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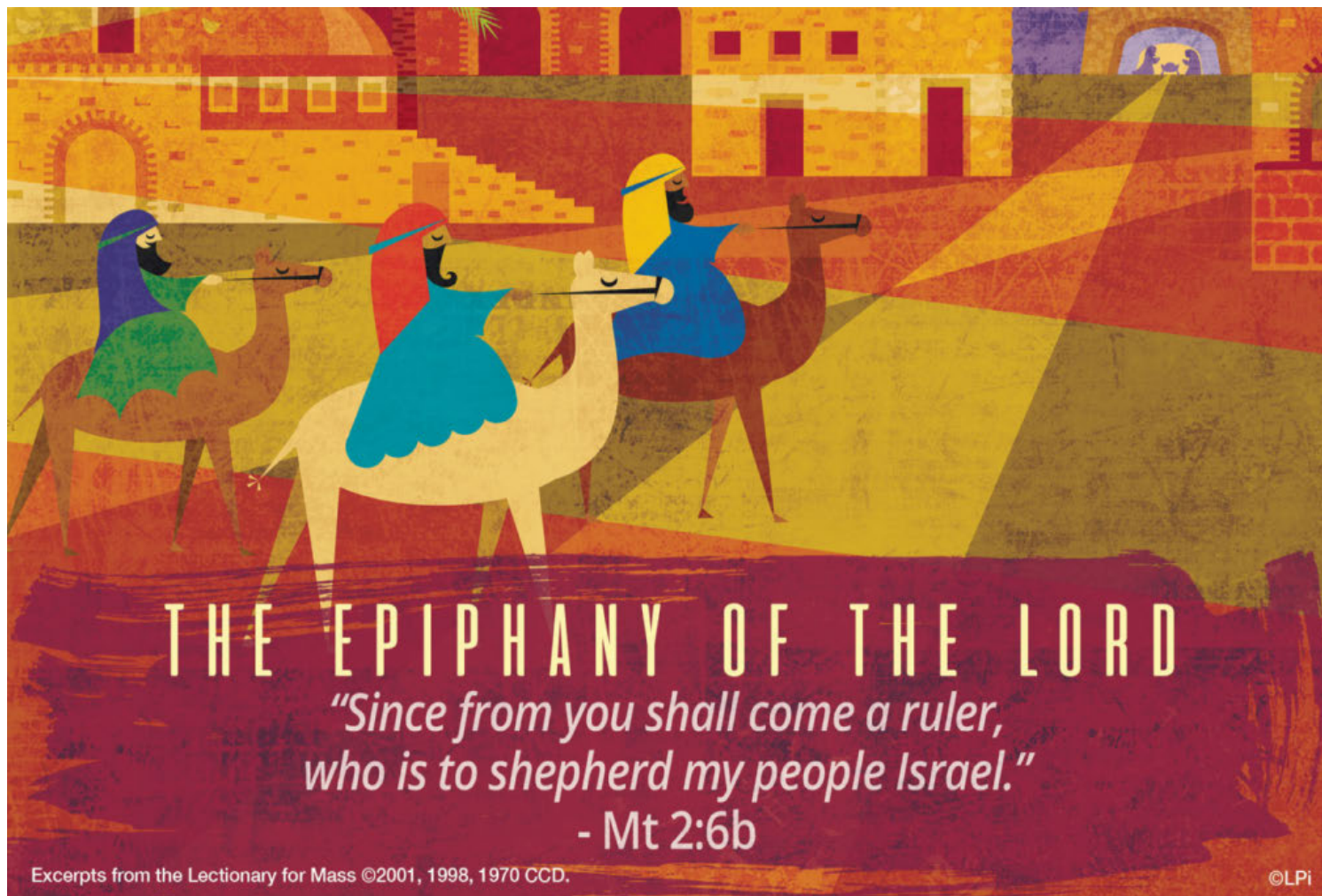
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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: St. Joseph-4:30 pm

Sunday Masses: St. Paul-9:00 am

St. Joseph-10:30 am

Morning Prayer-St. Joseph

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 7:40 am

Friday: 11:30 am-Rosary

Daily Masses

Tuesday and Thursday: St. Joseph-8:00 am

Wednesday: St. Paul 12:00 pm

Friday: St. Joseph-12:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: St. Joseph-3:30-4:00 pm

Sunday: St. Paul-8:30-8:50 am

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Monday-Thursday: 8:30 am-12:30 pm

1:00-4:00 pm

Friday: 8:30 am-12:00 pm



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Pray for the Sick and Homebound

