

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

1014 Madison Ave, Washington, MO / 636.239.3520 / ollwashmo.org



Sunday, January 2, 2022

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."*

- Mt 2:6b

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH

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- St. Bernadette Sodality 2nd Monday
- School Board 2nd Monday
- Parish Finance Council 3rd Monday
- St. Vincent de Paul 2nd Tuesday
- Home and School 1st Thursday
- Liturgy Board Two times a year

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- Athletic Association – Amanda Jones
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- School Board – Sarah Borgmann
- St. Bernadette Sodality – Pat Peters

Bulletin Notices

If you would like to have an article published in the bulletin, please submit it in writing to the rectory **by Monday afternoon at rectory@ollwashmo.org.**

OUR LADY OF LOURDES WELCOMES YOU!

If you are visiting, we hope you have a blessed experience and always feel welcome here. Visit us again soon!

If you would like to become a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, give us a call at 636-239-3520. Or, a new parishioner form is available on our website at www.ollwashmo.org.

Assisted Listening Devices are available. Please ask one of the ushers for help.

The restrooms are located to the left as you exit into the gathering area.

If we can assist you further, don't hesitate to contact us at:
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday:

8:00 am & 10:00 am

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

Please check the bulletin for the exact schedule.

Confessions

Wednesday 5:00 - 5:45 pm

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 pm

or by appointment

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays after 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday after 8:00 Mass until Tuesday before 8:00 Mass & Wednesday after 8:00 Mass until 6:00 p.m.

in the Chapel located around the back of church.

Contact Amy Blomberg, 636-667-0832, with questions.

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

Mission Statement

The Mission of Our Lady of Lourdes is to create a faith community for all members to grow in their relationship with God and each other so that they can proclaim the Good News of Christ's Message.



FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN.....

Dear Parishioners,

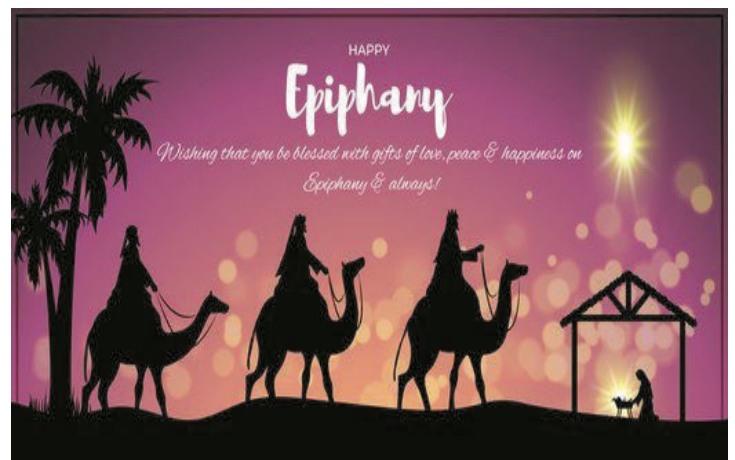
Happy New Year! Hopefully your 2022 is off to a good start! As we begin this new year and continue our celebration of the Christmas season, this weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany. Often with this feast, we focus on the magi and the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, or on the humility of three kings who did homage to the Child Jesus, but perhaps this year we could focus on the star. Much has been said about this star throughout the history of theology, but perhaps we ought to focus on what it did. If we pay attention, we will see that the star guided the magi. The magi, as gentiles from afar represent all of humanity, and so the star guided all of humanity to the Child Jesus. The star for us is a symbol of our call to evangelize, that is bring people to Jesus.

During 2022 and beyond, our Archbishop is asking the Archdiocese to focus on deepening our relationship with the Lord, so that we can discern how He is calling us to evangelize as individuals and as a people. So as we begin this new year, perhaps our first resolution ought to be to grow in relationship with Jesus so that we might become better instruments, like the star, to bring people to Him. Two good ways we can do this are prayer and study. Study is easy, just find a good book about our faith and start to read it, even if it's just a little at a time. Prayer is simple, but it's not always easy for us to do. Take 10-15 minutes a day, put it in your calendar if you have to, and just spend it speaking with God about your struggles and joys, desires and hopes, and then simply ask Him to speak, and wait patiently in the quiet. He will speak in some way and in His time. These two simple practices can help us to become like the star in this weekend's Gospel. They can help us to grow closer to the Lord and to bring people to Him.

