

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. SCHOLASTICA

7800 JANES AVENUE
WOODRIDGE, IL 60517
630.985.2351 X 122

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 29, 2012

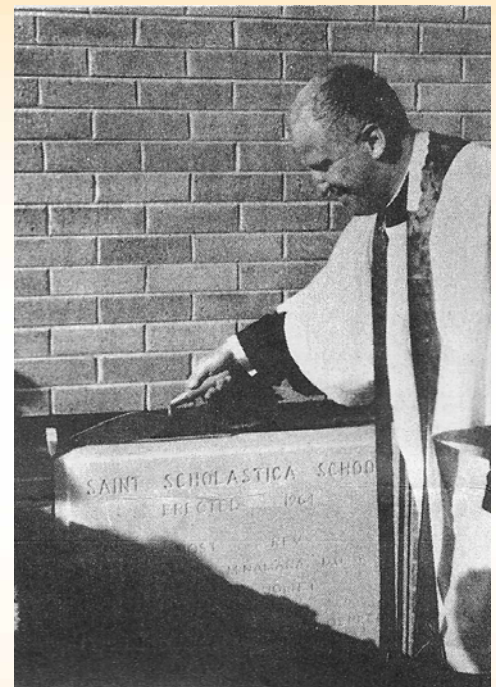
Our Parish History in Pictures



School Faculty, 1966

Do you remember what was placed in the copper box behind the cornerstone of the original church (now the school gym)?

See page 7 for more details!



October 18, 1964

Fr. John Klopfer lays Cornerstone

St. Scholastica Parish Fiftieth Anniversary Prayer

Established: June 1, 1962

Father, we ask You to bless us as we celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of St. Scholastica Parish. May we bring You glory and honor when we gather together as a community to worship You.

Jesus, we ask you to walk with us on our journey of faith. May we come to know You more intimately in the sharing of Your Word and in the breaking of the bread.

Holy Spirit, we ask You to fill our hearts with the fire of Your love. May we be witnesses of the Good News to the community and to our world.

St. Scholastica, we ask you to intercede for us. May we emulate your life of devotion to our Triune God so that one day we may be joined with you in our eternal home.

Amen



Living Loving Serving God

Staff Directory

The Parish Offices are located in the Administration Center
 7800 Janes Avenue
 Phone 630.985.2351
 Fax 630.985.8770
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Web site: www.stscholasticaparish.org

Pastoral Staff

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 Deacon Terry Zarembka, *Permanent Deacon, ext. 375*
 Deacon Jerry Christensen, *Permanent Deacon, ext. 127*

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 Alison Gosewehr, *School Secretary*

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7800 Janes Avenue ... 630.985.2351
 Dan and Carrie Marcotte, *Directors of Music*
 Carrie Marcotte, *Liturgy Coordinator, ext. 140*
stscholmusic@aol.com

Parish Office Hours January 29-February 4

Sunday, 1/29
4:30-8 pm
Monday, 1/30 through Thursday, 2/2
8 am—8 pm
Friday, 2/3
8 am—6 pm
Saturday, 2/4
Closed

Stewardship of Sharing—January 15

572 Envelopes, January 15, 2012 \$17,491.41
4% Parish Stewardship to others..... (\$699.66)

Children’s Stewardship of Sharing

81 Envelopes, January 15, 2012 \$197.81
Net Income, January 15, 2012..... \$16,989.56

Credit Card Stewardship, January 20\$4,774.50
Credit Card Debt Reduction, January 20 \$205.00

Stewardship of Sharing—January 22

553 Envelopes, January 22, 2012..... \$16,403.37
4% Parish Stewardship to others..... (\$656.14)

Children’s Stewardship of Sharing

91 Envelopes, January 22, 2012..... \$167.78
Net Income, January 22, 2012..... \$15,915.01

*Let’s set our personal goals high as good stewards
 Thank you for your continued generosity!*

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Just a reminder of the recordkeeping requirements for cash contributions from the Internal Revenue Service. You cannot deduct a cash contribution, regardless of the amount, unless you keep as a record of the contribution; a bank record (such as a canceled check, a copy of a canceled check or a bank statement containing the name of the charity, the date, and the amount) **or a written communication from the charity.** The written communication must include the name of the charity, date of the contribution, and amount of the contribution.

