



# The GOOD NEWS

## of Sacred Heart and St. Matthew

Catholic Parishes  
United in Christ Cluster

JANUARY 2, 2022 | EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend Mass

Sacred Heart | Saturday 5pm  
Sunday 9:30am  
St. Matthew | Sunday 8am

### Daily Mass

St. Matthew | Tuesday 8am  
Sacred Heart | Mon 5:30pm  
Wed & Friday 8 am

### Reconciliation

Sacred Heart | Saturday 3:30pm  
Or by appointment

### Office Hours

Open Mon-Wed 9am-4pm  
Thursday 9am-4pm, Friday 9am-noon  
by appointment only

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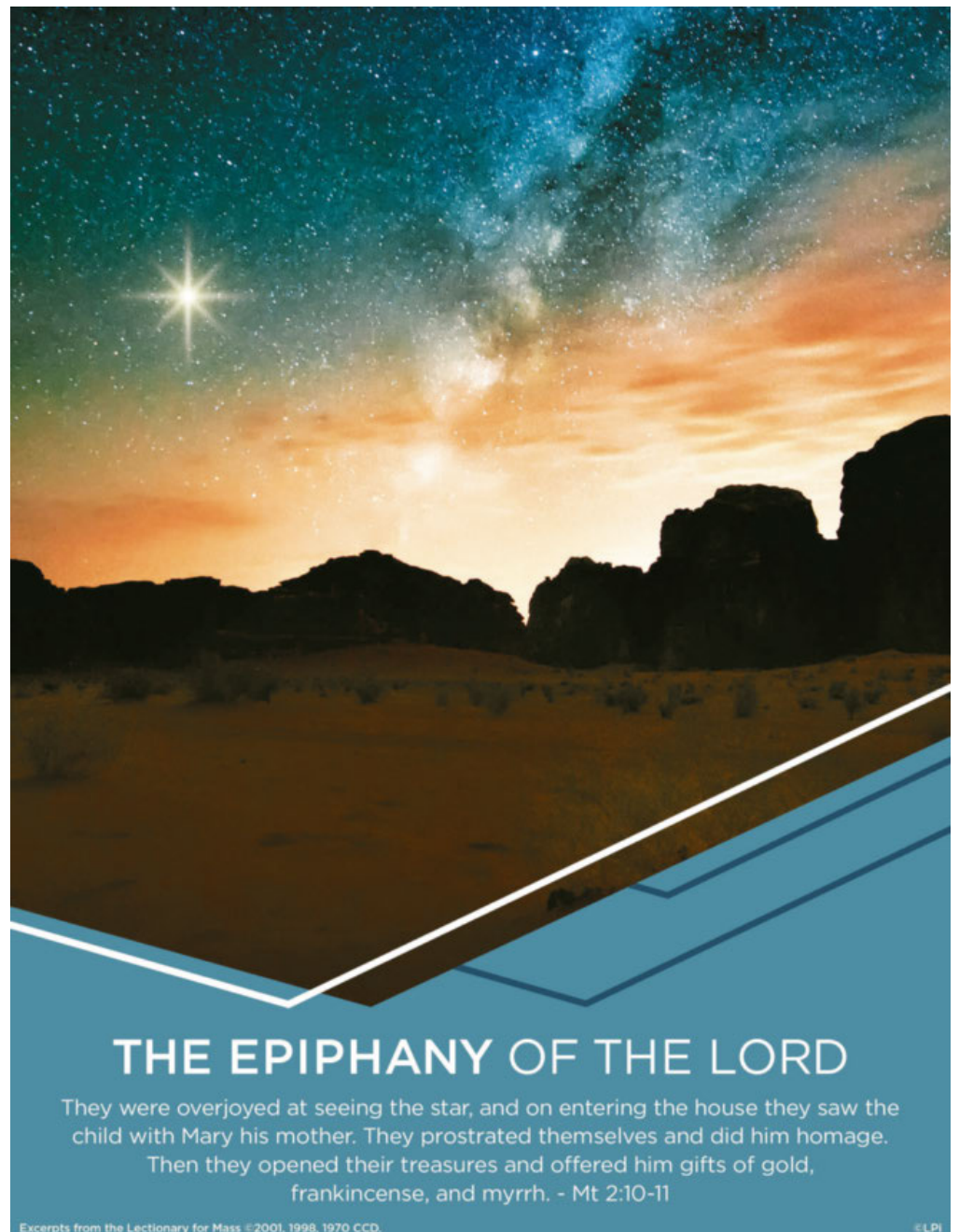
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## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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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# Christmas Flower Memorials 2021

for Sacred Heart and St. Matthew parishes

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-Mrs. Anita Froemming

Deceased Members of the Moul & Semenas  
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-Mrs. Helen Neitzel

