

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

- 1) Isaiah 60-1-6
- 2) Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
- 3) Matthew 2:1-12

FOCUS: The Epiphany points the way toward life.

Today the Church celebrates the Epiphany of the Lord: the manifestation to the Gentiles (in the persons of the Magi) of the life of God himself. God, who in the person of Jesus, shared in our humanity in order to allow us to share in his divinity forever. Like the Magi, each person's journey to Christ has its own direction and trail; and for each who pays Christ homage and offers the treasures one holds, the reward is the same: a path away from the dangers of sin and death and toward life.

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, the prophet Isaiah calls the people to rise up because the light (God) has come and they will praise the Lord with overflowing hearts. In Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, we hear that the mystery which was not revealed to other generations has been made known and that all are co-heirs

and co-partners in the work and promises of Christ. Today's Gospel is the account of the Magi who journey far as they seek out the long-awaited Christ, encountering King Herod in Jerusalem along the way, and then finding the child Jesus in Bethlehem.

Reading for the following Sunday

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 2019 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - FEAST

- 1) Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
- 2) Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
- 3) Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

We wish to thank all of our friends and parish family who generously gave Christmas cards, gifts, and goodies to us during the Christmas Season. They are greatly appreciated! Please know that you remain in our prayers. May the Infant King bless you during this New Year!

~Father Stephen and Deacon Jim.



A special thanks to the 15+ people who assisted in the decorating of St. Mary's on December 17th from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.. Your hours of preparation and dedicated service are greatly appreciated in preparing the way for the Christ Child this Christmas. May God bless you! ~ Father Stephen



RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2019 Mary the Mother of God DVD Presentation



Saturday, January 5

7:00 †William Pat Murphy 4:00 †Otto Kalischko (ANNIV)

Sunday, January 6, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 †Fred Buckert

10:30 +People of the Parish

Monday, January 7

6:30 †Harvey Haas 12:05 Carly Alexis Gann

Tuesday, January 8

6:30 Prayer and Communion Service 12:05 Prayer and Communion Service

Wednesday, January 9

6:30 Prayer and Communion Service 12:05 Prayer and Communion Service

Thursday, January 10

6:30 †Allan Migura

8:10 †Jim Culak—Nazareth Academy School Mass

12:05 †Walter Stevens

Friday, January 11

6:30 †Melvin Schrade

12:05 †Cecilia Vrana (ANNIV)

Saturday, January 12

7:00 †Katie Pagel 4:00 †Jackie Post

Sunday, January 13, The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 People of the Parish 10:30 †Susan Neumann

### **Weekday Mass Schedule**

6:30 AM Monday-Wednesday & Friday 12:05 PM Monday-Wednesday & Friday \*NOTE: NO MASS OR CONFESSIONS

ON THURSDAYS (unless specified)

### **LECTORS**

Saturday, January 12

**4:00 p.m**. James Wearden

Sunday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Shane Morris 10:30 a.m. David Janca

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, January 12

**4:00 p.m**. Henry Schramek, Judy Jabbour, Becky Coleman, Emily Migl

**Sunday, January 13** 

**8:00 a.m.** Libby Ramirez, Michael Cuellar,

Diana Pagel, Emily Garza

10:30 a.m. Kevin & Joan Pfister, Corinne

Copeland, Clem Cantu

### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

Saturday, January 12

**4:00 p.m**. Frieda Stubbs, Mike McCauley,

Larry & Linda Luna

Sunday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Henry Petrash, Paul Janacek,

Stella Silva, Bohumil Vrana

10:30 a.m. Dennis & Linda Lala, Greg & Pam

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### **MASS SERVERS**

Saturday, January 12

**4:00 p.m.** T. Coleman

Sunday, January 13

8:00 a.m. M., A., & G. Morris

10:30 a.m. M. Barton, E. Rodriguez, .S

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**PARISH CHOIR**: Regular practice after the 8am Mass on Sundays. The choir also practices on Thursday evenings in the church from 5:30 to 7:00pm in preparation for Lent and Easter services. Anyone interested in participating in music ministry is encouraged to join the choir.

## HOLY FAMILY ALTAR SOCIETY QUARTERLY BUNCO

The Quarterly Bunco Party hosted by the Altar Society of Holy Family Catholic Church will be Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, from 9:30am til Noon. It will be held at St Peter's Parish Hall. A free lunch will be served, and game prizes & door prizes will be awarded. Please invite a friend and enjoy visiting with the ladies from our five local Catholic Churches.

For information and reservations contact Ginger Wagner at (361) 550-6444.

January 26, 2019 The Gift you Give Yourself Dcn. Leo Shannon, Terry Robinson, Sr Emilie Eilers, IWBS "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest." Matt 11:28

Caregiving doesn't start with getting busy or taking on tasks. Caregiving starts from a place of rest deep within yourself. Before you can give care that will bring comfort, rest and peace to others, you must know God's rest and peace in your heart. We do our best work when it comes from a place of stillness and inner quiet. Join other caregivers in experiencing a personal invitation of Jesus: "Come to me and rest." \$25.00 Suggested Donation or Love offering. A box lunch is available to purchase. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N. E. Water Street Victoria, TX 361-575-7111. We invite those attending to join the Sisters for their 8:30 am Mass in the Convent Chapel.

## Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #369

will meet on Monday, January 7, 2019 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Prayer will start the evening at 6:10 p.m., followed by the annual shower for the Gabriel Project. The business meeting will start at 6:30. Start the new year by becoming a new member in one of the leading organizations for Catholic women!