If you are a registered parishioner and use your weekly envelopes, a written statement for the IRS will be sent to you. Contact Rita at 630.985.2351x122 if you do not receive one by January 31.

Mass Schedule

Weekend

Saturday (*eve of Sunday*) 4:30 P.M.
 Sunday..... 8 A.M., 10 A.M. and 12 NOON

Daily

Monday, Wednesday & Friday8:30 A.M.
 Tuesday & Thursday6:30 A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:45 – 4:15 P.M.
or call Fr. Riva to make an appointment

Visit us on the web at www.stscholasticaparish.org

Notes

From

the

Business
Manager



My fellow Stewards—"Stewardship our Way of Life"

- ◆ Receive God's gifts gratefully
- ◆ Cultivate them responsibly
- ◆ Share them lovingly in justice with others
- ◆ Return them with increase to the Lord

Teach us to be the very building....the people of God.



First, our apologies to the 4:30 mass crowd on Saturday and thanks to Deacon Jerry for his quick response to cover the difficulty. There was a mishap and the priest who was to cover for my absence wasn't available. So Deacon Jerry did a communion service, and from what I hear, did a great job. Thanks so much.

Which really brings up a reality that may be the future because of lack of clergy. With a number of us retiring in June and only ordaining three men, the numbers of priests available is going to shrink. This is not only here in our diocese, but all over the country. The vocation numbers are not great and we are beginning to meet next month to discuss how the Diocese will face this problem head on to cover the needs of our parishes. Luckily we get help from priests of religious orders, but their numbers are not too great either. Please keep our need for priests in your prayers and if you think you know of a good man who might make a good priest, let me know and I'll do the recruitment.

It's that time for the Diocesan Appeal Program and some of you may have already received your letters from the Bishop in the mail, or you will soon be receiving those letters. The actual program begins mid-February, but we are beginning our advertising now. Our goal will be around \$87 thousand and last year we almost made it. As more of the information becomes available, please pray over what you can do to help us reach our goal. The Diocese is a big help to all of our parishes and programs, so I know anything that you can do will be good for us.

Remember the next event on our schedule for our parish anniversary celebration is the gala concert at the Tivoli Theater on Sunday, February 26th at 2:00 pm. Watch for tickets sales and watch for the basket raffle which begins at Hospitality Sunday next week.

As you notice, the cover of the bulletin will include pictures of our history. I was interested to see the picture last week of the original church plans. That was the first time I saw that picture which was found in the scrapbooks of the CCW. Father John sure had some great ideas for our parish. I wish you all had the opportunity to know him. He was a gem of a priest and we are hoping that his health holds out so we can get him here for one of our upcoming events. As usual, keep our parish in your prayers for our past, our present and our future.

Peace and All Good Things!

Jethen Rive

Stewardship of Sharing—Christmas, 2011

Parish Stewardship, Christmas \$59,094.61

The generosity of the Parish Family of St. Scholastica is astounding. Our Christmas Collection reflects the strong commitment of our parishioners to the parish and its mission. Not only did we receive over \$59,000 in stewardship for the Christmas holiday, we also received over \$23,000 for our weekend stewardship on December 24 and 25. Again, thank you for your generous support of your parish.

Lianda Valentine
Business Manager



In today's second reading St. Paul talks about the fact that married couples have to deal with the anxieties of the world. Sometimes those stresses can really have a negative impact on our marriages. Get away from all those worldly anxieties and take time to just focus on each other by making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Weekend. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on February 17-19, 2012. Contact Tim and Pat Doyle, 630-577-0778. For more information visit our website at: wwmejoliet.org.

Welcome

All those visiting the parish are invited to stop by the "Welcoming Booth" in the Breezeway at the entrance to the Church to pick up some information about our parish.

Registration forms can be found in this area and once completed can be placed in the offertory basket at Mass. The form can also be downloaded from our web site. If you need any assistance in completing the form, please don't hesitate to contact us at 630.985.2351, ext. 122. We would also be happy to take your information over the phone.

Our Mission

We, the family of St. Scholastica Catholic Parish, are dedicated Christian stewards of God's gifts. We have been called in Baptism and through the Holy Spirit to be disciples of Jesus.

