St. Patrick Parish

January 8, 2023 The Epiphany of the Lord



TODAY: Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord!

astoral Notes As we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany this weekend, Gospel reminds us that Jesus, Emmanuel (God with Us) the Son of God, was introduced and revealed to the world, through the visible sign of a special star, to be the Redeemer of all of the people of the world for all time. If you look at the Infancy Narrative as presented by St. Matthew, there is no detail that gives names to the "Three Wise-men". It merely states that three gifts were offered. It doesn't say three men. It only says that the three gifts offered were gold, mvrrh frankincense.

As we are now in the first week of the New Year of 2023, we realize that no one is expected to offer gold, frankincense or myrrh to the Lord. However, we are expected to offer expressions of Christian Stewardship by giving our own time, talent and financial support for the Church through our St. Patrick Parish. God will not be outdone in generosity! Of that, we can be sure! We can ask ourselves: "...What return shall I offer to the Lord, who, in His great goodness has done so much for me?"

I found the following spiritual reflection in Missalette from World Library Publications that I thought might help you to understand how today's Gospel of the account of the Epiphany of the Lord can have a contemporary message for us in our own time... "As our own country

becomes more multicultural and multi-religious, the message of today's feast becomes more relevant: Christ came for all people—all men, women, and children, all

nationalities, all believers

and non-believers. God desires all to live in peace as God's children. The Magi were led to Christ by a star, something that got their attention; this is where God's revelation usually begins. But the star alone was not enough; the wise men needed the wisdom of the Scriptures to complete the journey. The Epiphany invites us to foster a love for both nature and God's Word. Together, they will bring us to Christ, the One who has come to fulfill God's plan, drawing us into one family. God does not force us to become a family. But if we are open to the signs God sets out for us, we will find ourselves arriving at a place where we all can live together in peace. We pray today that all the division and hatred that continue to plague our planet will cease. We pray for an increase of wise men and women who will work for this peace."

The foundational message of the

The Wise Still Seek Him

Feast of the Epiphany — "Jesus came into the world," as Pope Benedict XVI reminded us, "to show us the face of God"! ...For Jesus is the fullest human expression of God Himself!

A New Year's Resolution

Perhaps, as we are beginning this New Year, we might consider what our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has been speaking about recently. He is asking that all of us join with him in prayer to pray to the Lord, the Prince of Peace, that those of us who are "in the household of the faith" re-commit ourselves to live the Gospel of Peace each day and find a way to express that in our daily life in our relationship with one another. How about that suggestion as a New Year's

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WEEKLY CALENDAR January 9-15

Monday, Jan. 9

8:00am Mass 6:00pm RCIA

Genesis & Logos

Tuesday, Jan. 10

11:00am (Video Mass) 6:30pm Music Practice 7:00pm Teen Tuesdays SP Teens

Wednesday, Jan. 11

8:00am 5:00pm School Band Concert 7:00pm Girl Scouts #76828

Thursday, Jan. 12

8:00am Mass 6:00pm Secular order of Franciscans 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal **Boy Scouts** Venture Scouts

Friday, Jan. 13 8:30am Mass

Saturday, Jan. 14

11:00am Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, Jan. 15

8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass 12:00pm Mass



West Oakland Catholic Family St. Patrick Parish Directory 9086 Hutchins Road 🕈 White Lake, MI 48386 Rev. Thomas L. Meagher

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Regular Office Hours
Mon - Thurs.: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

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School Mission Statement

St. Patrick School Mission is to provide its students with a challenging academic education through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the teachings of the Catholic Church and the values of our family community.

Jeremy Clark, Principal..... 248-698-3240

St. Patrick Athletic Association

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SERVICES

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm 8:00 am, 10:00 am, Noon Sunday

Weekday Mass Schedule

8:00 am Monday 11:00 am videotaped Tuesdáv Wednesday 8:00 am Thursday 8:00 am Friday 8:30 am

RosaryThe Rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass.

