



# Church of the Holy Family

5900 West Lake Street ✕ St. Louis Park, MN 55416

## December 12, 2010

*Third Sunday of Advent*

**Reverend Thomas W. Dufner, Pastor**

**Reverend James Stromberg, Weekend Associate**

**Mass Times:**

**Sunday Masses** 9:00AM and 11:00AM  
**Saturday Mass** 5:00PM  
**Weekday Masses** 8:00AM (Rosary 7:35AM)

**Confessions:**

**Saturday** 3:30PM to 4:50PM  
**Sunday** 8:00AM to 9:00AM

**Parish Office**

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**Registration in Parish:**

Required for baptism and marriage. Adults 18 and over call the parish office 952.929.0113.

**Marriages:**

Registered parishioners must make application 3 months prior.

**Baptisms:**

First Sunday of the month. Must be registered parishioners. Baptism class required. Please call 3 months in advance.

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✦ **Christmas Liturgy Schedule** ✦

✦ **Confessions**

Wednesday, December 15 7-8 pm  
 Saturday, December 18 3:30 pm  
 Sunday, December 19 9:00 am  
 Wednesday, December 22 3 - 5 pm  
 Thursday, December 23 10 - 11 am

✦ **Christmas Eve Masses**

Friday, December 24 4:00 pm  
 9:00 pm

✦ **Christmas Day Masses**

Saturday, December 25 9:00 am  
 11:00 am

✦ **Feast of the Holy Family**

Sunday, December 26 9:00 am  
 11:00 am

✦ **Solemnity of Mary**

Friday, December 31 5:00 pm  
 Saturday, January 1, 2011 9:00 am  
 11:00 am



Saint John of the Cross  
 Pray for us!  
 Feast day - December 14

## The Pastor's Page

### ***Ted Turner Calls For Global One-Child Policy Like China's***

CANCUN, Mexico, December 6, 2010 (LifeSiteNews.com) – Media billionaire Ted Turner called on world leaders Sunday to institute an international one-child policy akin to that being enforced in China.

The CNN founder said that under this scheme the world's poor could sell their fertility rights and thereby profit from avoiding procreation, reports the Globe and Mail.

Radical solutions are needed, he said, because of the environmental crisis facing the planet. "If we're going to be here [as a species] 5,000 years from now, we're not going to do it with seven billion people," he explained.

China's coercive approach to implementing their policy includes forced abortion, imprisonment, and fines many times greater than a family's annual income. The policy has faced strong criticism from human rights organizations, such as the pro-abortion Amnesty International.

Turner, however, who is renowned in pro-life circles for using his massive wealth to promote abortion and population control, raised eyebrows last year when he claimed that China does not use "draconian steps" in enforcing the policy.

When the interviewer pointed out that in enforcing the policy China has "done more than encourage on several occasions," the media mogul admitted he was "not intimately familiar with everything." He nevertheless did not retract the comments.

Turner was a featured speaker this past weekend at the World Climate Summit in Cancun, a conference for business leaders staged during the UN's Climate Change Conference in the same city to 'accelerate solutions to climate change.'

He made the comments during a luncheon on Sunday where economist Brian O'Neill of the U.S.'s National Center for Atmospheric Research presented his new study on the impact of demographic trends on greenhouse gas emissions.

O'Neill argued that promoting access to "family planning" could be a major boon to those seeking to reduce greenhouse emissions. O'Neill, however, advocated voluntary approaches.

Steven Mosher, president of the Population Research Institute, said today that instead of China's coercive brand of population control, Turner instead "wants to pursue a less populated world by bribing women into giving up their fertility."

"There is ... something despicable about offering a poor, hungry woman food, money, or clothing in exchange for her surrendering her fertility," said Mosher, who has studied China's one-child policy for over three decades.

