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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Obligation:
4:30 pm (Saturday)
9:00 am (English)
11:00 am (Polish)

Holy Days:

5:30 pm (English) - Vigil Mass
12:00 noon (English)
5:30 pm (Polish)

Weekdays:

7:30 am (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday)
12:00 pm Wednesday
5:30 pm Friday (Polish)
(No AM Mass on Monday & Saturday)

Novena to St. Anthony:

Tuesday after 7:30 am Mass

Chaplet to Divine Mercy:

Friday after 7:30 am Mass

January 2, 2022 • Epiphany of the Lord



We would like to wish a Happy Birthday and all God's blessings to the following parishioners celebrating their birthdays this week (Sunday,

January 2 - Sunday, January 9): Charlie Zabinski, Elizabeth Zamora, Maria McKillip, Zofia Kozlowski, Noel Pycior, Justyna Sanchez, Jan Stachel, Beata Brechlin, Mark Sanchez.

Seven-day Sanctuary Candles

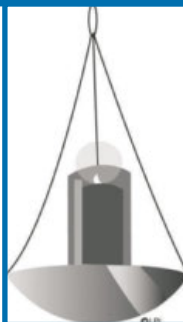
Red Candle on the right side of the altar is offered for:

In memory of Steve Ostrowski
offered by Pat Ostrowski and family

Red Candle on the left side of the altar is offered for:

In memory of Dorothy Hubeny
offered by sister Pat Ostrowski

These candles will burn beginning Sunday, January 2nd.



Od wtorku rozpoczynamy błogosławieństwo i odwiedziny kolędowe rodzin z naszej parafii. Rodziny, które życzą sobie odwiedzin kapłana mogą zapisać się w biurze parafialnym.

Tuesday, we will start our annual pastoral visits of families of our parish. If you wish to have your home blessed you may call the parish to schedule a visit.



Prosimy o pomoc w rozbieraniu dekoracji świątecznych w przyszłą niedzielę, 9 stycznia bezpośrednio po polskiej Mszy świętej. Szczególnie zachęcamy młodzież do zaangażowania się.

Please come and help us to take down all the Christmas decorations on Sunday, January 9th at 12:00 pm. We especially encourage young people to help us.

Society of Mercy meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 5:30 pm in Kolbe Hall. This meeting will be a social meeting with sharing of 'Opłatek'.



Towarzystwo Miłosierdzia Bożego zaprasza na spotkanie we wtorek 4 stycznia na godzinę 5:30 wieczorem do sali o. Kolbe.

Spotkanie rozpoczniemy modlitwą i później zapraszamy na wspólny „Opłatek”. Prosimy wszystkich członków o przybycie na to spotkanie i przyniesienie potrawy do wspólnej kolacji. Prosimy o kontakt Panią Małgorzatę Borowską w biurze parafialnym, aby się zapisać i poinformować jaką potrawę przynieść.

POLISH FEST 2022



Po pierwszym naszym spotkaniu w listopadzie, jesteśmy optymistycznie nastawieni, że będziemy na siłach zorganizować Polish Fest 2022. W przyszły wtorek, czyli 11 stycznia o godzinie 5:30 wieczorem zapraszamy wszystkich zainteresowanych festywalom o przybycie na spotkanie organizacyjne. Aby Festiwal mógł się odbyć potrzebujemy wiele rąk do

pracy i ludzi, którzy wezmą na siebie odpowiedzialność za różne funkcje. Prosimy przemyśleć sobie gdzie kto będzie w stanie nam pomóc i zaangażować się w tę tak ważną dla parafii i miasta Rockford imprezę.

After our first meeting in November, we are optimistic that we will be able to organize the Polish Fest 2022. Next Tuesday, January 11 at 5:30 pm, we invite everyone interested in the festival to come to the organizational meeting. For the Polish Fest to take place, we need a lot of hands and people who will take responsibility for various functions. Please think about where you will be able to help us and get involved in this very important event to the parish and the city of Rockford.

Sacramental Life

Sacrament of Baptism Arrangements should be made with the pastor in advance. Parents must be registered parishioners. At least one parent and godparent must be practicing Catholics, and receive sacramental instructions beforehand.

