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Prentice

St. Paul
the Apostle
Catawba

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715-820-0384

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Sacraments

Baptism—Either Saturday or Sunday during
Mass or other times by request.

Marriage—Please make arrangements at
least SIX MONTHS in advance.

Confessions—Anytime by request.

Anointing/Prayers/Visits

If you are sick, having surgery or health
issues and would like Fr. Lourdu to anoint,
pray or visit, please call the parish office at
715-339-2222 or Fr. Lourdu at 715-560-
3452.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm St. Therese

Sunday 8:00 am St. Therese

Sunday 9:30 am St. John

Sunday 11:00 am St. Paul

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday 4 pm St. Therese

Wednesday 8:30 am St. Paul

Thursday 8:30 am St. John

Friday 8:30 am St. Therese

Holy Day Mass Schedule

7:00 pm Anticipated Mass at St. John's;

5:30 pm at St. Therese; 7:00 pm at St. Paul's

New Parishioners are welcome to register in
our parish communities. Stop by or call the
cluster office.

Office Hours:

St. Therese—Monday through Thursday 8:30
am to 3:30 pm

St. Paul—Monday and Friday 9 am to noon

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE—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.

January 2, 2022
The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions for the Week

January 1 through January 9, 2022

Sat 8:30 am St. Therese †Eugene Kerner [Troy & Teri Henderson]

Sat 4:30 pm St. Therese People of the Parishes

Sun 8:00 am St. Therese †Agnes Pospisil [Therese & Maureen Trojak]

Sun 9:30 am St. John †Lance Lazar [Lester & Mary Jean Peterson]

Sun 11:00 am St. Paul †Virginia Kramer [Bob & Ann Timmers]

Tues 4:00 pm St. Therese †Roland Janetski [Toni Klimowski]

Wed 8:30 am St. Paul †Harry Podhora [Svdp St. Therese of Lisieux Conference]

Thurs 8:30 am St. John †John Esterholm [James Gallistel]

Fri 8:30 am St. Therese †Adrienne Bouchonville [Marianne Kerner]

Sat 4:30 pm St. Therese †Bill Baratka [Sparky & Marlene Barber]

Sun 8:00 am St. Therese People of the Parishes

Sun 9:30 am St. John †John Esterholm [Ellen Rogers]

Sun 11:00 am St. Paul †Bob Kempen [Jean Kempen]



Pray for the Sick

Polly Anderson, Helen Bach, Joyce Bacholl, Pete Bartelt, Cindy Baumann, Dean Boris, Charlee Rose Guidry, James Bacher, Louie Bubenic, Theresa Collins, Dolly Curran, Michaela Eisner, Dorothy Eskola, Walter Felten, Nick Gillund, Charles Hardy, Katrina Haugsby, Mary Heinz, Kevin Holoubek, Stanley Holoubek, Madisen Johnson, Mildred Kempen, Connie Koci, Nancy Kokstis, Mike Kurth, Jr., Elaine Laatsch, Sue Leider, Lois Lemcke, Larry Makovsky, Gloria Marko, Nancy Marshall, Carol Moore, Jean Newbury, Karen Olson, Joe & Bernice Polacek, Jean Ravet, Chuck Regner, Don Ringersma, Tim Salisbury, Kristin (Wanish) Salisbury, Joseph Saunter, Olivia Schmidt, Kathy Smugala, Rosey Smugala, Clifton Surprenant, Diego Surman, Clifford Timmers, Kate Tollefson, Millie Trzecinski, Rita Warren, Miriam Weber, Steve Wirtas. *Please call the parish office at 715-339-2222 to add a name to this prayer list published in the bulletin.*

Pray for the Military Personnel

Cluster Calendar of Events

Saturday, January 1, 2022

8:30 am Mass at St. Therese

4:30 pm Mass at St. Therese

Sunday, January 2

8:00 am Mass at St. Therese

9:30 am Mass at St. John

11:00 am Mass at St. Paul

Tuesday, January 4

4:00 pm Mass at St. Therese

5:00 pm Finance Meeting at St. Therese

Wednesday, January 5

8:30 am Mass at St. Paul

4:00 pm Finance Meeting at St. Paul

Thursday, January 6

8:30 am Mass at St. John

Friday, January 7

8:30 am Mass at St. Therese

Saturday, January 8

4:30 pm Mass at St. Therese

Sunday, January 9

8:00 am Mass at St. Therese

9:30 am Mass at St. John

11:00 am Mass at St. Paul

Reflection on Sunday Scripture—Wednesday at 10:30 in a classroom at St. Therese.

Parish Directory—The Parish Directories will be arriving in March. We will contact you when they arrive.

Thank You...I would like to thank each and everyone for the personal cards and gifts and the gifts to the parish. I appreciate your good and generous hearts. Fr. Lourdu

Christmas Cards—If you have any extra religious Christmas cards, please donate them to the parish.

On January 22 of this year (2022), abortion will have been legal for 49 years in the U.S. This is a moral travesty. Please consider what you can do to help change the path of abortion. Pray and pray hard everyday that the Supreme Court will overturn Roe v Wade. Euthanasia, Infanticide and Physician Assisted Suicide have increased and become very common. As Christians, we must not accept this and stand by and watch the destruction of our nation.