We are a sacramental community, sharing a sense of welcoming and belonging. We provide opportunities for spiritual growth and faith formation. We are committed in both prayer and action to support and nurture each other and those in need.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations on the birth of your child and thank you for taking the first step with your child on a life-long journey of faith. In preparation for this very joyous celebration you are invited to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class. The classes are available in both English and Spanish nearly every month of the year. Please call the Parish Office at 630.985.2351, ext. 122, for more information and to sign up for the class. Baptisms can only be scheduled after completion of the baptismal class.



Arrangements for a Funeral Mass are made through the Funeral Home you choose. The Funeral Home will contact the Parish Administration Center to schedule the Mass.

We Pray for Our Deceased and Their Families

Anne Flynn
Mother of Timothy (Laura) Flynn
Grandmother of Liam, Patrick & Eileen

Emmett Murphy
Husband of Nona Murphy
Father of Dan, Gary & Tim Murphy & Mary Nash

John B. Smith
Husband of Christine Smith
Father of Amanda, Andrew & Brad

NOT WITHOUT LOVE

The soul cannot live without love.

- St. Francis de Sales



PVT Kyle Mrazek, Lance Corporal Kyle R. Moser, SPC Kevin Rudny, USMC Corporal Phillip Bosco, PFC Michael Jacobson, USAF E4 Micah Rockwell, FN Jacob Reed,

Captain Noel Sioson, STG2 Linda Greene, Major Kenneth Schlorf, PVT Jake Higley, PVT Claire Gieseke, EMF-K Karl Gieseke, Major Brady Sexton, Captain Mark F. Luneburg, MFN Jesse Kolek, Sergeant Donald J. May, Staff SGT Ryan Gulley, Captain Kevin Crockett, 1st Lieutenant David G. Mack, Army Specialist Joseph Riehle

The Sacrament of Marriage

Preparation for marriage involves special instruction for the couple. **Notification to the Parish Administration Center is required at least 6 months in advance.** Please call Sue at the Parish Administration Center, 630.985.2351, ext. 124, for more information.



Prayer List Policy

In the interest of keeping our Prayer List up-to-date, names will be placed on the list for four weeks. To continue on the list, please notify Rita by calling her at 630.985.2351, ext. 122. Thank you!

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Susan Jarosinski, Diana Dunwoody, Joseph Locke, Natalie Hope, Jim Leninger, Joyce Hapack, Robert & Ashley Baltazar, Rosann York, Lance Corporal Kyle Moser, Diane Rudzinski, Antoinette Pickers, Myrtle Dobrocky, Carol McCormick, Angie Kesterson, Donald O'Shea, Jo Baaske, Jim Picek



Our Friends and Family Battling Cancer

Matthew Campbell, Lee Chvatal, Carol McCormick, Brenda Coburn, Paul Meaden, Frank Nadherny, Jackie Barba, Pat D'Adamok, Therese Hutton, Dionisia Bizzarra, Sylvia Duncan, Victor Skip Meyers, Kate Putra, Jean Azzarello, Connie Melvin, Sylvia Duncan, Debbie Ziomek, Tony Russo, Sue Grubba—Duffy, Lilia Ramirez, Joe Gremlier, Lisa Chentorycki, Lisa Petruzzi, Al Voras,

St. Peregrine



Pray for Us

Harold VonDeBur, Robert Richter, Kathy Crampton, Jan Linder, Caroline Farrell, William Walker, Erich Pavel III, Richay Gabel, Nick Blaszczyk, Betty Lara, Deacon Roger Schmith, Walter Dennis, Tom Rehagen, Delphine Bruce, Betty Lawson, Elise Wilczynski, Ellen Yurka, Frank Zellner, Larry Perkins, Marie Averion, Larry Farrel, Frank Wojcik, Shirley Ruthledge, Marty Woods, Abigail Beranek, Bernard Chudzik, Frank Nowak, Virginia Bartucci, Jack Marquez, Maria Claparols, Jack Dalton, Harold Willison, Carolyn Jackson, Daniel Visone, Dick Wagner

Stewardship of Prayer

The people were astonished at Jesus' teachings....

