

# Sacred Heart Parish

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“This is how the birth of  
Jesus Christ came about.”

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 19, 2010

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Bookkeeper  
Secretary  
Music Director/Organist  
CCD Coordinators  
Home Ministries  
Housekeeper  
Maintenance Custodian

Fr. Edward J. Pierce  
Fr. Kevin Zilverberg  
Rev. Mr. Dick Kelley  
Anna Lacher  
Kris Rehfeld  
Mary Wanner  
Charlene Blondo  
Michelle Coughlin/Dawn Wanttie  
Sharon Gould  
Marge Guhin  
Dennis Sahli

### Aberdeen Catholic Schools

Aberdeen Catholic Education Office	226-2100
Roncalli Primary School	225-3460
Roncalli Elementary School	229-4100
Roncalli Jr High and Sr. High School	225-7440

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday	4:30—5:00 p.m.
Saturday	3:30—4:30 p.m.
Mon-Fri	6:30—6:50 a.m.
Saturdays	7:45— 8:05 a.m.

### Sunday Liturgies

Saturday	5.00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses (check schedule inside)

Office Hours Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

### Youth Groups—Sundays in Parish Hall

Grades 7-12	7:00—9:00 p.m
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**BAPTISMS:** Pre-Baptism Class for parents required before all Baptisms. Classes are the second Thu. of the month. Next session, January 13th at 7:00 p.m. at Roncalli Elementary School. Please call the parish office to register.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:** Couples planning marriage must contact their priest at least 6 months before the wedding day. A year in advance is not too early.



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 19, 2010

### Schedule of Masses

Monday	7:00 a.m.	+Florian & Bette Hansen
Tuesday	<b>St. Peter Canisius</b>	
	7:00 a.m.	Int of Mary & Joe Uhrich
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	+Violet (Keller) Baumgartner
Thursday	<b>St. John of Kanty</b>	
	7:00 a.m.	+Peter DeHueck & Family, M/M Frank Seih & Frank
Friday	<b>Vigil of Christmas</b>	
	7:00 a.m.	+Rose & Ken Norton
	4:00 p.m.	35th Wedding Anniversary
	10:00 p.m.	+Felix & Margaret Ronayne Family
Saturday	<b>The Nativity of the Lord/Christmas</b>	
	7:30 a.m.	+Jim & Don Keenan
	9:30 a.m.	+Frank Mangan
	11:30 a.m.	Sacred Heart Parish Family

### THE HOLY FAMILY OF Jesus, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sunday	7:30 a.m.	+Dorothy/Babe Evelo
	9:30 a.m.	+Dennis Frye
	11:30 a.m.	+Joseph S. Schmidt

### LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

For the weekend of December 25<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup>

Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Paul Hoerner	Per Sign Up
	9:30 a.m.	Mary Anne Whitman	Per Sign Up
	11:30 a.m.		Per Sign Up
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Donna Ryman	Per Sign Up
	9:30 a.m.	Mary Anne Whitman	Per Sign Up
	11:30 a.m.	Nancy Vander Hoek	Per Sign Up

### ALTAR SERVERS

For the weekend of December 25<sup>th</sup> and December 26<sup>th</sup>

Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Joseph Crompton, Thomas Gors,
	9:30 a.m.	Chase Kucker, Spencer Vetter,
	11:30 a.m.	
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Isaac Norton, Joseph Crompton,
	9:30 a.m.	Chase Kucker, Spencer Vetter, Levi Kessler
	11:30 a.m.	Thomas/Daniel Gallagher, Mitchell/Nathan/Toby Barker,

### GREETERS

For Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>

Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Sal Crogan/Jane Hengel, Daniel/Alvina Baumgartner, Ed/Mary Keller
	9:30 a.m.	Justin/Toni Feickert, Jan Frink, Betty Sanders
	11:30 a.m.	Lila Topalian, Deanna Vogel, Pat/Roberta Gallagher

### VAN DRIVER THIS WEEK

Sun., December 26<sup>th</sup> Jeff Steele 226-0696

### TRAVELING ICON FOR VOCATIONS

Gen Westfield will have the icon January 2<sup>nd</sup>—  
January 8<sup>th</sup>.