Remember all the sick and homebound of our parish especially: Agnes Benzek, Betty Blades, Everett Blades, Gene Blades, Doris Bound, Carol Davis, Judy & Ron Evans, Ernie French, Ed Glos, Celeste Grider, Diane Gualdoni, Kelley Halper, Matthew Heckel, Robert Hopkins, Thom Ivastanin, Jan Jansco, Jr., Tammy Jones, Betty Lou Kainz, Maureen Kee, Joshua Loyd, Melody Lukesh, John Macier, Margaret Mocaby, Harry Mosley, Lorraine Musial, Agnes Olsen, John & Sheila Phillips, Angela Poskevich, Debbie Pulley, Ernie Rinella, Bernadette Romans, John & Cathi Roth, Leticia Sanchez, Christian Shoaff, Dorothy Shoaff, Herbert Soberg, Ida Nell Wargel, and Patti Zanotti.



Anyone who needs prayers because they are sick and/or homebound, please call the office and your name will be put on the above list.

St. Paul

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E-giving Benefits

E-giving allows you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash!

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

St. Joseph

	12-19	12-26
Weekly Budget Goal	\$8621	
Sunday Offering (82)	\$10,214	\$6037 (64)
Loose	\$470	\$67
E-giving (7)	\$280	\$280 (7)
Pay Pal (4)	\$742 ⁹¹	\$489 ⁵⁶ (1)
Total:	\$11,706⁹¹	\$6876⁵⁶
Candles	\$48	\$74
Retired Religious (11)	\$455	\$25 (1)
Christmas (99)		\$12,926
Christmas Flowers (5)	\$180	\$20 (2)
Annual Collection Needy (40)		\$1500

Church Building Fund

Contributions (7) \$5400

St. Paul

Weekly Budget Goal	\$1800	
Sunday Offering (33)	\$875	\$574
Loose	\$471	\$339
Total	\$1346	\$913
Project Br. Jason	\$70	
Immaculate Conception (1)	\$20	
Religious Retired (1)	\$5	
Needy (16)	\$195	
Christmas (28)	\$1385	

You must each decide in your heart how much to give, and don't give reluctantly. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Sunday 2

Mass-9:00 am-SP
NO PSR

Mass-10:30 am-SJ

Children's Liturgy Word

Readings: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

NO YFF

Monday 3

Morning Prayer-7:40 am-SJ
Communion Service

Readings: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Bible Discussion-12 pm

Church Bingo-7:00 pm-KC Marion

Tuesday 4

Morning Prayer-7:40 am-SJ
Communion Service

Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44



“And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel.” - Mt 2:6

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Baptism of the Lord-January 8-4:30 am

- L** James Hopkins
- EM** Rachelle Campbell, Lisa Conley
- S** Logan Arnold, Banks Gordon
- HM** C Braswell, T Hopkins, D Rheume, D Smith
- Sac.** LaVerne Williams

Baptism of the Lord-January 9-10:30 am

- L** Kathy Lober
- EM** April Imhoff, Jill Lewis
- S** Nate Imhoff, Aaron Simich
- HM** K Ehrhardt, G Frugé, D Stachnik, T Sternberg
- Sac.** Sheila Dingrando
- CLW** Karen Irwin

Mass Intentions

- Sat Jan. 1 Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord**
-4:30 pm † Leslie Campbell-SJ
- Sun Jan. 2 Epiphany of the Lord**
-9:00 am † -SP
-10:30 am Parish Family-SJ
- Mon Jan. 3 Christmas Weekday**
-7:40 am Morning Prayer-SJ
-Communion Service
- Tues Jan. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**
-7:40 am Morning Prayer-SJ
-Communion Service
- Wed Jan. 5 St. John Neumann**
-No Services
- Thurs Jan. 6 Christmas Weekday**
-7:40 am Morning Prayer-SJ
-Communion Service
- Fri Jan. 7 Christmas Weekday**
-11:30 am Rosary-SJ
-Communion Service
- Sat Jan. 8 Vigil: Baptism of the Lord**
-4:30 pm Parish Family-SJ
- Sun Jan. 9 Baptism of the Lord**
-9:00 am † Ken Sine-SP
-10:30 am † Don Irwin-SJ
Young Baptism after Mass

*In Memory of Richard Hoffman

Pray for Those in the Military

We remember in prayer our parishioners, relatives and friends serving in the military, especially Jesse Armstrong, Jared Broemmel, Nathaniel Broemmel, Steven and Michael Garland, Christopher Garwood, Jim McCarty, Jacque Risley, Elizabeth Shaw, Ian Shaw, Simon Shaw, Kyle Shea, Sean Shea, Dakotah Smith, Dylan Teckenbrock, Brendan Vaughn, Paul Wetstein, Daniel Wiesner, Zachary Wiesner, Ashton Worack, and John Ryan Worack, Jr. Pray for peace in the world.