Yet while Turner has not advocated coercion, Mosher explained that the population policy he is promoting will inevitably lead that way. Population control programs are all voluntary "until someone refuses to submit to the knife, at which time the pretense of 'voluntarism' is abandoned, threats start being made, and forced sterilizations follow," he said. *by Patrick B. Craine*



**This Wednesday, December 15** we will have **9 Priests** here for our **Advent confession night beginning at 7:00PM.** Mark your calendars and be sure to bring your family and friends to this beautiful night of mercy and grace.



### **Attention Squires**

Pope Pius XII Circle #895  
Columbian Squires - we have a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 14, at 7:00PM in **room 305 at the school.** We will be discussing our orphan service project and our canoe trip next summer.

### **CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY**

Holy Family's Carmel Group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month from September through May beginning at 6:30PM downstairs in Moorman Hall. Our next meeting will be Monday, December 13. Our time together consists of: Chanting *Evening Prayer*, Father Dufner leading us in our study time, quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament (mental prayer), chanting *Night Prayer* and Social Time. Since we are not an official secular Carmelite community, you are free to join us, any month, and experience Carmelite spirituality as your vocation and schedule allows. Questions? Jean at 952.929.0113x12 or email: [jean@hfcmn.org](mailto:jean@hfcmn.org)

This year our book is **The Interior Castle STUDY EDITION** by Saint Teresa of Avila, prepared by Kieran Kavanaugh, OCD and Carol Lisi, OCDS. You can order the book online at: [www.icspublications.org](http://www.icspublications.org) ISBN: 978-0-935216-80-6.

# Holy Family Catholic Church

# Christmas Eve 4pm Mass

Gospel Presentation of the Birth of Jesus



***Presented by the children of Holy Family!***

Children ages 4 on up who are interested in being an **Angel, Shepherd, King** or **Camel Leader** during the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass: **REHEARSAL is Saturday, December 18, 10am in the Church.**

***All actors participating in the Gospel Presentation must attend this rehearsal!***

Various costumes will be available to take home after the rehearsal.



**Adults and teen helpers are needed to be in the Camel costumes or help cue the children!**

***Please email Jean Prather at: [jean@hfcmn.org](mailto:jean@hfcmn.org) or call 952-929-0113 x12 to help.***

Children, **7 years old and older**, who would like to play the part of **Mother Mary, St. Joseph, Head Angel, Head Shepherd** or the **Giant Star from the East**, complete and clip the slip below and place it in an envelope addressed to: Mrs. Jean Prather. **Slips must be received by Thursday, December 16.** All are **simple acting parts** (no speaking) and will occur during the Gospel Reading at Mass.



## HOLY FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVE GOSPEL PRESENTATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ (7 years old and older for parts below)

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please put my name in the drawing to be: (circle one)

***Mother Mary   St. Joseph   Head Angel   Head Shepherd   The Bethlehem Star (circle one)***

There will be a random drawing to determine the above parts. If YOUR name is picked, you will be notified by our Saturday rehearsal. If your name is not picked, you ***still*** get to participate in the celebration of the birthday of Jesus as an Angel, Shepherd or Magi!!! ***Every single child is needed and welcome!!!***

## ❖ Weekly Calendar of Events ❖

*Sunday, December 12 ~ Third Sunday of Advent*

*Donut/New Member*

8:00 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

*Monday, December 13*

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Excercise Class (Gathering Place)

3:00 pm WOW Holy Hour (Adoration Chapel)

6:30 pm Carmel (C/MH)

*Tuesday, December 14*

8:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Squires (Room 305 @ the School)

*Wednesday, December 15*

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Coffee & Rolls (Moorman Hall)

11:45 am Excercise Class (Moorman Hall)

5:15 pm KPT

6:30 pm Confirmation (Moorman Hall)

6:30 pm HFC (School)

7:00 pm **Communal Penance Service**

*Thursday, December 16*

8:00 am Mass

1:00 am Blood Drive

7:00 pm Choir

7:00 pm NFP (Gathering Place)

*Friday, December 17*

8:00 am Mass

7:00 pm Chesterton Academy Concert (Church)

