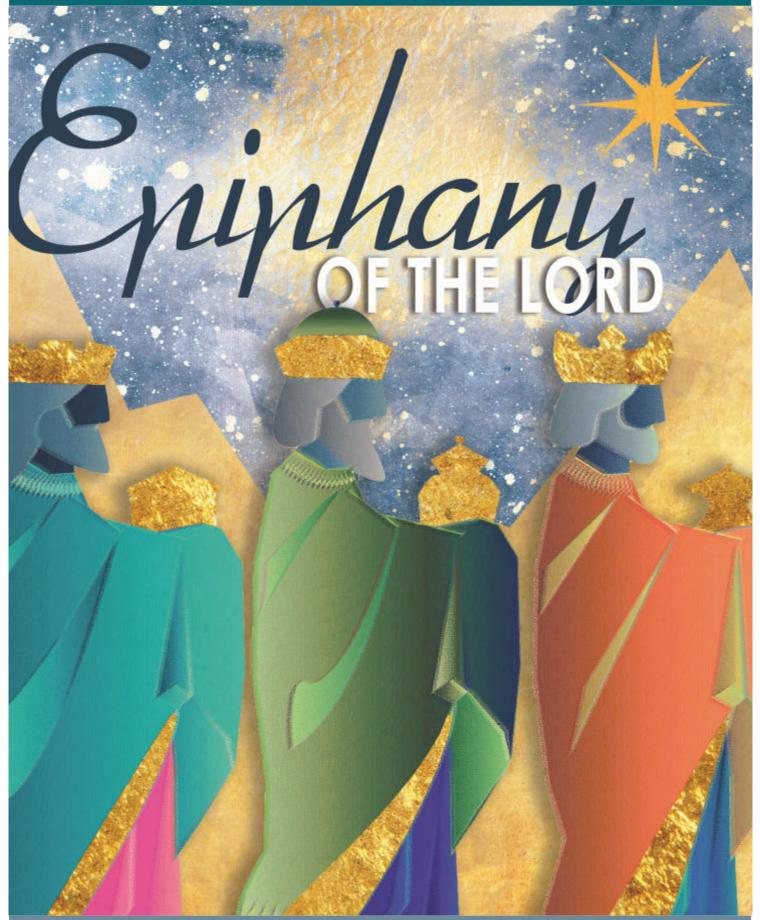
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JANUARY 3RD, 2021 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 **Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/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 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3,

4bcd, 5-6 [3)]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

BAPTISM

Louis Alexander Cyr Son of Michael & Brittany

WELCOME

Lindsay Stokes



WEEKLY OFFERTORY Week of Dec,13th, 2020

Sunday Envelopes Sunday Loose Checks/ Cash	\$9,892
	\$3,496
Holy Days	\$1,395
eCatholic	\$8,801
Total	\$23,584

Fiscal Year To-Date (July - week of Dec,13th)

Weekly Collections	\$600,041
Budgeted	\$616,677
Weekly Collections (under) budget	(\$16,636)

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 4

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

6:30 a.m. Priest Intention 8:30 a.m. Priest Intnetion

Tuesday, January 5

St. John Neumann

6:30 a.m. Lonnie McClard 8:30 a.m. Karen R. Doebber +

Wednesday, January 6

St. André Bessette

6:30 a.m. Lonnie McClard 8:30 a.m. Ray Sutton

Thursday, January 7

St. Raymond of Penyafort

6:30 a.m. Lonnie McClard 8:00 a.m. Sandra Wichman+

Friday, January 8

6:30 a.m. Lonnie McClard 8:00 a.m. Fred Droley

Saturday, January 9

8:00 a.m. Claire Kaiser + 5:00 Patrick Reichert +

Sunday, January 10

The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Phil Born+ 9:30 a.m. Peggy Reigner + 11:30 a.m. Parishioners

5:30 p.m. Anna Boyd Zawislak

A Letter from Father Maassen

Dear missionary disciples of Christ,

Thank you so much for the prayers, the gifts, the sugar, adult beverages, the blessed Christmas sentiments and all that I have received for Christmas. Thank you again to all our music coordinators, musicians, cantors, lectors, choir members, extraordinary ministers, decorators and our Tech man for the Christmas season. The liturgies were sacred and beautiful, the church most beautiful.

Last Saturday evening and then very early Sunday morning, I anointed two people who died relatively soon after they received the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick...The proper time for receiving this holy anointing has certainly arrived when the believer "begins to be in danger of death because of illness or old age". Each time a catholic falls seriously ill, she may receive the anointing of the sick, and also when, after she has received it, the illness worsens. If you wish to read more about this sacrament, you may visit the archdiocesan web site which contains information on all the sacraments. If someone is dying, please call in a priest, especially if they have been away from the church or the practice of the faith. Certainly if you have any questions, you can call myself or Fr. Doyle.

