



# *St. Mary Catholic Parish* *St. Joseph Chapel*

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*Our Lady Queen of Peace Deanery*



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## *January 2, 2022* *The Epiphany of The Lord*

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**Hospitalizations:** Due to federal confidentiality laws, hospitals will no longer share patient information. Families must contact Fr. Borgelt to inform him if someone is hospitalized.

**Baptisms:** Call 419-298-2540 to make arrangements at least one month before.

**Weddings:** All weddings must be arranged through the pastor at least six months before the planned wedding in order to allow time for marriage preparation.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Information should be submitted to St. Mary parish office by 12:00 noon on Wednesday. Phone—419-298-2540; fax—419-298-3123; or [e-mail—stmarycatholic@frontier.com](mailto:stmarycatholic@frontier.com).

**Confessions:** Sunday, 7:30 a.m. – St. Mary; Thursday, 7:30 a.m. – St. Mary

<b>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b> <b>January 2, 2022</b>		
<b>Saturday, January 1</b>		
9:00 a.m.	(E)	Kent Walker – Holy Day Mass
4:00 p.m.	(H)	Mary Osborn – Feast of Epiphany
6:00 p.m.	(B)	Fred Thiel
<b>Sunday, January 2</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(E)	Cleo and Sally Stark
10:30 a.m.	(H)	Robert Arend
<b>Monday, January 3</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(B)	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tuesday, January 4</b>		
6:30 p.m.	(E)	Robert Lehman
<b>Wednesday, January 5</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(H)	Pauline Hamman
<b>Thursday, January 6</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(E)	Ed Hug
<b>Friday, January 7</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(H)	Lynn Blalock
<b>Saturday, January 8</b>		
4:00 p.m.	(H)	Dan Smith
6:00 p.m.	(B)	LaRue Alexander
<b>Sunday, January 9</b>		
8:30 a.m.	(E)	Pauline Hamman
10:30 a.m.	(H)	The Parish**

\*\*Prayers for the Living and/or Deceased

\*Prayers for the Living

#### **YOUR TITHE TO GOD**

**Sunday, December 26, 2021**

(E)	Offertory - \$8,241.00	School - \$5,350.00
	Renovation - \$145.00	Electrical - \$115.00
	Christmas - \$20,726.00	
(B)	Offertory - \$1,073.00	Christmas - \$3,910.00
	Maintenance - \$300.00	Cemetery Maint. - 3,750.00

**Offertory envelopes from Both St. Mary and St. Joseph may be dropped off at the office or mailed to: St. Mary Church, PO Box 355, Edgerton, OH 43517**

#### **MINISTRIES**

**Saturday, January 8, 6:00 p.m. (St. Joseph):**

**SERVERS:** Jarrett  
**READER:** Todd  
**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:** Jo L.  
**USHERS:** Mark Trausch, Scott Powell

**Sunday, January 9, 8:30 a.m. (St. Mary):**

**USHERS:** Ken Cronin Family  
**SERVER:** Bryce and Cara Schroeder, Kaydance Hobeck  
**READER:** Kim Diehl  
**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:** Chase Ault, Connie Cape, Dustin Everetts, Shelby Everetts, Maria Gerschutz

**Mass can be viewed "live" on Facebook (Saint Mary Catholic Church/Saint Joseph Chapel) and/or on YouTube – St Mary Edgerton. We will continue to livestream and record weekend Masses from St. Mary's.**

**Saturday – 4:00 p.m. on St. Michael Facebook**  
**Sunday – 8:30 a.m. on St. Mary/St. Joseph Facebook, and 10:30 a.m. on St. Michael Facebook**

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**January 2 - 9, 2022**

WED	(E)	7:00 p.m.	CCD Class - Grades 1 – 12
THU	(E)	6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
	(E)	6:30 p.m.	Right-To-Life Prayer Group
	(E)	7:30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting
FRI	(E)	4:00 – 7:00 p.m.	K of C Fish Fry
SUN	(E)	10:00 a.m.	R.C.I.A. Class

### ***A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar***

After meeting Jesus, the Magi returned home by "another way." What in your family needs to be done "another way?" Do you need "another way to resolve differences, to communicate or show affection? This is a new year, time to change what isn't working. Take a tip from some wise men, there's always "another way."