Mark 1:14-20

Although the Gospels do not always tell us exactly what Jesus was saying as He taught, we know well His message. *Let God's love for you permeate your lives; love God in return, and out of that love, serve the needs of one another. The ways of the world, self pride, anger or greed are not to define you.*

UNDERSTANDING IMAGES AND ARCHITECTURE OF ST. SCHOLASTICA CHURCH



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 7-9 PM, ACTIVITY CENTER PRESENTED BY DR. DOMINIC COLONNA

Dr. Colonna received his Ph.D. from Fordham University in 1998 in systematic theology. He has been teaching at Lewis University since 1999 and has served as the Theology Dept. chair since 2003. His primary area of research is theological aesthetics. The focus of his research is an examination of how theological doctrines can be effectively communicated through the arts (especially the visual, performing, architectural, and musical arts).



Join us at a TEEN MASS

We will be having a **Teen Mass NEXT Sunday, February 5th at 10:00 am.** The teens will participate in the Liturgical Ministries including Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Ushers, the Presentation of the Gifts, Signers for the Our Father and the Teen Choir. If you have a part in the Mass, or would like one, please arrive at 9:30 am and Dress Nicely. We will be having more Teen Masses throughout the year. If anyone is interested in participating in the Teen Choir, or other Liturgical Ministries, please contact Jennifer at 630-985-2351x138.

MASS ANNOUNCEMENT GUIDELINES

- Mass announcements should be given to Carrie Marcotte by 9 am the Thursday before the weekend of the announcements.
- Please limit announcements to 1-2 sentences in length.
- Announcements may only be announced for 2 weeks.

CARRIE'S LITURGY LESSON CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

We begin the celebration of Catholic Education Week at the end of January. This is one of the ways the church affirms its commitment to children. Catholic education exists to assist parents in their duty of passing on their faith to their children. Our classrooms provide an atmosphere in which the same ethics and morals are taught as are taught and modeled in the home. Our school and religious education programs assist and support the parents in their vocation as parents. Parents are the primary teachers of their children and their actions are the prime examples the children witness.

This bulletin insert was prepared by Fr. Richard Husted, OFM and pastoral liturgist and ministry consultant Caroline Thomas.

God's blessings for a great week!
Carrie Marcotte



"THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS AT HAND"
(MARK 1:15)

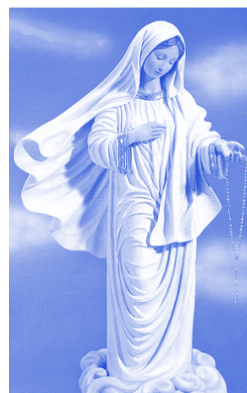
The 2012 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal begins soon. You will be receiving a mailing from the Bishop for your pledge. The Appeal not only funds many of the operations of the diocese, it funds services that are of great help here in our parish, like our educational programs, our care for the needy and sacramental prep programs.

Please remember that God never forgets us. He is always giving to us. His grace is always there for us.

We must remember to give back to God.

Our Parish goal is \$87,866. With your support, we can reach and exceed our goal.

Please answer our Bishop's request and make a generous pledge. Thank you for your support.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

You are invited to St. Scholastica's Eucharistic Adoration from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm. Please plan on joining us! We need two people signed up each hour for Adoration or we will not be able to continue this special devotion. **First Friday Holy Hour** will begin at 7:30 pm on **Friday, February 3rd**.

Social Concerns & Service Programs

7800 Janes Avenue 630.985.2351
Deacon Roger Schmith, *ext. 129*

Important Phone Numbers

Confidential Emergency Financial Assistance
630.985.2351x3
West Suburban Community Pantry (food assistance)
630.512.9921
For Sick, Homebound and Hospital Visits
630.985.2351x122
All Other Social Concerns and Service Requests
630.985.2351x129

Birthright (*Crisis Pregnancy*)630.355.9888
Catholic Charities (*Crisis Pregnancy*)630.495.9850
Domestic Violence Hotline630.469.5650
St. Vincent DePaul Pick-up.....630.231.4658
Walk-in-Ministry of Hope.....630.322.9311

TABLE FOR TWO Saturday, February 11, 6 pm

Treat your "significant other" to a romantic evening with a Valentine theme.

Mass with Renewal of Vows (Celebrant: Fr. Riva) followed by a Candle Light Dinner for Two in the Activity Center.

This has been a very popular event! Space is limited, so please make your reservation early. The cost of the evening is \$40 per couple.

If you missed the registration form in last weekend's bulletin and would like to attend, please contact Beth Cartner at 630-985-9255 x 117 or bcartner@stscholasticaparish.org



A Little Patch of Green brought to you by the St. Scholastica Parish Green Committee! Check us out weekly in the Parish Bulletin for information on a greener life!

