

January 5, 2020 The feast of the Epiphany

# **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: I Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a;

Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: I Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44 Wednesday: I Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13;

Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: I Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;

Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: I Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16 Saturday: I Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10;

Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

Cf. Bar 5: 5



- Happy 2020! I hope you and yours have a prosperous and blessed new year.
- Our school has already begun registration for next year for 2
   -3-4 year olds. Contact the preschool to reserve your spot.
- We have many ministries here at St. Thomas who are always in need of volunteers. If you go on our website at statucson.org and look under Parish Life/Get Involved, you will find many rewarding avocations.
- We are getting a wonderful response to our FLockNotes which keep our people up
  to date on happenings here at the parish. If you are not signed up and would
  like these reminders, please contact the parish office.

Blessings, Fr. John L.

\*\*\*\*Deadline for January 19th bulletin is January 10th. \*\*\*\*\*

The Religious Education Office is open every Sunday and you can register for the parish or RE, get a Mass intention, or drop things off. The RE office is located to the right of the stairs that are located to the right of the church steps as you are looking at it from the courtyard.



An easy way to manage your contributions to the church is through our website: statucson.org
On the home page, you can click on the DONATE tab on the ribbon or you can scroll down and

click on the ONLINE GIVING. Both will bring you to the Our Sunday Visitor online giving site. Once you create an account, you can set up a giving schedule. Any questions, please call the office.



	JANUARY	4- JANUARY 12
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	- Catherine Rindenello †
-	•	- Kathryn Lynn Braun †
Sunday 1/5	7:30 a.m.	- Patricia Pettis †
•		- Mitchell Pavlica †
	9:00 a.m.	- Thomas Shelby †
		- Rick Davis †
	10:30 a.m.	- Clara Aguilar †
		- Francis X. Leonides †
	12:00 p.m.	- Patrick Ronstadt †
		- William Higgins †
	5:00 p.m.	- For the People of St. Thomas
Monday	8:00 a.m.	- B & Clyde Pearson †
		- Herman Froemming †
Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	- William Neer †
		- Marty Ronstadt †
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	- Judge John Roll †
		- Steve Marten †
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	- Rick Davis †
		- Thomas Shelby †
Friday	8:00 a.m.	- George Spencer Anderson †
		- Ernie Chacon †
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	- Wayne Peterson †
		- For the People of St. Thomas
Sunday <b>1/12</b>	7:30 a.m.	- Patrick Rebarchak †
		- George Nelson †
	9:00 a.m.	•
		- Edrie Maas †
	10:30 a.m.	- John Lochert †
	12.00	- Maria Teran †
	12:00 p.m.	- Rob McDonald & Family
	F.00	- Shelby family
	5:00 p.m.	- Lori McCreary †

† deceased

# Are you being called?

Is the Holy Spirt calling you? If you are feeling called towards vocations or maybe just to participate more in the Mass as a Lay Reader or Eucharistic Minister, please contact Fr. John G. 577-8780, ext. 128)

**DID** you know? - If the address on your check is the same as the address we have on file, you do not need an envelope. You can put your check in the collection basket and we can match it up to your contribution statements.

# Mass/Schedule

Monday, January 6	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Ken
Tuesday, January 7	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Ken
Wednesday, January 8	8:00 a.m.	Fr. Tom
Thursday, January 9	8:00 a.m.	Fr. John G.
Friday, January 10	8:00 a.m.	Fr. John G.
Saturday, January II	8:00 a.m.	Fr. John G.
	5:00 p.m.	Fr. John L.
Sunday, January 12	7:30 a.m.	Msgr. Al
	9:00 a.m.	Fr. John G.
	10:30 a.m.	Fr. John G.
	12:00 p.m.	Fr. Ken
	5:00 p.m.	Fr. John L.
Subject to change.		

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;

National Migration Week

Monday: St. André Bessette

Tuesday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;

Iulian Calendar Christmas



# From the Christmas Drive Elves:

Thank you **so** much to all who took an ornament and returned it or who donated money to help us pay for ornaments that were not taken or returned and to our amazing drivers who gave up their Thursday morning to drive gifts to Hayden, Kearney and Marana. Special thanks to our St. Vincent De Paul volunteers who arranged the ornaments for our needy within St. Thomas itself as we are more and more becoming a parish that both gives and has people that need.

Thank you and have a blessed New Year.



# PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY Parish Hall



(After the 7:30 and 9:00 a.m. Masses)

Join your fellow parishioners for a hot breakfast of pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee and orange juice.

Sit back and let the Knights do the cooking!