Mother of Perpetual Help devotions are prayed after each Monday Mass.

Holy Day Mass Schedule

10 am, 7:00 pm

Mass on a Civic Holiday - 9:00 am

Parishioner Status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and giving of one's time, talent and treasure. It is important to

registered and active in your parish.

Parish Registration

Call Parish office for information.

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)
Each Saturday at 11:00-11:30 am

Sacrament of Baptism

Register with Worship Department

Sacrament of Marriage Contact the Parish Office at least 6 mo. months in advance.

Facility Supervisor

Mike Rhode 248-698-3100

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| President | Dick Boehman |
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| Treasurer | Bill Bertin |

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resolution? May we all continue to follow the Star—the Light of Christ until we too, by the grace of God, will be living the fullness of our Heavenly Father's Kingdom—in His perfect light".

What about the Star?

In your prayers this week, perhaps the Lord will point out to you a God-directed star in your own life that will lead you closer to Him. Maybe this will be the year you will discover God's presence in a new light—in a new way—along a journey of faith that you never would have expected. Stay focused and keep your eyes of faith looking at that star in your conversations with the Lord each day. It is up to each one of us, in our personal life as a disciple of the Lord, to follow our personal star of hope, faith and love as God continues to lead us—guiding us to one day know "that perfect light". A blessed "Little Christmas" to all"! May we all walk in the light of the Lord!

Fr. John Peter's Birthday—This Sunday!

This weekend, on January 8th, Fr. John Peter, by the grace of God, will celebrate his 50th birthday.

May the Lord continue to bless Fr. John Peter with many more years of faithful priestly ministry. We thank you for all that you did for us, your St. Patrick Parish Faith Family. Happy Birthday! Fr. John Peter—we pray that you have many more. God Bless!

Cards and best wishes can be sent to:

Rev. John Peter Arul Wellspring P.O. Box 440 Whitehouse, TX 75791

The 2022 Christmas Collection!

In spite of the sub-zero temperatures, high winds and drifting snow that we experienced on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, our Christmas Collection reached a grand total of \$137,452.00. We deeply appreciate your generous financial support. As pastor, I am especially thankful to you for your personal willingness to be with us and for your generous hearts that help us to maintain our anticipated budget request for the year. May the Lord bless you abundantly for your positive response of generous Christian Stewardship. We do depend on your assistance to meet our needs throughout the year.

Peace, Joy and Hope in the Lord Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom





Happy 50th Birthday Father John Peter!

May God Bless You!

Wedding Feast & Epiphany

Question:

How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

Answer:

The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana.

The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers.

Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C. These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these

"epiphany" moments in your life.

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ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

| WEEK OF 1/1/23 | | BUDGET | DIFFER- ENCE |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| WEEKLY OFFERTORY | \$9,352.66 | | |
| ONLINE GIVING | \$11,356.50 | | |
| TOTAL | \$20,709.16 | \$18,696.00 | \$2,013.16 |
| YEAR TO DATE | \$455,807.15 | \$504,792.00 | (\$48,984.85) |

TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE GIVING, VISIT WWW.STPWL.ORG

Please use blue or black ink when writing checks! No other colors please! Thank You!



The Parish Office is looking for volunteers on Mondays from 8:30 - 9:30 am. Please contact Bridgett in the Parish Office for details.

248-698-3100



LECTOR TRAINING!

Attention all new and current lectors! You are invited to a lector training seminar on Monday, January 9th at 7:00pm, sponsored by Fr. Susai. It will be held in the Parish Office Meeting Room. It's a New Year and an opportunity for new lectors to contribute to the lector ministry, and for our current lectors to "tune up" their lectoring skills and meet the new lectors.

VIDEO MINISTRY

www.medianetworkofwaterford.org

SOUTHFIELD:

Comcast

Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 18)

WATERFORD AREA:

Media Network of Waterford-Comcast Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 10) Tuesday: 10:00am (Channel 10)

Saturday:

(AT&T U-Verse subscribers

Channel 99. You may pick up any city you want to see. Check local listings.)