## FROM THE PASTOR...

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

#### The Fourth Week

As Advent draws to a close, we focus more on the Nativity. The purpose of preparation is to help us experience an event more meaningfully. As Advent draws to an end, we discover how true this is. We have journeyed with the People of Israel in their hope for a Messiah. We have searched our own hearts, laying out our own yearning before the Lord and like Mary, looked with hope to God's promise to save us and make us whole. And now, the time is near. A child is born!

Often, unfortunately, the Advent journey to hope can be overshadowed by repeated journeys to the mall! It is good for us to reflect and answer the question of who – or what – really controls our celebration of this season.

Pressure to “celebrate” Christmas according to the norms of the secular culture can be enormous. Deciding how much to spend and when to decorate, going to school and church programs, cooking, cleaning and gift-buying all seem to push more important things into the background.

But however, we deal with this pressure, it is important to do whatever we can to live out Advent as fully as we can; Christmas is all but empty if we have not really let our hearts be formed by the profound realities of waiting, expectation, repentance and hope.

Although we are entering into our last week, it's important to remind ourselves to take a little time each day to pray with the Church, include whatever concrete remembrance is meaningful to us and our families, and imbue even our busy-ness with a sense of gratitude and love – the love of the Child waiting for us in the crib at Bethlehem.

**City-wide Reconciliation Service** at 1:30 December 19, at Sacred Heart

**Daily Confessions**, Monday through Thursday: 12:00 – 1:00 pm, 5:00 – 6:00 pm, and 7:00 – 8:00 pm. **No confessions Friday or Saturday.**

**Christmas Masses** will be December 24 at 4 pm, 10 pm.

**Christmas Day Masses:** 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 am.

**Feast of the Holy Family Masses** (December 26) will be at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am.

Father Ed Pierce

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

The office will be closed the afternoon of Friday, December 24. Please have all items for the bulletin in by noon on Tuesday, December 21.

## STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection	\$13,287.42
Youth Envelopes	\$90.10
Geo-Thermal Remaining Owed*	\$22,962.51

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Dec 24: 4:00 pm Grades 1-6 Children's Choir along with a woodwind and percussion ensemble comprised of Catherine Hintz, Rachel Morrison and Danielle Hintz. Special music begins at 3:40 pm.

10:00 pm Traditional Choir and a brass ensemble comprised of Bob Downie, Eric Duenwald, Tori Heier, Justin Kones, Reid Heier, and Dominic King. Caroling and special music begins at 9:30 pm.

Dec 25: 9:30 am Traditional Choir and brass ensemble 11:30 am Contemporary Choir



### **Debt Reduction Crusade** We took in \$8,395.00 this week.

As of 12/9/2010, our debt balance is \$722,434.32. Our daily interest is \$108.86.

**\*Watch the Geo-Thermal Remaining Owed** number above. This amount will be a countdown to paying off our geo-thermal balance. Can you help take this off our books by Christmas?

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### **Sunday, Dec 19<sup>th</sup>**

Full Breakfast after 7:30 & 9:30 Masses (see menu below)

Citywide Reconciliation Service 1:30

Parish Christmas Program and Tree Decorating 4:00 Church

### **Monday, Dec 20<sup>th</sup>**

Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal 3:30 Church

See Reconciliation Schedule (Confession) for this week below

### **Tuesday, Dec 21<sup>st</sup>**

RCIA 6:30 pm Religious Education Room

### **Wednesday, Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Religious Education Grades 1-4 Christmas program practice during class times

### **Friday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Office Closed

Children's Choir Practice 10:00 Church

### **BREAKFAST AFTER 7:30 and 9:30 MASSES**

KCs serving pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, juice and coffee

## CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE AT SACRED HEART

**Sunday Dec 19** 1:30– Citywide Reconciliation Service

**Monday Dec 20** Noon-1:00 pm, 5-6:00 pm, 7-8:00 pm

**Tuesday Dec 21** Noon-1:00 pm, 5-6:00 pm, 7-8:00 pm

**Wednesday Dec 22** Noon-1:00 pm, 5-6:00 pm, 7-8:00 pm

**Thursday Dec 23** Noon-1:00 pm, 5-6:00 pm, 7-8:00 pm

## CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

**Friday, Dec 24:** 4:00 pm and 10:00 pm

**Saturday, Dec 25:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

**Sunday, Dec 26:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

**Saturday, Jan 1:** 8:15 am (Not obligatory this year) and 5:00pm

**Sunday, Jan 2:** 7:30 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am

## RONCALLI NEARLY NEW

This week all Christmas decorations and trees will be half price. Roncalli Nearly New, Aberdeen, Open Tues, Wed, Thurs. and Sat. from 12:00 to 4:00. Thank you for your donations and support.

## SUPPORT AND HELP

**Project Rachel** is for women and men who suffer from the pain of previous abortions. Call 1-800-700-7867.

**Natural Family Planning Classes:** Learn more about a way of responsible parenthood that is supported by the Catholic Church. Call 226-2232 or Sacred Heart at 225-7065.

**Annulments:** A possible 2<sup>nd</sup> chance for marriage in the Catholic Church. For more info, call Sacred Heart 225-7065.

**Catholic Family Services:** Call 226-1304.

**Marriage Encounter:** to make a good marriage better!

Web site is [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or call 362-0924.

**Retrouvaille:** Help for hurting marriages. Call 988-3763 or 988-3776 or [2021@retrouvaille.org](mailto:2021@retrouvaille.org) for more information.

**Pregnant? Alone? Afraid?:** Call BIRTHRIGHT at 229-0258. We are open from 1-4 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays of each week.

## PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please pray for the faithful adorers! Open hours of Adoration are 3—4 a.m. on Mondays, 12—1 a.m. and 1—2 a.m. 3 - 4pm Thursdays and 12—1 a.m. and 12—1 pm on Saturdays. Call Theresa at 226-0838 or Mary at 225-6001.

## CATHEDRAL RESTORATION

The parish appeal for restoration of St. Joseph Cathedral will end December 31, 2010. There is still time to contribute before the end of the month. Every contribution of whatever size is sincerely welcomed as are continued prayers.

Approximately \$2 million has been raised through the parish responses and the diocese is over 90% of its \$16.2 million goal.

## THE FIRST CHRISTMAS, *LAS PASADAS*

December 19: 4:00-6:00 pm

The Religious Education students will present a Parish Christmas Program. Bring an ornament and help decorate our big tree in the church following the program. Join this relaxed family event and enjoy cookies, cider and cocoa.

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY!

**Religious Education** is in need of a new 1st grade teacher at the 5pm class. Also, the teacher for 5th grade 6:30pm class needs a teacher's aide. Please call Michele Coughlin to help.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon. Is 7:10-14 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 1:26-38  
Pray that we model our lives after Christ
- Tue. Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a Ps 33:2-3,11-12,20-21  
Lk 1:39-45  
Pray for those who mourn a loved one
- Wed. 1 Sm 1:24-28 1 SM 2:1,4-8 Lk 1:46-56  
Pray for the youth of our parish
- Thur. Mal 3:1-4,23-24 Ps 25:4bc-5ab,8-10,14 Lk 1:57-66  
Pray that those who suffer chronic pain may obtain relief
- Fri. 2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a-16 Ps 89:2-5,27,29 Lk 1:67-79  
Pray that the peace of Christ fills people's hearts
- Sat. Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1-6 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5,9-14  
Pray that Christ's birth fills our hearts with joy
- Sun. Sir 3:2-7,12-14 Ps 128:1-5 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17  
Mt 2:13-15,19-23  
Pray for our Sacred Heart Parish Family

**Roncalli High School and the Revitalizing Roncalli** capital campaign are excited to announce that the campaign total has now exceeded \$3 million dollars! Thank you very much to those of you who have been so supportive of Roncalli and our mission. We appreciate your support and look forward to making a difference in the lives of our students for years to come.