# THIS WEEK AT ST.THOMAS THE APOSTLE

SUNDAY, JA	ANUARY 5 PANCAKE BREAKFAST	
9:00 a.m.	-NO Religious Education (Preschool, Kindergarten)	
10:30 a.m.	-NO Religious Education (Elementary & Middle School)	
11:30 p.m.	-RCIA	Conference Room
2:00 p.m.	-Life Teen Leadership training	
3:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen Choir Rehearsal	
5:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen Mass	
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6:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen	•
6:15 p.m.	-Lectio Divina	Koom 6
MONDAY, J	ANUARY 6	
8:45 a.m.	-Coffee and Chats	Bruegger's Bagels
11:30 a.m.	-Spanish Ministry	Parish Hall
5:30 p.m.	-Scouts	Campus
6:30 p.m.	-Knights/Ladies of the Holy Sepulchre	
TUESDAY,	IANUARY 7	
9:00 a.m.	-Endow	Room 6
4:30 p.m.	-Religious Education	
6:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen Core Meeting	
6:00 p.m.	-Children's Choir Rehearsal	
7:00 p.m.	-Parish Choir Rehearsal	
	AY, JANUARY 8	
8:30 a.m.	-Adoration	
9:15 a.m.	-Spanish Endow	Room 9
1:30 p.m.	-Mahjong	O'Leary Hall
5:00 p.m.	-More Than Words	O'Leary Hall
5:30 p.m.	-Marian Club Meeting	Parish Hall
6:00 p.m.	-EDGE Core Team Meeting	Conference Room
6:30 p.m.	-Life Teen Confirmation	Classrooms/OLH
7:00 p.m.	-Acclamation Choir Rehearsal	
THURSDAY	. IANUARY 9	
8:30 a.m.	-Quilt/Toy Ministry	O'l eary Hall
9:15 a.m.	-Community Prayer	
5:30 p.m.	-Conversational English	-
5:30 p.m.	-Taize Prayer Service	
7:00 p.m.	-Knights of Columbus Council Meeting [NOTE DAY CHANGE]	
<u>SATURDAY</u>	, JANUARY I I	
8:30 a.m.	-Knights of Columbus Roundtable Discussion	O'Leary Hall
SUNDAY, JA	ANUARY 12 COFFEE & DONUTS (SCOUTS)	
9:00 a.m.	-Religious Education (Preschool, Kindergarten & Middle School, Elementary)	Classrooms
10:30 a.m.	-Religious Education (Elementary & Middle School)	
12:00 p.m.	-RCIA	
3:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen Choir Rehearsal	
3:30 p.m.	-Mass with the Bishop Fundraiser	
5:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen Mass	
6:00 p.m.	-LifeTeen	
6:15 p.m.	-Lectio Divina	,
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# Taizé Prayer Service Thursday, January 9 5:30 PM Chapel

You are invited to participate in the **January Taizé Prayer Service** – in celebration of one of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit: COUNSEL. The prayers, readings and hymns for this service are curated around this theme. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Taizé prayer is a simple and short service of prayer, scripture, congregational singing and silent contemplation where attendees can encounter an intimate and encompassing relationship with God. Participants report serenity, appreciation, connection, gratitude, hope and bliss.

The Holy Spirit's Gift of COUNSEL builds on both WISDOM and UNDERSTANDING. COUNSEL enables a person to judge promptly and rightly, especially in difficult situations. God enlightens our hearts and directs our thoughts, words and actions in accordance with his saving will.

# **Upcoming Dates:**.

JANUARY 9: Next Knight's Council

Meeting (NOTE DAY CHANGE)

JANUARY 12: Knight's Mass and

Dinner with bishop

JANUARY 25-26: SVDP Stuff the Truck FEBRUARY 8: Marian Club luncheon Skyline

MARCH 28: Starry Nights





The Marian Club of St. Thomas invites any woman

18 years of age or older to join us. We will meet in
the Parish Hall at 5:30 P.M. on Wednesday, January
8 for refreshments and socializing. Visitors are most

welcome! Many of our members began as visitors!

We look forward to seeing you on January 8!





### **Adult Confirmation**

The Sacrament of Confirmation builds on what was begun in Baptism and what was nourished

in Holy Eucharist. It completes the process of initiation into the Christian community, and it matures the soul for the work ahead. If you are interested in being confirmed, adult classes will begin in January, taught by Fr. John L Contact Fr. to determine if this class is a good fit for you. Dates for the class are January 27, 2020, February 3, 2020 and February 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Conf.

# 16th Annual – 2020 Mass and Dinner with the Bishop

The Knights of Columbus 4<sup>th</sup> Degree - Msgr. Don H. Hughes Assembly 2392 invites you to join faithful Tucson Catholic parishioners and Bishop Weisenburger at the **2020** Mass & Dinner with the Bishop.

