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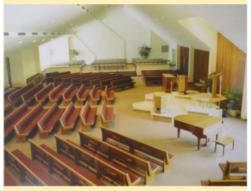
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THERE'S REALLY NO RITUAL for what we do this weekend, and yet it's an occasion that warrants ritual — acknowledging and commemorating a significant moment in the life of our parish.

As a human community the Church that gathers each Lord's Day is never really the same from week to week. Each of us changes in some way during these intervening days; most impercepti-



bly and some more than others. Who gathers, how and where varies.

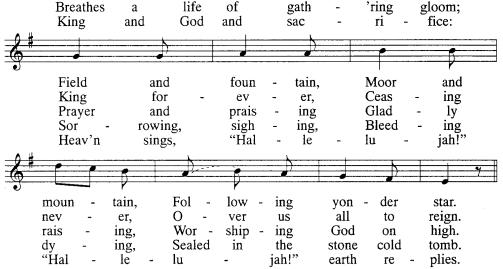
The church building in which the Church gathers, however, is more stable. Pews and chairs; altar, ambo and font; doors and lights — those material things don't usually change. But, now they will.

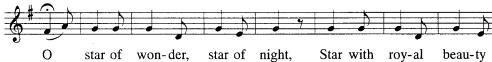
When we return to our church in the spring, or maybe early summer, where we gather will have been transformed, rather dramatically. All those things mentioned earlier will be larger, brighter, newer. No one will be sitting in the same spot — where, it seems at least, they've always sat.

As a people of faith we are, like the magi, always moving toward something new, taking a different way of sorts, but we are also deeply aware of our past, of where we've been; conscious of how that

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bright, West-ward lead-ing, still pro-ceed-ing, Guide us to the per-fect Light.



MASS MOVING TO McKILLIP HALL: Renovation of the church begins Tuesday and so Lord's Day Mass moves to McKillip Hall beginning next weekend, Jan. 8/9.

Here are a few reminders:

- ⇒ Enter through the main/west entrance. The south entrance is closed during construction.
- ⇒ Please honor all handicapped parking notices, and, if you are able, park further away to leave spaces closer to the building for those who need them most. (Many people already do this.)
- ⇒ Seats immediately inside the McKillip Hall doors will be reserved for people who have difficulty standing or walking and want communion brought to them.

Complete information regarding worship in our temporary chapel can be found in a newsletter mailed to all parishioners earlier this month. Further information about this move and the church renovation, is addressed in Quick Things email updates and at stanneswausau.org/re-imagining.

HELP REMOVING PEWS: The existing pews need to be removed to make way for construction equipment and, eventually, new pews. A crew of parishioners is needed on Monday, Jan. 3 at 9 a.m. to remove the pews. It's estimated to take about three hours, but the more workers who volunteer, the less time it will take and the lighter the load. Helpful tools include a straight screwdriver, 7/16 open-end wrench and hammer.

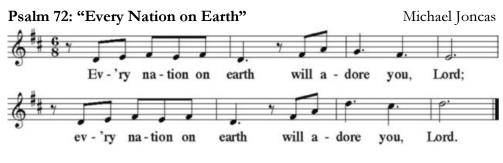
SPEAKING OF PEWS: If you would like one or two or all of the pews, they are yours for the taking. Contact the parish office first thing Monday morning or stop in as the pews are being removed, and they will be yours for the taking.



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JOINING OUR PARISH: Fr. Tom would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at *frtom@stanneswausau.org* or call 849.3930.





Profession of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

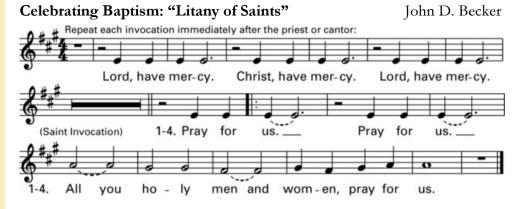
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

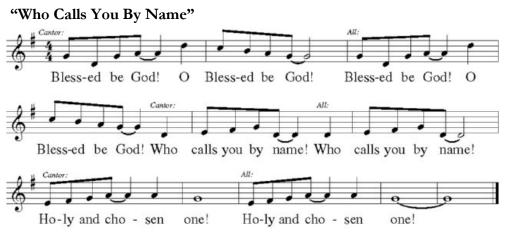
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.





