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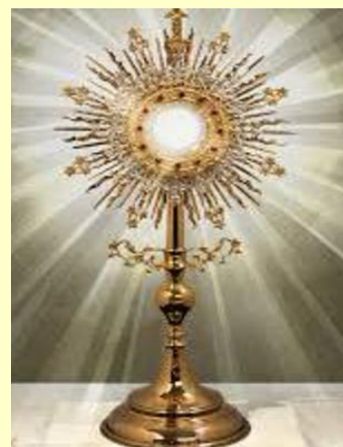
January 2, 2022



THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday, January 5th
7—8 pm

Join us for the whole hour -
or just for a few moments,
whatever your schedule
allows.

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Welcome!

A warm welcome is extended to all who come to St. Mary-Stony Hill to join together in this community of worship and praise to Almighty God. We are grateful to our faithful parishioners and welcome our neighbors and guests who visit us occasionally. We want you to know that you are always welcome!

All parishioners should be registered with the parish office. Please notify the parish office if you change your address or move out of the parish. Certificates of eligibility to sponsor at Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to registered parishioners who are active and practicing Catholics.

Parish Leadership

Rev. Msgr. William Benwell, OFS, Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Eugene Prus, Weekend Assistant

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Religious Education

We offer religious education for children of registered parishioners who attend public school grades 1 thru 8. Preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance, First Holy Communion and Confirmation is also provided for students who attend Catholic schools. The Confirmation Program is a two-year preparation program. Students may not enroll into 8th grade, unless they complete our 7th grade program or attend a Catholic school. Please check our website or contact the Office of Religious Education at 908-756-6524 ext.16 for more information.

Sacrament of Eucharist

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm*

Sunday Mass at 7:30, 9:00 and 11:15 am

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 8:00 am*

* Mass livestreamed and saved to our parish website.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 pm
(also by appointment)

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

We are grateful to know if there is someone who should be on our prayer list, or who would benefit from a visit from a Eucharistic Minister or anointing by a priest. Please ask the individual, or immediate family member, to contact the parish office. In an emergency, phone the parish office and follow the prompt. Please use this option only for a genuine emergency requiring a priest.

Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrations are held after our Sunday Mass.
Contact the parish office for scheduling.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Contact the parish office for an appointment at least one year in advance of the planned wedding date.

Ministry Leaders

Bereavement Group	<i>Cheryl Gatti</i>	908-285-0330
Cemetery Sales	<i>Dick Dorsi</i>	908-380-3321
Cemetery Concerns	<i>Pat Manfredonia</i>	908-756-6524
Children's Liturgy	<i>Melissa Camiolo</i> oloimac21005@gmail.com	
Covenant Committee	<i>Florence Larkin</i>	908-757-4029
Finance Committee	<i>Nancy Finn</i>	908-756-6524
Food Pantry	<i>Anthony Pangli</i>	732-764-0264
Food for the Needy (SHIP)	<i>Larry Latore</i>	908-370-3538
Knights of Columbus	<i>Wayne Osborne</i> knightswayneosborne@yahoo.com	908-581-0975
Liturgical Ministries	<i>Peter D'Angelo</i>	908-963-0436
Moms & Tots	<i>Paige Jasaitis</i>	908-753-0443
Morning Prayer Group	<i>Mary Cooper</i>	908-561-0854
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Seniors Group	<i>Pat Dorsi</i>	908-917-5709
St. Ann's Soup Kitchen	<i>Melissa Hillier</i>	908-448-8874
Youth Ministry	<i>Tina Kelly</i>	908-756-6524

Reflecting on this Week's Scripture

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah foresaw a time of great joy for Israel when nations and kings would come to Israel praising the Lord.

How do you show gratitude to the Lord for the great joys of your life?



**SHIP is still unable to accept frozen food donations at this time.*

Food Collection

Thursday, January 13th

10—10:30 am in the parking lot

Non-perishable grocery items for the Somerset County Food Bank are gratefully accepted. Donations may also be dropped off in advance in the parish office. Thank you for your continued support!

Attention Seniors!