Sacrament of Matrimony One of those being married must be a registered parishioner and a practicing Catholic. A six-month preparation period is required by diocesan law. Couples must be at least 19 years of age. Please contact the pastor before setting a date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 4:00 pm; Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 am; First Friday: 5:30 pm. For other times contact the parish office.

All copy for the bulletin must be submitted by MONDAY 4:00 pm.

Office Hours: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Closed Wednesday & Legal Holidays

TAX TIME

Thank you for all the financial support all year long. In the next two weeks we will be working on the end of the year contribution statements for our parishioners. It is very

important that you inform the parish office of any changes you may have: address, phone number, etc... Please help us in keeping our records current.

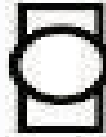
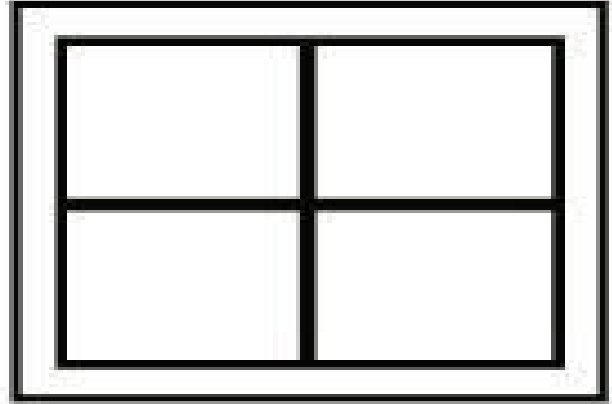
We also reminding you that you will receive a contribution statement directly from the Diocese of Rockford - Office of Charitable Giving for all the Diocesan Appeals and the Stewardship Appeal.

Serdeczne Bóg zapłać za wszelkie ofiary złożone na kościół w minionym roku. W następnym dwóch tygodniach biuro parafialne będzie przygotowywać rozliczenia finansowe za rok 2021. Prosimy poinformować biuro o zmianach adresu zamieszkania oraz o innych zmianach personalnych. Dziękujemy za współpracę.

Przypominamy także, że za złożone donacje na diecezjalne kolekty wraz z kolektą na Stewardship, parafianie otrzymają listy z podziękowaniem do rozliczeń podatkowych bezpośrednio z Diecezji Rockford - Office of Charitable Giving.



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The Epiphany HOUSE BLESSING

Lord God of Heaven and Earth,
Who has revealed Your
only-begotten Son to every nation
by the guidance of a star.

Bless this house and all who inhabit it.

Fill it with the light of Christ,
that our love for others may truly
reflect Your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Question:

Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

Answer:

Epiphany means “manifestation,” or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew’s infancy narrative differs from Luke’s account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph’s long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.

Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact?

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 3, 2022

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

7:30 am †Souls in Purgatory - *offered by Parishioners*

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

12:00 pm †Theresa Blaszczyk - *offered by Irene & Arnie Dyer*

Thursday, January 6, 2022

7:30 am †Souls in Purgatory - *offered by Parishioners*

Friday, January 7, 2022

7:30 am For the Conventual Franciscan Community

5:30 pm O Boże błogosławieństwo dla rodziny Moskalis - *offered by Teresa Berbeka*

Saturday, January 8, 2022

4:30 pm †Janina Szostak - *offered by Marian & Jadwiga Bielawski*

Sunday, January 9, 2022

9:00 am †Steve Ostrowski - *offered by wife & family*

11:00 am For Parishioners

CHURCH SUPPORT

December 19/20

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Envelopes..... | \$1,832.00 |
| Loose..... | \$122.00 |
| Fuel..... | \$582.00 |
| On-line giving..... | \$440.00 |

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

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|----------------|---|
| January 8/9 | baby foods |
| January 15/16 | boxed prepared foods (tuna, ravioli, spaghetti) |
| January 22/23 | ketchup, mustard |
| January 29/30 | dried beans, rice |
| February 5/6 | peanut butter, jelly |
| February 12/13 | flour, sugar |
| February 19/20 | shampoo |
| February 26/27 | socks |

St. Elizabeth pantry is very thankful for all the donations they received from our parish. Thank you for supporting this very important mission.

January 2, 2022



Church decorating 2021

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