If you are going to make any resolutions, what could be more important than resolving to grow in holiness. Blessed and joyful, holy new year to all.

In Christ,

Fr. Maassen

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS TO SACRED HEART

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Obligation Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 p.m. Sunday 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (Life Teen)

WEEKDAY MASSES

M-F 6:30 and 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Civil Holidays
9:00 a.m. Mass only
(Martin Luther King Day,
President's Day, Memorial Day,
4th of July, Labor Day,
Thanksgiving Day)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday after 8:00 a.m. Mass until all are heard and from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment (call the Parish Office) Eucharistic Adoration Sunday after 5:30 p.m. Mass through Monday 11:00 a.m.

SPECIAL LITURGIES

<u>Weddings:</u>
Arranged six months in
advance.
<u>Baptisms :</u>
First and Third Sundays 12:30 p.m.

First and Third Sundays 12:30 p.m. (prior instruction required)

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word:</u>

Sunday 9:30 a.m. (during Mass)

SACRED HEART RESPECT LIFE

respectlife@sacredheart-vp.com

Thank you- As we look back at this past year, (a year different from any other), we would like to thank everyone who has supported our Respect Life Committee.

Thank you for purchasing Christmas cards and also giving monetary donations to support Birthright and the Missouri Right to Life Education Fund.

Thank you for all your generous donations to "moms in need" throughout the year. "Walking with Moms in Need" continues through March 25th 2021.

Thank you for volunteering your time during the 40 Days for Life campaign.

Thank you for sending Mother's Day cards to support Birthright of Hillsboro.

Thank you for all your prayers for expectant mothers and families trying to conceive.

Thank you for ALL your prayers.

Your generosity and support is truly appreciated!

Happy New Year!





Strategic Planning

Although many will be happy to enter a New Year, we as a parish have accomplished so much in 2020. We have worshipped and prayed. We have educated and formed. We have served those in need in so many ways. We have strengthened our school and our family faith formation. We have successfully completed a campaign to address our debt. We have accomplished so many things this year at Sacred Heart, far too many to recall in more detail. Below you will find the results from our Visioning Days. This is a summary of the four sessions we undertook with parishioners in October to recognize our strengths and voice our aspirations. We look to the future of Sacred Heart as we become and form missionary disciples of Jesus Christ, while strategically planning for the future.

Strengths

Worship 1. Ser

1. Sense of community at Mass ("Spiritual Home")
2. The church building provides a prayerful & peaceful environment
3. SHVP offers retreat experiences for various ages

Aspirations

1. Increases Mass attendance among all parish segments and ages.
2. Offer homilies that make the Gospel relevant to life in today's world
3. Increase youth involvement in liturgies
4. Hire a Music Director and offer music that engages all ages

Formation

- Day School is an asset
 Pastor is supportive of trying new things.
 SHVP provides religious education to families with children in public schools.
- Develop strong youth formation program (up to age 18)
 Develop an outlet for Young Adults (Ages 18-30).
- 3. Provide instruction on Church teaching for all ages4. Increase enrollment in Day School.

Service

- 1. St. Vincent DePaul is active in supporting the local community
 2. SHVP offers many diverse service opportunities
 3. Service groups at SHVP benefit from the generosity of the parish and its parishioners.
- 1. Extend personal invitation to get involved.
- 2. Create opportunities for more Young Adults (18-30) to be involved.
- 3. Promote greater awareness of service opportunities.

Administration

- 1. SHVP facilities are an asset to the community.
- 2. There is a wealth of creative skills among parishioners.
- 3. SHVP Priests & Deacons are positive, supportive and energetic.
- 1. Make sure that needs/volunteer opportunities are publicized.
- 2. Plan for engaging communications with all parishioners (active and inactive).
- 3. Provide accurate and current information across all platforms.

Youth Ministry

HEY TEENS!!!

come join us on Sunday nights as we have started the "food series!" Find about the connection of certain foods to the history of the church and particular saints... I how we can trace the popularity of chicken to monks from the ninth century... Or the connection of fish to the most recently beautified

American... And much more! As always we meet after 530 mass on Sunday nights... And don't forget open Naz on Thursday night at 7 PM

EDGE

SPECIAL ANNOUNCE-MENT: The December Middle School night will be on December 6 - and we will have a special guest that night! We meet after 5:30 mass and we are done by 8pm.

If there are any questions about any of the above, please contact Roy Hinkamper at (314) 325-2447

Religious Education

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Classes for Family Faith Gathering resume this week, Monday/ Tuesday, January 4/5. Our topic in January is "The Church -One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic". Due to Covid restrictions, home schooling parents will NOT meet in person this month. Information on this month's theme will be emailed to you this week.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

There is no Catechesis of the Good Shepherd this week. Our next session will be on January 10.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Second graders will receive the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time on January 13, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

CONFIRMATION

The sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on Friday, April 30 at 7:00 pm. Monsignor Dennis Stehly will be the celebrant. Please note this is a change from the original date.