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Sunday, January 12, 2020

3:30 PM at St Thomas the Apostle

5150 N Valley View Rd. Tucson, AZ 85718

Social Hour And Dinner No host social hour at 5:00 PM - Dinner to follow

**Bishop Weisenburger photo opportunity** Skyline Country Club - 5200 E. St. Andrews Dr.

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Menu:

Grilled Sirloin Steak with Blackberry Pinot Noir Glace and Sea Bass with Lime Butter Beurre Blanc

Vegetarian Option: Quinoa Stuffed Poblano with Calabacitas, Roasted Red Pepper

Plus:

 Fresh Field Greens Mixed with Iceberg and Romaine Hearts, Cucumbers, and Tomato Wedge, and Choice of Raspberry Walnut or Balsamic Dressing

City:

Phone:

Zip:

State:

• Creamy Mashed Potatoes & Sautéed Green Beans with Almonds

Dessert: Chocolate Turtle Cheesecake

Number of tickets desired: ( ) Amount @ \$150 ea:

Red and white wine with dinner included (1 bottle of each per table)

Cost:

Name of purchaser:

Vegetarian Meal Requests? (

Address:

Email:

\$150.00 per person (\$95.00 is a charitable donation)

Tables of 8 - \$1,200.00 (Up to two priests can be seated for free making table of 10)



Bishop Edward J Weisenburger

### **Photo Opportunity**

Bishop Weisenburger has graciously agreed to make himself available fos with atte

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16 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Mass and Dinner with the Bishop Registration Form or register online and	
	http://uknight.org/Assembly.asp?A=2392	

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Requested Priest at Table	9		10	

# Preschool Registration

Ages 2-5



2020-2021







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- ✓ Structured Learning

# SPACE IS LIMITED

# CALL TODAY!

Schedule a Tour (520) 577- 0503

Visit our website at sttomaspreschool.com





# St. Thomas Bible Study Topic: James: Pearls for Wise Living

Have you ever struggled with living your faith practically? Do you want advice on how to live as a Catholic? The Book of James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith.

This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to our current day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

St Thomas the Apostle Parish will begin an eleven-week Bible study *James: Pearls for Wise Living* on **Jan 19th, 2020** at 6 p.m. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, visit ascensionpress.com, or contact Tom Mouch at mouchs@comcast.net or (520) 331-8242 by Jan 10<sup>th</sup> (so the correct number of study materials can be ordered).



# THE QUILT & TOY MINISTRY Thursday, January 9, 8:30 a.m.—??? O'Leary Hall

The Quilt & Toy Ministry meets on the second Thursday of every month (September-May) in O'Leary Hall. Our projects include making lap quilts for homebound adults and children, as well as simple cuddly toys for children in hospitals or wherever we find a need. If you can match colors, tie a knot, iron or even make coffee, you are needed! NO sewing skills required.

Coffee & dessert will be provided. If you have questions, call Carol at 297-4068. All parishioners, male/female, are welcome!

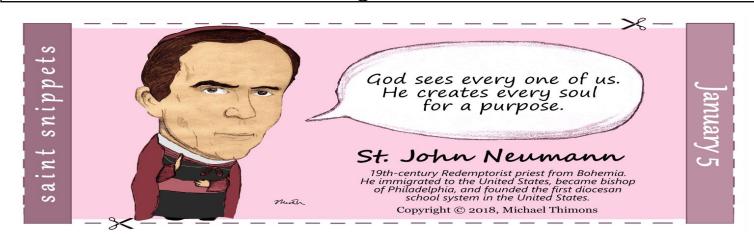
# FOOD BANK WEEKEND—NEXT WEEKEND

when we collect nonperishable food and/or monetary donations to benefit the Tucson Community Food Bank. Marked barrels will be located at the entrances to the church to receive your donations. No fresh produce, bread, rolls or any baked items or glass jars can be accepted. If you wish to contribute by way of a check, please make it payable to the Community Food Bank and drop it in the Poor Boxes in the narthex or in the collection basket. Please do not drop checks in the food barrels.

# Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Championship



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Knights of Columbus will host a Basketball Free Throw Contest for boys and girls ages 9 to 14 on Saturday, January 25, 2020 from 8:00am-9:30am on the Southeast corner of the St. Thomas the Apostle Parking Lot. There is no cost to enter and contestants will compete in their respective age divisions. All participants will receive a KofC Free Throw Contest Patch and division winners will be eligible to progress through district and state competition. Contestants must have parental consent. Please support this event by encouraging your children, grandchildren, or other boys and girls you know between the ages of 9 and 14 to participate. For additional information please contact Brother Knight Ron Hartman 309-696-2292 or ronaldwhartman@earthlink.net



# **Courtesy Announcements\***

# Serenity Retreat Series:

The Sacred Voice Which Calls You the Beloved January 18, 2020 – Redemptorist Renewal Center







## The Sacred Voice Which Calls you the Beloved

Many of us struggle with not feeling we are enough. We have difficulty loving and accepting ourselves, which interferes with our relationship with ourselves, others, and God. When we don't love ourselves it is difficult to feel intimate with God or be in a healthy relationship with another person. In this retreat, we will discuss how the "liar, the deceiver" comes to "kill, steal, and destroy," and has a part in the negative thoughts we have about ourselves. We will discuss obstacles to self-love, i.e. "various addictions to self-medicate and numb our emotional pain" with food, alcohol, drugs, shopping, phones, computers, spending, work, etc. We will also review negative self-talks, constant comparing to others, high expectations/perfectionism, which sets us up for feeling like a failure. This discussion will include how we use social media, etc. to compare our lives with others, how we think identity is affixed to being successful. The retreat is aimed to affirm ourselves and our identity. We will utilize quotes/books by Henry Nouwen who wrote that we are not what we do, what we have, or what people say about us. Our identity is in God alone. We are His Beloved.

The retreat begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. Feel free to attend vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Desert Church. The cost of the retreat is \$45.00 (including lunch and materials).

Anne Marie Sheffer is a licensed professional counselor. She is an independent contractor with Pathways Counseling Services. As a Christian therapist, she also facilitates spiritual retreats.

For retreat registration, please contact: office@desertrenewal.org; Redemptorist Renewal Center; 7101 W. Picture Rocks Rd., Tucson, AZ 85743; www.desertrenewal.org

# (Norkdwide/Marriage Encounter

# Kindergarten Night at Immaculate Heart Academy

Wednesday, January 29, 2020
Time: 5:30 pm
Call the Office to RSVP at (520)
297-6672
There will be Door Prizes!

### MAGNIFICAT BRUNCH

Saturday January 11, 2020, 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM at St Francis De Sales Church, 1375 S. Camino Seco in the Social Center. Come enjoy fellowship with other women from around the diocese. Enjoy a meal, music, prayer, and praise and worship! Be inspired by our guest speaker Noelle King as she shares her story of Miracles she received through her devotion to Mary. Contact Gloria at 520-237-7060 to purchase tickets. Cost \$15.00. We welcome all newcomers! And are also looking for volunteers!

Ring in the New Year! Start 2020 with joyful praise and worship to Our Lord! Join your friends in Christ at our "Alive in Christ" Charismatic mass, at 6:30 PM, on January 9, 2020 at Sacred Heart Parish Church, 601 E. Fort Lowell, Tucson (just W of Ist Ave). Visit <a href="https://www.tucsonccr.org">www.tucsonccr.org</a> or call Gloria (520-237-7060) for details. Hosted by the Diocese of Tucson Renewal Ministry



Remember your honeymoon! Remember how special it was? Worldwide Marriage Encounter helps you bring back the togetherness of those times. It is a positive, simple, common sense experience between a husband and wife. To apply online, and for weekend dates visit www.wwmearizona.com.



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<u>Parish Office</u>	(577-8780 <u>FA</u> 2	X 577-0441)	Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m4:30 p.m.
Father John Lyons	Pastor	Ext. 115	sta5150@aol.com
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	Preschool & Kinder		
Michelle Garmon	Director	Ext. 120	sthomaspreschool@gmail.com

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE & BECOME INVOLVED					
Maria Sarnoff	577-8298				
Coleen Davis	310-4648				
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Sandy Kolasa	577-8331				
<b>7</b> Theresa Levy	270-7737				
Elsie Fischer	296-8868				
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Mariana Cabellen					
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**SVDP Conference** Ron Arlt 577-1227

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Funeral Ministry, Ushers

### **ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE WEBSITE**

www.statucson.org

# **MUSIC MINISTRY**

If you are interested in joining one of the Choirs, please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL—Herman Johannesmeyer (Chair), Winnie Amene, Hurd Baruch, Erwin DeSa, Mary Anne Fay, Elsie Fischer, Eric Gall, Randy Hannon, Phil Lacovara, Hylda Martin, Tony Martin, Larry McDonough, Pat Meurant, Bernice Ochoa, Liz Sprenkle, Nancy Stephan, Joe Stoesser, Eileen Thompson & Steve Villaescusa (Staff: Father John Lyons, Father John Gonzales, Deacon Ed Sheffer, Deacon Phil Garcia, Deacon Joe Cruz & Erin LaComb)

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