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Deceased Members of the Duanne & Betty  
Schultz Family

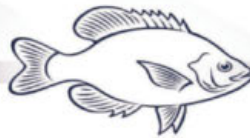
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# LITURGICAL LIFE

## THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated Music Ministers who made the commitment to provide their talents at our Christmas Masses this year. These are parish members who made up our Youth Choir, Instrument Ensemble (band), our Quartet at Sacred Heart and Trio at Saint Matthew. They are: Emily and Parker Beck, David Christianson, Addie and Archer Davis, Diana Duenkel, Alex Harvancik, Ellyn Kaul, Carmen and Rose Lake, Kerry Neuenschwander, Allison Noll, Abby Oestreich, Matthew Palmer, Jeff Resop, Alex Richter, Bevin Schessow, and Alex, Ana, Shannon, Steph, and Tani Strock.

These musicians and the parents of our youth gave their time for regular and extra rehearsals weekly to make this Christmas special for our churches. I am very grateful for each of them. If you see any of these musicians, please thank them.

I encourage anyone who would like to make the commitment to join us after the January 1<sup>st</sup> to sing or play an instrument in our Music Ministry program to step forward as we prepare for Lent, the Triduum, Easter, First Communion and Confirmation. Watch future bulletins for starting dates.

*Merry Christmas and New Year Blessings*



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## JOB OPPORTUNITY

### SACRED HEART/ST. MATTHEW BOOKKEEPER

The clustered parishes of Sacred Heart, Horicon and St. Matthew Neosho are seeking an individual to begin employment as a part-time bookkeeper beginning immediately. The bookkeeper is responsible for computing, classifying, and recording financial transactions that are accurate and in compliance with Archdiocesan guidelines. Specific responsibilities include processing payroll, accounts payable and receivable, money counting, contributions, monthly reports, and budget development. Previous bookkeeping experience is required. Experience in QuickBooks is a plus. Applicant to understand the overall Catholic mission of the parish and administer parish business operations in relation to it.

Location: Sacred Heart Church, 950 Washington St., Horicon

Compensation: Part-time, 25-29 hours/week, \$14-\$16/hour

Send resume and references to: Rev. Justin Lopina, PO Box 27, Horicon, WI 53032



# From the Desk of Fr. Justin...



As we continue to celebrate the Incarnation of Christ in this, the Christmas Season, I wish to share one concrete way many of us can manifest our faith by way of a corporal work of mercy.

As a quick recap of some relatively basic theology, the incarnation of Christ refers to Him becoming fully human. If you speak Spanish (if not Latin), it's a fairly obvious term. IN -CARNE - ATION. "Carne" is one Spanish word most of us know. Chili con carne is chili with meat. "Carne" is "meat", therefore "incarnation" essentially boils down to "going in the meat". If you prefer to phrase that a bit more tactfully, "in the flesh" is also a valid translation. Jesus isn't just an idea or some vague example of what a good human looks like. He is truly one of us in every way but sin. The Incarnation AKA Christmas AKA The Nativity is Christ's arrival before our very eyes.

Corporal works of mercy are the same thing. "Corpus" equals "body", so corporal works of mercy are works of mercy that involve your body: you're doing something. Prayer is a spiritual work of mercy: you can do it in your hospital bed if you are too weak to raise your arm. A corporal work of mercy requires work, in some way. By the grace

of God, may we all do some corporal work of mercy (to the best of our ability, of course) this Christmas Season. It's a great time to reflect the Incarnation of Christ with your own body – your own two hands.

I recently began to donate blood again, after many years of being away: living in Africa puts you on the list of unacceptable donors... at least for a while. However, I finally called the blood center and discussed my case. I was cleared to donate once again, and I made my first appointment the day after Thanksgiving. I'm due back in late February and hopefully every subsequent 56 days (the minimum time you need to wait between donations).

I read something many years ago, and I doubted the validity of the claim. However, when I looked it up again today, the same fact was proclaimed as well as why it was true. ONE PINT OF DONATED WHOLE BLOOD STATISTICALLY SAVES THREE LIVES. That should strike all of us with tremendous awe. If you are able to donate blood, you have the power to contribute to the saving of three human lives every 56 days. It takes about two hours out of your day, assuming a reasonable drive to the blood center. How many of us take that for granted? How

many of us have received blood in times of crisis and have the power to give back later in life? How many of us will require a stranger's blood donation at some point in the future? Any way you look at it – selfishly or altruistically – it makes logical sense to contribute when you can.

