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The Epiphany of the Lord



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Wed	5:30 PM
Thur	9:00 AM
Saturday	5:30 PM
Sunday	8:30, 10:30, 5:30

Excerpts from Every Heart an Altar



EPIPHANY MEDALLION

This weekend we continue our celebration of the Christmas season as we mark the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord and reflect upon the Epiphany medallion in our church. As noted below, this great feast celebrates the visit of and adoration of Jesus by the Magi. Depicted in the medallion are the gifts of the Magi. Gold symbolizes Jesus' royalty. Frankincense, a traditional offering for a deity, shows us that the Magi understood the Christ Child to be divine. The embalming oil myrrh indicates His suffering and death.

And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them,
until it came and stopped over the place where the child was.
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.

Matthew 2:9-11

"The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God, and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. ... Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world." (CCC 528)

"Those who have already reached the faith and those who on the path to finding it share alike in this feast. They participate, giving thanks for the gift of faith, as did the Kings who, filled with gratitude, knelt before the Child. The Church, more aware each year of the vastness of her mission, participates in the feast. How many people are there are still who have to be brought to the faith! How many have to be brought back to the faith they have lost! This at times is more difficult than the first conversion to the faith. The Church, however, aware of the great gift of the Incarnation of God, cannot pause, can never stop. She has to seek continually the way to Bethlehem for all men and for all times. The Epiphany is the feast of God's challenge." (Pope Saint John Paul II)

May the splendor of your majesty, O Lord, we pray,
shed its light upon our hearts,
that we may pass through the shadows of this world and
reach the brightness of our eternal home.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.



St. Joan of Arc Parish Mission Statement

St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church is a community gathered in Jesus Christ. We welcome all people and provide them opportunities to know God, grow in faith, and use their gifts to serve others. Through Word, Sacrament, Prayer, and Service, we honor our tradition as we extend our ministry to each new generation.

Welcome to St. Joan of Arc Church

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Mass Intentions

January 5-9

Wednesday, January

5:30 PM

Dan Concannon

Thursday, December 30

Nick Pullins

Saturday, January 1

David Lee Scott

Sunday, January 2

Ed Heid

Andrew Mitchel

The Parish of St. Joan of Arc

Readings for the week of January 02, 2022

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

Observances for the week of January 02, 2022

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the
Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops
and Doctors of the Church

Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop

Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious

Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

Saturday:

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

COMING UP AT SJOA



Please note that the 8:15 Thursday morning mass has been changed to 9:00 am beginning January 6.

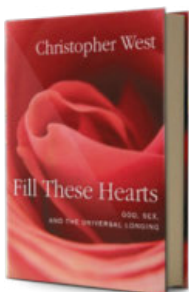


We are grateful to Reverend Tom Schliessman, Pastor of St. Lawrence Parish, for accepting the role of Administrator Pro tem while Fr. Newton is on medical leave. His role is to assist the staff in daily parish business.



Holidays are extremely difficult for those who are grieving a loss of a loved one. Perhaps the **Tri-Parish**

Seasons of Hope group could help you or a friend of yours. The next six-week session of the tri-parish Seasons of Hope bereavement group will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 11 here. We will meet each Tuesday through Feb. 15. Contact: Kyle Murphy at kmurphy@sjoa.org or Jeff Hutson at jeff@jeffhutson.com



Have you ever wanted to know what it means to be human? What is the purpose of being a human person? What are you supposed to do with your life? Come discover the answers to these questions and more about the human person by joining the book study over **Fill**

These Hearts by Christopher West. This book highlights the teachings of Christian anthropology given to the Church by St. John Paul II. Sessions will be held on seven consecutive Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. beginning January 13 in the main floor conference room of the parish office. Two chapters will be covered each week. Please purchase this book ahead of time and be ready to discuss the first two chapters at the first meeting. The book can be purchased on Amazon. If you are interested in joining the study or if you have questions, please reach out to Maria Cossell at mcossell@roncalli.org

Weekly Prayer Petition



Dear Lord, please help us balance the responsibilities of family, work and our relationship with you.

