

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND DEC. 3<sup>RD</sup> - 4<sup>TH</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 2<sup>nd</sup>: 2 Peter 3:8-14;

**Gospel:** Mark 1:1-8

*(For your convenience, our parish website now has a link to the USCCB's Daily Readings. Go to [www.stpeterchurch.org](http://www.stpeterchurch.org))*

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 26	5 PM	Gisele Dunn +
Sunday, Nov. 27	8:30 AM	C. Rose (birthday)
	11:00 AM	People of the Parish
Monday, Nov. 28		NO MASS
Tuesday, Nov. 29		Mary Catherine Meyer +
Wednesday, Nov. 30		Francis & Otis Warlick +
Thursday, Dec. 1		Healing for Nathan
Friday, Dec. 2		Healing for Whitney Wood
Saturday, Dec. 3	5 PM	Judge John B. Getz +
Sunday, Dec. 4	8:30 AM	Dr. Emil Jacquin +
	11:00 AM	People of the Parish

*Call the church to reserve a Mass intention date --  
Saturday Mass 5PM, Sunday Mass 8:30AM,  
or Tuesday – Friday 12:05PM)*

**Parishioners who are homebound:** Rosemary Ozanne, Myra Wilson, Fannie Conner, Billy Riggins, Louise Cantrell, James Robinson, Robert Estabrook

**Parishioners requesting prayers:** Jim Lauck, Bill Rose, Rita Lara, Clement Santi, Lisa LaVigne, John Shea, Joe Baier, Jim Barnett, Gerri Berretta, Celine Croce, Marvin Sanford, Jim Boland, Lily-Kate Anthony.

**Family and friends requesting prayers:** Jennifer Munn, Dr. Mohan Gehi, Allen Mitchell, Bayli Kathryn Titus, Thomas Ray Morris

*(Names published here for 3 weeks) You can include prayer requests in the books in the Church and the Shrine at any time.*

### PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE....

*When a parishioner of any age is admitted to the hospital, family members are encouraged to call the rectory 527-8282 (or in an emergency after hours 529-1255)*

### **Remember the following parishioners** and/or family members



who are serving in harm's way around the world: Lt. Col. Alex Kulesa, III, Capt. Austin Jackson, Michael Beauchamp, Tom Tufts, Jr., Gregory Tufts, Capt. William Perry, Amber Martin, David Zeleski, Capt. Robert Latta, Barclay Montgomery and Lt. Col. Steve Reed.

These names are in a special book that is brought to the altar at every Mass. *Please notify the church office of changes.*

### FINANCIAL AFFAIRS (November 20, 2011)

Weekly budgeted amount: \$ 15,770  
Last Sunday's collection (November 20) \$ 13,393

*A convenient option to make contributions is on-line banking.  
Call or e-mail Brenda in the Church office, 527-8282.*

## LITURGICAL MUSIC NOTES *for* ADVENT

We have begun a new Church Year. The melody *Veni Emmanuel*, the color purple, wreath of candles, words of the Prophets – all welcome us into the beautiful season of expectation we call **Advent** (Latin *adventus* = coming). The Advent Wreath is rooted in ancient observances of the winter solstice, when days in our Western hemisphere are shortest. Although not a penitential season, the joyful *Gloria* is omitted so it may burst forth as the “song of angels” on Christmas Eve. The 7 stanzas of “**O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**” (the theme song of this season) recall Old Testament titles for the Messiah known as the “O Antiphons”: *O Emmanuel, O Wisdom, O Lord of Might (Adonai), O Branch (Root) of Jesse, O Key of David, O Dayspring (Daystar), O Desire of Nations*. These names fill our prayers, resound in our hymns, and grace our processional banners as we wait expectantly for the birth of Emmanuel – *God with us*.

### **HOLIDAY GIVING: ANGEL TREE Deadline-- Dec. 6** **GIFTS FOR GOD'S CHILDREN Deadline: Dec. 11**

### **NEW ALTAR SERVER INFORMATION SESSION:**

**Sunday, December 4 at 9:45 a.m.** St. Peter's is very blessed to have a wonderful group of Altar Servers and we are looking for parishioners interested in joining this liturgical ministry.

***School-age parishioners, Grade 5 and at least 10 years of age who have made their First Communion (along with adults, as well) are all welcome.*** If this ministry appeals to you, or a member of your family, please join us for an **information session on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 in the Church.**

***School-age parishioners must attend with a parent!***

If you are unable to attend this session, but are still interested in the Altar Server Ministry, please contact Karen Klawinski [lkklaw@bellsouth.net](mailto:lkklaw@bellsouth.net).

**SAINTLY SENIORS: Fun, Food and Fellowship** with Friends and Sainly Seniors every first Thursday of the month. Join us this coming **Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** for lunch at 11:00AM and the Rosary at 1:00PM. After lunch we will sing Christmas carols. Hosted by Glenda Jones at her home, 171 Avon Road. For more information call (901)683-9267.

### **MEMPHIS MEN'S CHORALE HOLIDAY CONCERT:**

The Men's Chorale will perform at 7:00 at St. Peter on **Friday, December 2**. Fr. Tom and parishioners Isaac Lake and John Langley sing in the chorale. \$10 suggested donation.

**JOHN ANGOTTI & FRIENDS:** *A Family Christmas Concert—Extraordinary Love. Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM. at the Cannon Center. To benefit the Homeless Services programs of Catholic Charities of West Tennessee and St. Martin de Porres Shrine and Institute. For tickets, please contact Sharon Farley at [smartinshrine@bellsouth.net](mailto:smartinshrine@bellsouth.net)*

**BREAKFAST NEXT SUNDAY:** Join us in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>** for a delicious Breakfast prepared by Steve Meyers and his TEAM.