Recycle Christmas Lights. Now through February 24th recycle your lights at the Woodridge Village Hall or Public Works building. The Village has partnered with Elgin Recycling to offer this free service to residents. Mini-lights, C7 or C9 lights, rope or LED lights, extension cords, phone and computer cords are all eligible for recycling. No CFLs. Recycling receptacles can be found in the Village Hall lobby, 5 Plaza Drive, or the Public Works/Police Department lobby located at 1 Plaza Drive. *Source: Woodridge E-News.*

Attention All Women of the Parish!!! Attention All Women of the Parish!!!

The St. Scholastica Council of Catholic Women will be meeting on Tuesday, February 7th at 7 pm in Room 112. After the business meeting, Ben Neiburger of Neiburger Law Ltd. will present a program on elder law—"Items Everyone Should Have". **ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!!!**

Personal Care Items!



We all do our best when we feel fresh! Could you help give that edge to your neighbors in need by contributing to our drive for Personal Care Items occurring throughout February? During this "Month of Love" could you please provide personal hygiene items? (These items cannot be purchased with food stamps.) Our greatest needs are:

Shampoo ~ Toothpaste
Disposable Razors ~ Deodorant

Clients also appreciate Toothbrushes, Hand Lotion, Mouthwash, Powder, Shaving Cream, and any other items your generosity compels you to provide. (We ask that you give your hotel-size toiletries to PADS.)



All donations may be left in the Parish Office or in the gym before or after Mass each weekend throughout February. Thanks!



**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL CLOTHING DRIVE
THIS WEEKEND JANUARY 28TH & 29TH
DROP ITEMS OFF AT THE TRUCK IN THE
UPPER PARKING LOT!!!**

WHAT'S IN THE CORNERSTONE BOX?

According to the October 23, 1964 issue of the "Woodridge News", the copper box that was placed behind the cornerstone of the church buildings contained "items of historic interest". Those items included copies of a daily newspaper for the day, The Diocesan newspaper, the Catholic News Register, the Woodridge News, parish bulletins published since the founding of the parish in June 1962, some medals of Pope Pius XII, Pope John Paul XXIII, and Pope Paul VI, St. Benedict, representative U.S. coins and stamps, Vatican stamps, pictures of the first classes in the school, of the nuns, and of the pastor, signatures of the children presently attending school, the teachers, and a list of the founding parishioners.

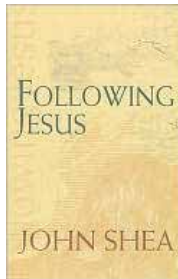
The Parish Is Reading . . .

Following Jesus

by John Shea

Our first book discussion on chapters 1-5 will be Monday, February 23, 7-8:30 pm at the Parish in room 113.

Questions? Please contact Beth at 630-985-9255 x117 or bcartner@stscholasticaparish.org



SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE!!!

Students planning on attending a Catholic High School, accredited university, college or trade school can apply for the:

LEONARD M. JARKA HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP

Administered by the Robert P. Connelly Council 5918, Knights of Columbus

Application forms and eligibility requirements can be obtained from the Christ the Servant or St. Scholastica parish offices. They can be downloaded from the council's website: www.KofC5918.org under the "Activities Button".

For further information or questions contact the scholarship chairman, Jim Schmidt 630-728-4784

All applications must be submitted by April 15, 2012.

E-Mail: scout512@aol.com. Please use Word format only.

U.S. Post Office:

Robert P. Connelly Council 5918
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 422
Lisle, Illinois 60532

Any officer of the council or scholarship chairman also can accept applications.

The scholarships will be awarded at the end of May 2012.



Hospitality Sunday - February 5th

Thank you to all who made last month's Hospitality Sunday one of the biggest and Best. The varieties of bakery and breakfast food donated for the start of our 50 year celebration was the largest ever. This month we ask you To open your hearts to continue the celebration. So, If you have time to bake please bring your donation to the gym before the mass you will attend. If you enjoy baking we have a few requests; sugar free bakery and gluten free are in more demand. If you are not a baker we also can use white or chocolate milk or any juice. If you have time and would like to join our ministry to help clean and service our parish family we would love to have you. See Marlene Clark for details.