Our Seniors Group will resume our regular Thursday morning meetings on **Thursday, January 13th**. Looking forward to seeing you then. Merry Christmas!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 3

Religious Education Classes (5 pm & 7 pm)
8th Graders in Church tonight

Wednesday, January 5

Religious Education Classes (4 pm)
Holy Hour (7 pm)

Thursday, January 6

(parish office closing at noon today)

Saturday, January 8

First Reconciliation Retreat (10 am)
Second Collection at all Masses this Weekend
(Together in Charity Collection)

Sunday, January 9

Religious Education Classes (10 am)
6th Graders in Class today
Baptism (12 noon)
Knights of Columbus Meeting (12:30 pm)

Prayer For The New Year

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the year that has passed and the many blessings You have showered us in time.

We beg your pardon in our many failings and trespasses and we pray that the coming year be a more fruitful one.

We earnestly pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit and we call upon our Lord Jesus Christ for His intercessions, His guidance and His light to shine our path.

Our Sacrificial Offering

Thank you and may God bless you for your continued support of our parish!

Due to the accelerated bulletin publication schedule, the collection is reported on a delay. All weeks will be published.

(Including WeShare)

Weekend Collection 12/19/21 \$11,438

O Come, Let Us Adore Him





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December 15, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we continue to celebrate this season of Christmas, it is a special joy to announce over and over the wonderful truth that God has made His home among us in His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. While the world quickly moves on in a never-ending chase for the next exciting thing, we are called to reflect again on the truth that God is with His people. Because we celebrate Christmas...what does that mean for the rest of the year?

This year we continue to be challenged with emergency needs that arise from people coming to our parishes for additional help. This fund as you know is used solely for those who show up in need of emergency assistance. Every year we have a special opportunity to participate in an annual local collection: *Together in Charity*. On the weekend of January 8/9, 2022 or another weekend in January, the annual "Together in Charity" collection will be taken up at all Masses. The collection funds our Catholic Charities' Emergency Assistance Program, which aids parishes when individuals and families are faced with urgent financial, housing, or medical needs beyond a parish's capacity to meet. Your parish may have been one of those helped by the program, since in the last year 39 (43%) of our parishes turned to Catholic Charities for emergency assistance from this fund. In total, 222 households, consisting of 372 adults and 272 children, were helped by those who gave to the Together in Charity Collection. .

As we celebrate our 40th Anniversary, one of our hallmarks as a local Church has been our consistent and generous response to those in need. We have consistently risen to the occasion of following the Gospel mandate "what you have done for the least, you have done for me." In that spirit I ask you please respond as your means allow, making a sacrificial offering for those who seek our help. Our assistance becomes the actual presence of Christ in someone's life.

I thank you in advance for your generosity and assure you of my prayerful good wishes for the year ahead. Be assured of my prayers for a blessed Advent and a glorious Christmas! Please pray for me too.

With renewed best wishes, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA
Bishop of Metuchen



Let us pray for the sick:

Joseph M. Angeleri	Cornell Marino
Eloy Bello	Rose Molnar
Andrea Callejas	Carolyn Monday
Genna Camiolo	John Osborne
Lorena D'Amato	Anthony Pelle
Lori Engler	Jaxson Rivera
Annette Barcomb Eyrich	Samantha Rodriguez
Vivian Flower	Joanne Quense
Robert Hardy	Cathleen Schmidt
Shannon Hardy	Frank Skopowski
Agnes Harris	Pat Turner
Laura Hinkley	Sharon Venuto
John Hunton	
Carol Jacob	...and all those who are
Chet Janusz	sick or suffering.

If there are any names that should be added to the list, please phone the parish office. We pray daily for all those who are sick.

Let us pray for those in the military: May God bless you for your service.



L. Cpl. Joseph Butrico, USMC
Corp. Michael F. Hogan, USM
Edward Paul Louis, USA
Eric Marsjanik, USN
Eric Merkle, USAF
Chaplain Robert Monagle, USAF
Sgt. Patrick Noll USMC
Pvt. Jonathan Sims, National Guard
Morgan Slaninko, USN
Capt. Daniel Szurick, USMC
Major John Voorhees, USA
Lt. Taylor Wing, US Army

From today's readings...

