

JANUARY 2, 2022

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Parish Deacons

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Michael Dabeck
Darrell Lubenow

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30 & 10:15 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

4:00 PM Saturdays
First Friday after 8:00 AM Mass

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office
one month in advance.

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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

Please call or email the Parish Office with address, phone or email updates.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

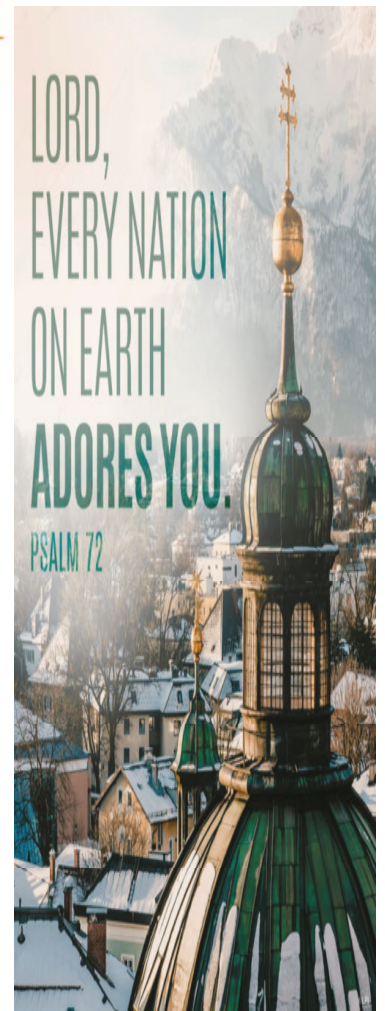
Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16,
21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/
Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the Week

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 1 - **Mary Mother of God**

9:00 Living and deceased members of
Bruce & Jeanne Vogel Family

5:00 **Vigil: Epiphany of the Lord**

✠ People of Nativity of Our Lord Parish

Sunday, January 2 - **Epiphany of the Lord**

8:30 ✠ John & Eleanor and Michael Polly

10:15 ✠ Steve Scannell

Tuesday, January 4

8:00 ✠ Joe & Joan Bundra

Wednesday, January 5

8:00 ✠ Gene & Mary Ann Kasper

Thursday, January 6

8:00 ✠ Jacki Simonar

Friday, January 7

8:00 ✠ Marcey Pelnar

8:30 First Friday Reconciliation

Saturday, January 8

5:00 ✠ Gene Bohm

✠ Marcey Pelnar

Sunday, January 9

8:30 ✠ Norman & Genevieve Gawinski

10:15 ✠ People of Nativity of Our Lord Parish



Blessing of Epiphany Water

A prayer service will be held on Thursday, January 6 at 7:00 PM. There is a special blessing of water on the Feast of the Epiphany because of its connection to the celebration of Jesus' Baptism. This service will also include the blessing of salt. Water will be made available, but everyone is invited to bring their own bottles of water and containers of salt for the blessing.

*In celebration of the New Year the
Parish Office will be closed
Friday, December 31 and Monday, January 3.*

Wishing everyone abundant blessings in 2022!



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.

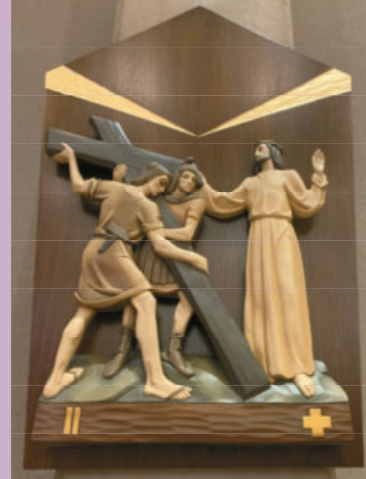
We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

Stations of the Cross

Below is a glimpse of the new, beautiful Stations of the Cross. The smaller Stations will be moved to the day chapel. Take a moment to appreciate their craftsmanship and to reflect on their meaning. A way to permeate everyday life with prayer, this devotion commemorates Jesus' passion and death on the cross with each station depicting a moment on His journey to Calvary.



1st Station:
Jesus is
condemned
to death



2nd Station:
Jesus carries
His cross



4th Station:
Jesus meets His Mother



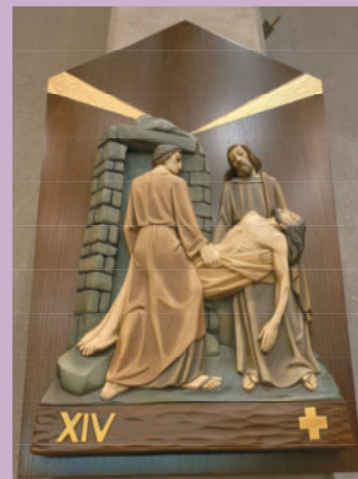
5th Station:
Simon of Cyrene helps
Jesus carry His cross



9th Station:
Jesus falls a third time



12th Station:
Jesus dies on
the cross



14th Station:
Jesus is laid
in the tomb

**Parish Stewardship
December 18 - December 19, 2021**

Sacrificial Offering	\$	15,692.00
Qualified Charitable Dist. (IRA)	\$	0.00
Loose Offering	\$	586.00
Online Giving	\$	<u>4,783.00</u>
Total	\$	21,061.00

*To meet our budget, we need
an average of \$20,000.00 each week this month.*

FYTD Budgeted Receipts	\$	380,000.00
FYTD Actual Receipts	\$	<u>358,238.00</u>
Fiscal Year Variance thru week 25	\$	(21,762.00)
Maintenance Improvement Fund	\$	160.00
Retired Religious	\$	1,817.00



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Monday, January 10

(Enter through Door 7)

Officer's Meeting - 6:00 PM in Lison Room

Member Meeting - 6:30 PM in Lounge

January 2: The Epiphany of the Lord

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn King and offer Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.