Obviously, donating blood is one example of a corporal work of mercy. Not everyone is able to do so, and that's ok. But I share this today to remind you that doing good in the world and helping others does not need to be complicated or difficult. Although each and every one of us has a specific positive change we would like to see in society, there are many small but important things we can do for one another to make the world a better place. If we start there, with what is possible with our own two hands, the Holy Spirit will accept our efforts and grant further graces beyond our sight or awareness. For after all, goodness spreads, and a corporal work of mercy is very often where it all begins. Just like the ministry of Christ began with his Incarnation at Christmas.

-Father Justin

## 2021 Stewardship Contributions

### Sacred Heart

#### MONTHLY OFFERING 2021

November	Collection	Budget
<b>Ministry</b>	\$ 28,204	\$ 27,223
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 2,306	\$ 1,789
<b>Mortgage</b>	\$ 15,422	\$ 15,900

### St. Matthew

#### MONTHLY OFFERING 2021

November	Collection	Budget
<b>Ministry</b>	\$ 6,993	\$ 6,121
<b>Offertory</b>	\$ 486	\$ 346



# WEEKLY PRAYER




## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 1/2	Isaiah 60:1-6 / Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Matthew 2:1-12
Monday 1/3	1 John 3:22—4:6 / Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday 1/4	1 John 4:7-10 / Mark 6:34-44
Wednesday 1/5	1 John 4:11-18 / Mark 6:45-52
Thursday 1/6	1 John 4:19—5:4 / Luke 4:14-22a
Friday 1/7	1 John 5:5-13 / Luke 5:12-16
Saturday 1/8	1 John 5:14-21 / John 3:22-30
Sunday 1/9	Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 / Acts 10:34-38 / Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

(H-Horicon N-Neosho)

Monday 1/3 through Friday 1/7 there will be no Daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration

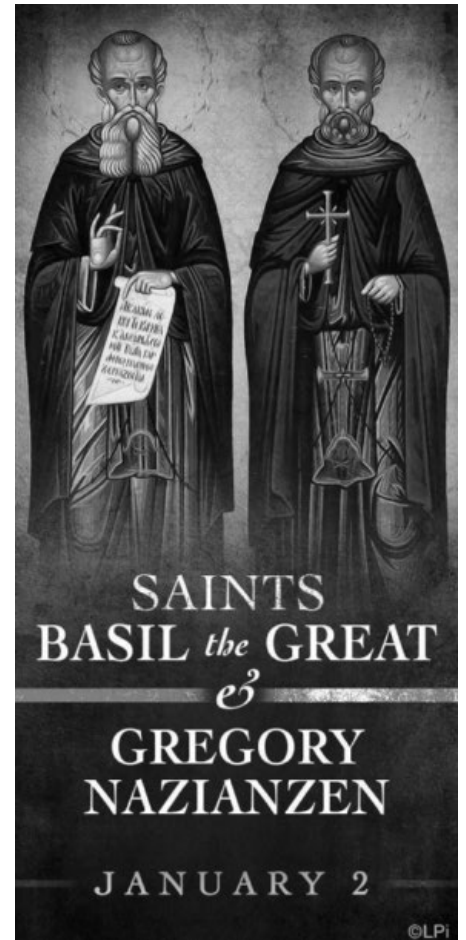
Saturday 1/8	5:00pm-H  Mary Lou Oechsner
Sunday 1/9	8:00am-N  Mary Ann Miller
	9:30am-H  For the People of the United in Christ Clustered Parishes

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday 1/2	10:30am	Youth Chorister Rehearsal
Monday 1/3	6:15-7:30pm	Religious Ed Class
Wednesday 1/5	9-11am	Food Pantry
	7:00-8:15pm	Youth Ministry Class, Grades 9-11 only
Sunday 1/9	10:30am	Youth Chorister Rehearsal

## OBSERVANCES

Sunday 1/2	The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
Monday 1/3	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Tuesday 1/4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Wednesday 1/5	St. John Neumann, Bishop
Thursday 1/6	St. André Bessette, Religious
Friday 1/7	St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Sunday 1/9	The Baptism of the Lord



**PAST  
DUE**

## 2022 Pledge Cards were due 12/6

If you haven't already returned your pledge card for 2022 please do so as soon as possible. As of 12/7/21 Sacred Heart has received 138 returned pledge cards. This compares to 220 cards received the last time pledges were solicited two years ago. Sacred Heart has a total of 444 registered households. St. Matthew has returned 33 pledges compared to 42 prior pledges received. St. Matthew has a total of 106 registered households. We would still like to hear from more parishioners as the pledges are a key component of our budgeting process each year.

