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32500 Middlebelt Road - Farmington Hills, MI

# THE CHURCH OF ST. COLMAN OF CLOYNE

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## Feast of the Epiphany



“At the sight  
of the star,  
they were  
overjoyed.”

Matthew 2:10



Welcome to 2010! It is our fervent prayer that this New Year bless you with happiness, good health and answered prayers.

Before we lock the door on 2009, there are a few items worth knowing about.

The first is that today's church paper has a letter from Fr. John Devany. The letter speaks for itself, but it is clear that he carries an affection for us. And of course, the feeling is mutual. I notice he has an e-mail address - God love him! - I'm still trying to make friends with my computer.

In addition, there are some thanks that need to be expressed. Our deepest gratitude is extended to Blake and Tonya Prewitt. They very generously underwrote the brass quintet that played for our Christmas Masses. They have done this in the past without fanfare but I believe their thoughtfulness begs for recognition. Their good hearts blessed us all. In all my years of ministry this has never happened. We pray that God bless them and their family.

And since things don't just "happen" they are "done." And our church was "done" for Christmas by some very generous people as well. Namely, Lutie, Henry and Christopher Moore, Pam and John Gernacy, Marshall Dwyer, Carol Gargaro and Pat Allen. They made our church look beautiful for Christmas. We pray that God show them the same kindness that they showed us.

Our thanks go our to Sue Crudginton and her helpers for the children's Mass Christmas Pageant. It got rave reviews! Our small but gifted choir got well-deserved reviews as well. God bless and keep (and grow) them.

And finally, on a personal note the end of 2009 "blessed" me with a small health issue - which is being addressed. I am more than grateful for you concern and prayers. It accounted for some unexpected absences from scheduled services and the like.

May this New Year bless us all with good health and answered prayers.

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**WEEKEND SECRETARY**

Eleanor Lawson

**CUSTODIAN**

Marshall Dwyer

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE**

MONDAY AND TUESDAY 8:30 a.m.

THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE  
8:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY 12 Noon

**HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

8:30 a.m., 12 NOON, 7:00 p.m.

**BAPTISM**

Any Sunday of the month.

Please contact the Parish Office  
at least one month before baptism  
to arrange for Baptism preparation.

**SACRAMENT OF**

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
and by appointment at other times.

**SICK CALLS**

Anytime. Call residence 248-626-5055  
or Parish office 248-626-0285.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

Archdiocesan law requires a lead time of at  
least six months. Longer if a previous  
marriage is involved.

**MEMBERSHIP**

New members are asked to call  
the parish office to register.

**Parish Pastoral Council**

John Gernacy, President ..... 855-9477  
Norbert Leszczynski, Vice President 855-1741  
Michael Van Dyke ..... 737-7004  
Robert Juliao ..... 477-8086  
Martha Mullkoff ..... 626-9031  
Fr. Norbert Kendzierski ..... 626-5055  
Michael Garms, Vicariate Rep. .... 539-7660

**Worship Commission**

Pamela Gernacy ..... 855-9477

**Christian Service Commission**

Terry Klenczar ..... 661-5753

**Women of St. Colman**

Joan Hall ..... 539-1716

**Ushers** ..... 626-0285

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**Mass Schedule**

**January 02-03, 2010**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**01/02 Saturday - 8:30 p.m.**

†Joseph Dobbs

Int. of Dobbs & Kemp Family

Requested by Cynthia Kemp

†Sister Aurelia - 1st anniv

Requested by Ray & Clare Pety

**01/03 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**

Intentions of the Parishioners

**01/03 Sunday - 11:00 a.m.**

†Helen Brady

Requested by Karen & John Reynolds

**Monday 01/04 - 8:30 a.m. -**

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**

Int. of Bernard Kerbawy

Requested by Kerbawy Family

**Tuesday 01/05 - 8:30 a.m. -**

**St. John Neumann**

†Bernard Koetting

Requested by Bob & Pat Hammell

**Wednesday 01/06 - 12:00 noon -**

**Blessed Andre Bessette**

†Barbara Osowski

Requested by Ted Hromada

**Thursday 01/07 - 8:30 a.m. -**

**St. Raymond of Penafort**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Friday 01/08 - 12:00 Noon -**

†Geri Husek

Requested by Husek Family

**January 09-10, 2010**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

**01/09 Saturday - 8:30 p.m.**

†Irma Marcon

Requested by Louis Marcon

†Patricia Gampp - 15th anniv.

†Fred Shalhoub - 15th anniv.

