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The Epiphany of the Lord—January 2, 2022

Ss. Peter and Paul Mission Statement

We are a Christ-centered faith community of love, service, and prayer.

Ss. Peter and Paul Parish

PO Box 238, Hortonville, WI 54944

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 PM, Sunday: 9:00 AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Friday: Closed

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Prayer Line: Call Sally at 779-6689 with prayer requests

Parish Registration.....Call Parish Office

Baptisms: Call Lori at the Faith Formation Office (779-0551)

early in pregnancy. Class required for first time parents

Marriages: Whether you are getting married at Ss. Peter & Paul

or in another faith, call the Parish Office 6 months in advance

Becoming Catholic—RCIA/Confirmation: Call Lori at 779-0551 if

you are interested in becoming Catholic or adult Confirmation

Recycle Your Christmas Cards

We are collecting used Christmas cards which are needed for the Giving Tree gift tags. You can bring your cards to the Parish Office during the weekday or to church on the weekend. We collect cards throughout the year along with Birthday, Anniversary and Get Well cards. (Save the cancelled stamps!)

A Word From Our Pastoral Leader

The wise men or magi were not Jews, they may have been priests of a pagan eastern religion. Anyone who is not a Jew is a Gentile; the magi were Gentiles, just as we are Gentiles. It is interesting that God revealed the birth of the “newborn king of the Jews” to men who were not Jews. We might have expected God to reveal the birth of Jesus to his own Jewish people, but no, it was to people of a different religion and race that God revealed the birth of Jesus. God chose to reveal the birth of Jesus to Gentiles. As our opening prayer today states: Father, you revealed your Son to the nations by the guidance of a star.

The preface to the Eucharistic Prayer today states: Today you revealed in Christ your eternal plan of salvation and showed him as the light of all peoples.

Because Jesus came to save the whole world and not just his own Jewish Chosen People, God in his mercy chose to reveal the birth of Jesus “to the nations.”

The visit of the Magi which we have read today is in Matthew’s Gospel but Luke makes the same point in a different way. In Luke a vision of angels announced the birth of Jesus to shepherds (Luke 2:8-14). The shepherds were Jews but they were the lowest in society at that time. Of course everyone has equal dignity before God but society does not often reflect God’s value of the human person and so the poor shepherds were way down there. But God chose them to be the first to hear the good news of Jesus’ birth in Luke. Then in the temple Simeon prophesied that Jesus would be a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel. (Luke 2:32)

Because Jesus came to save the whole world and not just his own Jewish Chosen People, God in his mercy chose to reveal the birth of Jesus “to the nations” and all during his ministry he reached out to all those on the margins. I conclude with some the prayers of today’s Mass; the preface to the Eucharistic Prayer...Today you revealed in Christ your eternal plan of salvation and showed him as the light of all peoples.

May the joy of this Christmas season surround you with his loving presents.

Greg

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Mass Intentions:

Tuesday, January 4	8:15 AM Communion Service
Wednesday, January 5	8:15 AM Mass
Thursday, January 6	3:00 PM Mass
Friday, January 7	6:00 AM Adoration 9:00 AM First Friday Ronnie Willenkamp
Saturday, January 8	3:30 PM Confession 4:30 PM Mass Gerald & Ethel Ebben
Sunday, January 9	9:00 AM Mass Living & Deceased Members of Steve & Ann Riehl Family

Liturgical Ministers

January 8-9 The Baptism of the Lord

Lectors

4:30 PM - Mike Mulroy
9:00 AM - Marcia Wyman

Musicians

4:30 PM - Joelle Fellingner, Mckenzie Lantz
9:00 AM - Sarah Werner, Allison Stencil

Parish & Faith Formation Offices will be closed on Monday, January 3



Men: Are you looking for something more? Enjoy a refreshment, grab a sandwich and listen to a speaker who might inspire you.

Hops & Hope: January 10 at 6:15 PM—Speaker starts at 6:30 PM at 3 Putt Pub, 5095 Golf Course Rd, High Cliff Golf Course, lower level in Sherwood

Speakers are scheduled the 2nd Monday of every month until April 2022. Event lasts about an hour. Bring a friend. Men from all parishes and faiths welcome. Questions—Contact Gary Madsen (920-284-6833) or Dave Goeser (920-460-3923).
<https://hopsandhope.wixsite.com/home>

We Are Collecting...

- ◆ **Cancelled stamps:** Do not peel or steam off the envelope. Simply cut around the stamp leaving a quarter of an inch of margin. Stamps will be given to Hobby Therapy for wounded veterans in the VA Hospitals
- ◆ **Pop & Beer tabs:** 4-H Group are collecting for the Ronald McDonald House

Faith Formation

Wednesday, January 5

3:45 PM Elementary School
5:00 PM Dinner
6:00 PM Middle & High School

Parish Calendar

Monday, January 3

Parish & Faith Formation Offices Closed

Tuesday, January 4

8:45 Adult Study Group

Wednesday, January 5

1:30 PM Rosary at Care Partners

Friday, January 7

First Friday 6:00 AM Adoration, 9:00 AM Mass, Brunch served after Mass followed with activities

Saturday, January 8-Sunday, January 9

Second Collection—Food Pantry



Next financials will be provided in January 9 bulletin.

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First Friday Adoration & Mass

Please join us on Friday, January 7 for First Friday Mass. Adoration begins at 6:00 AM followed by Mass at 9:00 AM. After Mass, brunch will be served in the gym. Please join us after brunch for games and activities. All are welcome! (We need at least one volunteer to be present in church during Adoration. If you can help for 30 minutes or more, there is a sign-up sheet in gathering space.)



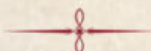
You are Welcome to Join Us for
Traditional Latin Mass on Friday, January 7
5:30 PM | Confessions & Rosary
6 PM | Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Light dinner to follow.
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Approved and Encouraged by Bishop Ricken

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. (Is 60:1)



PSALM

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Ps 72)



SECOND READING

It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. (Eph 3:5-6)



GOSPEL

"Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (Mt 2:2)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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.

LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING *to the Call*

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The Light of the Moon

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

What happens to a consecrated host if it accidentally falls to the ground?

Answer:

This is a very practical question because, as we all know, accidents happen, even during the most careful celebration of the liturgy. The short answer to this question is that nothing happens to the consecrated host. The Real Presence of Jesus remains in the consecrated host or any consecrated wine that might accidentally be spilled.

Another question we might ask is: How should the ministers respond if the Eucharist is dropped or spilled? If this happens, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy Communion should immediately pick up the dropped host and consume it. If it is a case of the Precious Blood being spilled, the minister would use the purificator (and additional purificators if needed) to clean the spill and then the area should be reverently washed as soon as the Mass is over and the water poured into the sacarium (a special sink that is located in church sacristies for reverently disposing of holy water, the water used to clean sacred vessels, etc.).

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(revised November 2021)

St. Mary Catholic School

St. Mary's Mary Museum



Different images of Mary were displayed in our Mary Museum. Students were asked to look at the images and respond to some of the questions in their journal:

- * Their favorite image and why they liked it.
- * If they could tell Mary anything, what would they tell her?
- * Which title of Mary they liked best and why?
- * How they could be more like Mary?



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