

January 2, 2022 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Our Week

The weekly bulletin of
Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church
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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

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm
Sun. 7:30 & 9:30 am
Weekday: Wednesday–Friday 7:30 am
First Saturday: 7:30 am
Holy Day: Vigil 6:00 pm
Day 7:30 am
Sacrament of Penance
(Confession)
Saturday afternoon: 4:00–4:45 pm
Sunday morning: 7:00–7:20 am
9:00–9:20 am

BAPTISM

Contact the pastor for an appointment and preparation.

MARRIAGE

Notify the pastor six months in advance of proposed wedding date. Must be 19 years of age or one year out of high school.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Submitted "in writing" to the parish office or hwurth@comcast.net "no later than noon Monday."

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist warmly greets all participants of this celebration. However, please be reminded of the warning of the Bible: In order not to consume undeservingly the bread of the Eucharist, which is the Body of Christ "let each man examine himself" (1 Cor. 11-28). Therefore, only those who are members of the Catholic Church, and those who know themselves to be free of mortal (grave) sins, may take Holy Communion.

NEWS & NOTES

"God, Bless America"

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Thank you for your ministry!
The schedule for JANUARY can be found on the table in the narthex. You may access online on our parish website as well.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

***Gift cards are always helpful!**

Canned fruit, jelly, soups, instant rice, canned Ravioli.

PADUCAH

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Soup, crackers, instant potatoes, Canned goods, spaghetti, p'nut butter

****Emergency supplies are low****

Please be generous!

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PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

CONDOLENCES

The St John Parish Community would like to express our condolences to the Ron (Monica Willett) Stout Family of Seattle, Washington. Ron is the brother-in-law of Dorothy Scheer and Annelle Waldrige of our parish. May the perpetual light shine upon him. Amen!

WELCOME AND CONGRATULATIONS

We at St. John's rejoice that our young sister, Avery Grace Baker is received into the Church on Saturday, January 1st, by the waters of Baptism, the oil of Confirmation and love of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. We rejoice with you as you embrace the fullness of the Christian faith in the Catholic Church. May the Lord that you encounter in the Sacraments of the Church and our parish community always be for you the home for many years. God Bless you, Avery on your walk of Faith with Jesus and His Mystical Body, the Church.

BABY SHOWER

BABY SHOWER for our Spiritually Adopted Babies will be after the 9:30 Mass **TODAY, January 2nd**, in the cafeteria. If you are unable to attend please feel free to leave your gifts in the back of the church and they will be taken to the HOPE UNLIMITED. Thank you for your concern for our brothers and sisters in the womb.

NOTE FOR COLLECTIONS

Collections for Sunday and Holy Days will continue to be placed in the basket at the entrance of church.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

If you missed our December 14th session and would still like to share your comments please feel free to email your thoughts to Fr Bruce Fogle. All comments that you share, along with results of our December meeting, will be mailed to Owensboro. **DEADLINE: JANUARY 15th**.

fr.bruce.fogle@comcast.net

PARISH COUNCIL NEW MEMBERS

New Parish Council Members are: Doris Trussell, Greg Englert and Martha Ryan. We thank each of these new members for saying "yes" to the call. God's blessings to those members that have served in the past, as well, as those that remain on the council. Our next meeting will be January 25th at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria.

LETTERS\CARDS TO SEMINARIANS

—We have 6 seminarians studying for the priesthood for the Diocese of Owensboro this year. Each month we will select a seminarian from December to May where we will ask you to send them a letter of prayers, well wishes and encouragement.

—In January let's send **Christopher Kight** letters, notes or cards. Christopher is in 3rd year of Theology and typically at the end is 3rd year of Theology (Spring of 2022) one is ordained as a Transitional Deacon.

*So extra prayers for Christopher this year is important.

Christopher Kight, 200 Hill Drive, St. Meinrad, IN 47577

Cont'd PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

THE WISDOM OF BISHOP FULTON SHEEN

Broken things are precious. We eat broken bread because we share in the depth of our Lord and His broken life. Broken flowers give perfume. Broken incense is used in adoration. A broken ship saved Paul and many other passengers on their way to Rome. Sometimes the only way the good Lord can get into some hearts is to break them.