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:** A wonderful way to remember a loved one or honor someone special – envelopes available in the church pews. **Deadline DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**STEWARDSHIP AT ST. PETER:** All registered parishioners should have received a stewardship letter and a pledge card in the mail. If you did not, extra pledge cards are available in the pews. St. Peter's urges all parishioners to make a pledge to support your parish this year. You can also pledge online through our website, [www.stpeterchurch.org](http://www.stpeterchurch.org) Thank you.

**\*\*Thanks to those parishioners who have pledged to the 2012 Stewardship Campaign:**

*Church operations:* 75 families pledged \$280,029

*Literary Society:* 29 families pledged \$32,633

**~ CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS AT 5:00 PM ~**

All children and youth welcome to participate - **contact Jane no later than November 27: [mrsjane@bellsouth.net](mailto:mrsjane@bellsouth.net) or 527-8282, ext. 15**

**Children's Choir:** Ages 4 through Grade 4 • *attend at least 2 practices on Sundays in December (following 11 AM Mass.)*

**St. Cecilia Singers:** Girls Grade 5 and up (*practices TBA*)

**Instrumentalists:** *must currently be taking private lessons or play on a regular basis in school band/orchestra, Youth Symphony, etc.*

**Pageant Players:** 2 Shepherds/ 1 Angel (*please contact Jane to audition*)

**---- STUDY ----**

Contact Christina Klyce at [cklyce@bellsouth.net](mailto:cklyce@bellsouth.net) or call 527-8282 for more information on any of the following items:

**ST. PETER CHURCH ATRIUM NEWS:**

**PARENT MEETINGS:** This year, we are offering evening parent meetings so that parents can see the atrium presentations and works that the children are doing on Sunday mornings. We plan to meet in parishioners' homes, and hope this will also be an opportunity to meet other parents at St. Peter! **Join us to see what your child is learning on Sunday mornings!**

**Tuesday, November 29, 7:00-8:30 PM /**

**Location: the home of Lee & Eliot Morris**

For parents of children ages 3-8 St. Rose of Lima Atrium, St. Catherine of Siena Atrium, St. Dominic Atrium. **'Advent and Christmas in the Atrium'**

Contact Christina Klyce at [cklyce@bellsouth.net](mailto:cklyce@bellsouth.net) for more information on any of these items.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION: News! Mark your calendar now for 3 Sundays during Advent -- Dec. 4, 11 and 18<sup>th</sup> with Fr. David Knight! ... at 9:45 in the Choir Room.**

**Baptismal Preparation Class at St. Peter will resume in February:** For new parents having their child baptized and for godparents. Class attendance is mandatory for those having their first child baptized at St. Peter. **NEXT CLASS: Saturday, Feb. 11, 2012 at 10:30AM.** If you would like to attend, please call *the Church Office to reserve your place.*

**YOUTH GROUP EVENT SCHEDULE - NOVEMBER**

**Nov. 27 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday YOUTH NIGHT at 5:00PM**

- 'Like' us on Facebook to stay up to date!
- T-SHIRTS have arrived! *Pick up in the Gathering Area*

**A FILM FOR ADULTS THIS SUNDAY:** This Sunday evening, November 27, adults of the parish are invited to view **'If Only We Had Listened'**, the new documentary by filmmaker Sean Bloomfield (Queen of Peace Productions) and Rwandan genocide survivor **Immaculee Ilibagiza** (author of *Left to Tell*). We will be watching the film during Youth Night, after Mass and dinner, and will have a brief discussion afterwards. Approximate time 6:15-7:30 PM. All adults are welcome, but **please note** that the film does contain some graphic images of the genocide. (The youth will NOT be watching the film this month but will be in middle school and high school youth group activities)

**THE YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** will continue their scripture series on **Sunday mornings in between the masses at 9:45 AM** in the **Saint Martin de Porres Chapel**. If you have any questions or would like any further information, please contact Kristy Farley at [kristy.farley12@gmail.com](mailto:kristy.farley12@gmail.com)

**RCIA: Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?** Maybe you've been thinking of becoming a member of St. Peter, or perhaps you are just curious about what Catholics believe. On **Thursday, December 1 at 7:00PM**, we will meet as usual upstairs in the Crystal Room. **St. Peter parishioners, if you know someone who would like to learn more about our faith, please invite them to attend!**

**---- COMMUNITY ----**

**CHRISTIAN BROTHERS HIGH SCHOOL (CBHS) APPLICATION DEADLINE for the 2012-13 school year is December 1.** Our online application also serves as official registration for the High School Placement Test\*, which will be administered on Saturday, December 3, 8:00 a.m., at CBHS, 5900 Walnut Grove Road in Memphis. Our application is available on our homepage, [www.cbhs.org](http://www.cbhs.org). For more information, contact the CBHS Admission Office at 261-4952. (\*Only those who test at CBHS on Dec. 3 will be eligible for merit-based scholarships.)

**THEOLOGY ON TAP** You're invited to Theology on Tap, an exciting group for young Catholics 21+! At our next event on **November 29, at 6:30 PM**, Fr. Bob Cary will talk about "9 to 5: Toward a Spirituality of Work". We'll meet at La Hacienda at 1760 N Germantown Parkway in Cordova. For more information, visit [totmemphis.org](http://totmemphis.org).