**Support Our Priests' Retirement:** Our priests have given their lives in service to us and our parish, and we are most grateful! Please offer your gratitude for those who faithfully served the Diocese of Toledo by donating to the **Perpetuate The Gift Appeal**. Your gift supports our retired diocesan priests, enabling them to pay for their living expenses, such as medical, housing, car, clothing, and food. All funds contributed between September 18 through December 31, 2021, assist our parish in its assessed contribution to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate The Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697, or placed in the parish collection. **Envelopes are in the back of church, please take one with you and help support our Priests. Our parish goal is \$11,980.00. To-date paid in: \$5,865.00 from 54 donors.** A gift may also be made online at [www.toledodiocese.org](http://www.toledodiocese.org) under the Give tab. Thank you for your support.

**Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Protectress of the Unborn:** We encourage everyone to read this daily or as often as possible for strength in the Spirit to help end abortion, especially while the Mississippi trials against abortion are taking place.

#### **Prayer to the Spirit of Truth:**

Holy Spirit, You are the promised Spirit of Truth, constantly revealing the splendor of truth to Your people, and leading us deeper into the Mysteries of our Faith. Come to us today, and deepen in our minds and hearts the truth about life: its greatness, its dignity, its reflection of the eternal God. Make us appreciate ever more the truth that life is always a good, and that every life is of equal dignity, despite all the different characteristics people have, or the different circumstances under which they come to be. Come, Spirit of Truth. Free all Your people from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion. Free them from the false and harmful ideas which make a god out of their own choices, or which fail to recognize the right to life of children in the womb. Come, O Holy Spirit, and as You immerse us in Your truth, so make us effective witnesses of that truth within our families, among our friends, and to all the world. Amen.

**United We Stand:** Silent No More – United We Stand! To show our stand for God, Country and the Constitution there has been a yard sign campaign organized to spread a short, unifying message to be a Sign of Hope in the darkness of these times. To encourage positive actions to restore and guarantee our Freedom and God Given Rights. May God Bless and Protect Us as we seek His Truth and Mercy. To order a sign for your yard contact: Kathie Roth 419-519-3392

**2022 Calendars** are available to pick-up in the back of church. Thank you Krill Funeral Service for once again providing our calendars.

St. Mary Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/SaintMarychurch/SaintJoseph](http://www.facebook.com/SaintMarychurch/SaintJoseph). – If you would like to have information posted on the parish Facebook page, please send all notices to Mark Gerschutz, who will add it to our page. Mark may be contacted at [mark@gerschutz.com](mailto:mark@gerschutz.com), or call 419-575-6936.

### NEWS FOR EDGERTON

**Coffee and Rolls Workers:** January 2 – Jeff Landel and Ron Lingvai; January 9 – J.J. Meyer and Tim Nye

**Finance Committee and Parish Council:** Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, January 6, at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. Finance Members please pick-up information packets from the sacristy this weekend. Parish Council will meet at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center the same evening. Please let us know if you are not able to attend.

**Ministry Schedules:** New schedules for **Mass Servers, Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for Holy Communion** are available to pick-up from the sacristy this weekend. Reminder: if you are scheduled and cannot serve that weekend please find a substitute.

**Christmas Books: *Life is Messy*.** Books were given as a Christmas gift from the parish to all. Please pick-up a copy if you haven't received one yet. Books are available from the table in the back of church, also copies in the parish center.

**Children's Envelopes:** Children envelopes are available for the 2022 year from the table in the back of church.

**Christmas Decorations:** Decorations will be taken down on Monday, January 10, beginning around 2:00 pm - any help is always appreciated.

**Chicken For Sale:** We have cases of frozen chicken leftover from the festival to sell – Price by case \$70.00 for 15 pounds or by the half case \$35.00 (there are two bags of chicken per box). Please stop by the office to inquire.

### NEWS FOR BLAKESLEE

**Food Pantry** is in need of following items: Tuna, tomato soup, hamburger helper (2 pack), broth, rice (1 pound bags), elbow macaroni, dessert mixes. (brownie, cake, cookie).

**2022 Contribution Envelopes:** Contribution Envelope boxes for the new year are available for you to pick-up from the table in church basement.

**SOUP MINISTRY** – The Soup Ministry Committee and the Confirmation candidates are working together to bring homemade soup to the homebound/elderly in the Edgerton and Blakeslee area this next Saturday, January 8, and Sunday, February 13. Homemade soup will be made fresh in the morning. That very afternoon Confirmation candidates, working to practice their faith, will deliver soup and crackers to the homebound/elderly. If you know someone who would like a cup of homemade soup and a friendly visit by our very own Confirmation candidates, please call Paula Dockery at 419-298-3319 or Karrie Kimpel 419-633-1954 to add your name to the soup delivery list by Thursday, January 6. The homebound/elderly person doesn't have to be a parishioner of St. Mary just from the Edgerton/Blakeslee area.