ST JOHN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. John Knights of Columbus Bingo is back this Thursday, January 6th, 2022. Free meal for those who buy a Bingo card, smoke free, doors open at 4:00 pm, food starts at 5:30 pm. LIC#ORG 0389.

WISDOM FROM THE SACRED SCRIPTURES

In the Prophet Ezekiel 43:7, God tells Ezekiel that "This is the place of my throne and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell". Isn't God everywhere all the time? Ezekiel in these chapters certainly goes into much details to describe the Temple which might cause one to think again, isn't God everywhere? Why does the prophet tell us that God is coming to rest in a specific place? Of course, God is all powerful and is not confined to any space, but God in his mercy has chosen to dwell and be found in particular places for our sake. God made himself visible in the Person of Jesus Christ, and He is truly present in the consecrated bread and wine on our altars. Sometimes the idea that God is everywhere can give us an excuse not to go to church, not to pray, and not to seek God's presence where He has assured us we will find Him. Do you think of a church and the Tabernacle as a place where God is truly present?

A POSSIBLE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

The Old Testament Book of Sirach gives us a somewhat straight forward advice: "Never repeat a conversation and you will lose nothing at all. With friend or foe do not report it, and unless it would be a sin for you, do not disclose it" (Sirach 19:7-8). We know that the words of Sirach are true and that talking about other people behind their backs is not only harmful to our own spiritual life but also to the person about whom we are speaking. Nevertheless, this command is still very hard to follow. Why is it that we like to talk about other people, often negatively? Perhaps it is a way of making ourselves look better, or a way of complaining, or even a way of appearing "in the know," that is, to appear to be someone who has privileged information. We should examine our conscience before we speak about other people. As Sirach recommends, unless it would be worse to remain silent. Sirach even pokes a little fun at us for finding this task difficult: "Be brave! It will not make you burst!" (Sir 19:10). Following StPaul, let us be ashamed of gossip but not of the Gospel (2Tim. 1:8). SO.....How often do you find yourself in conversations about people who are not present?

FIRST COMMUNION

Next meeting: Sunday, March 13th, 10:30 am in the school classroom.

CONFIRMATION

Our next scheduled meeting is Sunday, January 19th, (café). "Gifts/Fruits of the Spirit/Pentecost". Be prepared to turn in your letter to the Bishop.

STEWARDSHIP (Time, Talent, Treasure)

"Let all Your works give You thanks, O' Lord, and let Your faithful ones bless You," says the Psalmist. Stewardship is this "attitude of gratitude" of the many gifts God has given us. Amen!

Weekly Collection: December 19th

Adults	\$6,305.83
Loose	530.00
Children (1)	5.00
Total	\$6,840.83
Christmas Flowers	\$25.00
Special Collections	655.00
Tornado victims	3,540.00

****Weekly Collection needed to meet budgeted expenses: \$10,900.00**

Compassionate Friends of W KY

No meeting due to Covid-19 guidelines.

Daughters of Isabella

First Tuesday of each month,
6:30 pm at the KC Hall, Jefferson St



Seniors Day Out

No meeting due to Covid-19 guidelines.

St John Homemakers Club

To be announced.

St John K of C

KC meets twice per month, first, & third Wed, 7:00 pm, St. John KC Hall.



Safe Environment

Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: Common Wealth Attorney (270.575.7402). _McCracken Co Sherriff department (270.444.4719); or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (1.877.597. 2331). _To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church or call Louanne Payne, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator on the confidential phone line: (270.852.8380) or Susan Montalvo-Gesser/Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) (270.880.8360). _The Diocese of Owensboro's sexual abuse policy is available this parish (on the bookshelf in back of the church), in the parish office, also on the web www.owensborodiocese.org/safe.

