January 5 & 6, 2019

The Epiphany of The Lord

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m.
	10:00 a.m.
	12:00 noon
Monday-Friday	7:30 a.m.
Saturday	8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Wednesday	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Andrew Clyne, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Charles F. Smarsh

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Virtus Child Protection Coordinator

Mrs. Kathie Bernitt
Bookkeeper

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Mrs. Maria C. Bovich, Principal

Pre-Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Beforecare & Aftercare Available
Tuition Assistance Available

Matrimony

Please call the Parish Office at least six months in advance to speak with a priest and to schedule Pre-Cana Formation and a wedding date.

Baptism

Baptisms are typically held the fourth Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. Please call the parish office for information and to schedule Baptism Preparation Formation and a Baptism date.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

"Behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.'" How strange to journey so far for perhaps so little. Of course the magi go to the capitol city. Of course they entreat with King Herod. Of course this is where they expect newborn royalty to be. But where is the child? *"In Bethlehem of Judea,"* the scribes say. And so the magi go on to what is yet another Christmas miracle.

We don't know where the magi met the Christ Child, but it cannot have been lavish. Perhaps it was the stable. Perhaps it was a small hovel Joseph had found to wait out the census. But it would have been the home of a laborer, worn and threadbare. Here, in this unassuming abode, the magi are still *"overjoyed...they prostrated themselves and did him homage."*

Have you ever gotten to the end of a great work and found the results to be underwhelming? How did you respond? Were you disappointed or elated at God's providence and your upended expectations? The magi journeyed hundreds of miles over treacherous terrain to pay homage to royalty they have seen prophesied in the stars. They encountered an ordinary family displaced from their home. This Sunday, the magi are an example for us. Can we see God in the unexpected? Do we encounter Him in the person who doesn't fit our expectations of propriety? Do we revere Christ's presence in the poor? Or do we expect to meet God only in places of honor and esteem? This week, ask God for the grace to honor Him in the unexpected places and unassuming people. He is waiting for you!

YOU ARE INVITED!

OPEN

Parish Council Meeting

Monday, January 14th

7:00 p.m.

Mezzanine

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED.

PLEASE JOIN US!

Please pray for our Holy Redeemer pilgrims in the Holy Land this week!

SCHOOL OF RELIGION

School of Religion will be in session this Sunday, January 7th and on January 14th and January 21st.

During the month of January, School of Religion will be participating in the "St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth, and Families" donation drive. School of Religion families are asked to refer to the flyer that will be sent home this weekend to see what items to donate to St. Ann's. Donations are due to your child's classroom by January 21st.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Berard in the parish office or via e-mail at bberard@holy-redeemer.org.

This Sunday:
Holy Redeemer Christmas Concert!

Please join us in the church on **Sunday, January 6th, at 4:00 p.m.** for our annual Holy Redeemer Christmas concert! The Holy Redeemer Choirs will combine to present festive carols and motets of the Christmas season.

Music will include ***"For Unto Us A Child Is Born"*** from Handel's Messiah, ***"Bogoroditse Devo"*** from Rachmaninoff's All-Night Vigil, and ***"What Sweeter Music"*** by John Rutter, sung by the Holy Redeemer Choir, accompanied by a string octet. The Vigil Choir will sing a setting of ***"In the Bleak Mid-winter"*** by Holst, and the Schola will offer Victoria's setting of the ***"Ave Maria"***. The 35-voice Children's Choir will sing settings of ***"Hodie Christus Natus Est"***, ***"O Come, Little Children"***, and ***"Gesu Bambino"***. And, there will be Christmas carols for all to join in singing!

This annual concert always keeps us in the Christmas spirit - please join us!

Confirmation Preparation

On Sunday, January 13th, there will be a Confirmation Gathering from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Four Seasons Room. This Gathering is for the Confirmation candidates, parents, and sponsors. If a candidate's sponsor cannot attend, a parent of the candidate is asked to stand in for the sponsor.