*And behold, the star that  
they had seen at its rising  
preceded them, until it came  
and stopped over the place  
where the child was.*

MATTHEW 2:9



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## Your Light has Come!

**M**any traditional religions have in some way ascribed divinity to light—either they claim that light emanates from a god or that light itself is divine. This is probably because light is a primal necessity, essential for life. We find such thinking in today's readings.

"Your light has come" (Isaiah 60:1) says today's Old Testament reading. This is Isaiah's glorious message for the people of Jerusalem. The city had been destroyed; the people scattered; the future looked bleak. This message must have filled the people with hope. Not only does light bring them hope, but the light actually streams from their God. It is the Lord who shines, bestowing his radiance upon them. This light is filled with promise.

The story of the Magi is not meant primarily for children who delight in moving figurines of the three kings a bit closer to the stable every day. This is an adult story about inner darkness and enlightenment. The strangers, ignorant of ancient Israel's traditions, were able to read the signs of the times. Because of their openness, they found the Light of the World. The learned men of Jerusalem were well-schooled in the ancient promises, for they knew where to send the strangers. However, they felt threatened by these signs. They closed their minds and hearts to any omens that might imperil their positions of privilege. They had a chance to benefit from this new light, but they turned their backs on it.

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR Reflection

- ★ *What is your attitude toward new ways of understanding your faith?*
- ★ *Pray that all people will be open to read the signs of the times.*

# Dear Padre,

## How is Twelfth Night related to Christmas?

**T**welfth Night is another name for the Epiphany, which traditionally occurred on January 6, the twelfth day after Christmas. Since the 1980s, United States Catholics have celebrated the Epiphany on the first Sunday after January 1, which is why we're celebrating it today instead of Thursday.

Liturgical celebrations are distinguished as solemnities, feasts, and memorials according to their importance. The two greatest solemnities, Easter and Christmas, continue for an octave (eight days). Since the octave of Christmas runs from December 25 through January 1 (the solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God), it's not affected by the transfer of the Epiphany celebration.

Christmas is the great gift-giving day in the United States. In other cultures—for example, the Latino community—the anticipation and excitement of gift-giving is saved for Epiphany, the day the Magi brought their gifts to Jesus.

We often complain about how frenzied Christmas is—how much shopping, wrapping, and baking there is to do. But Christmas should be a time of worship and acknowledging the gift God gave us by sending his Son.

Epiphany, on the other hand, is made for celebration, gift-giving, going all out. Perhaps someday we can return to the traditions of Epiphany and restore Christmas as a day of rejoicing and worship.



*A woman holds a figurine of the Christ Child during Mass on the feast of the Epiphany.*

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*The Redemptorists*  
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### A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*[The Lord] is our light: a light that does not dazzle but accompanies and bestows a unique joy. This light is for everyone, and it calls each one of us....At the beginning of each day we can welcome this invitation: arise, shine, and follow today—among the many shooting stars in the world—the bright star of Jesus!*

ANGELUS ON EPIPHANY SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017

## Calendar

### Monday

JANUARY 3  
*Christmas Weekday*  
1 Jn 3:22—4:6  
Mt 4:12–17, 23–25

### Tuesday

JANUARY 4  
*St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*  
1 Jn 4:7–10  
Mk 6:34–44

### Wednesday

JANUARY 5  
*St. John Neumann, Bishop*  
1 Jn 4:11–18  
Mk 6:45–52

### Thursday

JANUARY 6  
*Christmas Weekday*  
1 Jn 4:19—5:4  
Lk 4:14–22a

### Friday

JANUARY 7  
*Christmas Weekday*  
1 Jn 5:5–13  
Lk 5:12–16

### Saturday

JANUARY 8  
*Christmas Weekday*  
1 Jn 5:14–21  
Jn 3:22–30

### Sunday

JANUARY 9  
*The Baptism of the Lord*  
Is 42:1–4, 6–7  
or Is 40:1–5, 9–11  
Acts 10:34–38  
or Ti 2:11–14; 3:4–7  
Lk 3:15–16, 21–22



# Good News!

January 2, 2022

*The Epiphany of the Lord (C)*

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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