Happy New Year,
Fr. Jim Theby



*Wishing you and your family
a happy and blessed New Year!!*



Our Parish Rectory offices will be closed for the holidays thru January 2nd. We will reopen on Monday, January 3, 2022 at 8 am.

On page 9 of our bulletin this week, we have included instructions for the Traditional House Blessing for your homes which is done on the Feast of the Epiphany. Feel free to take a piece of the blessed chalk from the basket in the church narthex after Mass, gather your family together, and start the tradition of blessing your homes for the coming year!



Clayton Brantley, Kristian McDonald,
 Bill Connor, Aaron Coon, Chris Elbert,
 Ryan Elbert, Nadine Frericks,
 Heather Green, Butch Holtmeyer,
 Doug Holtmeyer, Mary Lee Kliethermes, Dr. Jake Lippert,
 Peggy (Carey) Lippert, Jameson Marquart,
 Ruth Marquart, Vernon Massmann, Theresa Mohesky,
 James Morranville, Louis Sampel, Dan Schoffin,
 Miranda Stapleton, Joseph Teipel, Collin Warrender,
 Bob Weber, Mary Lee West, Carol Willming, Judy Wyatt



**Pray
 For Our Troops**
 Please keep all our
 Men and Women
 serving in the military
 in your prayers.

Suzanne Albert, T.J. Bond,
 Cameron Bunkley, Chris Chicoine,
 Toni Cooley, Lee Fortner,
 Nicholas Gassel, Evan Hix,
 Hannah Hoeft, Drew Holtmeyer,
 Daniel Holzem, Brett Jones,
 Stuart Klemm, Thomas Krausch,
 Jacob Martin, Josh Martin,
 Aaron Maune, Robert Minnich,
 Brian Nelson, Jacob Nelson,
 Brian Patterson, Dominic Price,
 Mykaela Smyser, Nathan Smyser,
 Peyton Struttmann, Jacob Trentmann,
 Beau Vowels

If you would like to have your loved one added to or removed from our prayer lists, please call the rectory at 636-239-3520.

**READ THE
 GOSPEL AND
 COMPLETE A
 PUZZLE!**

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Isn't God amazing? He made all the stars and planets to move, so every night the sky looks a little different. When God created the world, he planned exactly when the wise men would see the star. He wanted them to find Jesus.

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for making the planets and stars so the wise men could find Jesus.

**MISSION
 FOR THE WEEK**

Visit a planetarium to learn more about the star of Bethlehem.

KIDS CORNER

Unscramble these words from today's Gospel:

wise-men
 child
 born

king
 star
 worship

Mary
 gifts
 dream

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WORSHIP

WEEKLY OFFERING—DECEMBER 19, 2021

	<u>DONATIONS</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>
Sunday Offering	\$6,961.12	\$8,844.09
Loose Collection	\$527.58	\$ 355.58
Total Offering	\$7,488.70	\$9,199.67
Parish Maintenance Fund	\$670.00	\$1,250.00
Bernadette’s Purse	\$1,840.00	\$ 135.00
Seminary	\$170.00	
Permanent Diaconate	\$10.00	
Christmas Flowers for Church	\$358.00	
Retired Religious	\$20.00	
Christmas Offering	\$165.00	
Grotto	\$250.00	

Thank you for your continued generous support of Our Lady of Lourdes parish.
May God bless you and your family in the New Year.

Due to early bulletin submission, the weekly offertory from December 26th will be posted next week.

WHAT MOTIVATES YOU?

Do you have a longing to step outside yourself, to be part of something larger than yourself? ***Our Lady of Lourdes Corporal Care Team*** just might be an answer because our volunteers do **small things with great love**.

The *OLL Corporal Care Team (CCT)* is a small group of parishioners who seek to be the eyes, ears, hands and feet, but mostly the heart, of Jesus in quietly helping members of our church family with transportation, simple home repairs, grocery shopping, or any other small task that they can’t do any longer by themselves.

The *OLL Corporal Care Team* has been quite successful because of its intent to avoid having its members feel overcommitted. You can help once a week, once per month, or seasonally. You can also decline the request if it does not work in your schedule at the time.

Call Carole Lohmeyer at 573-465-8003 if you would like to help with this great ministry.



