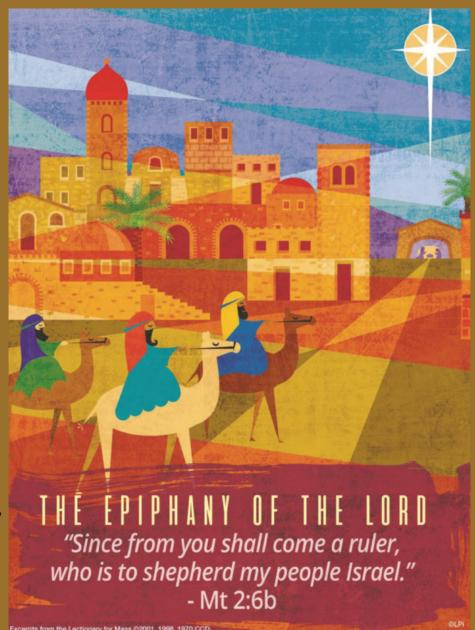


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January 2, 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

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Mass Schedule

Monday thru Friday: 6:30am

Saturday: 7:00pm Sunday: 9:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Evenings: 6:15pm-6:45pm or by appointment

Adoration/Holy Hour

Every first Thursday of the month from 6pm to 7pm.

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A Warm Welcome

We are glad that you are here to worship with us today.
We are grateful to our parishioners who come faithfully and
we welcome our neighbors and guest that visit us.
If you are interested in becoming a member of
St. Ann please call the parish office.



Today is the Feast of Epiphany, the day when many throughout the world will exchange gifts.

Again, Fr. Bernie, the staff and I thank you for your generous gifts of cards, cookies, candies, breads, etc.

Speaking for myself, I'll need the "gift of liposuction" if I don't stop eating your tasty treats!! Thanks again.

Starting this week, 'the parish gets back to work'. Starting Tuesday both offices are will be open

at their regular times; St. Gertrude School and both PSR programs also resume this week. I pray that the holidays have been a restful and re-creative for everyone.

As I type this, the Corona virus continues to cause disruptions so as we begin a new year, I suggest pray this Prayer of Abandonment—it's my favorite prayer, and has gotten me through many a confusing time:

A Prayer for a New Year

Father, I abandon myself into your hands.

Do with me whatever you will.

Whatever you may do, I thank you.

I am ready for all, I accept all.

Let only your will be done in me, and in all your creatures.

Into your hands I commend my spirit.

I offer it to you with all the love that is in my heart.

For I love you, Lord, and so want to give myself,

to surrender myself into your hands,

without reserve and with boundless confidence,

for you are my Father. Amen.

-Charles de Foucauld, 1858-1916

Fr. Carl

Catholic Challenge

"In 2013, a priest and five seminarians began meeting for faith formation. As the men talked, they realized that as holy as their desires to enter the priesthood were, they were still men—human and unfree from the base inclinations of the modern world. Having been raised in a society that promotes and even glorifies all sorts of vices, many of these seminarians were bound by addictions to video games, Netflix, alcohol, and even things of a more serious nature. Well, they realized that if this is something they are struggling with then surely the men in their parishes are going to be experiencing the same issues. That is where Exodus90 was born. Last year a couple of men from St. Gertrudes parish took the challenge for 90 days to become better husbands, fathers, sons, and followers of Christ. This year they want to share the freedom that they gained from this experience with others and are reaching out to see if there are other men who are interested in breaking the chains that hold them back from the men God designed them to be. If the Spirit is stirring your heart, please reach out to Tyler Jackson at (314-971-3406 or tgjackson1@gmail.com) for more information."



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Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed from **Friday, December 24 thru Jan. 4 for Christmas.** The staff will be checking emails remotely.

The staff will be checking emails remotely If you need immediate help please contact Fr. Carl.

With Deepest Sympathy

Our Sympathies go out to Barb & Charlie Sauer, Teresa & Jerome Pauk and Matt & Jennifer Pauk on the loss of their

Father/Grandfather

William McNicholes

Please keep their family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



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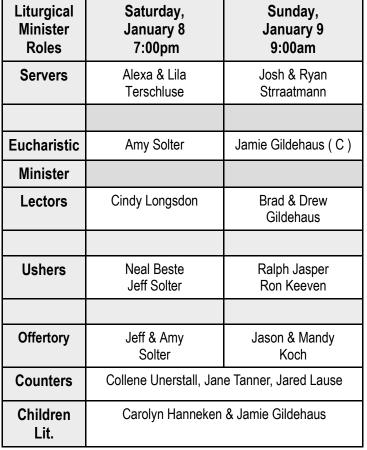
Parishioner Hall Rental

Upper Level

\$500 Rental Fee / \$200 Security Deposit

Lower Level

\$100 Rental Fee / \$100 Security Deposit Contact Kristina in the Parish Office for more rental information.



Big Prize Raffle

The Big Prize Raffle will begin in the beginning of January. Please contact Gary Rettke or catch him in the back of church to get your ticket. You will be in for a chance to win \$2000 or \$100.

With Deepest Sympathy

Our Sympathies go out to Dale & Valerie Broeker Family on the loss of his Brother

Richard Broeker

Please keep their family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



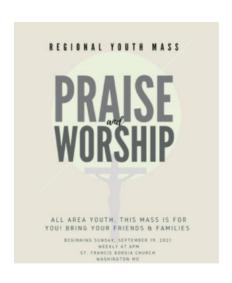






Congratulations to Colton Koch, Audrey Brinker & Rosalie Wymer that made their First Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 15th. May God continue to bless them on their journey, preparing for their First Communion.