Our Weekly Giving

Week of December 18 & 19, 2021

St. Therese

Envelopes \$3,239.00

Loose \$469.00

Total: \$3,708.00

Christmas Flowers: \$110.00

St. John

Envelopes: \$630.00

Loose: \$112.00

Total: \$742.00

Christmas Flowers: \$118.00

St. Paul

Envelopes \$1,044.00

Loose \$34.00

Total: \$1,078.00

Christmas Flowers \$420.00

Christmas:

St. Therese

Envelopes \$3,368.00

Loose \$1,285.25

Total: \$4,653.25

St. John

Envelopes: \$990.00

Loose: \$207.00

Total: \$1,197.00

St. Paul

Envelopes \$1,910.00

Loose \$178.00

Total: \$2,088.00

December 26, 2021

St. Therese

Envelopes \$6,210.00

Loose \$766.00

Total: \$6,976.00

St. John

Envelopes: \$923.00

Loose: \$30.00

Total: \$953.00

St. Paul

Envelopes \$686.00

Loose \$39.00

Total: \$725.00

(Totals include only the basic collection)

Cluster News

Offering Envelopes are on the table in the gathering area at all the churches in the cluster. If you did not get envelopes, and would like to receive them, please call Sue at the parish office at 715-339-2222.

End of Year Parish Contributions Statements

If you would like a statement for tax purposes, please call (715-339-2222) or e-mail the parish office (oln@pctcnet.net) or put a note in the collection basket.

Sexual Abuse - The Catholic Church is working diligently to prevent sexual abuse by parish employees, volunteers, deacons, and priests. If you have been sexually abused by someone associated with the Church and would like to report or discuss the experience, we urge you to contact: **Kathy Drinkwine 715-718-1110**. The Diocese of Superior welcomes your call and understands how difficult it may be to reach out in this situation. The phone number provided is confidential and dedicated solely to these calls. Know that your call will be treated with respect, dignity, and compassion. The Diocese of Superior is bound by civil and canon law to report sexual abuse of a minor to civil authorities. Anyone who believes that they have been sexually abused is strongly encouraged to report as well.

Advertiser of the Week



St. Vincent De Paul News

Thrift Store hours are Tuesday through Friday 9:30am to 5pm and Saturday 9am-4pm. Donation drop-off hours are 10am to 2pm Tuesday through Saturday. **All hours of operation are subject to change; please confirm by phone at 715-339-6979 to avoid inconvenience.** Thank you for your generosity and understanding! **Outreach help line** remains active for telephone-only visits. Monetary donations to St. Vincent de Paul are gratefully accepted by mail to 134 S. Avon Ave. Phillips, WI 54555.

Food Pantry Hours:

Phillips: Tuesdays, 9am to 11am

Catawba: Third Saturday of the month, 9am to 11am. Food will be boxed and can be picked up outside the pantry. Forms will be proxy signed for visitors.

St. John's News

CCW Meeting— Sunday, January 9th.

Religious Education—Classes run from 3 pm—4:30 pm on Wednesday

January 5—Class

January 19—Class

January 23—Children's Mass/Doughnuts

St. Therese's News

Religious Education Classes

January 12—Class K-10

January 26—Class K-10

January 30—Youth Mass All Students AT 8 AM

Faith Formation K-10 families 9 to 10 am

Confirmation Class for January

January 9—Confirmation Class at St. Therese 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Thank you to all of the members of our Parish for assisting in the donation drive for our local nursing homes and assisted living residents this Christmas season. We could have not done it without you. Angela Lenz & the 6th and 7th grade Religious Education students

In need of ice cream pails and cool whip containers. Please drop off in the kitchen.

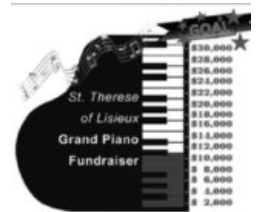
CCW Meeting—There will be no CCW Meeting in January.

Finance Meeting—Tuesday, January 4 at 5 pm

Additional Christmas Flower Offering in memory/honor of...

William Baratka, Edward Jasurda, Gary Jasurda, Walter Klimowski, Tingo, Jasurda & Klimowski families, John Smart, Eleanor Smart, Henry Shatney, Mollie Shatney, Mae Shramek, John & Alice Spacek

Our current grand piano is unusable as it does not keep a tune and cannot be fixed. The Liturgy Committee received approval to begin a fund raiser to purchase a grand piano without asking the Parish for funds. Donations may be given in memory of a loved one, if desired. Donors may be kept anonymous or may choose to have name (s) added to a plaque. Please contact Sue Klimowski at the office for further information. Please note the existing electronic keyboard will remain at the church. We had hoped to consider a lower priced piano; however, for our sized sanctuary a larger piano is recommended. If we do not reach our \$30,000 goal, we will look at other options. Thank you. The Phillips Liturgy Committee.



St. Paul's News

Flower Memorials: Tammy Nelson, Matthew Timmers, Jerome Hoogland, Anne Davis, Marvin & Dorothy Burcaw, Andy & Eileen Baratka, 5 Baratka children, Harold Bleck & Linda, Vince & Aggie Adomaitis, Marilyn Van de Voort family, Ben & Theresa Kempen

Religious Education

January 9—Class

January 16—Class

January 23—Class

Confirmation Class for January

January 9—Confirmation Class at St. Therese 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Please join us to pray the rosary every Monday morning at 10:00 am

Finance Meeting—Wednesday, January 5 at 4 pm

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