If this Gathering is cancelled due to inclement weather, the makeup date will be on Sunday, January 20th from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Berard in the parish office or via e-mail at bberard@holy-redeemer.org.

The March for Life is Friday, January 18, 2019

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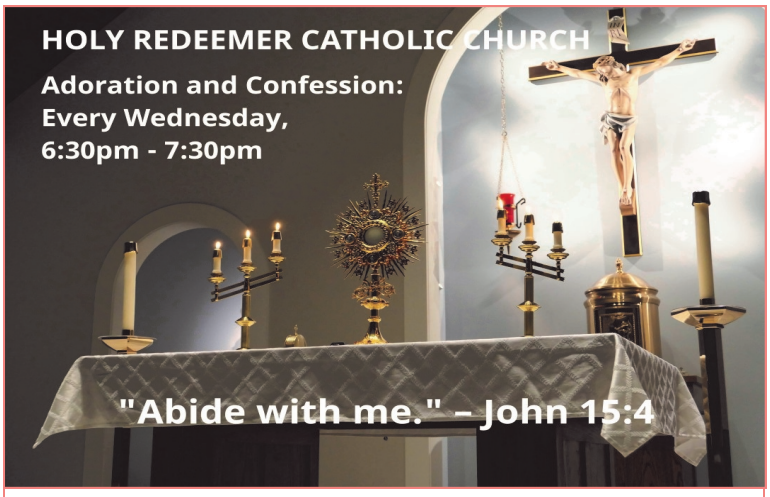
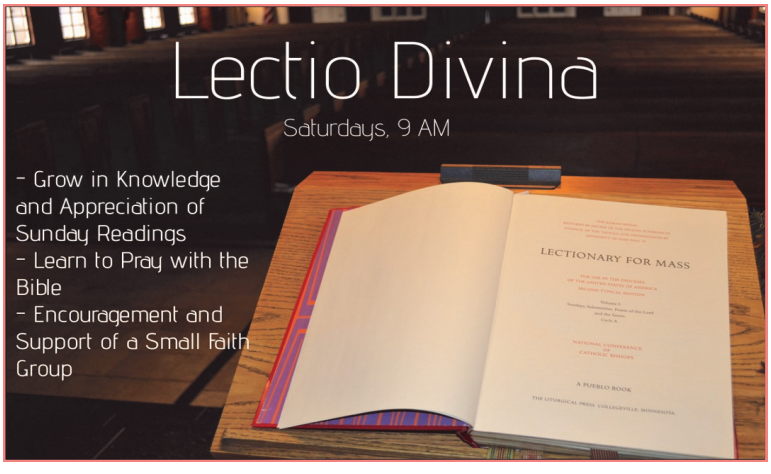
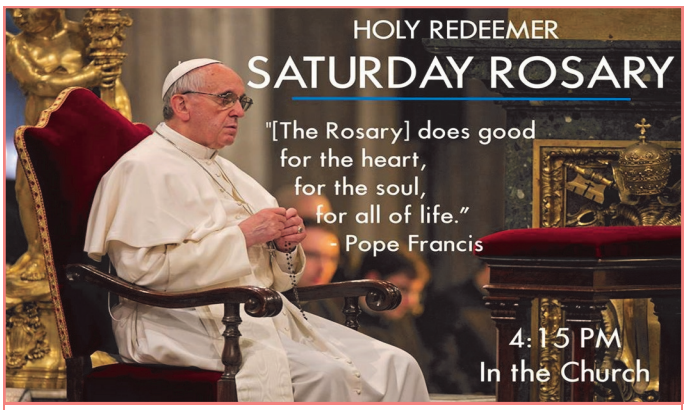


All are invited to join us **every Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.** for a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration. We begin with the traditional Latin chant, ***"O Salutaris Hostia",*** hear the Gospel for the upcoming weekend, spend time in silent prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and conclude with another traditional Latin chant, ***"Tantum Ergo Sacramentum",*** and finally The Divine Praises.





