

November 2009

Dear Parishioners,

Many **2010 Stewardship Commitments** have been returned and I thank you. If you haven't had the opportunity to return it, please drop it off at the parish office or in the collection basket. We can't be a parish without your willingness to serve and become involved in the life of the parish through your prayer, your ministry, and financial support.

Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas are coming. **Come and pray with us!**

- Thanksgiving Eve – Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:30
- Christmas Eve Concert – Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 p.m.
- Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 p.m.
- Christmas Day – Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:15 a.m.
- Mary the Mother of God – Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:15 a.m.

Our [Christmas Ministry](#) provides you a variety of opportunities to become involved to serve those in our community who may be forgotten or neglected. You will find information before and after mass as well as in our bulletin and on our web-page. Remember many of your Christmas purchases can be done with [SCRIP](#). You can purchase SCRIP before and after masses on the weekend, on Thursday nights from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., and on-line.

In case you have not heard, I will receive a new assignment in June 2010 and St. Anne will receive a new pastor. This will be a big change for all of us. Our [Pastoral Transition Task Force](#) has begun a pattern of regular communication to keep you informed. If you missed the bulletin, you can find the information on our [web-page](#) or you can subscribe to our [blog](#) to receive timely updates. The process will begin in earnest in January.

Your financial support – especially in these very difficult times – is deeply appreciated. Any year end gifts will need to be received at our office by Wednesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

I look forward to praying with you this Christmas!

Fr. Don