

**BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
JANUARY 9-10, 2010 (XXV-22)**



**PARISH CENSUS**

By now, everyone should have received a Parish Census Form. If you have not already returned your form, please do so as soon as possible. If you have returned your form, thank you. Please note that even if you are registered, you should fill out a form as an update. All registered and unregistered parishioners should fill out the new census form and return it. Forms are available in the back of the church.

**SWINE FLU PRECAUTIONS**

Because of the Swine Flu, Archbishop Mansell is requesting everyone please to abide by the following liturgical guidelines:

1. The Sign of Peace should be shared without physical contact;
2. Communion should be received in the hand rather than on the tongue;
3. Hands should not be held during the Lord's Prayer.

Please pray for the deceased members of the following parish families: Mai, Maida, Malerba, Malin, Malloy, Maloney, Mancini, Mangado, Manganello, Manion, Mankulics, Marazzi, Marciano, Marcucio, Marganski, Marini, Markelon, Marro, Marron, Marrone.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK**

**Sunday (January 10)**

- 9:15 am-CCD Classes Grades 1-6-School
- 10:45 am Mass-Children's Liturgy
- 4:00 pm-Adult Scripture Group-Rectory

**Monday (January 11)**

- 7:00 pm-CCD Classes Grades 7-9-School
- 7:00 pm-Bereavement Group-Rectory

**Tuesday (January 12)**

- 7:00 pm-Miraculous Medal Novena-Rectory

**Friday (January 15)**

- 6:45 pm-Bingo-Hall
- 7:30 pm-Vocations Holy Hour-Rectory

**UP-COMING PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**Monday (January 18) No School-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

- 7:00 pm-Finance Council Meeting-Rectory

**Tuesday (January 19)**

- 7:00 pm-Miraculous Medal Novena-Rectory

**Friday (January 22)**

- 6:45 pm-Bingo-Hall

**Saturday (January 23)**

7:00 pm-School Dance-Hall

**COLLECTIONS**

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Offertory .....	\$7,166.30	\$7,210.84
Solemnity of Mary .....	\$1,256.00	\$1,625.00

As of last weekend, the cumulative Offertory Collection is \$44.54 less than last year.

The **Second Collection** next weekend will be the **Catholic High Schools Collection**.

**ADDITIONAL CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATION**

Donated By

In Memory Of

Roy Cinquemani

Jennie Cinquemani

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

The Bereavement Group here at the Assumption meets every Monday from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Downstairs Meeting Room of the Rectory. For more information, please call Barbara O'Grodnick (734-5096) or Marcia Burkitt (723-5295). Thank you.

**SCRIPTURE STUDY FOR 2010**

The Adult Scripture Group will be continuing the study of the New Testament Acts of the Apostles in 2010. The group will be meeting in the basement of the rectory from 4:00-5:30 pm on the following Sundays: January 10, February 7, March 21, April 25, May 16 and June 13. If you are interested, please call Christine Ring at 203-732-5717.

**BLOOD PRESSURES NEXT WEEKEND**

Parish nurses will be on hand to take blood pressures after all Masses next weekend (January 16 & 17)

**"LIKE A SHEPHERD HE FEEDS HIS FLOCK;**

**IN HIS ARMS HE GATHERS THE LAMBS,**

**CARRYING THEM IN HIS BOSOM,**

**AND LEADING THE EWES WITH CARE."**

FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

(TODAY'S FIRST READING)

**HELPING HANDS**

The Helping Hands Project is a vital help to the support of the school. We wish to thank the many parishioners who have so faithfully supported this project, and we ask that you please continue to do so. Thank you again.

**SCHOOL 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY ITEMS CAN STILL BE PURCHASED**

The Assumption School Photo History Book (\$25.00), the Assumption School blanket (\$25.00) and towel (\$30.00) can still be purchased, and they make wonderful gifts for any alumnus or friend of Assumption. Books ordered before December 6 (or ordered that day at the "Breakfast with Santa") may be picked up in the school office. New sales will be available in the back of the church, following all Masses.

**CATHOLIC ALUMNI PARTNERSHIP**

On his visit to the United States, Pope Benedict XVI said "No child should be denied his or her right to an education in faith, which in turn nurtures the soul of a nation" and now, more than ever, we need to come together as a community to ensure that we are able to continue to provide this gift to future generations of children.

Our parish community is excited to report that Assumption School is blessed to be one of more than 300 schools across seven dioceses (and archdioceses), participating in the Catholic Alumni Partnership (CAP). CAP is enabling us to reconnect with the many alumni who once walked the halls of our school. Our principal, Kathleen Molner, has been, and will continually be, working closely with CAP staff to identify our alumni and creating opportunities for those individuals to become active members of our school community.

Whether you are an alumnus or alumna of our school, or another Catholic elementary school, I urge you to be an active member of your elementary school community. Please visit [www.clickYES.com](http://www.clickYES.com) to learn if your school is participating in CAP, and sign up!

If you have any questions, or would like additional information about CAP, please contact Kathleen Molner at the Assumption School at 203-734-0855. Thank you very much.

**A THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR:**

**WHAT WE ARE IS GOD'S GIFT TO US;**

**WHAT WE BECOME IS OUR GIFT TO HIM.**

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

If the members of the family for whom a Mass is being celebrated would like to bring up the Offertory gifts, please notify one of the ushers before Mass. Thank you.

**Saturday (January 9)** Vigil Baptism of the Lord (W)  
4:00 pm-HM-Gerard Bilodeau (Charles & Venise Morin)

**Sunday (January 10)** Baptism of the Lord (W)  
8:15 am-HM-Nicola Monaco (Husband & Children)  
10:45 am-HM-Jeanne & Edward Burns (Marion & Family)

**Monday (January 11)** Weekday (G)  
8:00 am-LM-Richard Grande (Maryanne Marro)

**Tuesday (January 12)**

**Wednesday (January 13)** Weekday (G)  
8:00 am-LM-Richard Gaboriault (Bob & Angie Knott)

**Thursday (January 14)**

**Friday (January 15)**

**Saturday (January 16)** Vigil Second Ordinary Sunday (G)  
4:00 pm-HM-William H. McGuire-First Anniversary (Wife & Family)

**Sunday (January 17)** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)  
8:15 am-HM-Russell Garcia (Family)  
10:45 am-HM-Samantha Keefe (Mom & Dad)

**FREE HEARTSAVER CPR/AED CLASS**

**ASSUMPTION CHURCH  
Lower Rectory Meeting Room**

**Wednesday February 24, 2010  
6:00-9:00 pm**

**Call Mary Swansiger by February 17, 2010 to register  
@ 203-732-1137**

**Class size is limited to 12 people**

***This class is free, thanks to finding from the  
Community Foundation for Greater New Haven, Valley  
Small Grant Program.***

**OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES**

*A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six-year olds. After explaining the commandment to honor thy father and thy mother, she asked. "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?"*

*Without missing a beat, one little boy (the oldest of the children in his family) answered, "Thou shalt not kill."*