Req. by Al & La Donna Gampp

Int. of Fr. Vincent

Req. by Carol & Kelvyn Ventour

**01/10 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**

Intentions of the Parishioners

**01/10 Sunday - 11:00 a.m.**

†Helen Kombol

Requested by Larry & Diane Lawson

**ushers/lectors**

**January 9-10, 2010**

**Saturday-4:30 p.m.**

Lector: Norbert Leszczynski

Ushers: Team #3, Bob Zimmerer, Pete Mastantuono, John Rembowicz, Angel Gama-Diaz

**Sunday-9:00 a.m.**

Lector: Tom De Witt

Ushers: Team #6 John Klenczar, Jerry Brown, Tom Ouellette

**Sunday-11:00 a.m.**

Lector: Isabel Raposo

Ushers: Team #4 Donna Varea, Bob Mueller

**Pray for and Visit the Sick**

Diane Allen, Janie Allsworth, Tony Angelosanto, Charlotte Ankers, Marian Barron, Judy Basso, Frances Booth, David C., Kimberly Callahan, Babs Carlisle, Bernadette Carroll, Mary Chmielewski, Louise Clark, Janet Conlon, Jack & Reggie Corsi, Dorothy Ann Creamer, Mary Rita Cuddohy, Kelsie Marie Cullen, Rita Cutcher, Helen Daniels, Joanne Davies, Dolores Detraz, Fr. John Devany, Joanne De Witt, Susan Dickow, Marie Dobson, Anthony Dolney, Alta Dolski, Anna Doree, Wally Dubriwicz, Angelo Evangelista, Vern Fargo, Nancy Fife, Connie & Joe Fortuna, John Fushman, John Gernacy, Mary Gilliatt, Allison Gilson, Thomas Gladwin, Gary Glowonia, David Goodnough, Autumn Grady, Patricia Gulan, Shoney Habel, Samantha Hainer, Maryann Hammill, Adela Harvath, Terry Haughey, Lynne Helton, Hubert Hoadley, Regina Horner, Lenore Holbrook, Jonah Hurley, Jeff Hutchison, Dan Jermov, Brian Juliao, Robert Juliao, Coral Kasprzyk, Ken Kemp, Bernard Kerbawy, Wenzel Koch, Coe Kraus, Felix Krempa, Marie Kuberski, Ann Leber, Laurie Leszczynski, Nooria Mansour, Geri Martin, Margaret Martin, Junie Mayhue, Carol McCurry, Karen Mullane, Erica Nader, Melissa Nasser, John Hammell Nelson, Geri Mertens, Heather Neuman, Colleen Nicklay, Marie Oleksiak, Gerry Olsen, Jackie Parent, John Plonka, Richard Poole, Patricia Presto, Ben & Loretta Purcott, Dolores Putti, Maria Sanchez, Gene Scarpone, Beatrice Smith, Mikki Stein, Sabah & Sona Sinawi, Cheri Tomkovich, Veronica Tripp, Dorothy Trosko, Katherine Van Dan, Earl & Marie Watson, David Wheatley, Mary Kay Wheatley, Katie Willis, Carol Wiseman, Robert Wojciechowski, Tasia Yaldo, Mary Yanowski, Nizar Yono, & the residents of Sunrise Assisted Living.

**NOTE: To add or remove a name from this list please call the parish office at 248-626-0285**

## Christmas 2009

Dear Fr. Norbert and all my dear friends  
at St. Colman's,

This letter has a double purpose. In the first place, I pray that you and all your loved ones may be graced with every blessing at this Joyful Season. My second purpose is to bring you up to date on how I am surviving as I enter upon my ninety second year. 2009 has been an equally divided bad news – good news experience. Between January and July, I was in the hospital three times – all of them 911 emergencies for various ailments, including pneumonia and fluid on the left lung, followed by five weeks in an assisted living facility called Marywood. I'm sure that my Passionist companions in community were anticipating continued downward progress when I was finally well enough to come home. That was in the middle of July – the beginning of the "Good News" part of my 2009. To everyone's surprise, myself included, my condition has improved significantly. My doctor gave me a general check-up just last week and she found all my vital-signs to be positive. In fact, she told me "The Lord must have further plans for you."

With encouragement like that, with Fr. Blaise's help and that of Fr. Arthur Carrillo, I have resumed my on-line homily ministry which was interrupted by my open heart surgery back in 2007. I started with a second-time-around for my Cycle C homilies. Fr. Arthur has given me space on his website where I can now offer to everyone interested, my Cycle C homilies. These are available at this web address <http://deposito.arthurcp.org/Devany/>

If I survive, I will be sixty-five years ordained on June 30, 2010. It is still a bit remote to be making plans, but we do have at least the intention of observing the occasion as we did for my sixtieth, so you might mark the date on your calendar. The picture I'm enclosing was taken just last week. Obviously, I'm not as young as I would like to look, but I think that I am bearing the burden of my birthdays more or less gracefully!

This is my first venture at typing anything on my computer in more than a year. I am sure there are some undetected typos and it has taken me much longer than on earlier efforts. I hope I have covered enough, to bring you up to date, so I'll sign off as I began by prayerful Best Wishes for a Wonderful Christmas and a Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

I hold you in my heart  
Fr. John Devany C.P.