"The First Nowell"

The first Nowell, the angel did say, Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay; In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

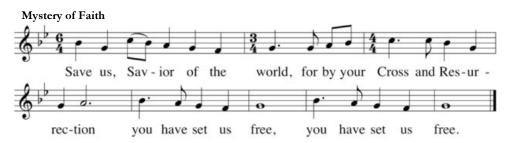
refrain: Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

This star drew nigh to the northwest, O'er Bethlehem it took its rest; And there it did both stop and stay, Right over the place where Jesus lay. refrain

Then entered in those wise men three, Full rev'rently upon their knee, And offered there, in his presence, Their gold and myrrh and frankincense. refrain









ETERNAL LIFE: We pray for the eternal rest of **Robert Eckardt** who died recently. May he rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.



PARTICIPATION AT MASS

Dec. 18/19 4 PM - 126; 8:30 AM - 161 10:30 AM - 135; 6 PM - 78; Online - 202

ST. ANNE PARISH GIVING

Total collected (Dec. 19): \$17,326

Weekly need: \$15,099

Total collected (since July 1, 2021): \$350,481 Amount needed: \$368,317 Shortfall: \$17,836



2021-22 Parish Target: \$110,760 Pledges/Contributions: \$41,898 128 contributors / 12% of parish Still needed: \$68,862

You can make your contributions to the parish and the Annual Appeal at stanneswausau.org.

BETHLEHEM STORE: The sale of woolen items and olive oil to benefit the L'Arche Community in Bethelem brought in \$2,550. Thanks to all who supported this effort.

RESUMING COMMUNITY MEALS: St.



Anne has a long tradition of serving Community Meals, but continuing that tradition depends upon a sufficient group of coordinators and

volunteers. We plan, prepare and serve meals one Thursday a month to people who might otherwise go without a good, nutritious meal. Meals are served at St. Matthew School. If you'd be interested in participating in this important outreach, send an email to barb@stanneswausau.org. St. Anne's first meal is Jan. 27.

2022 CALENDARS are available on tables in the entranceways of church. We are grateful to Peterson/Kraemer Funeral Home for providing these calendars.

IT'S TIME TO GATHER baby bottles with cash, coins and checks to support Hope Life Center, as well as gift cards for St. Vincent de Paul outreach efforts. Checks to Hope can be written to St. Anne Parish with "hope" in the memo line, Gift cards valued at \$5 to \$25 are requested for Kwik Trip, Pick 'n' Save and Walgreens. Bring baby bottles to the Gathering Space. Gift cards can be put in the collection basket or brought or mailed to the office.

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has formed us, guided and encouraged us. That's why we need to acknowledge and, hopefully, somehow ritualize our departure from *this* church in which we have worshiped for the past 35 years.

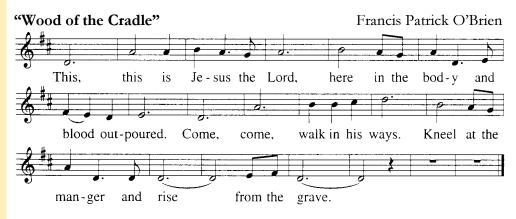
It's within this setting that new life has been sanctified and loved ones entrusted to the Lord; where marriage promises were shared, families gathered for Christmas, light conquered the darkness of Easter nights; where confident disciples gathered, again and again, and then returned to the world for greater love and service.

It was also where the parish celebrated the Funeral Mass of its beloved pastor, Fr. Bob McKillip, in 1984. The church we've known and appreciated was his inspiration. He wanted to encourage an awareness of community — the presence of Christ in those who gather. He enlisted a friend, an artist, to create our distinctive altar, ambo and chair.

It has all served the parish well. But, times change, liturgical and sacramental priorities and understandings evolve, time and use take their toll. A dramatic baptismal font, gathering space and entranceway are added. In time there's an awareness that somehow these various elements need to be brought into a better, more cohesive order. One thing, as it were, leading to another.