CLARKSTON/INDEPENDENCE TWP.:

Comcast

Sunday: 3:00pm (Channel10) Thursday: 6:30pm (Channel 10)

LAKES AREA:

(Commerce Twp., Milford, South Lyon, Union Lake, Walled Lake, White Lake Twp., Wixom, Wolverine Lake)

Comcast

Sat.: 4:00pm & 6:30pm (Channel 22) Sun.: 10:00am (Channel 22)

Sun.: 7:00pm (Channel 398)

(CTND is no longer telecasting the Masses)

Also available on St. Patrick home page for Virtual Masses at stepwl.org. Also available from the St. Patrick Parish Virtual Mass archives.

ST. PATRICK PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the St. Patrick Parish of White Lake, are a Catholic faith community that celebrates Life in Christ. As we are nourished and led by the Holy Spirit, our common baptismal mission is: to evangelize; to proclaim and to teach the Word of God; to praise and to worship God in Word and Sacrament; and to live His Word through loving service to ALL people. On this active faith journey, we are called to be disciples who affirm, heal and forgive in the love of Christ. Amen

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This Week's Readings

Monday, January 9

Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 (11b) Mt 3:13-17

Tuesday, January 10

Heb 2:5-12 Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12

Wednesday, January 11

Heb 2:14-18 Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 1:29-39

Thursday, January 12

Heb 3:7-14 Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11 Mk 1:40-45

Friday, January 13

Heb 4:1-5, 11 Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8 Mk 2:1-12

Saturday, January 14

Heb 4:12-16 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 Mk 2:13-17

Sunday, January 15

Is 49:3, 5-6 Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 1 Cor 1:1-3 Jn 1:29-34

GOSPEL MEDITATION -A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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A friend of mine is a young priest who teaches high school physics at a Catholic boys' prep school. Like many today, the boys often think science and religion are enemies. So, he delights in



their raised eyebrows when he reminds them his first full-time job as a priest was to be an astrophysicist. He cataloged the size, shape, and matter of distant stars. He tells them, "Science gave me more love for God, not less."

The Magi were something like scientist-astronomers. Like today's scientists, they employed disciplined methods of discovering dependable patterns in the world. Their rigorous commitment to the truth led them to the joy of discovering Jesus. Their love for knowledge leads them to worship the Source of all knowledge. Luke says of them, "They were overjoyed at seeing the star."

We may see the universe as cold and empty and feel sad. But why should we do that? The Magi, like my priest-friend, show us there is another way to experience the world. We use our intelligence to discover the beautiful patterns in the world — in mathematics, physics, astronomy, biology, neuroscience, and so on — and allow this to lead us to greater love for God. So, my fellow Magi: the world needs us to be overjoyed at finding God in science and, finally and fully, in Jesus.

— Father John Muir

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Join us THIS Friday morning school mass as we celebrate the mass and also have a commentary throughout explaining why we do what we do.
Anyone is welcome.
School parents are encouraged to attend.
There is something for everyone to learn!

YOUTH MINISTRY

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TEEN TUESDAY'S



Saturday, January 14th, 2023, 10:00am-2:00pm

looking forward to sharing this experience with your

Middle and High School Students will gather on this day to com-

plete a variety of service projects. The plan is to spend approximately a half hour on each of the themes of Catholic Social justice. We will learn what they are and how we can help. We're

teen. (Parents are welcome to stay and play) Watch for sign up!