Please join us for community rosary and devotional prayers, **every Saturday at Holy Redeemer at 4:15 p.m.** as we offer prayers for Pro-Life Intentions and for the conversion of the hearts of abortion practitioners. All are welcome, please bring family and friends. Please contact Katherine Hunter for any help at (240) 444-3390 or safl.bh.md@gmail.com.

Men's Discernment Retreat

DCPRIEST
ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON PRIEST VOCATIONS

St. John Paul II Seminary invites men in their 20's – 40's who are interested in learning more about the priesthood to attend a discernment retreat led by priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. The retreat will be held on **the weekend of February 1 – 3, 2019, at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C.** The weekend will be an opportunity to pray and reflect on God's call, meet priests and seminarians, hear their stories, and learn more about the seminary and priesthood. Registration is now open at www.DCPriest.org. For more information contact the Office of Priest Vocations 202-636-9020 vocations@adw.org

Holy Redeemer School Happenings

Upcoming Events

December 21-January 1
School Closed for Christmas Break
January 11, 4-7:00pm
-Spaghetti Dinner, FSR
January 15, 5-9:00pm
-Restaurant Night @ Blaze Pizza, College Park

Registration for 2019-2020

Registration for Holy Redeemer School is open! The registration application is available via TADS, and can be accessed on our school website under *Admissions*.

Polar Express

On Friday, December 14, Kindergarten and their 5th Grade Buddy class walked down to see the "Polar Express Trains" while dressed in their Christmas Pajamas! They warmed up with hot cocoa and *train treats* when thy arrived back at school!

Open House

Tours available anytime by appointment

January 27 — *9am-12pm*

January 29 — *8:30am-11am*

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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Morning Mass on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Monday, January 21st, will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. instead of 7:30 a.m.

The Holy Redeemer Parish Office and School will be closed.

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home mission territory because they are unable to fund the essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 6, 2019

Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
Next Sunday:	Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

IN YOUR PRAYERS

PRAYERS FOR THE ILL & INFIRM

Flore Gooch
Roy Nelson
Laura Pannell, *cousin of Marie Winterson*

PRAYERS FOR OUR BELOVED DEAD

Anne Hixon
Christina Ross

MASS INTENTIONS

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 6, 2019

Saturday, January 5, 2019
- 8:30 a.m. Max & Kay Swoboda, RIP
  Requested by the Swoboda Family
- 5:00 p.m. Jason Wines, RIP
  Requested by the Wines Family

Sunday, January 6, 2019
- 8:00 a.m. All Parishioners
- 10:00 a.m. School of Religion Families
  Requested by Beth Berard
- 12:00 noon Deceased Family Members, RIP
  Requested by Earl & Mary Armstrong

Monday, January 7, 2018
- 7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Smith & Airhart Families, RIP
  Requested by Ray Smith

Tuesday, January 8, 2019
- 7:30 a.m. Laurene Levy, RIP
  Requested by Patricia Abad

Wednesday, January 9, 2019
- 7:30 a.m. Owen Chin, RIP
  Requested by Jennee Chim

Thursday, January 10, 2019
- 7:30 a.m. Seamus Casey, RIP
  Requested by Ellen Davis

Friday, January 11, 2019
- 7:30 a.m. Marjorie L. Gribshaw, RIP
  Requested by Ray Smith

Saturday, January 12, 2019
- 8:30 a.m. Richard Vernon Beall, RIP
  Requested by the Theis Family
- 5:00 p.m. Mary King, RIP
  Requested by Barbara Asbury

Sunday, January 13, 2019
- 8:00 a.m. Paul V. Hageman, RIP
  Requested by the Hageman Family
- 10:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the DeFranco And Williams Families, RIP
  Requested by Wayne & Ginny Williams
- 12:00 noon All Parishioners

STEWARDSHIP

COLLECTIONS

Due to the early bulletin deadlines because of Christmas, Offertory figures are not available at this time. They will be published in a future bulletin.

THANK YOU!