**Scout Sunday
February 12, 2012
10:00 am Mass**



Sunday, February 12 at 10:00 pm mass, St. Scholastica will celebrate Scout Sunday. All Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in the parish are invited to come to the Mass with their families, and those Scouts who have earned religious emblems will receive these awards in a brief ceremony during the Mass. Scouts are asked to assemble in uniform at 9:30am in the gym and to bring their troop or pack flag with its own stand. For more information, call Norine Bunales (630.434.4033).



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
"One Family Under God"

**Robert P. Connelly
Council #5918**

2012 Free Throw Results

10 Year Old Boys

1st-Kristian Daarol

11 Year Old Boys

1st-Keegan Wahlgren

12 Year Old Boys

1st-Michael Greco

13 Year Old Boys

1st-Tom Belluomini

2nd-Tony Knickmeyer

14 Year Old Boys

1st-Zach Czubernat

10 Year Old Girls

1st-Maggie Greco

2nd-Brienne Greco

11 Year Old Girls

1st-Alexis Floresca

2nd-Natalie Blamik

12 Year Old Girls

1st-Sandra Greco

13 Year Old Girls

No Participants

14 Year Old girls

No Participants

Congratulations to all participants, especially those who will be moving up to the district level competition in February!

ST. SCHOLASTICA STUDENTS CELEBRATE WITH THEIR GRANDPARENTS

Written by: Josef Haasl and Megan Hynd, 8th grade students

St. Scholastica students invited their Grandparents to visit the school on December 22nd. Since Grandparents and their grandchildren have very special relationships, this tradition is wildly popular.

The day began as usual, with classes for every grade except the eighth grade. Those students were still rehearsing for their roles in the celebration. However, after lunch, when the Grandparents arrived, things got exciting. Students met their guests in the intentionally darkened church. As mass began, six candles were carried in, and the church lighting gradually increased to emphasize the Advent theme of light. Seventh and eighth graders sang, read, and danced during the mass that celebrated not only the arrival of their grandparents, but also the imminent arrival of Christmas.

After mass, everyone filed into the gym while the eighth graders got into their costumes for one of Father Riva's wonderful productions, *CSI: Christmas Scene Investigations*. The play tells the story of some kids rehearsing for a presentation of *A Christmas Carol*. One of their props, a life-size plastic Santa, is missing. A group called the Clue Club investigates, trying to solve the crime, and eventually deduces that the Principal, Mr. Crunge, stole the Santa because he hoped the show would be canceled.

As often happens in holiday stories, Mr. Crunge had a change of heart. At the play's end, the real Santa is supposed to appear, but due to the fact that a few lines...or perhaps a few pages of lines were skipped by anxious eighth graders, Santa missed his cue. It seems he was still changing from his school uniform into his Santa uniform. Well-trained thespians that they are, the students ad-libbed and redid the final number until Santa arrived.

The crowd thoroughly enjoyed the added excitement and left the school filled with the Christmas spirit, as well as their share of cookies and cupcakes for the trip home.

Kindergarten/1st Grade Information Night

Is your child entering Kindergarten
or 1st grade next year?

Want to know more about
St. Scholastica School?

Please attend to our Information Night, which will give you the opportunity to learn about the school and meet the teachers. Registration information for the 2012-13 school year will be provided.

Tuesday, January 31st at 7 pm
in the Activity Center
Free Babysitting will be available!

For more information on our school, please call
630.985.2515, ext. 100

In Their Own Words.....

We asked our students why they like attending St. Scholastica School, and we wanted to share some of their responses....

"It is challenging. The teachers are nice and loving. The students are very helpful and polite. That's what I like about St. Scholastica School – *Second Grade*

"I like to learn about all the new things, especially science." – *Fourth Grade*

"We learn new things every day and I've made great friends." – *Fourth Grade*

"I have so many friends, and playing on sports teams is fun. The teachers are really nice" – *Fifth and Sixth Grade*

"I have another family to look up to! The teachers and staff are the best! They help you understand everything. I am proud to be a St. Scholastica student." – *Sixth Grade*

"It's a welcoming, loving, and friendly school. Everyone will help you when you need help." – *Sixth Grade*

"I have made a lot of wonderful friends!" – *Eighth Grade*



ST. SCHOLASTICA SCHOOL
7720 Janes Avenue, Woodridge, IL
LIVING LOVING SERVING GOD
Open enrollment for most grades. Please inquire.