Please consider donating some items to help make our MLK



Meeting first in the youth ministry room at 7:00 on January 10th, we will carpool over to snowy ridge park in commerce. After an evening of sledding, we will head back to the church at 8:00 to wrap up the evening with a cup of hot chocolate.





ninistry@stpwl.org

January 14—MLK Service Day

Confirmation Preparation Reminders:

January 22—Called to Serve Workshop January 29th—Preparation Session

Medium Sized Gifts Bags

Bottles and Cans to help us earn money for the meal packaging

event on 2/4 for the Kid's Coalition Against Hunger

Label donations "Youth Ministry MLK Day"

Frosting

Candles

Art Supplies

Fruit Snacks

For I know well the plans I have in mind for you...plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope." -Jer 29:11

DETROIT

GATHERING OF HIGH-SCHOOL YOU

FINDING YOUR PURPOSE.

Date / Schedule February 5, 2023 8:15 AM - 7:15 PM

Featuring Katie Prejean McGrady **Bishop Gerard Battersby**



day of service a success!

Fleece Blanket material

Cake Mix

Napkins

Bubbles

Party Favors

Teens...Stay spiritually fed by staying in touch using one of our Social Media Platforms!

Paper plates

Stickers

Plastic Silverware

Sidewalk Chalk

Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010

Instagram:@spteenswhitelake

Facebook: SpTeens White Lake



Twitter: spteenswhitelake

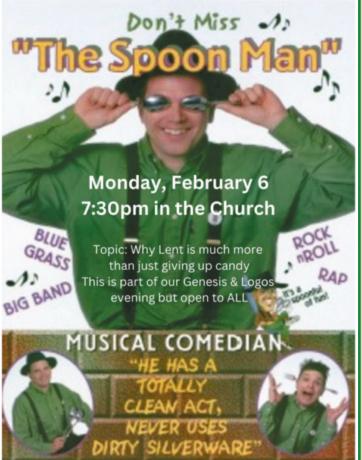


Snapchat: stpatteens



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YOUTH MINISTRY



St Patrick Middle School Faith & Fun

January 9th, 2023 6-8:30pm—"Black and White Out!"

<u>January 23rd, 6-8:30pm</u>—Pajama Bottom Night and a visit from our St Patrick Contemporary Band

<u>February 4th 10am-noon</u>—Kid's Coalition Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event—Be one of our 100 volunteers who will be part of an assembly line to package boil in bag meals to help feed those in need. Parents and kids serve together at this event.

February 6th, 6:00-8:30pm—It's Crazy Hair Night and Bring a Friend Night as we welcome the "Spoonman." Jim Cruise will demonstrate his spoon-playing talent as he gives us a message that there's more to Lent then giving up Candy! Current 5th graders are invited to join us for this evening following their Faith Formation session.

March 4th, 11:00am –6:00pm — Middle School Retreat Day with the NET ministry team. The theme for the day is "love One Another" and it's all about building authentic friendships. Includes a day of faith and fun, lunch and a snack and closes with the 5pm weekend mass.

Help us raise \$3,500 to feed 10,000 people

On Saturday, February 4, 2023, families from St. Patrick Parish will gather to pack 10,000 meals!

BUT, we first need to raise \$3,500

This is a service project for middle school and high school students and their parents. Save the date – MANY volunteers will be needed!

Kids Coalition Against Hunger is a 501 c 3 humanitarian food relief organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and feed starving children throughout the world.

We welcome your donation to help with this cause!

- Use this fundraising page link: https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause_pdetails/ MTcyMzYx
- Drop an envelope at the parish office or weekly offertory labeled "Youth Ministry Meal Packaging"
- Mail a check or money order to:

Kids Coalition Against Hunger P.O. Box 930794, Wixom, MI 48393 ATTN: St. Patrick February 4 White Lake

Your donation is fully tax deductible



Family Bingo Night February 11, 2023



Time: 6:15 PM (after 5 PM mass)

Cost: \$6.50 per player

Tickets available in the Religious Education Office
And on-line at STPWL.ORG
Limited to 150 people...Buy your tickets early!

Includes: Dinner (2 slices of pizza, salad, drink and dessert) and Bingo

(up to 3 cards per person, and a variety of games with prizes!)