*Saturday, December 18*

6:30 am Holy Name Society

10:00 am Rosaries for Life (Robbinsdale)

10:00 am Christmas Eve Rehearsal

3:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

*Sunday, December 19 ~ Fourth Sunday of Advent*

*Food Drive Sunday*

8:00 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass



### Altar and Rosary News

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make this year's Sugar Plum Days such a success!! Your generosity in providing cookies and donations, working, set up, clean up, or attending was much appreciated. Special thanks are also extended to Father and all staff for the encouragement, support and patience throughout this event. We at Holy Family are truly blessed!!

**Save the date!!** HFHE will sponsor our annual clothing swap for the parish on Jan 30th. *More information after Christmas...*

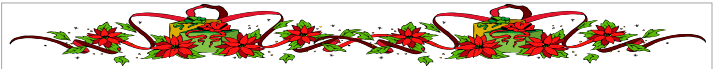
### Bulletin Deadlines for December

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Copy Due</u>	<u>Transmission Deadline</u>
Dec. 26, 2010	Tuesday, Dec. 14	Thursday, Dec. 16
Jan. 2, 2011	Monday, Dec 20	Wednesday, Dec.22

Questions? Call Theresa @ 952.929.0113. Thank you!

### Banns I

*Paul Cullen and Claire Bullard*



### POINSETTIAS! POINSETTIAS!

You are invited to help defray the cost of decorating the Sanctuary this Christmas by donating a beautiful Poinsettia Plant. The cost per plant is \$10.00. For your convenience, there is an envelope in your church envelope packet labeled "**Christmas Flower Offering.**" Just drop it in the Sunday collection basket any week-end. Thank You! Sharon

As you contemplate donations this holiday season, please keep Holy Family in mind. Your contributions are needed for everything from special programs to basic operating expenses. Please be as generous as you can this holiday season and in the year ahead. For your convenience, we offer online giving. To donate, visit the Holy Family's website at [www.hfcmn.org](http://www.hfcmn.org), locate the link to **ONLINE GIVING** and follow the instructions.

### HOSPITAL AND HOMEBOUND VISITATION:

Please notify the parish office when;

\*a parishioner is hospitalized.

\*a homebound parishioner desires Holy Communion.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Lk 7:18b-23

**Thursday:** Is 54:1-10; Lk 7:24-30

**Friday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Mt 1:1-17

**Saturday:** Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

**Sunday:** Is 7:10-14; Ps 24; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Monday:** St. Lucy

**Tuesday:** St. John of the Cross

### Holy Family Weekly Offering

#### Weekend Masses - December 4/5

Regular Envelopes:	\$21,958.03
Plate:	\$ 1,484.15
Care Fund:	\$ 984.53

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Dec 13	Father Thomas Dufner
Dec 14	Luke & Ann Whittaker
Dec 15	Norman Rung †
Dec 16	Allison Schuth
Dec 17	Sandra Schuth
Dec 18	Marjorie Anderson †
Dec 19	For the Parish (9AM)
Dec 19	Stanley Parzyck † (11AM)





## KID'S SHOES NEEDED!

The orphans at Our Lady of the Angels Orphanage in Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, often are forced to go without shoes because of their poverty.

**Columbian Squires - Pope Pius XII Circle #895**, of our parish, is asking for your donations of new or gently used children's shoes to send down to these children for Christmas.

Two large boxes marked "Shoe Donations" are in the back of the church. We also have a box in the office of Holy Family Academy. *Your donations would be greatly appreciated by these poor children.* Questions? Contact Matthew Karels, Bursar, at a.karels@yahoo.com or call 952.938.6550.