So, before we begin our months of worship in the hall dedicated to Fr. McKillip's legacy, we honor all that has transpired these past several decades, the occasions of grace and gratitude, of elation and grief, of delight and regret. We briefly take leave of our church, as was done when the original 1951 church was renovated, while also celebrating a hopeful trust Fr. McKillip often expressed. We praise the God who "is making all things new" — the Church that gathers and the church in which it gathers. **TL**





For the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry are yours now and for ev - er.



Plans are set for another great summer youth mission trip for youth and adult chaperones! We will once again partner with Group Mission Trips and head to Grand Rapids, MI, July 2-9. Find registration details at stanneswausau.org/mission-trips. Only a \$50 deposit is required now to secure your spot. Fund-raising helps raise remaining funds. Act now because the first organizational meeting is Sunday, Jan. 16.



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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022

Newman Catholic High School

Grades 9-12 1130 W. Bridge Street, Wausau New to Newman High School & Future Freshman Meeting at 6:30pm (715) 845-8274 - Carl Fech, Principal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022

Newman Catholic Elementary School St. Mark

3 Yr Old Preschool, 4K*, Kindergarten & Grades 1-5 602 Military Road, Rothschild Open House 8:00am-2:30pm (drop in) Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours (715) 359-9662 - Tina Meyer, Principal (*Free Tuition - DCE)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022

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4K* & Licensed Child Care
112 W. Kort Street, Schofield
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Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours
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New to Newman Middle School
& Future 6th Grade Meeting at 6:30pm
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MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022

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Contact our Principals for further information or to schedule a tour:

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MONDAY 3 JAN / 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Mt 4:12-17,23-25

• 9 AM - Pew Removal in church

TUESDAY 4 JAN / 1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

• 7 AM - Mass in McKillip Hall +Ed. Gert. Dawn Burek

WEDNESDAY 5 JAN / 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

- 8:15 AM Mass in McKillip Hall -Special Intention
- 6:30 PM Catechist In-service

THURSDAY 6 JAN / 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Lk 4:14-22

• 8:15 AM - Mass in McKillip Hall +Ellie Dahm

FRIDAY 7 JAN / 1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

 7 AM - Mass in McKillip Hall +Burish & Blaskowski Families

SATURDAY 8 JAN / 1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

9 AM - Reconciliation in Library

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 8/9 JAN | Mass in McKillip Hall

Is 40:1-5,9-11/Ti 2:11-14,3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16,21-22

- 4 PM Saturday +Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis -LIVESTREAM
- 8:30 AM Sunday +Harold Buehler
- 10:30 AM Sunday + Miles Hughes
- 6 PM Sunday -People of St. Anne Parish

Links to the daily readings listed above, as well as video and written reflections, can be found at stanneswausau.org.

"Epiphany Carol"

Ev'ry nation sees the glory of a star that pierced the night. As we tell the wondrous story we are bathed in radiant light.

Star sent forth from highest heaven, dancing light of God's design, Shine upon the gift that's given: Word made flesh now born in time.

Ev'ry tongue shall sing the praises of his birth in deepest night. He is healing for the ages; he is Christ, our God's delight. He proclaims within his being all our hopes, our great desires. He shall die to rise redeeming all who follow with their lives.

Once again may we discover Word made flesh sent from above In our neighbor, sister, brother, in the lonely and unloved. May we touch him, may we hold him, may we cradle him with care As we learn to love each other, bringing hope from out despair.

Gather, God, the world together in the brightness of your day. Fill our hearts with joy forever, help us walk the holy way. May your justice rule the nations; may all people live as one. Now we see our true salvation in the glory of your Son.

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SEEKING OFFICE VOLUNTEER: A long-time parish office volunteer, Barb Laurent, is moving to DePere soon and we are looking for someone to take over her duties. Ideally, the office volunteer could spend most of one day or parts of a couple days each week in the office. Tasks include coordinating Mass intentions, mailing bulletins and preparing the bulletin calendar. If you're interested in learning more, please contact Kristine Lato, our administrative coordinator, at kristinek@stanneswausau.org.



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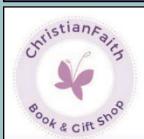
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