Sponsored by: SP Teens

vkrier@stpwl.org |







RE Calendar upcoming Sessions

Classes Resume:

1/9 6-7:30pm school RE classes

(safe environment night)

Family Faith 1/8 and 2/12 at 9am

Genesis and Logos 1/9 at 6pm

1/14 service day **Confirmation**

Sacramental Prep 1/7 and 2/4 3:30pm

1/9 at 6pm St Patrick's RCIA

meeting room



Family Fun Night

Join us for a night of laughs with clean comedian Shawn Reynolds.

> Friday, January 20th at 7pm in the Social Hall

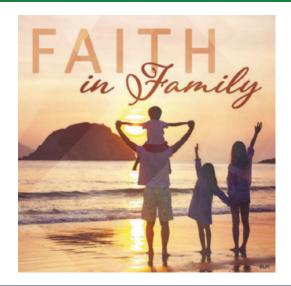
Babysitting available. Cash bar provided by the Knights.

> Order your tickets now, space is limited.

Shawn Reynolds is a nationally touring comedian and funny dad of SIX who has appeared on tour with Tim Hawkins, Michael Jr. and Anita Renfroe. He has headlined multiple tours including the Mid-West Clean Comedy All-Stars Tour and Up-Standing Comedy Tour in Canada. He has appeared on TBN, locally on ABC & NBC, was a finalist in Chicago's National "Clean Comedy Challenge" and he's the WINNER of the "Funniest Comic East of the Mississippi" contest. He's also the founder of "Stand-Up For Adoption"; a comedy benefit series that has raised thousands of families trying to adopt children with special needs. And his Dry Bar Comedy special, "Got Room For One More", has already amassed MILLIONS of views online.

> Scan QR code to order tickets and reserve a spot for babysitting.





ATTENTION TEENS!

If you are looking to volunteer for any of our countless ways to earn service hours, you will need to participate in a Called to Serve class. So keep your eyes and ears open for our next class. For more information call the RE office at 248-698-4388 or email at vkrier@stpwl.org or jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

Understand Your Catholic Faith with The Catechism in a Year Podcast with Fr. Mike Schmitz!

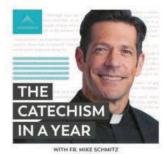
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- Read the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church in 365 days
- · Understand the essentials of the Catholic Faith and why they matter
- · Transform their relationship with the Church that Christ founded

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Thinking of a Catholic education for your children?

St. Patrick School Open House will be January 29th Noon—3:00 pm



CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen bdegen@stpwl.org | 248-698-3100 x215

Thank You St. Patrick Knights of Columbus!

Again, this year we are able to help more families stay in their home with rent assistance and help keep the heat and lights on because of the financial help from our Knights. The Knights are a great support to our Christian Service outreach and we so appreciate their generosity.

God Bless you Stan Politowicz and Joe Gibson and all our Knights for all you do for our needy Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Dear Bonnie and all our Friends at St. Patrick.

In this season of expectation, joy, and fulfillment we wish to express our gratitude for your generous hearts and actions. Your gifts for our residents this Christmas helped them and us experience the wonders of Our Lord's merciful love. Thank you for your involvement in our lives and your continued prayers for us! On behalf of all the residents, staff, and board: many blessings to you in 2023!

With love from all of us at Mary's Mantle



Rite to Life-LIFESPAN Sanctity of Human Life Sunday January 22nd

A new year brings new hope and refreshed dedication to the defense of all human life. Lighting a candle and placing it on your doorstep or driveway is a visual reminder that pro-life efforts will never end until all life is respected and protected.

St. Patrick Parish will hold our Luminary Lighting after Saturday Mass on January 21st. We will pray the Rosary in the Church after the lighting.

Luminary kits for LIFE will be available for donation in the church vestibule and outside the social hall after all Masses the weekend of January 14 and 15.

Remember to support Saint Vincent De Paul Poor Boxes in the Church. The money goes directly to help local families in financial hardship. The need is greater than ever as those in financial hardship face evictions and utility shut offs.