Epiphany Prayer – from faithandworship.com
We are drawn to your feet in worship, your creation facing its creator, Hearts laid bare by your light, humbly asking for your mercy. We come to You as a people in need of assurance and forgiveness. We come to You as a people in need of healing and wholeness. We come dependent upon your love. Draw us close. Enfold us in your arms. Fill us with your Spirit that we might reflect your light within this dark world, speak your Word with boldness and draw others to your feet. We ask this through your dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

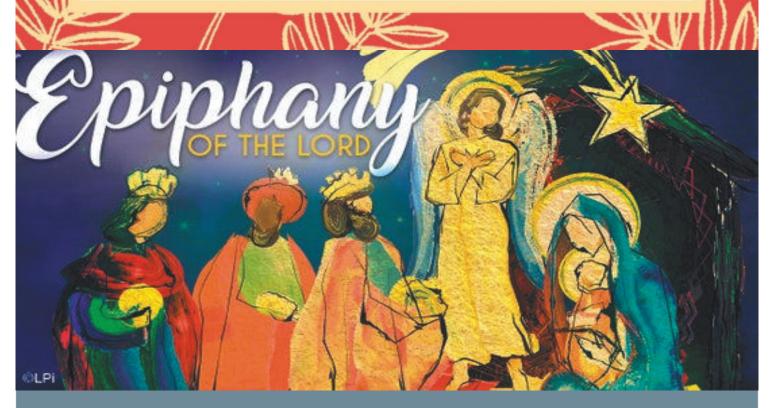
May Christ bless you and your family this Christmas season and bring you peace in this New Year!

Blessings of Christmas joy, Fran Hanson

School News



LET US CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.



Parish Life



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2021 HOME AND SCHOOL AUCTION WILDER NIGHTS – SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2020

NOVEMBER AUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

We are praying for and planning for an IN PERSON auction in 2021!

- · If you would like to be involved in the planning of the auction... ALL ARE WELCOME! Please email the committee at shvpauction@gmail.com to learn more.
- Donated items are the foundation of another successful auction. As you see big savings over this holiday weekend, please keep the auction in mind! We have created a wish list (the link is below) ... but you also know what kids your age would love to receive and those are always a great items!
 - Here is a link to the Auction Amazon Wish List https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/205QeSf?ref=cm_sw_em_r_wl_mw_eOQqNrpOykBrl
 - · We do anticipate business donations being a bit more challenging to get this year ... so these personal donations will mean more than ever.
 - Much more information including ticket information –coming soon to www.sheart21.givesmart.com.

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Everyday Stewardship

Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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Frank Kruessel
Aggie Mathis
Autumn Pillman
Cory Rolwes
Charlie Stoff
Dorothy Stoff
Brad Steinkuehler

Hayden Steinkueler Cindi Hauri Terri Branham Hal Holmes Pat Curran Mike Hamms Tim McCullen Noreen Dempsey B.J. Mattingly Nancy Piszczek

Mother of Julie Maxwell

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Maureen Dowling

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OF WORSHIPPING
JESUS, WHO IS PRESENT
IN THE EUCHARIST
UNDER THE
APPEARANCE OF
BREAD. JESUS, HERE IN

THE EUCHARIST, INVITES US TO LOOK AT HIM WHILE HE LOOKS AT US. WE ARE BLESSED TO SPEND TIME WITH HIM

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Robert Thum
Peyton Weber
Emily Pilla
Tim Camden
Dakota DeClue
Jeff Arent
Erin Arent
Clay Fisher

PRAYERS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHER'S AND THOSE STRUGGLING WITH INFERTILITY

Let your parish community pray for you or a loved one who is expecting a child, awaiting adoption or struggling with infertility. Take a rose from the basket near the statue of the Blessed Mother and place your name and due date (or

intention) on it and place in the vase and our parish is asked to pray for all intentions. Add your intention to the prayer journal and when the baby is born/adopted, take the rose as a reminder of God's constant love and write an update on your journal entry so we can celebrate the good news.

SIMPLE STEPS

Join us for our Simple Steps
Bereavement Group meetings
held on the second Thursday of
the month at 7:00 pm in the
Sacred Heart Room. Our
gatherings include a video
followed by prayer, discussion
and fellowship. We welcome
anyone who has had a loss of a
parent, spouse, sibling, child or
other relative.

We will observe the 6 foot rule and a mask is required. Looking forward to seeing you. For more information contact Suzie at 636-343-1131 or Jeanice at 314-398-7557

FOR THOSE 55 AND



Enclose fee and drop registration in collection basket or bring to the Parish Office. We look forward to having you join us! Our Yesterday's Kids luncheons will be suspended for now. Let us pray for all with trust in God's

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Phone 636.225.0341

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PARISH ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Contact information for all activities & organizations can be found in the Parish Directory.

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