### Youth Ministry

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

**Sunday, Dec 19th – 6-8PM** It's time for the annual Christmas Party! Games, food, fun, and a huge cake to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ! Please bring: a white elephant gift (something you already have in your house that you no longer want) and a toy to donate for Toys For Tots. It's all happening at the Youth House (White house on the north side of the church parking lot)

#### High School Senior Dinner

**Friday, Jan 14<sup>th</sup>** - Parents and their High School senior are invited to a Senior Dinner in Moorman Hall at 6:30PM. Featured speaker Fr. Mike Schmitz will be speaking about the Theology of the Body directed to the graduating seniors. Free admission (good will offering will be accepted). RSVP requested by Wed, Jan 12th by calling Sharon Spinharney @ 952.941.9138.

#### Theology of the Body Retreat 9-12th grade

**Saturday, Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 8am-1:30pm**– Fr. Mike Schmitz will be giving two talks along with separate girls and boys talks, there will be Mass, Adoration and Confession as well throughout the day. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch! For more information and to download a registration form, visit [www.hfcmn.org](http://www.hfcmn.org). Questions? Contact Lynn Tomaszewski or Elizabeth Brown at 952.929.0113



## CHRISTMAS DECORATING

On **Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup>** we will finish decorating the Church for Christmas...place the Nativity Set, arrange the Blessed Mother's corner, hang all the wreaths, arrange the poinsettias, and take care of all the "finishing" details. Please meet in Moorman Hall after Mass. (Adults only please, due to the nature of the work)

Call Sharon at 952.929.0113 if you have questions.

Please join The Chesterton Choir featuring Christmas Carols of the season plus selected soloists from the choir led by Dr. Robert Peterson, music director of the Twin Cities Catholic Chorale. Friday, December 17th at 7PM at the Church of the Holy Family.

*Invite your friends and family ~ all are welcome!*

For more information:  
[www.chestertonacademy.org](http://www.chestertonacademy.org)

## CALLING ALL **BLOOD DONORS!**

Holy Family is hosting an "**Emergency Blood Drive**" on

**Thursday, December 16, 2010 from 1:00PM to 7:00PM in Moorman Hall**

Since our Blood Drives have been no less than "spectacular" the Memorial Blood Center is turning to us for special help.

Please mark your calendars and take time during this busy season to give this very "**Special Gift.**"

### DID YOU KNOW?

**Each week**, 2,700 volunteer donors are needed to help supply blood to patients in our area hospitals.

Your **single** donation can save as many as **three** people's lives.

Blood is needed for cancer and surgery patients, burn victims, accident victims, premature infants...the list is endless.

Less than 5% of the national population donates blood.

Every three seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.

**We need a total of 74 REGISTERED DONORS to meet our goal!**

**Please call Sharon at 952.929.0113 Ext. 13 to schedule your appointment.**

## MESSAGES from your HOLY FAMILYHEALTH BOARD

The Holy Family Exercise Program is conducted by a **Certified Fitness Instructor**, and is held every **Wednesday at 11:45AM in Moorman Hall. EVERYONE is welcome!** Don't put it off . . . come join us and reap the many benefits of exercise. (The cost is \$5.00 per session)

**TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS HEALTHY BENEFIT OFFERED RIGHT HERE AT HOLY FAMILY! Questions? Call Sharon 952.929.0113 Ext. 13**



## Pro-Life Corner

Oct 20, 2010. Archbishop Hector Aguer of La Plata, Argentina has criticized the United Nations for spreading ideologies that fail to respect fundamental human rights and the family. The archbishop pointed to the cultural changes that are taking place in Argentina through laws put forth by the self-proclaimed "progressive" minority. One such change took place in July when the country legalized same-sex "marriage." The archbishop said these ideas are part of a global plan that is based at "the United Nations and a series of its satellite organizations." He said huge amounts of money are behind the attempts to change Argentina and to alter fundamental human rights. "Thus, we can see there is a conspiracy here in the worst sense of the word that tends to homogenize thought and conduct in the entire world, and this comes from the centers of world power, especially from the centers of political power, which are sustained by the centers of financial power," said Archbishop Aguer. [www.catholicnewsagency.com](http://www.catholicnewsagency.com).

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