Please Pray For: Leslie Ashburn-Nardo; Kevin Beaty; Anne Bedan; Adeline Beining; Sam Blandina; Kim Bourque (Kathy Caparo's Sister); Mable Brown; Beth Brockelman (Pam Laucella's sister); LeJean Buehler; Frederick Bullard; Cathy Chamberlaine; Katie Cleary; Marvin Colbert (brother-in-law of Yolanda Christie); David Colby; Kelly Colen; Ella Comer; Maureen Cox (d-i-l of Judy Cox); Ian Craig (son of Libby); Judd Cromer; Pat Dagon (mother of Matt), Ellie Davis; Lyla DeArmond; Mary Ellen Diemer; Gregg Dwyer; Dee Enrico-Janik; Jack Fife; Brian Gaddie; Rita Gatzemeyer; Donna Gesell-Stuart; Gail Gerlach; Joyce Geske; Pearl Gorski (grandmother of Sara Mitchell) Larry Grein; Owen Griffith; Marty Halal; Sara Hanlon; Betsy Harvey: Noreen Hazeur Williams; Jim Henn; Polly Henn; Susie Hoffman; Doris Hogan; Patty Hughes; many members of the Irwin Family; Donntae Jackson; Harley Janssen; Bill Jehling; Dalaena Johnson; Judith Jones; Rod Kramer, Jim Laidlaw; Charlie Lane; Tom & Marie, (Catherine Hayes brother and sister); Kovan McCauley; Peggy McClellan (friend of Dee Enrico-Janik); JoAnn McDaniel; Sharon Montieth; Buffy Moosbrugger; Mark Morris; Kathleen Naghdi; Rev. Joseph Newton; Teresa O'Connel; Rob Ohlemiller; Valerie Parmer (mother of Sara Mitchell), Steve Pavicich; Sharon Pence; Angee Poe (friend of Margaret Graves); Mike M. Pointer; Barb Rainbolt; Charles Randall; Mary Roy; Devin Ryan; Beth Salmon; Beth Sellers; Frederick Selm; Helen Setmeyer; Christina Shedrick; Georgia Sosnowski; The Thornburg Family; Jeanetta Torence; Mary Strigari Vish; James Vodde; Sr. Joe Wainscott; Jerry Walker; Drake Williams (son of Kyle and Abby); Carole Williams; Jane & Gary Williams; Karen Wilmering; Valorie Woods.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Sgt. Dylan Barnett; P.O. 2nd class Matthew Collier, P.O. 2nd Class James Fisher, LCDR Kurt E. Davis; Maj Rocknee Gardner; P.O. 2nd Class Eileen Grosvenor-Jarp, LCPL Jonah Hollis, P.O. 2nd Class Kyle McClelland, CPT Jon Mecker, GySgt. Tom Mitsch; Ssg Jeffrey Mitsch; Marine Jonathan Price, CPT Kevin Zander.

Due to publishing deadlines, our collection reporting is a week behind. Our reporting will get caught up after the new year.

DECEMBER 18-19 COLLECTION

Weekly Budget:	\$40,508.00
Weekly Contributions:	\$11,403.12
Weekly Shortage:	\$29,104.88
YTD Shortage	\$6,891.86



50/50 Club: Envelope #2504 was drawn and that household did not participate this week. The pot next week is \$460.

ICG#2454



After ten plus years of dedicated service, our Business Manager Molly Ellsworth, recently announced that she will be leaving us at the end of this year to assume the Director of Operations position at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Molly has done so much for us during her time here at St. Joan of Arc including leading the charge on our capital campaign, overseeing the restoration of our beautiful Church, assisting with all of our fundraising events and communication efforts, taking care of our physical plant, our human resources, and so much more!. Molly is responsive, resourceful, personable and a joy to be around. She will be greatly missed!

