THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MATTHEW & OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The Week of January 7, 2018 - The Epiphany of the Lord

SATURDAY,	JANUARY 6	REQUESTED BY:	
5:00 pm (A)	Intention of Mary Elizabeth Groth	Kathleen Groth	
5:00 pm (H)	Decd Mem. of Wm. B. Walzer Sr. Family Carol		
SUNDAY,	JANUARY 7		
8:00 am (H)	John Costello	Betsy & Peter Westrell	
8:30 am (A)	In Thanksgiving	Mary Elizabeth Groth	
9:00 am (H)	Millie Trentacoste	Gleeson Family	
10:30 am (A) 12 Noon (H)	Intention of Mary Elizabeth Groth Michael O'Brien	Kathleen Groth The Febles Family	
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MONDAY,	JANUARY 8		
8:00 am (A)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
9:00 am (H)	Coach John Costello	David Bloomer	
TUESDAY	JANUARY 9		
8:00 am (A)	Intention of Mary Elizabeth Groth	Kathleen Groth	
9:00 am (H)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
WEDNESDAY,	JANUARY 10		
8:00 am (A)	Intention of Mary Elizabeth Groth	Kathleen Groth	
9:00 am (H)	Sophie Washienko	Bruce & Warren	
THURSDAY,	JANUARY 11		
8:00 am (A)	latartics of Harlin Family		
9:00 am (H)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
FRIDAY,	JANUARY 12		
8:00 am (A)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
9:00 am (H)	John Costello	MaryEllen Usher	
SATURDAY,	JANUARY 13		
8:00 am (A)	Interview of Howlin Comike	O. and Francis	
9:00 am (H) 5:00 pm (A)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
5:00 pm (H)	Peter J. Albert	George Febles & Family	
SUNDAY.	JANUARY 14		
8:00 am (H)	John Costello	Nancy Maleska	
8:30 am (A)			
9:00 am (H)	Glen Quillen	St. Stanislaus Holy Rosary Society	
10:30 am (A)			
12 Noon (H)	Intention of Harkin Family	Harkin Family	
Key: (A) = Ardsley	(H) = Hastings		



JANUARY 7, 2018: THE EPHIPANY OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Isaiah speaks poetically of the coming of the Lord. He describes how "darkness covers the earth" but light and glory appear over God's chosen people.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Paul tells the Ephesians that the Jews and Gentiles are now co-heirs of the promises God has made. He explains that both groups are now members of one body through Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus' birth, three astrologers from the east came to Jerusalem and inquired about the newborn king of the Jews. King Herod became greatly angered, and asked the astrologers to bring him more information about the child once they had found him, so that he too could pay homage to the infant. However, Herod's true plan was to kill Jesus. The wise men were warned in a dream not to return to him and they took a different route to return home.



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2018

"You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit,...it was not made known to people in other generations as it now has been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel."

We hear the story of the visitors from the east, the magi, remember the three gifts and the guidance of the star. But St. Paul offers us something more for our consideration. God in His goodness has sent His Son, for the salvation of all people. Paul explained it clearly, as revealed now.

The 'now' in our time tells us the same awesome and meaningful message. We are 1) Coheirs, - something special is offered to us. 2) Members of the same body – we belong to the Lord and His church, a holy people and 3) copartners, called to do our part as Missionary Disciples.

These gifts have been given to us for our benefit, to be treasured and used for the building of His kingdom.



Please keep in your prayers the ill of our parish especially: Peter Rasulo, Mary Michna, John Kelly, Kristin Harkin. Juliana Ramirez. Mary Ann Braig, Brian Dahill, Dee

Bronk, Louis Cillo, Susan Sullivan Manuel & Mary Elizabeth Groth.

And for those who have died marked by the sign of faith, especially: Rev. Joseph Irwin, Doris MacKay

If you know of any parishioners who are ill and would like to be visited by a priest, please contact the rectory at 914-478-2822. Names will be left on the sick list for 4 weeks. Please feel free to call the rectory to add names of immediate family members at any time.



We are very grateful to those in the military who have dedicated themselves FOR OUR MILITARY to protect our liberty and

freedom. Please keep our troops in your prayers, especially: Brian Dunne-Navy, Christopher Gaulin-Army, George Moore-Navy, Nicholas Sestito-Marine, Donald Wemer Jr. - Marine, Michael Germain-Navy, Brandon King - Army, Michael Parton-Navy.



Candle Dedications

Sacred Heart Candle at St. Matthew In Memory of Nathaniel Pollock req. by Daughter Claudia



St. Stanislaus Kostka Society will be having their Coffee Hour on Sundays, following the 9:00am Mass in the Rectory meeting room. All are welcome to attend.



Have you skipped over important aspects of our Catholic Faith?

Would you like to meet with our RCIA team to prepare for your sacraments? Call Maureen at 914-478-2062 for more information.



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS - Thank You!

ST. MATTHEW & OLPH	2018	2017
January 7	\$10,689	\$7,081
Christmas (to date)	\$26,539	\$34,503
Christmas Flowers (to date)	\$3,351	\$4,473



The Christmas Flower & Christmas Collections are still open. Envelopes can be dropped into any collection basket.

The Second Collection this weekend is the Archdiocesan Collection for Communications and Catholic U.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **CLASS SCHEDULE:**

Wednesday, January 10, 2018 Sunday, January 14, 2018

Looking Ahead: First Communion Parents Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 17th at 7:00pm at OLPH School Gym. All parents of children receiving their First Communion in May must attend.