LECTORS

Saturday, January 8 @ 5 pm - Debbie Walde
 Sunday, January 9 @ 8 am - Matt Schroeder
 Sunday, January 9 @ 10 am - Joe Ferguson

GREETERS

Saturday, Jan 8 @ 5 pm— Steven & Susan Kuenzel
 Sunday, Jan 9 @ 8 am - Leland & Carol Mohesky
 Sunday, Jan 9 @ 10 am - Rich & Mary Jane Brinker

Our Lady of Lourdes Greeters Ministry is looking for additional parishioners interested in welcoming Mass attendees before the weekend Masses. If you would like to be a part of this important ministry, please contact Janet Braun at 636-667-1544 or braun.da.jm@att.net

Martha’s Helpers -- church cleaning volunteers --- for **Friday, January 7th:**

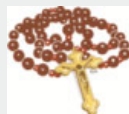
Nancy Eckelkamp, Ron Eckelkamp,
 Diana Hall, Sharon Voss, Laverne Weber,
 Mary Lee Aholt, Dawn VonBehren,
 Sharon Tobben.



Thank you for keeping our beautiful church clean!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! **Our Lady of Lourdes is in need of more Rosary Leaders for our weekend Masses.** If you’re interested, please call or text Sharon at 636-432-4111.

Thank you for any assistance you can give!





Lourdes Shop and Earn ShopWithScrip®

Saturday Mass, January 1st: Sara Gerling

Sunday Mass, January 2nd:

8:00 a.m.: Mandy Eckelkamp

10:00 a.m.: Maggie Hotz

Monday Entry, January 3rd:

Diana Smith, Laura Rickman, Lynn Riegel

Tuesday Pick-up, January 4th:

Group 1: Erika Rada

Group 2: Tim Huber

Group 3: Tim Huber

Group 4: Annie Kessler

Friday Sort, January 7th:

Leslie Unnerstall, Michelle Etter, Laura Rickman

Saturday Mass, January 8th: Amy Steffens

Sunday Mass, January 9th:

8:00 a.m.: Sherry Wideman

10:00 a.m.: Casey Tobben

Scrips order forms are available on the tables in the back of church, in the rectory office, or go to the school website to find it under fundraising/Lourdes shop and earn.

Start earning with the RaiseRight mobile app—

Earn money for school and your tuition. Its easy!!

1. Join the program

*First, download the RaiseRight mobile app from the app store using your smartphone or tablet. Then, enter the enrollment code to join: 39L5CFCL661L

2. Buy gift cards and earn for your organization

*Browse bonuses, search for a specific brand, shop categories, and more. When you're ready to check out, sign up for secure online payments. You can link a bank account, add a credit card, or both. The brand gives back to your organization the moment you buy a gift card—at no extra cost to you.

3. Get and use your gift cards

*eGift cards are delivered to the app within minutes—view them in your Wallet. Physical gift cards are mailed to your coordinator. Many are reloadable!



MONDAY, JANUARY 3

8 am Elda Mae Toben

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

8 am Paul & Shirley Kuenzel

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

8 am Special Intention

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

8 am Herb Kimminau

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

8 am Becky Argus

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

5 pm John Wellen

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

8 am Marilyn Bleckman

10 am Our Parishioners

Marriage Banns

There is a promise of marriage between:

Emilie Schmidt & Adrian Mauricio -- II

January 2, 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (MATTHEW 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold – we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense – represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh – is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.





January 1-7, 2022

Monday-Saturday	8 am Mass in Church
Saturday, Jan 1	Happy New Year!! 9 am Mass for the Solemnity of Mary 4:00—4:45 pm Confessions 5 pm Mass for Sunday obligation St. Vincent de Paul Collections
Sunday, Jan 2	Observed Feast of the Epiphany 8:00 & 10:00 am Mass in Church St. Vincent de Paul Collections
Monday, Jan 3	Parish offices reopen at 8 am. School resumes. Welcome back!
Tuesday, Jan 4	7 pm-Bell Choir Practice in Church 7-8 pm—RCIA Meeting-Parish Hall
Wednesday, Jan 5	6:30-7:45pm—PSR classes--School
Thursday, Jan 6	Feast of the Epiphany 7 pm—Home & School Mtg in the Parish hall
Friday, Jan 7	Church Cleaning after 8 am Mass School—Noon Dismissal

A HUGE **THANK YOU** TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS/VOLUNTEERS THAT HELPED TO DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON. YOU ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED AND WE COULD NOT HAVE SUCH A BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED CHURCH WITHOUT YOU!!



