

St. Michael Catholic Church Mission of St. Dominic

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2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

January 15th, 2023

For those of you who missed the Epiphany Party, we want to share this poem with you, adapted (from the original "T'was the Night before Christmas") and recited at the party by Mr. Hal Rich. Thanks, Mr. Rich!

T'was the Day of Epiphany

T'was the day of the Epiphany, when all through the Hall, All the parishioners were stirring, and having a ball.

The food and the drinks were arranged on tables with care, In hopes that Fr. Cusick would soon be there.

The children were all gathered with their moms and their dads While visions of music and laughter danced in their heads.

> And Mom in her kerchief and dad in his cap, Had just showed up after Mass and a nap.

When out in the parking lot arose such a clatter, That everyone ran out to see what was the matter.

Away to the window we flew like a flash, Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The sun shining on the church yard was all aglow, And gave luster of mid-day to objects below.

When what to our wondering eyes did appear, But a miniature Hyundai and some priestly gear.

With a little driver so lively and quick, We knew in a moment it must be Father Cusick.

More rapid than eagles with his collar he came, And he whistled and shouted and called out our names:

"Now Joanna, now Fran, now Suzanne, John, and Nick, And all who work for the church, please make it quick!

To the top of the steeple, to the top of the hall, Now stay awhile, stay awhile, stay awhile all."

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,

So up to the steeple these workers they flew, With hopes of getting promotions and raises, too.

And then, in a twinkling, we heard at the door, Lots of music and singing, a real uproar.

As we took in the scene and were turning around, In the door came Father Cusick with a bound.

He was dressed in a cassock, from his neck to his foot, And his clothes were all black, the colors of ashes and soot.

A dozen or so cookies he brought in a sack, And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack. His eyes-how they twinkled! His manner- how merry! His cheeks were all rosy, his smile quite cheery! His droll little comments and joking around, Let us all know, he still had his feet on the ground. His priestly collar was just as white as his teeth,

His priestly collar was just as white as his teeth, And a certain aura encircled him like a wreath.

He had a friendly face and not much of a belly, And when he laughed, it didn't really shake like a bowl full of jelly.

He was friendly and welcoming, a right jolly young elf, And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head, Soon gave us to know we had nothing to dread.

He spoke many words, which was part of his work, And filled us with joy, and then turned with a jerk.

And offering us all a prayer and good wishes, He left the volunteers to clean up and do all the dishes.

He sprang to his Hyundai, to his team gave a whistle, And away he flew like the down of a thistle.

But we heard him exclaim, as he drove out of sight, "Happy Epiphany to All, and to All a Good Night!"

Daily Gospel Readings for this Week



Monday – Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday – Mt 19:16-26 Wednesday – Mk 3:1-6 Thursday – Mk 3:7-12 Friday – Mk 3:13-19



Mass at St. Michael's: 9 AM

Bus Departing St. Mary's Assumption, Friday, January 20th, 10:30 AM

Although Roe v. Wade has been overruled, there is still so much work to do to protect the sanctity of life. Parishioners of St. Michael's and St. Dominic's are teaming up with the parishioners of St. Mary's Assumption in Upper Marlboro to take a bus to the March for Life in DC. We will have Mass together at St. Michael's at 9 AM before gathering at St. Mary's. The bus will leave the St. Mary's parking lot at 10:30 AM and return around 5 PM. Please RSVP on our website or to Joanna Hellerman at joanna@stmichaelbaden.org, (240)681-3551.



LOTR and Catholicism with Joseph Pearce

Chris Stefanick Show

You've almost definitely heard of Lord of the Rings; it's pretty much the greatest

fantasy epic in the history of Western Literature.

But do you know about its Catholic influence?

Joseph Pearce, one of the top Catholic intellectuals in the world and a leading Tolkien scholar, is joining Chris to talk about the trilogy that its author called a "a fundamentally religious and Catholic work; unconsciously so at first, but consciously in the revision."

Pearce has written multiple books about Middle-Earth and Catholicism, and is the editor of multiple intellectual publications, such as the Imaginative Conservative. He's also a friend of Chris's.