† Janet Niehus, niece of Charlie Halter, died on December 18.

Please remember Janet and her family in your prayers.

Vocation Corner

What a wonderful Gospel account of the Magi traveling to meet the Lord. They followed the star – their “call” – to come and offer their gifts to the Lord. But the question arises as to how the Magi noticed a star at night and no one else really did. Perhaps we need to embrace the “night”, the stillness, to “see and hear” our call. How are we doing in discerning our call to Holiness – in living our vocation as man, woman or child; married or single; priesthood or religious – of being called to something beyond ourselves?

Wednesday 5

No Services
Readings: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

RCIA-6:00 pm
YFF-6:00 pm
Marion KC Mtg.-7:30 pm

Thursday 6

Morning Prayer-7:40 am-SJ
Communion Service
Readings: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Pickleball 5-7 pm FLC
Bingo-7:00 pm-KC Hall

Friday 7

Rosary-11:30 am-SJ
Communion Service
Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16



Trillium Trail Hike with Fr. Brian

Home Bound and Hospital Visits

Please call if you or a family member would like to receive a visit from Father Brian Barker or one of the parishioners. Please call Rita Dutton at 889-7215 or the office in Marion at 993-3194, opt. 1 or Sandi West in Johnston City at 983-5073.

- Joint Pastoral Council**
- St. Paul Representatives**
- Matt Leitzen
Barbara Cooksey
Brue Steh
Thomas Burton
- St. Joseph Representatives**
- Andrea Arnold
Scott Gimmy
Teresa Machicao-Hopkins
Leticia DeMattei

Saturday 8

Reconciliation-3:30-4:00 pm
Mass-4:30 pm-SJ

Sunday-9

Mass-9:00 am-SP-Welcome Fr. Frank Coen
PSR after Mass
Coffee & Donuts after Mass
Mass-10:30 am-SJ
Children's Liturgy Word
Young Baptism after Mass
Readings: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



Happy New Year!,

We step into the new year with blessings from God above. In the year ahead, we pray above all, for peace. Our world has lots of strife, violence and war. The threat of war looms with Russia seemingly ready to pounce upon Ukraine. China has desires of taking over Taiwan by force. The Middle East remains a hotbed of trouble that always seems to boil over in conflict. We need the Prince of Peace! We need him to give us a peace that only he can give, a peace that is deep and enduring.

Peace, of course, begins at home. Where are the points of conflict in your own life? How can you work for peace in your own corner of the world? Can you become a source of Christ's peace for others?

This weekend we celebrate our Lord's Epiphany. The Wise Men come to offer the baby Jesus their gifts. It's a wonderful and peaceful scene. We have images of the Magi riding camels through the desert on a star-filled night. They safely make it to Bethlehem and present their gifts. All present are in awe and wonder. It's one of those moments we want to savor. And yet shortly after this holy encounter, King Herod goes on a rampage and orders all baby boys to be killed so that the Messiah won't be a threat to him and his power. The Holy Family flees. They head to Egypt where they will become refugees in a strange land. The peace of Bethlehem gets shattered.

When there is no peace, dreams get broken. Hopes and desires are dashed. As we begin a new year, pray that the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ, sends his peace among us. Pray too, that we'll be willing to accept the Prince of Peace in our hearts, despite the challenging situations we often find ourselves stuck in.

May the new year bring you hope, love and peace!

Father Brian

JustFaith Catholic Program Offered Virtually

Starting 2nd Week of January 2022

How do I respond to poverty and injustice? What tools does my Catholic faith have to offer? *Faith and Poverty: A Biblical Response* is an 8 week program that explores God's call to respond to poverty in our local communities, equipping participants to take action in effective and sustainable ways. Meaningful prayer experiences in the context of a small faith community are an essential part of each session. The program will be offered virtually on Zoom for any interested Catholics in our diocese starting the 2nd week of January. Every effort will be made find a meeting time that accommodates the schedule of those interested in the program. For a short introductory video go to [youtube.com/watch?v=CRWqV_KhwLQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CRWqV_KhwLQ). For more information go to <https://justfaith.org/faith-and-poverty-a-biblical-response-jfc/>. The program is sponsored through a local grant from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. For more information or to express interest, contact Cheryl Sommer, Diocesan Director for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at cchddiobelle@gmail.com or 618-624-2838.