... It has been my privilege to serve St. Joan of Arc since March 2011. I have had amazing opportunities for both personal and professional growth while working here. I feel like I'm leaving home but this parish will hold a very special place in my heart forever. "We are not called upon to do all the good possible but only that which we can do." ~ St. Mother Theodore Guerin. Thank you for allowing me to do the good which I was capable of, here, with you. ~ Molly



Dear Parishioners and Guests,

Happy New Year! This is a time of year we are all looking for ways to better ourselves. We make New Year's resolutions to lose weight or just get more fit. We resolve to clean our houses and get more organized. In the midst of all these resolutions we should remember to do something to better ourselves in following God. One way we can do this is through Works of Mercy. In December, the 8th grade learned all about Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Here are a few quotes from the students' essays that I hope inspire you to live out the Works of Mercy this year.

Ruthie

"After being violently attacked. [Maria Gorretti] forgave her attacker at only 11. She was displaying a spiritual act of Mercy called forgive offenses. 'During Alessandro's sentence (the attacker) Maria appeared to Alessandro and forgave him' (stmariagoretti.org). She also helped Alessandro by Admonishing the Sinner....She not only forgave him, she helped him see that what he did was horrible. 'When he woke, he was a changed man. He repented his crime, and lived a reformed life.'"

Nicole

"My little brother is always very caring and worried about others, so when he sees someone who is homeless he wants to help so he feeds the hungry. He also likes to visit the sick, like one of our family members who is sick, he visits them and tries to help as much as he can. My little brother is very caring and helps anyone who ever needs help, he's following the footsteps of a good and caring life."

Norah

"[My grandma] shows Admonish the Sinner by encouraging us to go to confession and always setting a good example when we are with her. "

Charlie

"The way I have exhibited the Corporal Work of Mercy feeding the hungry is by going downtown with my family and helping with a local hot meals program. I did this because it was a lot like the work of my great grandpa, and now like Saint Nicholas too. I'd like to be better about forgiving those who hurt me. It's a hard work of mercy to live at times. To be that forgiving of people who have wronged is tough because it is natural to want to hold a grudge or be angry. But we know by these examples that forgiveness is the right thing to do."

Kileah

"A way I could be like Saint Therese and my dad practicing "visit the sick" is by going with my dad to my grandparents. I can take care of them and do things they need done for them, like cleaning. I can buy their groceries and put them away for them. I could also go on walks with them, talking about their day, telling them about mine and bonding with them more."

Have a blessed and joy-filled new year doing the Works of Mercy!

Kyle Murphy
Jr. High Theology Teacher

Faith Community Service

Faith



Our next **Baptism Class** will be held on January 9th at 1:30. If you are interested in having your child baptized at St. Joan of Arc and have never done a Baptism here, we welcome you to attend a Baptism class. Please contact Kyle Murphy, kmurphy@sjoa.org, to register or for more information.



On January 9, we invite 6th through 12th graders to join us for a night of faith, food and fun. We will have dinner after the 5:30 Mass followed by a talk and small groups. We will close the night with the **Office Olympics**. Come ready to compete and win prizes. RSVP to Kyle Murphy, kmurphy@sjoa.org, so we know how many to have for food.



After our January 9 Office Olympics, we invite teens in our parish to continue joining us each week at 6:30 PM, after the Sunday 5:30 PM Mass. Each week we will have a snack and some time to socialize and journey in our faith together. We hope to keep seeing you week after week. This is open to anyone in grades 6 through 12 and we will have small groups separated by age group. Come join the fun!

If you would like more information or are an adult interested in accompanying teens in their faith journey, contact Kyle Murphy, kmurphy@sjoa.org.



Amen is a new App produced by the Augustine Institute that brings you beautiful prayers, faithful meditations and nourishing Scripture to draw your mind, body and soul to rest in God. It is free and available at your app store.

Community



Young adults of the parish, please join the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Young Adults in the New Year and the Celebration of the Epiphany! **The Magi Ball** is not just a celebration of the conclusion of the Christmas season but also the extended observation of offering to God our unique talents. Please join other young adults for a solemn evening beginning with Mass with the Archbishop followed by an eventful night of faith, fellowship, and fun. Friday, January 7 beginning with mass at the Cathedral. Celebration at McGown Hall. Please contact Moses Tinio with questions: tiniomos@gmail.com

100 Opportunities for Service



We are now **live-streaming the 8:30 AM Mass online**. Please pass the word to your friends who would benefit from this information. We need more assistants in this ministry. If you could help, please contact Karen Blackwell Smith at kwellsm@earthlink.net. Young techies, please consider helping us once a month!