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23335 Schoolcraft,  
Detroit, MI 48223-2405

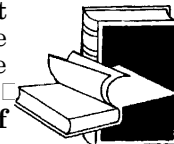


## Sue's News



**Faith Formation**  
Faith Formation classes  
resume **January 1 and 5.**

**Our Next Book Discussion -**  
**January 1 at**  
**7:00 p.m.** in the  
Social Hall. The  
book we selected is  
**A Revolution of**  
**Love - The Mean-**  
**ing of Mother Teresa** by **David**  
**Scott.**



**Gleaner's Community**  
**Food Bank** - Join the students  
in the eighth grade as they sort  
canned and dry food items into  
boxes that will be given to local  
people in need.

Date **Saturday, January 9**  
Time **12:00 - 1:30 p.m.**  
Location **Warren facility**  
24162 Mound Rd

We will meet here at 12:15 and  
carpool. **Students need to re-**  
**turn their permission slips**  
**and medical forms as soon as**  
**possible.**

**WE NEED DRIVERS.** Drivers  
are required to fill out a form  
prior to this date. Please sign up  
on the sheet on the bulletin board  
across from the parish offices and  
indicate whether you can drive.  
For more information or to volun-  
teer to drive please contact Sue  
Crudginton at [suecrudginton@aol.com](mailto:suecrudginton@aol.com) or at 248-626-0285.

God bless.

*Sue Crudginton*

## News from St. Alexander's Food Pantry

Dear Friends at St. Colman of Cloyne,

As 2009 draws to a close, the parishioners of St. Alexander's Parish would like to express their sincere gratitude to all of you for your continual support of our outreach program. Throughout this dismal economic year, your monetary donations as well as deliveries of non perishable food have enabled us to meet the demands of a client base which has soared in numbers from one year ago. The old African adage reminds us that it takes a village to raise a child. It likewise rings true that we as a parish cannot support this program on our own. Therefore, the importance of networking with our sister parishes, businesses, and organizations as well as increasing the public awareness of our mission is crucial.

For those of you who have resided in this community for several years, the thought of people going hungry in our area would have been difficult to fathom a few years ago. However, like the rest of the country, the unimaginable hardships caused by unemployment have seriously impacted many families in our cities of Farmington/ Farmington Hills, and consequently people are suffering.

Your outpouring of love and compassion at the holidays has been overwhelming, and we are so appreciative of your generosity and desire to help those in need. Please know that news of your efforts have been shared with our parishioners, and they, too, send along their prayers and thanks. Because of your support of our program, we have been able to assure countless families that they will have a happy holiday. However, hunger will not disappear after Christmas, so it is critical that we maintain our working relationship into the new year.

Since a Vicariate Newspaper will not be printed for us this month because of the new Vicariate configuration, we are including a current list of our inventory needs for the next month. The list is as follows □ **instant and canned potatoes, cereal, large cans of soup, coffee, syrup, peanut butter, jelly, and laundry detergent.** Thank you in advance if you are able to assist us in restocking our shelves with these badly needed items. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated.

Because most of us have limited resources, we cannot do everything. However, everyone can do something. Therefore, we look forward to joining our hands and hearts in this new year to eradicate the suffering around us.

Wishing you peace, love, and joy during this holy season and God's blessings into the new year.

The St. Alexander's Parish Family



# Welcome!

William and Amy Whitten

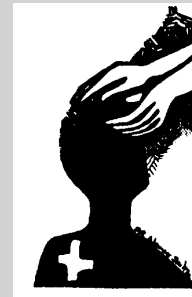
and to

Alan & Diane Darge

Who registered recently



We extend our sincere sympathy to Marlene & Don Fichter, on the death of her cousin, Magdalynn Visnaw, and to Geri Martin on the death of her husband, John, and to Regina & Dennis Guminik, on the death of her brother, Don Cobb, who died recently. Let us remember the families in our prayers. We commend their souls to the Lord. May they rest in peace.



## Anointing of the Sick

Friday,  
January 8,  
2010

after the 12 noon Mass



A Family  
Perspective  
by Bud Ozar

If the way your family communicates or resolves conflicts is not working, then take a tip from the Magi in today's Gospel and find "another way." Be a "wise" person in this new year and change what isn't working.



## Prayer Requests

**Please Note:** Our "Sick List" column on page 2 continues to grow. **Please notify the parish office at 2□8-626-0285 when changes occur.** We enjoy hearing the good news of recovery, and extend our deepest sympathy for those who have departed.



### *Dress Rehearsal and Christmas Pageant*

Thank you Summer Quirolo, Jackie Matthews, Liz Olsen, Carmen Suero, and Zulema Chomet and all the other parents for helping direct the pageant, getting the actors in costumes and keeping all our angels, shepherds, innkeepers, wise ones, etc. on track. Thank you also to parents who brought their kids to all the rehearsals. It is because of all your help we were able to give our parishioners such a beautiful and cute presentation of the Christmas gospels. - Sue Crudgington



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