On the Rise Bakery is coming **Sunday**, **January 15th** after all the masses. Come join us in Paddy Hall and purchase some delicious baked goods and help support the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in their Mission of education and support. If you haven't been to this sale before, you will be pleasantly surprised by the amazing choices and the great group of people who bake and bring these goodies to us every year!

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Lake Area Right to Life Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 15th after 5:00 Mass. We will start our planning meetings on January 16th. It takes many



volunteers to plan and staff our main fundraiser for the year. We have a great time for a great cause, please join us. Our first meeting for the 2023 dinner is on Monday, January 16th at 6:30 PM in the social hall.



Ottie Kowalis Blanche Newton Michael Newton Butch Buechel Billy Reed Pat Klinkovsky Matthew Kovach Marge Sawruk Bill & Donna Reed Les Langlois Randy Harter Dave LaFontaine Paul LaFontaine Doug Nieset Steve Clement James Esack Baby Ollie Schieck Mary Hauswirth

Joyce Meenahan Tara Lang David Maher Beth Doherty Sally Duran Mike Christiansen Robert Russette Nelson Rich, Jr. Doug Kline Connor Melcher Darlene Brooks Sassy Stephens Ariel Goldman The Sibonivic Family Michele Manoogian Paul Grinell Family Tressa Huber Jim & Elaine Kourtakis



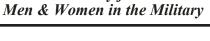
Grief Support Group

1st Tuesday of every month at 2:00 pm and 3rd Sunday of each month at 2:00pm

at the Dublin Senior Center. For more information, please call 248-918-1622

Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the social hall after 8 AM and 10 AM Masses this weekend. The proceeds are donated to local mission services in our area.



Please Pray for Our

EM2 Christian Kopicko - Coast Grd. HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves Lt. Paul Campbell – USN Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce Lt. Col. Andrew Atanasoff - USAF Major Kathleen Atanasoff – USAF S SGT Casey Crowley – Marines PFC Dustin Crowley - Nat. Guard Capt. Joseph Payne- Army Michael Territo- Navy Andrew Lucas-USMC E-1 Jacob Collins -National Guard-Army 1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier - Air Force Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army Austin Oberlander US Army Sarah Schneider US Air Force Justin Riordan, Army National Guard LCpl Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines Evan Kaswell—Marines Samuel Brown-US Navy Seaman Recruit Chris Bruce, Army Nat'l Guard Specialist S SGT Ian Kroll—Marines SA Logan MacKenzie—US Coast Guard

BLOOD DRIVES - Help Save a Life!

January 10th

Gardner White Furniture 4945 Dixie Hwy Waterford Twp. 11:00am-5:00pm

January 13th

Lakeland High School 1630 Bogie Lake Rd. White Lake 7:30am-1:30pm

January 13th

Clarkston United Methodist Church 6600 Waldon Rd. Clarkston 1:00pm-7:00pm

Bloomfield Donation Center

4190 Telegraph Road, is open 7 days a week By appointment only, times vary, see their website.





Epiphany House Blessing

The practice of writing a special code over the entrance to a home with blessed chalk is a centuries-old traditional blessing of a home each January. It is a reminder of God's presence in our daily lives and a dedication to God of the year and everything that will happen during it. It is also a great witness to our guests.

How to do it...

· Take a stick of chalk that has been blessed and write above your

home's entrance 20 + C + M + B + 23

· The letters **C**, **M** & **B** have two meanings. They are the initials of the

traditional names of the three magi who brought gifts to Jesus sometime

soon after his birth: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar. They also abbreviate

the Latin words Christus Mansionem Benedicat, which translates to

"May Christ bless this house."

· The "+" signs represent the cross and the numbers, the year.

Pray:

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house, all who inhabit it, and all who visit. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Invite Jesus to be a daily guest in your home, your comings and goings,

your conversations, your work and play, your joys and sorrows.