FORMED Sign Up Instructions

Here are the sign up instructions for FORMED that St. Ann & St. Gertrude parishioners can use. There is so much Catholic material in this library. There is something for every age and every moment of your faith journey.

- 1. Visit FORMED.org
- 2. Click Sign Up
- 3. Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner"
- 4. Find **St Gertrude** by parish name, address, or zip code
- 5. Enter your email and you're in!

January 2, 2022 - The Epiphany of the Lord - Gospel Mediation

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.

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We are so grateful for your continued support and sacrifice to our parish

Dec. 18 & 19	Envelopes	Online
General Collection	\$1,114.17	\$1,909
Christmas	0	\$75
Christmas Flowers	0	\$25
Building Maintenance	0	\$45
Immaculate Conception	0	\$25
Missionary Cooperation Plan	\$10	0
Seminary	\$50	\$50
Loose	\$64.01	0
SVDP	\$190	\$75
Total:	\$1,428.18	\$2,204

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.





St. Gertrude and St. Ann Padre Pio Prayer Group

Next meeting on 1/2 after the 7:30am Mass

-Mary gazed upon the Infant Jesus in her arms, helpless and in need of her protection. And at the same time, she adored Him as Almighty God.



Henry, Andy, and Georgia Spaunhorst raised their hogs and sold them at the Washington Town and Country Fair.

They then donated their proceeds to St. Ann's.

Thank you to them for their generosity.

What a wonderful day that this group had Christmas Caroling homes in the community. Thank you to everyone that let us come by their homes and to all the volunteers that came out and caroled.







Happy Birthday

We would like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following Parishioners that will be celebrating their Birthday this week.



Jane Tanner, Andy Unerstall, Eileen Terschluse, Connor Vollmer, Kylie Alfermann, Donna Kleinheider, Kathy Kleinheider, Finneas McPhillips, Micheal Narup

Meetings & Events Coming up in Our Parish			
DATE	MEETING/ EVENT	LOCATION	
Friday, February 25th	Drive Thru Chicken Dinner	Parish Center Upper Level	

Happy Anniversary

We would like to wish a Happy Anniversary to the following Parishioners that will be celebrating their Anniversary this week.



Dean & Stacey Brueggemann & Harvey & Dolores Cramer



SAVE THE DATE

(tickets available now)

St. Gertrude's Casino Night

(all proceeds benefit St. Gertrude's School)

APRIL 2, 2022

Looking for a Christmas present or Birthday present to purchase for that someone special? TICKETS will make GREAT gifts for your adult children, parents, and other loved ones. TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW to purchase for holiday giving.

Cost: \$100 includes ticket admission for 2 adults (No one under 21 admitted)

For tickets: contact Vicky Maune (cell 636-357-0303)



Rosary

Every Saturday night & Sunday morning before Mass the rosary is being prayed.

All are welcome to attend.

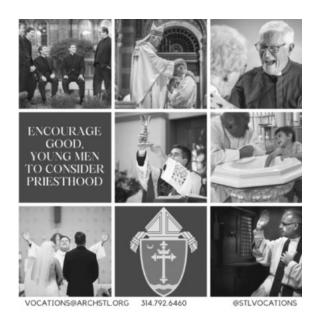
DONATIONS NEEDED

There is an ongoing need for donations to St. Gertrude's Little Food Pantry. Volunteers who manage the pantry have seen an increasing demand for food and other items in recent weeks. Parishioners of both St. Gertrude and St. Ann churches are invited to join in the mission to maintain the pantry for people in need. Located on the parking lot between the St. Gertrude rectory and the cemetery, the pantry is free and open to all, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The slogan is: "Take What You Need; Leave What You Can." All types of non-perishable food, especially protein, are needed. No glass bottles or jars. Personal hygiene items also are needed.

Please help if you can by dropping off items at the pantry. If the pantry is full, please leave items at the rectory and they will be picked up and stored for use later.

Thank you for your help.





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PLEASE PRAY

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Richard Monzyk, Mert Broeker, Dolores Barnes, Art Mueller, Charles Ecklekamp, Betty Swaller, Leo Naurp, Pat Wade, Eric & Wendy Wade, Shelba Bay, Glen Gettemeyer, Edna Kluba, Macy Sitzes, Doodles Femmer, Albert Unerstall, Don Schrader

MILITARY PRAYERS

Steven Sitzes, Tyler Ewing, Dustin Longsdon, Elizabeth Kraatz, Weston Ullrich, Madelyn Jagodzinski Dante Earle, Corey Logan, Jacob Wilson, Joe Jagodzinski, **Dalton Cobb**





Our next monthly Holy Hour, Adoration will be held on January 6 from 6-7pm in St. Ann Church. All are welcome.



MASS INTENTIONS			
Date	Time	Intention	
Saturday, Jan. 1	7pm	Thomas Carey	
Sunday, Jan. 2	9am	Gene Gahn	
Monday, Jan. 3	6:30am	Ray & Henrietta Breitenbach	
Tuesday, Jan. 4	6:30am	Patsy Lause	
Wed. Jan. 5	6:30am	Presiders Intention	
Thurs., Jan. 6	6:30am	Nobert Voss	
Friday, Jan. 7	6:30pm	Jeanette Westhoff	
Saturday, Jan. 8	7pm	People of the Parish	
Sunday, Jan. 9	9am	Bob & Marcella Dierkes	

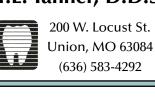


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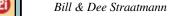
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