Join their awesome conversation to learn about:

- The religious symbolism in LOTR
- How Tolkien's faith formed his storytelling
- How a Catholic should read fantasy

Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage

The annual wedding anniversary Mass for the Archdiocese of Washington will take place Saturday, February 11, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Bishop Roy E. Campbell will celebrate the Mass to highlight the Catholic vocation of marriage and the beauty of God's plan for married life. Couples must register via the parish office by January 20 to attend the Mass and/or receive a certificate from Cardinal Wilton Gregory in honor of their anniversary year. Please call (240)681-3551 or email secretary@stmichaelbaden.org to register.

Archdiocesan Career Opportunities

Positions at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center in Hyattsville, MD

- Director for the Office for Evangelization and Pastoral Planning
- Associate Director for the Office of Family Life
- Participant and Outreach Coordinator (English and Spanish) -Project Rachel

Visit our career site at

https://adw.org/aboutus/resources/career-opportunities/ for more information.

Additional Summer Job Opportunity

CAMP ST. CHARLES – Boys and Girls Catholic Over-Night Summer Camp – Hiring camp counselors, photographers, kitchen crew and janitorial crew. Please visit www.campstcharles.com for details.

Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00 PM St. Michael Sunday: 8:00 AM & 11:30 AM St. Michael 10:00 AM St. Dominic

Tues - Fri 8:00 AM, First Sat 9:00 AM, 1st Fri: 7:30 PM, all at St. Michael

Confession Times

Sunday: 7:30 AM Wednesday: 7:00 PM Saturday: 4:00 PM

Daily Adoration

Visit our website for the full schedule



Please PRAY for our SICK

(Please notify us if you or your family member should be removed) Brenda Baden-Ritter, Tiffany Barbour, Joe Bauer, Joanne Butler, Gavin Birl, Arlene Bloom, Arlene Bonds, Grayson Bowling, Madison Brady, Flossie Brown, James Brown, Keith Brown & Family, Lynn Brown, Thomas Canavan Ann Canter, Larry Canter, Sr., Charlene Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Andrew Catterton, Joyce Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Mary Connick, Finn Cusick, Stacey Danielson, Donnie Deuvall, Diane DiSandro, Leo Dixon, Marysa Dixon, Shaun Donnelly, Dorothy Dunston, Kathy Fisher, Robert Flum, Rosemary Flum, Bert Hall-Foxwell, Jerry Frisby, Gerald Gray, Frances Hall-Jones, Tim Hayden, Mabel Hamilton, Barbara Harding, Crystal Johnson, Kathy Johnson, Bernice Kirby, Marie Knobel, Margaret Kramer, Wanda Langley, Betty Lindsay, Kenny Lindsay, Adam Lumpkins, Shirley Ann Lucas, Ida Makle, John Martone II, Teddy Miller, Ralph & Regina Nasatka, Fannie Newman, Thomas Pancamo, Yvette Parker, Carolyn Parson, Joyce Pickeral, Michael Proctor, Betty Proctor, Gary Reinhardt, Marsha Reinhardt, Shawn Reinhardt, Paul Richards, Ann Bowie Rice, Lorrie Riess, Dawn Russo, Mary Savoy, Blanche Simms, Dee Smith, Dave Spadaro, Geraldine Stewart, Savannah Stuart, Patricia & Thomas Stuart, Stephanie, Fr. Larry Swink, George Thomas, Tara Turner, Christopher Wallace, Joseph Washington, Jackie Weaver, Joseph & Patricia Welch, Jim Williams, Juanita Wilson, Ken Wilson, Terry Wilson, Carmelita, Cheryl Young, Dean R. Young, Lewis Young, Theodore Young.

Jesus, Divine Mercy, heal and console us! Jesus, I trust in You!

MASS INTENTIONS

| Saturday | 1/14/23 | 5 PM | LaCole Cole |
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| Sunday | 1/15/23 | 8 AM | Linda Brown |
| Sunday | 1/15/23 | $10\mathrm{AM}$ | Parishioners |
| Sunday | 1/15/23 | 11:30 A | M Carroll "Buck" O'Neill + |
| Tuesday | 1/17/23 | 8 AM | Shelia & Tom Guy + |
| Wednesday | 1/18/23 | 8 AM A | Antoinette & Salvatore Santini+ |
| Thursday | 1/19/23 | 8 AM | Kris & Eileen Larsen + |
| Friday | 1/20/23 | 9 AM | Dorothy Klippel + |

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS - Jan. 15, 2023

St. Michael Offertory Collection \$ 7729.00 St. Dominic Offertory Collection \$ 988.00

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