St. Paul & St. Joseph Parishes'
Anniversary Dinner

FEBRUARY 12, 2022
4:30 PM MASS
FOLLOWED BY A RECEPTION & DINNER AT
ST. JOSEPH FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Honoring the Sacredness of Married Love and Commitment
Couples celebrating their 1,5,10,15,20, ... and all couples
celebrating 60+ Anniversary are invited to attend. Couples
who celebrated anniversaries last year are invited.

R.S.V.P. by January 23th

Mr. & Mrs. _____
Wedding Date _____
Phone Number _____

Complete the above & drop off at or call the office 618-993-3194

St. Paul Church



LAMP INTENTIONS:

Prayers for better health for Barbara & Brian Pitcher from Carol Ratachie
Special Intention for Jan from Mom

Special intention from a Parishioner
Special intentions of a Parishioner
In honor of St. Francis of Assisi

LAMP INTENTIONS IN LOVING MEMORY AND REPOSE OF SOULS

Polich, Zasada and Bishop Families from Donnie & Janice
Joe, Agnes and Phyllis Poskevich from their Family
Paul Farthing by Marilyn & Family
Rebekah Anne from Grandpa & Grandma
Joan Skyles from a Friend
Rose Jansco Roberson from the Family
Mary Moroni Thomas from Dwain & Martin
Wally Musial from Lorraine
Peter & Frances Glad & Family from Lorraine Musial
Joseph & Palmira Poskevich from their Family
Loren, Georgina, & Ben from Daniel & Nicki
Tom Evans from Sandra Evans & Family
Rebekah from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent
Jack Hatfield from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent
Holly Pyle from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent
Grandma & Grandpa Helfrich from Gary, Tammy, John Michael, Jeremy & Brent

William F. & Jimmy Smith by their Family
Nono, Noni, JoAnn & Pedro from Chuck, Judy & Ryan
Sam & Mary Davis, Dave, C.B. Scott & Jerry from Chuck, Judy & Ryan
Erin from Dad, Mama & Ry
Vernon Kee from Maureen, Scott, Karen, Judi, Tim & Rick
Ralph & Eileen Lee by Maureen Kee & Family
Granny & Grampy Anderson with love Rob, Andrea, Amelia & Ava
Molly Jeanette by her Dads
Vernon Kee by son Tim & Rick
Richard & Jeanette Wade by sons Rick & Tim
Loved Ones from a Parishioner
Johnny from Sis
Bob Sniegowski from Carol Ratachie
Eileen Genzler from Sandi
Ron Evans from Sandi

Birthday Blessings

January

3 Kristin Francis
8 Kayden Martin
9 Lisa McBride
John Roth



ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

January

9 Allen & Audrey Brown (40 years)



† IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

† Ron Evans, husband of Judy Evans, died on December 23.
Eileen Genzler, mother of Beth Roberts, died on December 16.

Please remember Ron and Eileen and their families in your prayers.

The Messenger

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Christmas Giving Tree - Pregnancy Matters

"The Christmas Giving Tree" is to help provide needed baby items for the Pregnancy Matters Center. Please take an "Ornament" and purchase that item and return it to church. The tree will be up from December 19th thru January 9th.

Calendar of Events

January

2 Mass-9:00 am-SP-No PSR
5 No Mass
9 Mass-9:00 am-Welcome Fr. Frank Coen
Coffee & Donuts after Mass
PSR After Mass

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS AT ST. PAUL

January 9-Baptism of the Lord-9:00 am

L Matt Leitzen
S Joe Pulsford, Reilly Williams
EM Janice Gaddis
G Mary Ellen Grisley, Beth Roberts
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U T Kee, R Wade, T Burton, J Pulsford

Adopt a Seminarian

How can I adopt a Seminarian? There are lots of ways:

Remember his birthday
Become his prayer warrior
Send a care package
Remember him at Christmas

Send notes of encouragement and support
Our best "adoptive" practice – Prayer! Seminarian Prayer Cards on the tables in back of church. Please take one.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 2, 2022
The Epiphany of the Lord

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved. ©LPi

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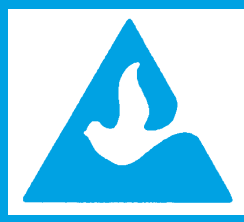
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