

Good Shepherd Parish

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Peace on Earth

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF
December 24 ~ 30, 2012**



**CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES
Monday, December 24, 2012**



Mass ~ 5 pm & 7 pm ~ (St. William Site)
Mass ~ 6 pm, 8 pm & 12 Midnight
(St. Gregory Site)

**CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES
Tuesday, December 25, 2012**



Mass ~ 9 am ~ (St. William Site)
Mass ~ 10 am & 12 noon (St. Gregory Site)

**Wednesday, Dec. 26, 2012 ~ St. William Site
NO MASS TODAY**

**Thursday, Dec. 27, 2012 ~ St. Gregory Site
NO MASS TODAY**

**Friday, December 28, 2012
St. Gregory Site ~ Mass ~ 8:00 am**

Anna DeSantis..... Angie & Mike Vettese
Mary Rivard Alex & Family
Frank Dayus Thomas Tobin

La Chaumière Retirement Home ~ 10:00 am

Josephine Fenton Maurice & Rosemary Campeau
Marc Paré..... Laverne & Cecile Martins

**Saturday, December 29, 2012
Mass ~ 5:00 pm ~ St. Gregory Site**

Special Intentions of All Parishioners



**Sunday, December 30, 2012
Feast of the Holy Family**
Special Intentions of All Parishioners
Regular Mass Schedule
8:00 am; 10:00 am; 12:00 noon
(St. Gregory Site)
9:00 am & 11:00 am (St. William Site)



~ Readings for December 30, 2012 ~

Feast of the Holy Family

1st Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
2nd Reading: Colossians 3:12-21
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

MEETINGS for the Good Shepherd Parish

Wed. Dec. 26th		- Adoration (St. Vincent de Paul Rm) (7pm Wed. - 7pm Thurs.)
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*****Please note: Above meetings are held at the
St. Gregory Site unless otherwise specified.***

Holiday Office Hours ~ The parish offices (at both sites) will be closed at 12:00 noon on Mon., Dec. 24th and will re-open Wednesday, January 2nd, 2013.



**The 2012-2013 Sunday Missals are
now available for sale ~ \$4.00 each.**

Prayers for vocations...

- Dec. 24 ~ Deacon Jose Viveros
- Dec. 25 ~ **Nativity of Our Lord**
- Dec. 26 ~ Rev. Stephen Bodnar
- Dec. 27 ~ Rev. Lawrence Mousseau
- Dec. 28 ~ Rev. Martin (Sam) Johnson
- Dec. 29 ~ Rev. Antoine Laforet
- Dec. 30 ~ Deacon Andre Dedecker



**A Special Thank You to all the Parishioners
of Good Shepherd**

Your Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes to thank you for your generous donations of can goods, food, clothing, furniture & household items we received. Your giving spirit will help many of our brothers & sisters in need.



In Memoriam

We pray for the repose of the soul **Brigid Gillis**,
Mother of Anne May (Marc) Marentette and
Norman Wilder, Husband of Rita and Father of
Sandra (Leo) Kennette

May they rest in God's love and peace.

Dear Friends:

This fourth Sunday Advent prayer reminds us that are very close to the great Feast of Christmas. This being our Christmas bulletin, I want to take this opportunity to share some thoughts with you about what we are about to celebrate.

We live in the darkest week of the year. Nature is hushed in the seeming sleep of death. The sun is at its lowest arc in the skies. Only gradually will the daylight begin to lengthen.

Moreover, many families have been passing through a difficult time as they try to survive the impact of unemployment, debt, loss of loved ones through death or divorce, or being burdened with sickness.

Christmas, however, is a time of peace and hope. The Christ Child born for us at Bethlehem brought us the promise of renewed friendship with our God. Again and again throughout his life, he will say to us: "Do not be afraid, I am with you." If God is with us, we shall be safe.

Everything about the Christmas scene is extremely simple: the defenseless Child, the crib, the shepherds, the adoring Mother. It is our interior attitude more than the multiplicity of things that makes us happy. For love of us, God made himself a Child. His little outstretched arms want to embrace a waiting world. The Christmas crib reminds us how we should appreciate and respect every human child, safeguarding them from all harm.

Let us open our hearts to him who comes to save us. I wish you the deep joy and peace that come from simple things, from family, friendship and from knowing that God came near us in the Child Jesus, with hope in our distress, faith in our doubts and joy in our sorrows.


Have a Blessed Christmas and May Jesus the Good Shepherd Bless you and your families

Fourth Week




O Jesus Christ, Holy Wisdom,
come and teach us your way;
Word of life, Word made flesh,
come, speak your truth.
Jesus, come and teach me,
how to sing and play,
how to learn new words;
tell me what to say.
Teach me how to be a child,
for you know the way.

Father Gary


 Please join us for **Good Shepherd Parish Family Ice Skating Day on Boxing Day, December 26th at Tecumseh Arena ~ Ice Pad "A" from 1:00—2:00 pm.** Admission is free for all Good Shepherd Families/Friends. What a wonderful way to enjoy fun and fellowship with both our own family and our parish family. Hope to see you there!

The CWL 2nd Annual Bottle Drive will be held after all masses on **Sat. Jan. 5th & Sun. Jan. 6th, 2013** at both St. William & St. Gregory sites. Please save your empty beer, wine & spirit bottles for this fundraiser. All proceeds will go towards our charitable work in the community.


Good Shepherd Parish will be offering Zumba classes with a Christian twist! **Zumba Classes will begin on MON. JANUARY 7TH, 2013 AT 7:00 PM IN THE ST. GREGORY SITE PARISH HALL** and will continue throughout January & February. Zumba registration forms are available in the foyer at both sites or the youth ministry office.
Let the spirit move you !

COME JOIN US
The people of Haiti have a lot of factors working against them and to some, a change may seem impossible. However, a change is possible—one village at a time. **Hearts Together for Haiti** sees change in the little village of Deppe, Haiti. Please join us on **Feb. 9th, 2013** at the annual **HTFH Charity Gala**, where we hope to raise money to **feed and educate 135 students at L'ekol Espwa (School of Hope)**. Tickets are \$55 each ~ \$40 for students. There is an Early Bird Draw for a \$200 gas card for guests who purchase their tickets **before Jan.15, 2013**. Call #519-972-3374 to get your tickets today!



 **Healing Mass on Friday, January 4th, 2013 at 7 pm at Immaculate Heart Parish, 2153 Parkwood Ave. at Tecumseh Rd., Windsor.** We will have teams to pray with you after Mass. Everyone is welcome!

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