Rev. Gerald Riva, Pastor

- ... Emphasis on Catholic Values
- ... Participation in weekly Liturgies
- ... Quality academic program
- ... Advanced computer technology

Mrs. Gail Kueper, Principal

- ... Life-long learning skills
- ... Family Oriented atmosphere
- ... Art, Music and P.E.
- ... Athletic and band programs

(630) 985-2515 (ext) 100

www.stscholasticawoodridge.org

The **DISCOVERY TEAM** will be meeting this Monday, January 30, 2012, from 7—8:30 pm in the Youth Room. We are planning for our next Discovery Retreat on April 14 & 15.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2013 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil Deadline in Two Weeks!

World Youth Day (WYD) is a pilgrimage of faith when the Holy Father calls his youth to himself for five days of prayer, meditation, and instruction. With this are also much sightseeing, cultural experiences, and the opportunity to interact with Catholic youth from all over the world. WYD brings together Catholic youth from over 150 countries to learn about their faith and celebrate it. It is characterized by the happiness of youth being with the Pope and with each other. At WYD 201, participants will learn how Brazilian Catholics live their faith and also experience life in their country. We will be traveling with other churches from our area. Although this trip should be fun for the participants, please be aware that it is a Pilgrimage, not a vacation. The main focus of the trip is the spiritual aspect. WYD 2013 will take place July 21-29, 2013. Our parish will be running a trip for High School and College students. You must be at least 16 years old by the start of the trip. Information and applications are available in the back of church and they are yellow. Applications and deposits for WYD are due by February 12.

For more information on next Sunday's Teen Mass at the 10:00 am Mass see the News from the Worship Commission Section.

The **RETREAT TEAM** will meet this Tuesday, January 31 from 7-9 pm in the Youth Room.

"THE MARRIAGE YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED"
Presented by Dr. Gary Chapman

St. Scholastica Parish and the Inter-Parish Marriage Enrichment Team (IMET)

are sponsoring our 5th annual marriage enrichment seminar

Saturday, March 17, 2012

Saint Joan of Arc School Gym

8:30 – 3:00 PM

Tickets: \$40 each or \$75 couple

Dr. Gary Chapman's "The Five Love Languages" has sold more than 4 million copies. His seminar offers married couples and the engaged a time of fun and discovery that can help you build the love relationship of your dreams.

Check your calendars and call parishioners, Phil and Paula Crow (630-579-9999) for tickets, or visit the IMET website at www.imetevents.org to register online, purchase tickets and see a short video of Dr. Gary Chapman.

YOUTH NEWS!!!

S.T.O.R.M. YOUTH MINISTRY will be meeting tonight, Sunday, January 29th from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the St. Scholastica Parish complex. Tonight we are having a SPECIAL BRING A FRIEND NIGHT with special Guest Speaker and small groups. PJ Anderson will be speaking and playing music for us. PJ was the musician at the Mission Trip our group attended this past summer and everyone loved him. He will be talking about "Sacraments and Getting Involved In Your Faith". Snacks will be served. Anyone who brings a friend this week will get double points (those with the most points get free summer activities). All high school youth of the parish are invited to attend and **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!** If you would like additional information, please call Jennifer Olson at 630-985-2351x138 or e-mail her at stscholasticaym@aol.com. **Join a youth community that really cares about you and wants you to be involved! Join S.T.O.R.M. and INVITE YOUR FRIENDS (and get points)!**

P.S. The Teen Music Ministry will practice before the meeting, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. tonight with Carrie Marcotte. All are invited to come.

Last Chance for a RETREAT!

S.T.O.R.M. Youth Ministry is hosting a Retreat at Five Pines Retreat Center in Berrien Center, Michigan from Friday, February 17th at 5:00 p.m. until Sunday, February 19, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. If you are still interested in attending, please e-mail Jennifer at stscholasticaym@aol.com or call her at 630-985-2351x138 as soon as possible. Retreats are just a real fun way to get away from school, home, and all the other stresses in your life. For one weekend, you leave all your worries behind and learn about God and all of his love. Your relationship with God grows and you learn a better understanding about what being a Christian is all about. It gives you a perspective on what is really important in life. When you come back, you feel relieved and like you can conquer anything that is thrown your way. The theme of this retreat is "Get An Attitude: The Beatitudes" and our teen leaders will be sharing their experiences with how we can live the Beatitudes in our everyday lives. There will be great discussions and, of course, great fun. The Retreat Center has a tubing hill and Cross Country Skiing if there is snow and offers a beautiful backdrop for our weekend. Permission slips and information sheets are available on the rack in the back of church and in the Parish Office.

