

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Student Center



Drake Newman Community
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*Merry Christmas
December 24/25, 2011*

Bread Bakers

Dec 24: None needed
Dec 31: Deb Rogers
Jan 7: Ellen Robinson

Linens Volunteers

January: Sheila Lingwall
February: Kristi Ryan

Money Counters

The new schedule starts January 1, 2012.
Please check your e-mail to see when you
are scheduled.

Coffee and Donut Hosts

Jan 1: Open - Please Volunteer
Jan 8: Brendan Comito
Jan 15: Barcus Family

El Salvador Coffee

Don Justo Coffee is sold for \$9.00 per
bag. Please contact the Parish Office
if you would like to place an order.
Thank you for your support!

Student Supper Volunteers

The sign up for next semester is available in
the gathering area. We still have a few
weeks in need of volunteers! Thank you!

Stewardship Corner:

The total offertory for Dec 18 was \$1,889.
*Thank you for your financial support of the
ministry of St. Catherine's.*

Parish Staff

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Liturgical Ministers

Saturday December 24, 5 pm

Liturgical Coordinator: Kristi Ryan

Sunday December 25 - No Mass

Sunday January 8, 5: pm

Liturgical Coordinator: Brian Gongol

Lectors: Jeff Bakke, Jeanette Becker,
Eileen Burtle

Eucharistic Ministers: Ellen
Strachota, Larry Strachota,
Jacob Walker

Campus Ministry and Parish Calendar

Sunday Dec 25: No Mass
Monday, Dec 26: No Service
Tuesday Dec 207: 5 pm Mass
Wednesday Dec 28: 5 pm Mass
Thursday Dec 29: 5 pm Mass
Friday Dec 30: 12 noon Mass
Saturday Dec 31: 5 pm Mass
Sunday Jan 1: 10:30 am Mass

**Students: Have a safe and relaxing
Christmas Break!**

Drake University/Community Choir Seeking Community Members

All interested singers are invited to become members of the Drake University/Community Chorus. No audition is necessary to join this ensemble, which rehearses weekly on Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm in Monroe Hall in the Harmon Fine Arts Center, 26th and Carpenter. Second semester rehearsals begin on Tuesday, January 17, for the Chorus' April 15 concert, entitled Texts and Contexts, which will explore the relationship between words and music and will bring five nationally known composers and poets to campus to work with all Drake singers. The Chorus is conducted by Dr. Aimee Beckmann-Collier. For more information, contact her at 271-2841.

Around the Diocese

Colleen Nixon in Concert
Sacred music - contemporary sound
(A concert for all ages)
Sunday, Jan 15, 7:00 - 8:30 pm
The Basilica of St. John, Des Moines

Please join us as we welcome Catholic vocalist and songwriter Colleen Nixon of the internationally acclaimed Catholic musical group, *Marian Grace*, for a very special night of Sacred Music. Colleen offers unique, refreshing and powerful musical arrangements of beloved ancient Catholic hymns and chants with stunning vocals. Experience a prayerful encounter with Christ. A free will offering will be taken at this concert. For more information visit www.sjeciowa.org or call St. Joseph Educational Center at (515) 222-1092.

Holy Innocents Prayer Service **Wednesday Dec 28 7 pm** **Capital Hill Lutheran Church**

Join the Des Moines Area Ecumenical Committee for Peace in prayer on Wednesday Dec 28 at 7 pm. *Troubled Sleep: A Call to End War, that the World's Children Might Sleep in Peace.* For more information please contact the parish office at 271-4747.

Please Remember in your Prayers:
Students as they travel for Winter Break
Sylvia Schaefer, Mother of Karen DeHaven who passed away.

Parish News

Poinsettia Sale

Please consider purchasing a poinsettia in honor of or memory of a loved one, to help decorate our worship space for Christmas. Poinsettias are \$20 a piece and will come with a tag for dedication. For more information please contact Kristi Ryan at kristiryan@gmail.com.

December Religious Education News

Dec 24: Christmas Eve Christmas Pageant
5:00 pm Mass
Classes resume **January 22**, after Drake students return from break.

Did you know that the Youth Group (9th-12th grade students) and the 8th grade Confirmation class raised over \$600 from their bake sale? Proceeds were used to adopt a needy family with 3 children and provide gifts for children from our sister parish in Concaste, El Salvador.

The 4th and 5th grade R.E. students adopted a family with a mother and 2 children. They shopped, wrapped the gifts and delivered them to their home.

Thank you teachers, for providing your students with the true meaning of Christmas. Thank you, students, as you experienced the joy of selfless giving.



This Week's Readings

Monday	Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59	Mt 10: 17-22
Tuesday	1 Jn 1: 1-4	Jn 20: 1-8
Wednesday	1 Jn 1: 5-2:2	Mt 2: 13-18
Thursday	1 Jn 2-3:11	Lk 2: 22-35
Friday	Gn15:1-6, 21:1-3	Lk 2: 22-40
Saturday	1 Jn 18-21	Jn 1: 1-18
Sunday	Nm 6: 22-27 Lk 2: 16-21	Gal 4: 4-7