# MARK YOUR 2019 CALENDAR St. Mary's 2019 Family Festival Sunday, February 10, 2019

Live Auction Donations Needed — Please be on the lookout for items for the live auction, take advantage of the holiday sales and pick up at least one nice item to be donated for the Live Auction or Silent Auction. This is our biggest money maker for our church, please support the festival and make it the best we have ever had.

Live Auction questions? Please call Maggie Schaar 361-212-2452 or email maggieschaar@yahoo.com. Thanks so much for your support.

The final meeting for the Festival will be on Jan. 14 at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center

Bingo Prizes are also needed.
Please consider donating.

We welcome all parishioners as we prepare to have our BEST festival yet. If you are interested in helping in any way or have questions, please call Kevin or Joan Pfister - 576-9638. We need everyone's help in making this Festival a success.

New Hours for the Incarnate Word Gift Shop effective: January 2, 2019 Monday thru Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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If you have any questions please call 575-7111

**CCD NEWS:** classes: 16, 23, 30

CCD Staff meeting: Jan. 9, starting at 6 PM –

Supper and meeting.

St. Mary's Altar Society will meet on Mon. Jan. 14 at 2:00 p.m. in the Activity Center. New members are welcome.

### **Amor Meus Spirituality Center**

January 19, 2019—God Works with our Hands: Knitters, Crafters, Quilters; etc. Sister Roselle Haas, rc

Reflectively working with your hands helps you discover the stillness within. Listen to God as you explore the spirituality of crafting. A box lunch is available. \$25.00 Suggested Donation or Love offering. Incarnate Word Convent 1101 N. E. Water Street Victoria, TX 361-575-7111.

### QUILT AND CRAFT CORNER Interested in learning how to quilt or craft?

Come meet on Thursday, Jan. 10 at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex. The Altar Society Quilters are looking for old or broken jewelry or one of a kind pieces. You can bring the items to the office or there is a box in the entrance to the church.

The **Baptismal** class will be held on Sun. Jan. 21 from 2-5 p.m. in the Activity Center. Call the office to pre-register by noon on the Friday. Before the Sunday of the class

### **Cenacle of Divine Mercy**

The Cenacle of Divine Mercy and the Holy rosary will not meet Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. The Cenacle will commence in the Adoration Chapel on Tuesday Jan. 8 At 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come pray

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP DEC. 22-23

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Total	\$11,630.97	
On-line giving Total	\$ 195.00	
<ul> <li>Loose Collection</li> </ul>	\$ 1,152.97	
Sunday Collection	\$ 10,283.00	

December 24-25	
Collection	\$3,911.00
Loose Collection	\$1,500.00
Total	\$ 5,411.00

Nazareth Academy will hold it's annual Open House for prospective students in PK3 - 8th grade on Tuesday. Jan. 22 from 6:30 - 8:00 **PM.** Information about the school's history and curriculum will be shared and tours will be given. Teachers, parents & students will be available to answer your questions. Registration information for the 2019-2020 school year will be provided, as well. We look forward to visiting with you and showing you what is special about Nazareth Academy. If you have questions, please email dmichalski@nazarethacademy.org. or call 361.573.6651.

### **The Adoration Chapel** is Now Open!

Thank you to all who have signed up to spend an hour a week with Jesus! The Lord has provided 54 of the 60 adorers we need each week. The Chapel is open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

The four slots that are still in need of adorers are:

Mondavs

2 - 3 p.m.

4 - 5 p.m.

Fridays

8 - 9 a.m.

5 - 6 p.m.

If you would like to sign up, please call the church office (361) 573-4328 or Cindy Brewer (361) 571-6510 (cell) to sign up and receive the new code for the chapel.



### Knights of Columbus Council #1329 Bingo Night

Every Wednesday evening; Hall opens 6:00 pm; Bingo

Games 7:30 pm until 10:00 pm. \$10.00 per Bingo sheet pack for 10 games. Food and drinks available. Location is Airline at Ben Wilson. Proceeds benefit various council charity projects. For info, call the hall Wednesday evening at 575-9214. Come out, have fun and meet friends

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The Emmaus Center provides individual, marital and family counseling services from a Catholic perspective. The counseling staff are Li-

censed Professional

Counselors and Registered Interns who devote themselves to assisting those in

need regardless of their religious affiliation, gender, race or age.

To schedule any appointments or for information call (361) 212-0830 or visit

https://www.emmauscounselingcenter.com



Saint Pio Prayer Group will meet the second Saturday of January with Mass at 7:00 a.m. in the chapel followed by prayers in St. Mary's Activity Center AV Room. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited

DIRECTORY OF MINISTRIES		
Adoration Chapel	571 GE10	
Cynthia Brewer	571-6510	
Altar Servers Emily Janak	573-1874	
Altar Society	3/3-10/4	
Evelyn Dierlam	578-3740	
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Diana Starnes	550-9533	
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Geraldine Jurica	573-3949	
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Marie Immenhauser	572-3863	
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Laurie Bautista	573-9561	
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Diana Starnes	550-9533	
Rentals		
Deacon Jim Koenig	935-3811	
St. Vincent De Paul Socie	ty	
Faye Culak	649-0614	
Weekly Rosary & Divine Mercy Cenacle		
Tina Rabalais	541-9295	

Altar Care for January will be Geraldine Jurica

### **SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

Use Nazareth Academy ad