

THE NAVITY OF THE LORD ~ DECEMBER 24, 2011 ~ DECEMBER 25, 2011

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

<u>Weekly Mass Schedule</u>			<u>Mass Intentions</u>	
<u>Wed.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>*NO MASS*</u>	
Sun.	Jan .	1	All Parishioners	
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>			<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>
Dec.	18	209	27	(236)

No Dec. 31st Mass, January 1st is normal Mass schedule at 9:30 am.



PLEASE NOTE: There is No Mass at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit on Wednesday, Dec. 28th.

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit is having an Epiphany Dinner on Sunday, January 8th after Mass. The meat, drinks, and tableware will be provided. There will be a signup sheet in the vestibule for other dishes. Please plan to join us!

Hospitality Sundays (Donuts and such)

Beginning early in 2012 we will begin having Donuts, coffee, milk and juice on a regular basis. Unlike the previous LIFT celebrations, this will be an opportunity for only food and fellowship after Mass about six times a year. These opportunities to visit with fellow parishioners are a vital part of building a vibrant and welcoming parish family. This can only happen with your participation and help.

We need an individual, individuals or even a family or two who is willing to coordinate this Hospitality Ministry. It is very simple, takes little time but is very rewarding. This is our parish and we are all called to do our part. Is this your part? If you're interested or want more information, call Deacon Jim before he calls you. 864-3467



PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed for business from December 26th until January 2nd. May you all enjoy a Blessed Christmas.

ST. ISIDORE CHURCH

<u>Weekly Mass Schedule</u>			<u>Mass Intentions</u>	
Sun.	Jan.	1	All Parishioners	
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>			<u>Adults</u>	<u>Children</u>
Dec.	18	30	8	(38)

No Dec. 31st Mass, January 1st is normal Mass schedule at 10:00 am.

St. Isidore is having an Epiphany Dinner on Sunday, January 8th, 2012 beginning at 4pm. The meat, drinks, and tableware will be provided. There will be a signup sheet in the vestibule for other dishes. Please plan to join us!

“There is an appointed time for everything...” Ecclesiastes 3:1

Since 2005, here at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit, we have been having the L.I.F.T (Life In Faith Together) celebrations on a regular basis. This has been a major part of our effort as a parish to provide faith formation opportunities for all ages, including adults. This effort was begun as the “Generations of Faith” program in conjunction with approximately 30 other parishes in the diocese. To my knowledge, we are the only parish that has continued for this long.

I am very pleased with our **6 year run of 48 different LIFT celebrations**. I pray that these times have been meaningful in your life and most importantly that God has been pleased with all of our efforts. Beginning in early 2012 we will be embarking on a new “faith formation journey”. I look forward with excitement and anticipation for the next phase of faith formation opportunities that God has planned for us. Although His plan is not yet fully revealed, I ask for your continued prayers and support as we move into the future. As well, I welcome your suggestions and/or thoughts, regarding faith formation opportunities for adults and families.

Peace
Deacon Jim

An Invite To All: Our Lady of the Holy Spirit is doing Midnight Bingo again this year on New Year’s Eve. Come out for some great, safe, and beneficial fun for the church. The proceeds we get from working bingo are helping pay off the Renovation Debt. See you at Majestic Hall in Mt. Zion on Dec. 31st! OR...volunteer to work this session, call Julie Miller 412-4590. Volunteers and players must be 18 yrs old.





*A Christmas Blessing from
Deacon Jim and Agnes Ghiglione*

*Wishing you a very Merry Christmas
and a most Blessed New Year.*

This is our eighth Christmas to share with you here at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit and St. Isidore parishes. We feel truly blessed to have such loving and caring parish families. These parishes are blessed in many ways too, because you are a part of them. We are glad to have each one of you as a part of our lives. We are continually thankful for the Lord's almighty goodness as He unfolds His loving plan for His Church here in central Illinois. These are challenging times but exciting times to be a Catholic Christian.

Please be assured of our prayers for you and your family, and in a special way, we will remember your intentions as we celebrate Mass together at Christmas.

May the peace and joy of this Holy Season be with you always.

Deacon Jim & Agnes