We are collecting used towels and a cleaning product called Amazing that can be purchased at Dollar Tree, Dollar General, or Ollie's for a neighborhood family who is trying to deep clean their house after experiencing an extensive house fire. You may drop off your items at the Parish Office.



The next **Operation Leftover** is January 13 at 6:30. Meet at St. John's and be prepared to make a difference!

SEASONS OF HOPE

A SUPPORT GROUP FOR THE BEREAVED

When you've been trying to figure
out the meaning of your grief.

You want to get on with life but
haven't been able to.

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coping with your grief.

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anymore.

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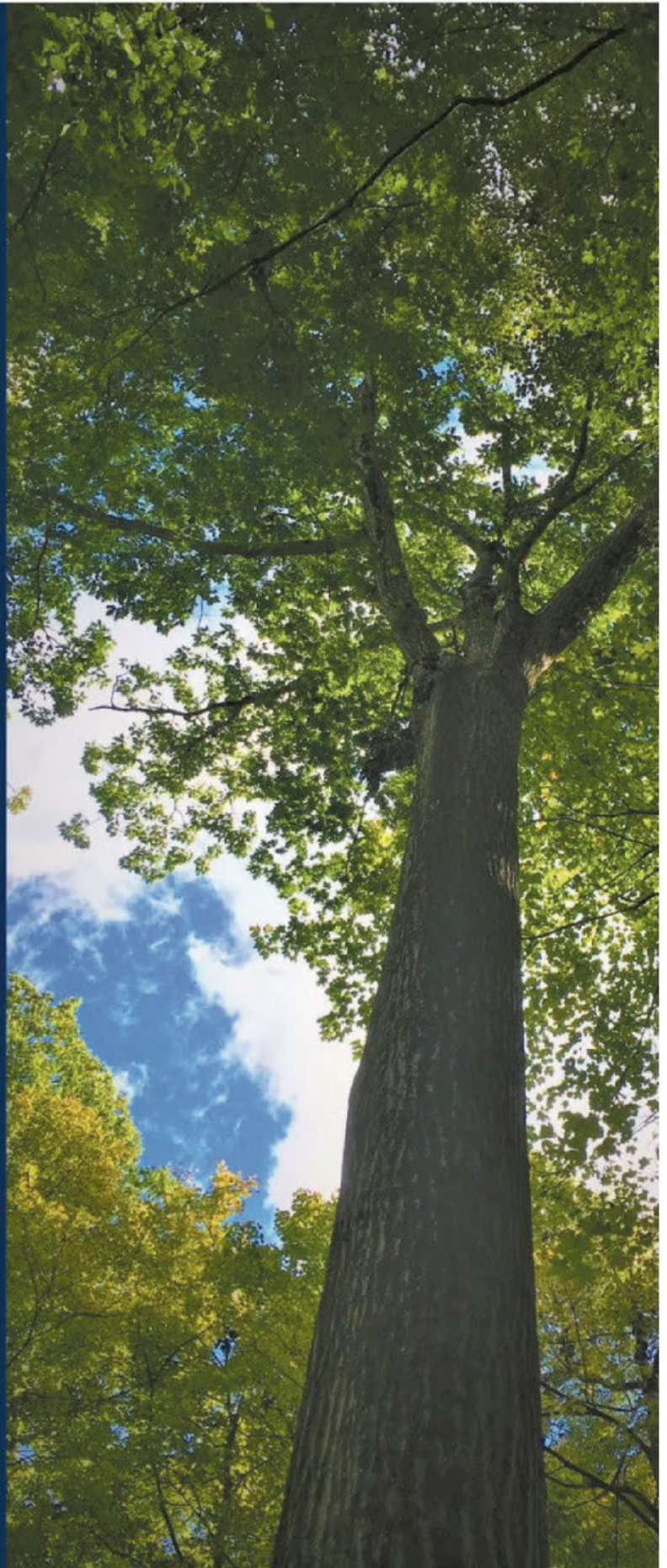
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