WE ALSO THANK—IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY—ED & TANYA GUEHNE FOR PUTTING UP THE LIGHTS ON THE OUTSIDE EVERGREEN TREES BY THE PARISH HALL. WE APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH!

MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH.



Pro Life



RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE

Find Comfort, Healing & Hope...
Saturday, January 8, Christ Prince of Peace Parish
"I am the Resurrection and the life."
- John 11:25

All are welcome to attend Naming & Commendation, a prayer service developed by the Archdiocese of St. Louis to meet the needs of families whose child died before birth for any reason (including miscarriage, accident, abortion or still birth). Parents and families of any religious background are invited to attend, whether the loss was recent or long ago.

Naming & Commendation will start right after the 8 a.m. Mass at Christ Prince of Peace Parish on Saturday, January 8 around 8:35 a.m. The rite, celebrated by Fr. Chris Dunlap, will offer parents and families an opportunity to name the child, bring peaceful closure to great loss, and unite with our merciful God. To RSVP or for more information, please contact Susan Nowak at susananowak@sbcglobal.net

Join the Respect Life Apostolate for the archdiocesan **Roe v. Wade Memorial Mass** commemorated by Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski on **Saturday, January 15 at 10 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica.** Mass will include the Pro-Life Generation Memorial and the LifeLine Coalition collection, which benefits thousands of local women and families annually.

The Rosary walk to and from Missouri's last abortion facility will follow Mass, marking the 49th anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion on Jan. 22, 1973.

If you're unable to join us in person, please pray with us via the live-stream starting at 9:45 a.m. on 1/15:

cathedralstl.org/liturgy-sacraments/livestream

For more information, contact the Respect Life Apostolate at 314.792.7555, prolife@archstl.org or STLRespectLife.org.

Unite in Prayer with Catholics Nationwide for the USCCB **Novena 9 Days for Life January 19—27, 2022.** This is an annual novena for the protection of human life. **Sign up at 9daysforlife.com.**

---Upcoming Community Events---



Join us for a day for visitors to travel around to the local parishes and enjoy their beautiful Christmas décor and traditions.



January 1, 2022 11:00am-3:00pm

CHURCHES THAT WILL BE PARTICIPATING :

- ASSUMPTION CHURCH-NEW HAVEN
- ST. ANN CHURCH-CLOVER BOTTOM
- ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH-KRAKOW
- ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH-VILLA RIDGE
- ST. FRANCIS BORGIA CHURCH-WASHINGTON
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH-AUGUSTA
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH-UNION
- OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH-WASHINGTON
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH-DUTZOW
- ST. ANTHONY CHURCH-SULLIVAN
- ST. JOSEPH CHURCH-NEIER
- BETHLEHEM LUTHERAN CHURCH-NEW HAVEN

Catholic Men for Christ 2022 is in person!

It's been a long road, but after many months of planning, CMFC is excited to announce that we are planning for an in-person event for 2022! We're excited to have a great lineup of nationally recognized speakers to help us live our 2022 Conference theme:

"Made New: Becoming the Man God has called you to be"

The event will be held at the Si Commons at St. Louis University High School on Saturday, February 12th, giving us a capacity to welcome over 1000 men to the conference.

We are thrilled to welcome Jeff Cavins, creator of the Great Adventure Bible Timeline and co-creator/producer of the "Bible in A Year Podcast" with Fr. Mike Schmitz, as well as Steve Allgeyer, Vice-President of LifeTeen International and Fr. Paul Hoelsing, Dean of Men at Kenrick-Glennon seminary for what is sure to be an inspiring and challenging day.

You can register online at www.catholicmenforchrist.com

Early bird tickets are available for only \$30, but hurry as early bird pricing is available through January 10th when prices increase.

Polar Plunge 1.8.2022

"Make straight the way of the Lord"

John 1:23



Come out to celebrate the Feast of Jesus' Baptism

Registration: 10am

Plunge: 10:30-11:00 am

Ages: 10-up

Pre-register:

www.christplunge.com

\$10/person donation

t-shirts: \$20

Location:

Veterans Memorial Park

600 Progress Pkwy

Union, MO

Hosted by: St. John the Baptist Church-Villa Ridge
All proceeds: Helping Hands Community Outreach

SAVE THE DATE!
FEBRUARY 13, 2022 AT 2:30 PM!