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments— Faith and Fear

When I was little, you could tell I believed in the destructive power of the monsters who lived beneath my bed because I would never let my ankles anywhere near the bottom of the mattress. (It's common knowledge that bare ankles are premium monster bait — ask any child you know).

You can often tell what a person believes by what they fear.

But here's the thing: belief isn't always enough. It's obvious that Herod believed in Christ's power because of how terrified he was by it and by the room he made in his life for the possible impact of the Messiah. In fact, if belief was the only measure of orthodoxy, you could stand most modern Christians next to Herod and he would tower above them.

Remember, there's something just as bad as disobeying God: discounting Him. I know I am guilty of that in a thousand small ways each day. In the person I ignore or the opinion I sneer at. In the unkind words I let roll from my tongue. In the prayers of thanksgiving that I don't say because I am "too busy."

I believe in God, but I do not fear Him — mostly because my very modern understanding of the concept of "fear" would lump God in with those monsters beneath my bed.

But what if we understood fear in a more traditional sense — awe, reverence, and wonder? "All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him." — Psalm 72:11

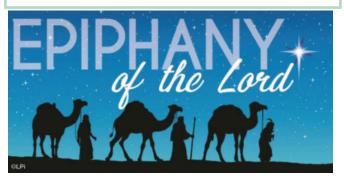
When Herod heard the news of the coming of the Messiah, it compelled him to do something. Not the right thing, mind you, but *something*. It moved him into action.

So, then, it should move us all.

We saw his star at its rising, and have come to do him homage. — Matthew 2:2

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

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| Schedule for Tuesday, January 10, and the Weekend of January 14 & 15 | | | | |
|--|--------------------------|----------------------|---|------------|
| DATE/TIME | MINISTERS OF THE WORD | SACRISTANS | ALTAR SERVERS | OFFERTORY |
| TUESDAY January 10 Video Mass Fr. Susai | Pat Mackowiak | Nora Foster | | Volunteers |
| SATURDAY January 14 5:00 pm Fr. Tom | Michele Malek | Julie & Mark Ross | Jaxson Brittingham Alivia Brittingham Dominic Federico Chloe Walblay | Volunteers |
| SUNDAY January 15 8:00 am Fr. Susai | Lisa Simpkins | Janet Watson | Hadley DeGroot Findley DeNoon Kathy Kleine Jackson Wright | Volunteers |
| SUNDAY January 15 10:00 am Fr. Tom | John Fitzgerald | Barbara Fabyan | Isabella Casab Brandon Davis Matthew Kallabat Alyssa Mroz | Volunteers |
| SUNDAY January 15 12:00 pm Fr. Susai | Bill Boyda | Fran Bertin | Jack McSweeney Luke Stewart | Volunteers |

| Mass Intentions Scheduled for January 9 - 15 | | | | |
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| Day/Date | Time | Intentions | Ву | |
| Monday, January 9 | 8:00am | For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish | | |
| Tuesday, January 10 | 11:00am / VM | Carol Yost—2nd Anniversary of Death | Family | |
| Wednesday, January 11 | 8:00 am | Julie Pousho—Birthday Remembrance | | |
| Thursday, January 12 | 8:00 am | For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish | | |
| Friday, January 13 | 8:30 am | Bonnie Degen | | |
| Saturday, January 14 | 5:00 pm | Julie Pousho Mary & Charles Brincat—In Remembrance Charles Brincat, Jr.—In Remembrance Mallory Brincat—In Remembrance | The Brincat Children The Brincat Children The Brincat Children | |
| Sunday, January 15 | 8:00 am | Diane Richard—Birthday Theresa Fodale—Birthday Larry Dunst—Birthday Walter Dmoch—Remembrance | Barbara Jean Dmoch | |
| Sunday January 15 | 10:00 am | For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish | | |
| Sunday, January 15 | 12:00 pm | Annamarie Brown—On her Birthday | Rick Brown | |



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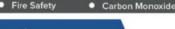
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