### SPIRIT STORE

The Spirit Store will be open again Monday December 20th from 5:30—6:30 prior to the High School Christmas Concert at RHS.

### STOCKING STUFFERS

The perfect stocking stuffer -- \$10,000 raffle tickets!! Roncalli parents, faculty and staff are now selling chances for a \$10,000 cash prize. The lucky winner will be drawn at the Roncalli Ball on Saturday, March 26, 2011. Raffle tickets prices are 1 chance for \$10; 5 chances for \$50 or a booklet of 25 for \$100. The raffle supports instructional expenses such as teacher salaries, classroom materials and educational technology at Roncalli! For more information contact the Development office at 226-2100.

### RONCALLI SCHOOLS DECEMBER 20—25, 2010

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| Mon. Dec 20        | Grades 7-12 Concert RHS                      | 7:00 pm  |
| Tues. Dec 21       | GBB at Leola/Frederick                       | 4:00 pm  |
|                    | BBB at Leola/Frederick                       | 5:30 pm  |
|                    | Gymnastics—Tri-State Triangular at Jamestown |          |
|                    | WR at Warner                                 | 6:00 pm  |
| Wed. Dec 22        | Christmas Mass at RHS                        | 9:30 am  |
|                    | No RE Mass—Sacred Heart                      |          |
|                    | School Dismissed                             | 11:45 am |
| Thur. Dec 23—Jan 3 | Christmas Vacation—No School                 |          |

### PRESIDENT OF ACSS

Applications are now being taken for the position of President of the Aberdeen Catholic School System. Job description and additional information may be found at [www.aberdeenroncalli.org](http://www.aberdeenroncalli.org), or by calling 226-2100.

## INTER-PARISH

**Family Rosary:** Tue., Dec 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's  
**Aberdeen Right to Life:** Meetings 7:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month in the Brown County Courthouse basement.  
**Citywide Reconciliation Service:** Dec 19 1:30 at Sacred Heart

**Integrity of Action! Clarity of Thought!** Learn about marriage in today's world and God's desire for YOUR marriage. Register to attend the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** on **February 11-13, 2011** at Broom Tree Retreat Center in Irene, SD. For more information or to register, please contact Curt & Rochelle Lauret at 605-362-9145 or visit [www.WWME.org](http://www.WWME.org). *A Weekend of Discovery... A lifetime of love!*



## NCYC CHOIR AUDITIONS

NCYC (National Catholic Youth Choir) is now accepting applications and auditions for the 2011 choir. This is a phenomenal group of young singers that performed at Sacred Heart in June. Students entering grades 10-12 in the 2011-12 school year are encouraged to apply. Visit the NCYC website at [www.CatholicYouthChoir.org](http://www.CatholicYouthChoir.org) for more information. Charlene Blondo is willing to assist parishioners in applying and preparing their audition requirements. She can be contacted at [cblondo@parishmail.com](mailto:cblondo@parishmail.com).

### EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Jan 9: "Let There Be Light" Epiphany Celebration  
6:30 pm social with refreshments  
7:00 pm musical entertainment provided by parish musicians  
Free Will Offering for high school parish musicians auditioning for NCYC (National Catholic Youth Choir)

### CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATIONS



We invite those who wish to make donations in honor of loved ones during the Christmas season to please do so. Dedications may name one person, a couple or family group. All names



will be printed in the church bulletin. Members may be living or deceased. Please use the form below to send your gift to the parish office, or drop in the collection.

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CHRISTMAS FLOWER DEDICATION  
Enclosed is my gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_, to be used for the Christmas flowers at Sacred Heart.

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_

With dedication to: \_\_\_\_\_

From: \_\_\_\_\_