JOIN ARCHBISHOP ROZANSKI AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA TO CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY ON WORLD MARRAGE DAY!





Feast of Epiphany TRADITIONAL HOUSE BLESSING

There is a long-standing Catholic tradition of blessing the home on the Feast of Epiphany. This year, we invite you to adopt this custom in your family. It is a wonderful way to begin the New Year, with the family gathering to ask God's blessing on their home and all those who visit. It is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, and to be with us in our comings and goings, our conversations, our work and play, our joys and sorrows.

The most common way of doing this is to use a simple stick of chalk to write above the home's entrance, 20 + C + M + B + 22. The letters C, M, B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the three magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They also abbreviate the Latin words *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross and 2022 is the year.

Instructions for Blessing the Home:

Using the blessed chalk mark the lintel of your front door (or front porch step) 20 + C + M + B + 22 while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and nineteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the New Year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen

"Chalking the door" is a way to celebrate and literally mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time the chalk will fade. As it does, we let the meaning of the symbols written sink into the depths of our heart and be manifest in our words and actions the Latin words, *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, "May Christ bless the house."

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2022

- Sunday:** 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
- Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
- Next Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, 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

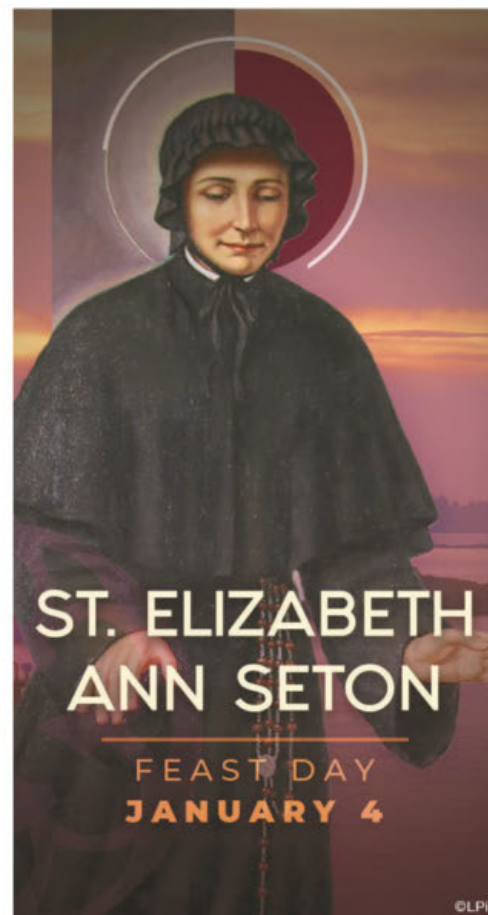
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 2022

- Sunday:** The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
- Monday:** The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Tuesday:** St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
- Wednesday:** St. John Neumann, Bishop
- Thursday:** St. André Bessette, Religious
- Friday:** St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
- Next Sunday:** The Baptism of the Lord

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

December 26, 2021

WATCH

**FORGIVEN—SESSION 1:
WHERE ARE YOU?**

As we make resolutions for 2021, don't forget about your spiritual well-being! Through our Forgiven series, you can help guide friends and family to new spiritual beginnings!



**FORMED NOW!
WHO IS SAINT STEPHEN?**

This past week, we celebrated the life of St. Stephen, heroic leader of the early Church. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the first Christian martyr.

LEARN

FORMED Now!

LISTEN

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY:
LOVE UNVEILED
BY DR. SCOTT HAHN**

The feast of the Holy Family reminds us to help our own families grow in holiness. With this in mind, join Scott Hahn as he shares his advice on how to bring sanctity into the home.

**MARRIAGE
AND FAMILY
DR. SCOTT HAHN**



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

New Parishioner Information

We welcome new parishioners and ask them to register by contacting the rectory office, 636-239-3520, or go to ollwashmo.org under quick links and print the new parishioner form and drop it off at the rectory.

Baptisms

Please contact the rectory to schedule a baptism. The Sacrament of Baptism is held on Sundays at 11:15 am.

Weddings

Contact Fr. Theby at least six months in advance.

Children's Chapel

We would like for you to know that we have a cry room to bring your little ones to during Mass. It is located in the back of church. After you enter the main entrance, go through the double doors on the left. The room is to the right of the elevator and marked "Children's Chapel."

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found items are located on the top shelf of the coat closet across from the elevator.

Sign Up for Faith Direct eGiving

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