If you do not return a pledge card we will use your 2021 donations as an indicator that you will give the same amount in 2022 so we may more accurately prepare our fiscal year budget. Remember to update any changes to your household information on the back of the card.

**Thank you for taking the time to update your pledges and household information.**

## Sacred Heart Parish Library News

We have received some very helpful guide books pertaining to the Ministries here at our Parishes. If you would like more information and guidance in the Ministry of *Sacristan, Assembly, Holy Communion, Lectors and Readers, Servers, Cantors, Ushers, Greeters and Hospitality, Liturgical Environment, or Music* please stop by and check out one of these great resources!



## *Inclement Weather Policy*

*Inclement weather may force our parish to cancel services and/or programs at times.*

If inclement weather should cause cancellations of church services **on weekends**, our parish will put these announcements on the WBEV AM1430 & WXRO 95.3 FM radio stations. We will also typically post the closing on our parish website, [www.sheart.org](http://www.sheart.org) and our Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/sheartparish](http://www.facebook.com/sheartparish).

If you have signed up for electronic communication you may also get an email or text alert. If you wish to sign up for electronic messages you can join at <https://sacredheartstmatthew.flocknote.com>. Please try the "Login" button first to see if your email or cell phone number are already in our system (not your name). If not, then join up and provide your information or contact the parish office (920) 485-0694 x221 during business hours to update your contact information.

**Please Note:** cancellation may not occur until within the hour prior to the service.

**During the week**, cancellations will occur if the Horicon School District has a late start, early release or is closing due to weather conditions. The Horicon School District will announce this information on local radio and TV.

\* ***If school is canceled***, all church programs & services will be canceled the entire day.

\* ***If a late start is announced***, the morning church programs & services will be canceled.

\* ***If an early release is announced***, all afternoon and evening church programs or services will be canceled.

# JANUARY

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b><i>In Case of Inclement Weather...</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Weekends:</i></b> Our Parish will announce any cancellations on WBEV AM 1430 &amp; WXRO 95.3 FM radio stations. We will also post on our Parish Website at <a href="http://www.sheart.org">www.sheart.org</a> and our Facebook Page at <a href="http://www.facebook.com/sheartparish">www.facebook.com/sheartparish</a>. You may also get an email or text alert if you signed up for electronic communication.</p> <p><b><i>Weekday:</i></b> We will follow the Horicon School District.  <b><i>If School is closed:</i></b> all church programs &amp; services will be canceled the entire day.  <b><i>If School has late start:</i></b> The morning church programs &amp; services will be cancelled.  <b><i>If School has Early Release:</i></b> All afternoon &amp; evening church programs or services will be cancelled.</p>						<p><b>1</b></p> <p>9:30am Mass (H) Mary Mother of God 1-5pm Open Prayer 3:30pm Rec'n 5:00pm Mass(H) Vigil of Epiphany</p>
<p><b>2</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 9:30am Mass(H) 10:30am Youth Chorister Rehearsal  Epiphany of the Lord</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>No Mass Child Ministry 6:15-7:30pm</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>No Mass</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>No Mass Food Pantry 9-11am Youth Ministry Grade 9-11 Only 7:00-8:15pm</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>No Mass</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>1-5pm Open Prayer 3:30pm Rec'n 5:00pm Mass (H) Teaching Masses</p>
<p><b>9</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 9:30am Mass(H) Teaching Masses 10:30am Youth Chorister Rehearsal Baptism of the Lord</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>5:30pm Mass(H) Child Ministry 6:15-7:30pm 6:30pm 1st Eucharist Parent Mtg</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N)</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H) Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-1pm Youth Ministry 7-8:15pm</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H) Drive-Thru Fish Fry 4-7pm</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>1-5pm Open Prayer 3:30pm Rec'n 5:00pm Mass(H)</p>
<p><b>16</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 9:30am Mass(H) With 6th Gr Students &amp; Youth Choir</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>5:30 Mass (H) Child Ministry 6:15-7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N)</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H) Food Pantry 9-11am Youth Ministry 7-8:15 pm</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H) 6pm-10pm Confirmation Retreat</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>1-5pm Open Prayer 3:30pm Rec'n 5:00pm Mass (H) 9am-4:30pm Confirmation Retreat</p>
<p><b>23</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 9:30am Mass(H) 10:30am Instrument Rehearsal</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>5:30pm Mass(H) No Child Ministry</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 6:00pm Finance Council</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H) No Youth Ministry</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(H)</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>1-5pm Open Prayer 3:30pm Rec'n 5:00pm Mass(H)</p>
<p><b>30</b></p> <p>8:00am Mass(N) 9:30am Mass(H)</p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>5:30pm Mass(H) Child Ministry 6:5-7:30pm</p>					



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