Please Note: In case of inclement weather and classes needing to be cancelled, a **FLOCKNOTE**

will be sent out to all parents/guardians as soon as a decision is made to cancel classes. A message will also be published on the parish website: www.stmolph.com and notification will be sent to radio station: 100.7 WHUD.

If you have not yet signed up for FLOCKNOTE please do so as soon as possible by Texting STMOLPH to 84576

or visit: www.flocknote.com



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church Prayer Group will meet on the 4th Monday of the month at 7:30pm at OLPH Church. All are invited to come

share in God's love. Please call Lourdes 914-693-2959 for more information or for prayer requests.

Recitation of The Rosary: St. Matthew's on the 1st Saturday of each month following the 9:00 am Mass.



Donations of nonperishable food items are collected in the back of St. Matthew's Church and are picked up and delivered after the 12 O'clock mass on Sunday to St. Peter's Food Pantry in Yonkers.



THANK YOU SO MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED TO THE JESUS STOCKING DRIVE.

We collected well over 100 stockings filled with toiletries that were donated to Midnight Run. Also, thank you to Catherine McCarron who picked up

and delivered the socks to Midnight run.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY to all those who contributed toys and clothing for our toy drive to help St. Peter's Church & the Hastings Community Center. We collected

over 250 toys that were sorted, picked up and delivered by Alexandria and Bill Stroud.



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It's Fast, It's Easy, It's SAFE & It's FREE! www.parishgiving.org

It's Simple to Sign Up: Log on the parish website:

www.stmolph.com and click on the Parish Giving Logo
and follow the easy step by step registration
instructions.

<u>It's Secure</u>: Parish Giving is PCI compliant and uses the strongest SSL encryption technology available.
<u>Contact Christine at 914-478-2822 or by email: office@stmolph.com</u> if you have any questions.



The Catholic Widows and Widowers Club of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. We meet on the Third Thursday of each month at St.

Ann's Church, in Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers. New Members are always welcome. For more information please call 914-423-5331.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Now that the Christmas & New Year's Celebrations have ended, it's time to begin thinking about, and planning, our parish St. Patrick's Party.

If you would like to help plan the festivities, please email either: Lee Kinnally at

Lee Killiany at

wlkinnally@gmail.com
Vince Phelan at

VPhelan5@gmail.com



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CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES & CHRISTMAS OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you would like to make a donation towards the Christmas Flowers in memory of a loved one, please use the Christmas Flower Envelope that you can find in your monthly envelope packet. There are also extra Christmas Flower Envelopes on the tables in the rear of the churches.

The Christmas Flower Envelope and the Christmas Offering Envelope can be dropped into any collection on any weekend.



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January 7, 2018

Dear friends in the Lord:

Each year here in the Archdiocese of New York we take up a special collection in January to support The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and the Catholic Communications Campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Since 1987, The Catholic University of America has been educating students from all fifty states in philosophy, theology, and the arts and sciences. It is a splendid tribute to the commitment of the Catholic faithful to the best in academic training and religious formation for our young people.

The Catholic Communications Campaign serves all of the Catholic archdiocese and dioceses of our nation by producing outstanding spiritual programs for radio and television alike. One half of your gift will sustain the campaign and the other half will assist us here in the Archdiocese of New York in our Communications Office.

Your generous support of these two most worthy causes will be deeply appreciated.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

†Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan

Archbishop of New York



Gospel Today

The Epiphany of the Lord | Matthew 2:1-12

The 3 are called **wise men**, **kings**, or **magi** - they saw and understood that the baby Jesus was truly God. They took a different route home and did not go back to Herod.

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The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates God's revealing Himself to us in the baby Jesus.

CELEBRATE WITH A KING CAKE!



King Cake season goes from the Feast of the Epiphany through Shrove Tuesday (Mardi Gras). This round "crown" cake, represents the journey of the 3 kings, and is decorated in purple (justice), green (faith) and gold (power) icing or sugar. Some cakes have a hidden bean or tiny plastic baby hidden inside and the one who finds it is "crowned", or responsible for the next cake.

-INGREDIENTS-

1 cup milk (scalded) 1/3 cup butter (melted in milk)

small bowl

1/4 cup warm water 1 package yeast 1 tsp. sugar

small bowl

2 eggs beaten 1/2 cup sugar pinch salt

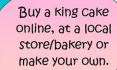
small bowl

Let all ingredients sit about 15 minutes, add to flour - mix well

4 cups flour

large bowl

SWEET as HONEY



-DIRECTIONS-

Knead on floured surface, 10 minutes (add more flour if needed). Rub dough ball with vegetable oil and place in covered oiled bowl in warm place to rise, 1 hour or double in size. Roll flat into rectangle and brush on oil or melted butter, sprinkle with sugar cinnamon. Roll into log starting on long edge. Form into ring (crown), pinch edges together and let rise on baking tray. Bake 350° for 15 - 20 minutes or until golden brown.

Colored sugar: In a jar add 1/2 cup sugar, 1-2 drops food color... green or yellow or red/blue (purple) and shake well. Decorate with green, purple & yellow (gold) cake icing and colored sugar. This cake does not include a bean or baby, as in some traditions, due to choking hazard.