**“ Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your light has come, the glory of the
Lord shines upon you.”** - Is. 60:1

TABERNACLE CANDLE BURNING

January 1—7:
Peaceful Christmas Blessings
Lillian Duffy



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 3

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn. 3:22-4:6/Mt. 4:12-17, 23-25

**8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of
Kociolek Family**

TUESDAY, January 4

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn. 4:7-10/Mk. 6:34-44

**8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of
Kelly & Mauceri Family**

WEDNESDAY, January 5

Saint John Neumann

1 Jn. 4:11-18/Mk. 6:45-52

**8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of
Stroz Family**

THURSDAY, January 6

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn. 4:19-5:4/Lk. 4:14-22

8:00 a.m. Betty Vaccaro

FRIDAY, January 7

Christmas Weekday

1 Jn. 5:5-13/Lk. 5:12-16

8:00 a.m. Edward Lubrano III

SATURDAY, January 8

Vigil of The Baptism of the Lord

**4:00 p.m. Michael Logan Stein
Sal Puleo**

SUNDAY, January 9

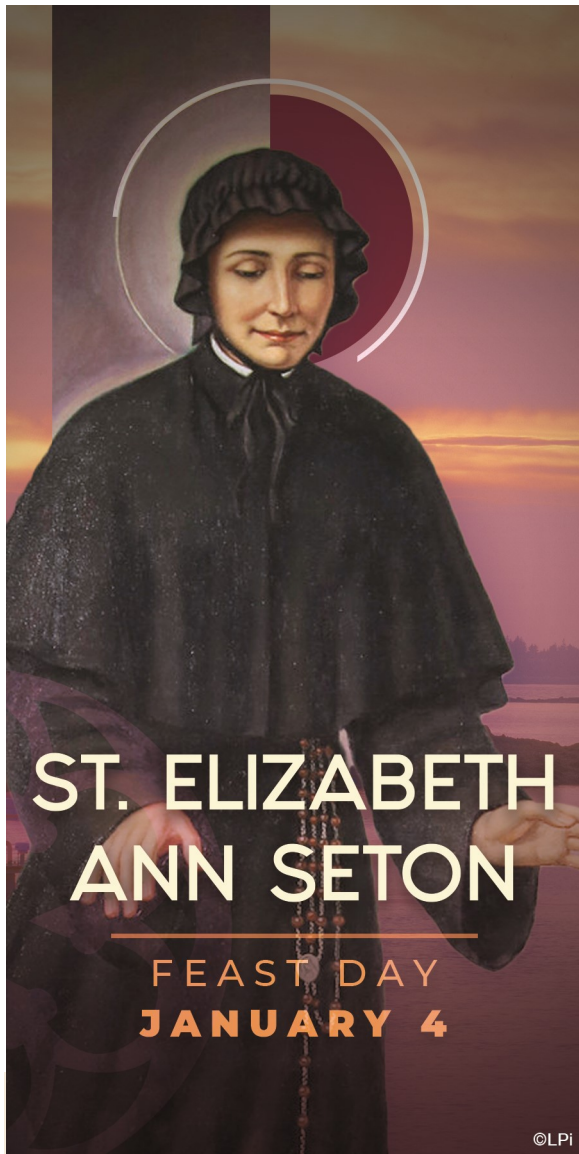
The Baptism of the Lord

Is.40:1-5, 9-11/Ti. 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk. 3:15-16, 21-22

7:30 a.m. Kunegunda Maculaitis

9:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

11:15 a.m. Bella Covone



I have found
heaven on earth,
since heaven is God
and God is in my soul.



- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Unscramble these words from today's Gospel:

~~wise men~~
child
born

king
star
worship

Mary
gifts
dream

wsie mne w i s e m e n

brno _ _ _ _

knig _ _ _ _

derma _ _ _ _ _

cildh _ _ _ _ _

wrsohpi _ _ _ _ _ _ _

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