***If you are working with children (parish and school activities involving the presence of children) or the elderly you must have the safe environment training and background check. *More information: call the parish office at (270.554.3810) or go: online www.owensborodiocese.org.**

Prayer Requests

**** Please help keep our prayer list up to date.****

**** To add or remove a name please notify the Parish Office.**

Jeanne Abell, Bill Ballard, Charles Ballard, Lennyn Barks, Tom Beckman, Vayda Bollenbecker, Isaac Brown, Deacon Bill Clark, Philip Elder, Jimmy Englert, Roger Englert, Danny Felts, Michael Felts, Dave Goewert, Corey Grace, Georgette Braun-Guyon, Riley Haas, Shepard Haas, Faye Hayden, Brian Hurlburt, Rachael Jaramillo, Darla Martin, Marie Mombteau, Stan Napier, Zoey Partin, BeBe Phillips, Tim Romaine, Carrick Roof, Shelia Roof, David Roper, Francis/Dorothy Scheer, Sr Mary Therese Seitz (CP), Catherine Sutton, Tommy Sutton, Carolyn Thompson, Virginia Vessels, Charlie Waldrige, Kelly Walker, Louis Willett, Marvin Willett, Edith Wurth, Michael Wurth, Rose Marie Wurth, Roy Younker



****PLEASE: Be considerate, notify the Parish Office upon admission of a family member into any hospital or nursing home. Fr. Fogle would be happy to visit and bring communion.**

However, Fr. Fogle and\or the parish have no way of knowing unless a family member contacts the parish office. By law these facilities are not allowed to release the names of patients.

Prayers for our Shut-Ins

Mary Lee Anderson, Zelta Counts, Bennie/Doris Durbin, Tommy\Helen Ellington, Bernadette Englert, Dorothy Kaufman, Judy Poat, Kerry Simmons, Jim Wilson, Hilda Wurth.

Our Military

Air Force: SSGT Luca Giordano, Capt Luke Nimmo, TSGT Brandon Wurth, MSGT Jessica R. Wurth

Army: MSG Jennifer Alvey, LT Col Josh Grace, SGT First Class William Hendrickson, SSGT Doug McCreerey, SPEC 4 Liam Mahler, PFC Benjamin Reams, SGT Charles Dewayne Stephens, Major Mark A Wurth

Navy: Commander Billie June Farrell, Commander Paul Farrell, OS1 Richard Lyons, ITSA Jacob A Roof



PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops In your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us. Bless them
and their families for the selfless acts they
perform for us in our time of need. And give
us peace. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Our
Lord and Savior. Amen!

Our Liturgical Worship

Monday, January 3 • The Most Holy Name of Jesus
7:30 am: NO MASS
Tuesday, January 4 • St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
7:30 am: NO MASS
Wednesday, January 5 • St John Neumann, Bishop
7:30 am: Tornado Victims
Thursday, January 6 • St Andre Bessette, Religious
7:30 am: † Paul Durbin
Friday, January 7 • St Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
7:30 am: † Joe Russell
Saturday, January 8 • The Baptism of the Lord
5:00 pm: † Larry Courtney
Sunday, January 9 • The Baptism of the Lord
7:30 am: † Paul Louis Wurth
9:30 am: Parishioners

Weekly Ministries: January 2nd

Lectors

5:00 pm Paul Roof
7:30 am Barbara DeNeve
9:30 am Kerie Sturm

Servers

5:00 pm N\A
7:30 am David DeNeve
9:30 am Patrick Humm, Mark Humm

Ushers

5:00 pm William Willett, William Wurth
7:30 am Kenny Wurth, Lynn Wurth
9:30 am Ron Neihoff, Daniel Neihoff

Greeters

5:00 pm William Ballard, Heidi Ballard
7:30 am Earl Kaufman, Ruth Kaufman
9:30 am Leroy Poat, Pete Sturm

***PLEASE: CONTINUE TO FOLLOW YOUR
MINISTRY SCHEDULE PROVIDED PER: Gwen***

JANUARY LINENS: Doris Trussell
(Pick-up linens each Monday)

JANUARY VOTIVE: Kathleen Webster

ST JOHN HOMEMAKERS MEETING

Second Wednesday of each month
6:30 pm - St John Cafeteria

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA MEETING

First Tuesday of each month
6:30 pm at the KC Hall, Jefferson St

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