In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul poor box so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.

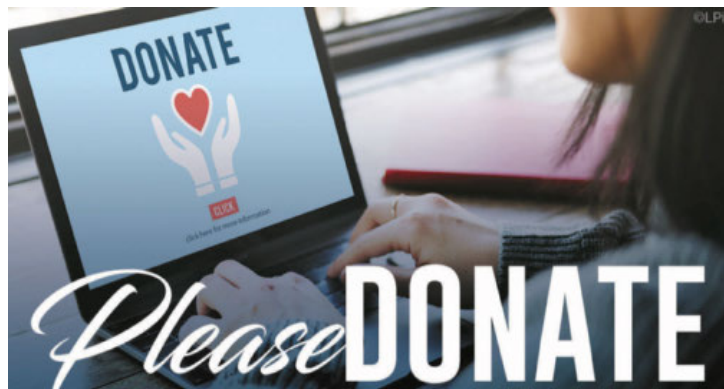


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Sales - \$7,688.00 Profit - \$343.47

Due to the early holiday printing schedule, last weekend's Parish Stewardship and Scrip totals were not updated for the week. Updates will be included in next week's bulletin. Thank you for your understanding.



Please Consider Online Giving

*Our parish is grateful for your continued support.
Thank you!*



***Discipleship Formation
Inclement Weather Policy***



Poor winter conditions sometimes make cancellations necessary. For Discipleship Formation classes, please know that if Ashwaubenon school classes are cancelled for the day or dismissed early, then there will be no Discipleship Formation classes that evening.

If weather worsens during the day, notification of any cancellation will appear on the local television stations or call the Discipleship Formation Office at (920) 499-6012. Please use your best judgement as a parent. If ever you do not feel conditions are safe to drive, let us know and we can excuse your child.



***Winter Weather
Cancellation Policy***



Severe weather conditions can make driving dangerous. Please know that Nativity follows the Ashwaubenon school policy so if Ashwaubenon school classes are cancelled for the day, then the Parish Office will be closed. In the event of a late start, the Parish Office will also open late. Mass will be cancelled and the intention for the day will be rescheduled. Please use discretion when traveling, your safety is of the utmost importance.

If school closes early then evening activities at the parish will be cancelled.

KIDS CORNER

READ THE
GOSPEL AND
COMPLETE A
PUZZLE!

Unscramble these words from today's Gospel:

~~wise men~~
child
born

king
star
worship

Mary
gifts
dream

wsie mne W i s e m e n

brno _ _ _ _

knig _ _ _ _

derma _ _ _ _ _

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Mrya _ _ _ _

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SHARING THE GOSPEL

Isn't God amazing? He made all the stars and planets to move, so every night the sky looks a little different. When God created the world, he planned exactly when the wise men would see the star. He wanted them to find Jesus.

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for making the planets and stars so the wise men could find Jesus.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Visit a planetarium to learn more about the star of Bethlehem.



WORSHIP

Reaching People through Live Stream Masses

Hello. Since March 17, 2020, when public Masses were cancelled in the Diocese of Gary in which I reside, I have watched Sunday and Holy Day Masses online from a variety of churches. Although I have long since returned to attending Mass in person and supporting my own parish and others within driving distance of Northwest Indiana, I have found that I still enjoy watching online Mass from parishes across the United States and supporting those parishes as well.

You are receiving this letter and my regular Mass contribution of \$20 because I watched online Mass from your parish on

Dec 12 3rd Sunday of Advent

I enjoyed watching online Mass from your parish and am grateful that you have Mass available for people who are unable to attend in person. My family and I wish your clergy, staff and parishioners continued peace, joy and good health. Thank you.



FREE LITTLE CATHOLIC LIBRARY

To make use of all the wonderful books we have at the parish, we have set up a *Free Little Catholic Library* in the Gathering Space for all parishioners to enjoy. There is a variety of topics, styles and subjects with options for adults and children. Why not learn something new, be inspired, or grow in your faith by selecting a book from our Little Catholic Library today? The books can be read and returned or passed along to a friend.

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is currently **under the age of 18** by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, **PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.** *If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult, please contact: Office of Safe Environment, Diocese of Green Bay: (920) 272-8174 or 1-877-270-8174 (toll-free). We also encourage you to report the incident to local civil authorities.*



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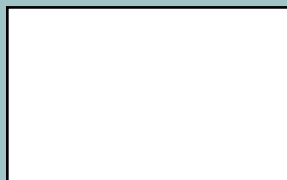
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