The **YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM** will meet this Wednesday, February 1, 2012, from 7-8:30 pm in the Youth Room

Ministry Assignments: February 4 & 5

Altar Servers

Saturday, February 4

4:30 P.M.—Michelle Martinez & Samuel Gamez

Sunday, February 5

8:00 A.M.—Devin Braun & Maggie Tierney
10:00 A.M.—Dane Baticados & Tracey Kulaga
12:00 P.M.—Lexi Trippiedi & Olivia LaPointe

Crossbearers

Saturday, February 4

4:30 P.M.—Barbara Knierim

Sunday, February 5

8:00 A.M.—Steve Fenner
10:00 A.M.—TEEN MASS
12:00 P.M.—Jonathan Villanueva

The most recent Ministry Schedule can now be downloaded from our web site at www.stscholasticaparish.org Ministries/Organizations page

Lectors

Saturday, February 4

4:30 P.M.—Bud Yezeck & Nancy Balogh

Sunday, February 5

8:00 A.M.—Steven Leonardi & Rose Guiang
10:00 A.M.—TEEN MASS
12:00 P.M.—Kathleen Luczynski & Helen Bills

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, February 4

4:30 P.M.—Mariannette Solver, Wayne Markett, Denese Casserly, Tom Roth, Stephen Ryan, Chris Hannigan-Wiehn, Dorothy Winograd, Richard Wood

Sunday, February 5

8:00 A.M.—Bertha & Sid Hayman, Debra & Dave Jandris, George Munley, Gerry Russell, Marcela Fanning, Joanne Baker
10:00 A.M.—TEEN MASS
12:00 P.M.—Nancy Rudzinski, Pat & Carol O'Donnell, Jan & John Morgan, Lydia Jacobson, Jodi Huntley, Cathy Mehl

Mass Coordinators

Saturday, February 4

4:30 P.M.—Chris Hannigan-Wiehn

Sunday, February 5

8:00 A.M.—Joyce Dillavou
10:00 A.M.—Jo Jackson
12:00 P.M.—Magda Alfaro

Ushers

We thank our ushers, who serve us every weekend at our liturgies. Visit the Parish web site for a full list of those who serve each week at www.stscholasticaparish.org

Readings & Mass Intentions

Monday, January 30, Weekday in Ordinary Time 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30—16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

8:30 A.M.—Jessica Estrada †—*Family*

Tuesday, January 31, Saint John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3; Mk 5:21-43

6:30 A.M.—Emily Szczepaniak †—*Clem & Mary Campbell*

Wednesday, February 1, Weekday in Ordinary Time

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

8:30 A.M.—Emily Szczepaniak †—*Barb Knierim*

Joseph Pietrus †—*Mr. & Mrs. James Cuci*

Raymond Munday †—*Ackerman Family*

Leonardo Laxamana †—*Vicencio Family*

Thursday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

6:30 A.M.—In Thanksgiving—*Maguigad Family*

Friday, February 3, Weekday in Ordinary Time Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

Saint Ansgar, Bishop

Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29

8:30 A.M.—Don Quinn †—*Barb Knierim*

7:30 P.M.—FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

Saturday, February 4, Weekday in Ordinary Time BVM

1 Kgss 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

4:30 P.M.—BAPTISMS—For Fathers' Intentions

Sunday, February 5, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

8:00 A.M.—The Parish Family of St. Scholastica

10:00 A.M.—TEEN MASS—Marcos Villasenoa †—*Reynoso Family*

12:00 P.M.—Steve Vlk †—*Johnny & Karen Rolence*

LEADERS

Leaders are like eagles. They don't flock. You find them...one at a time.

- Anonymous

A Vocation View

Jesus speaks as one having authority, so that even the demons must obey. As we celebrate Catholic Education Week, we see in this same authority passed down to the Church that she might guide us closer to Christ.

PLEASE NOTE UPCOMING BULLETIN DEADLINES

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