unavailable

Antwerp Chaplet Leader January 1: Rose Reinhart
Antwerp Church Cleaners week of December 26:
Patti Wetli and Schweinsberg
Paulding Church Cleaners December 26 – January 8:
Volunteer Needed
Paulding Sacristan December 26 – January 1: Wendy Lengacher
Paulding January Ushers **5:30PM** **Perry Sinn, Greg Johans,
Dennis, Kyle & Kiana Recker, Mike & Catie Strable, Robert Vogel
10:30AM ** Bill Priest, Derek Miller, Craig Miller, Dennis Miller,
Alan & Kylee Miller
Payne Rosary Leader December 31: Carol Schaifer
Payne Church Cleaners January 2 - 7:
Cindy Litzenberg, Rose Ann Glass
January Collection Counters:
Kathy Cadwallader, Susan Arend, Judy Fisher

LIVING CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP **How to Live Stewardship**

We have all been blessed by God with unique, individual talents that can serve our Church and community. Through an offering of our unique God-given talents we can serve God through service to the parish and one another. Wonderful opportunities are available to volunteer that unique talent. The parish can benefit substantially with many volunteer projects that save financial resources for the parish.

FRANCISCANS COLLECTING CANCELLED STAMPS

There are decorated boxes in each location for you to place cancelled stamps from mail you receive at home or in your work place. The Franciscans are saving **unusual or old** stamps that have come in your mail. They need at least about 2 inches of paper left around the stamp. These stamps, when collected, go to the Mother House at Mishawaka, Indiana and they prepare the stamps to be sold for the missions. Your help with this ministry would be greatly appreciated. The Franciscans have asked that if you can remember, please, no *Forever* stamps. Thank You.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 25 – *Merry Christmas to All !!!*
10AM Baptism in Paulding
Monday, December 26
Parish Office is Closed Today
Tuesday, December 27
Father will be out of the office
Wednesday, December 28
Father will be out of the office
8:30AM-7PM Adoration in Paulding – December
Special Intentions *Peace Among All People to*
Live in harmony and peace and for Children
& Youth that they be Gospel messengers
7PM Benediction in Paulding

PSR CLASS SCHEDULES **(Parish School of Religion)**

NO PSR Classes – enjoy your holidays
Classes resume on January 4, 2012

Merry Christmas to Students and Catechists

Thursday, December 29
Father will be out of the office
Happy Birthday Deacon Lennie Roth
Friday, December 30
Parish Office is closed today
Saturday, December 31 – *New Year's Eve*
Sunday, January 1
Blessings in the New Year to all !!!
Monday, January 2
Parish Office is Closed Today

CANCELLATION POLICY

This is a repeat from the October 1, 2011 bulletin article written by Father Fillman. So many times when we are dealing with school delays it is because of fog. Often by the time Mass is ready to begin the fog has already lifted so it doesn't seem to make sense to cancel. Let's try the following and see how it goes. If school is delayed we will have Mass. However, if school is canceled because of snow or ice in the school district where Mass was to be celebrated that day, then Mass is also canceled. For example, if Mass is to be in Antwerp and school in Antwerp is canceled (NOT delayed) because of ice or snow – Mass is canceled. If Mass was to be in Payne, and Wayne Trace is canceled because of ice or snow, then Mass is canceled. The same is true for Paulding and Wednesday Adoration, if Mass is canceled, so is adoration. Even with this, if the weather is bad, but school is not canceled, use some common sense. I really don't want anyone slipping on ice and breaking a hip, nor does God.

SCHOOL NEWS

Parent Survey Comments from Parent-Teacher Conferences at Divine Mercy Catholic School. *Divine Mercy is not only a great academic school but a wonderful asset to our community. I am proud to send my child to this school and intend to send my younger children here as well.*

YOUTH GROUP MOVIE NIGHT

All students in grades 7 – 12 are invited to join us for a pizza and movie night on Sunday, January 9 at **6:30PM** at the Center in Antwerp. We will be watching the movie *To Save a Life* (rated PG – 13). Parents can learn more about the movie by going to <http://tosavealifemovie.com> or by contacting Theresa Conley at 419-399-2576 or email at divinemericydre@windstream.net. Students are welcome to bring friends. In the event of bad weather, please call Theresa at home at 419-399-5255 before venturing out!

LET EARTH RECEIVE ITS KING

Wrapped not in stately robes
But in a feed-box filled with hay,
The King of all the universe
Inside a manger lay.
The shepherds gave him proper praise;
The magi, gifts of gold.
They knelt before their God and King,
So precious to behold.
This royal gift from heaven came down
With love and life to bring.
Forgiven, renewed, we praise him, too.
Let earth receive its King.

OF MUTUAL INTEREST

**** Spirituality - What's Your Style?*** So many ways to God! This January, explore the path of spiritualities well-worn by saints and possibly new to you. Find the one that takes you to God. Come to Lial Renewal Center, 5908 Davis Rd. in Whitehouse, OH from 10AM-2PM on any or all of these Tuesdays: Jan. 17, 24 or 31. There will be input, conversation, lunch and reflection time. Cost is \$20 per session, includes lunch. To register contact Sr. Dean at mdpfaehler@toledosnd.org or 419-877-0432.

NWO Men's Fellowship Breakfast on Saturday, January 14. Guest speaker is Norm Walker, former Defiance Police Chief. Event is at St. John, Defiance, 510 Jackson Ave. Coffee and fellowship at 7:30AM with breakfast and program beginning at 8AM. Come join us in fellowship to share the Love of Christ. For information call 419-784-3975.

Married Couples, Get time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. Have a chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you. This is a great opportunity to enrich your marriage. Sign up now for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For information or to register contact Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or bcschroeder@bright.net. The next weekend in the Toledo Diocese is January 13-15 at Sauder's Heritage Inn in Archbold, Ohio.

Natural Family Planning Course is a fertility awareness method designed to help couples achieve or postpone pregnancy. A short course in this method is being offered soon by certified teachers of the Couple to Couple League. For information or register for the course at www.ccli.org or call Steve & Barb Coolman at 419-658-2206.

Ecumenical GriefShare Seminar begins Tuesday, January 10, 2012, 7PM, at Apostolic Christian Fellowship Hall, 12867 Rd. 82 in Paulding. Sessions are free. For more information call Ross & Joy Stoller 419-622-1118 or email at joystoller@juno.com The 13 video sessions are designed to help you successfully travel the journey from mourning to joy. Anyone is welcome to attend.