PARISH MASS TIMES ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS 1050 MAIN STREET, GRESHAM

Sunday | 8:30am Wednesday & Friday | 8:30am ST. MARY W11842 THIRD STREET LEOPOLIS Sunday | 10:00am Thursday | 8:30am

RECONCILIATION

St. Francis: Sunday | 8:00-8:15am St. Mary: 2nd Saturday | 9:00am

HOLY HOUR St. Francis: 1st Tuesday | 6:30pm **PERSONAL ADORATION**

St. Francis: Tuesday | 6:30pm

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

Pastoral Council Chair: Colleen Smith Finance Council Chair: **Esther Schutt Treasurer Trustee:** Dan Huntington Secretary Trustee: Sandy Gawryleski

St. Francis Solanus CCW: 1st Thursday | 7pm All women of the parish are welcome as members.

Religious Education Grades 1-12 Wednesdays 5:45pm-6:45pm at St. Mary

ST. MARY

Pastoral Council Chair: Darold Paisar Finance Council Chair: Tim Mehlberg Treasurer Trustee: Theresa Voelz Secretary Trustee: John Asenbrenner St. Mary CCW:

welcome as members. **Religious Education** Grades 1-12 Wednesdays

All women of the parish are 5:45pm-6:45pm

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD **JANUARY 02, 2021**

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS PARISH ST. MARY PARISH

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of our parish communities are to nurture a loving relationship with the Trinity through a faith filled liturgy that empowers our parishioners to reach out to all those who are in need of the love & mercy that God offered to the world through His Son's life, death, & resurrection.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD "Since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CC

PARISH COMMUNITY STAFF

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SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Arrangements can be made through Fr. Nonito or Fr. Hanz Baptism: Preparation 2nd Saturday of month 9-11 am St. Michael Keshena.

Pre-register with parish office.

Marriage: Call the parish office 6 months in advance to register.

Confirmation: January 5, 2022 at 7:00pm Sacred Heart, Shawano

First Communion: TBD

Religious Education: Bethany Grunewald 715-250-4296 bethanygrunewald@gmail.com

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

A NOTE FROM FATHER NONITO



We have been told pious stories surrounding the Christmas event. Unfortunately, many of these have no biblical foundation. The story of the three kings is a classic example. Matthew, the only evangelist who recounts the episode of the mysterious personages who journeyed from the east called them magi, not kings. And who were the magi? They were engaged in the study of astrology and also called wise men due to their zealous observance of justice and virtue. What is the authentic message of the magi and how is it connected with the Christmas event? Matthew is telling us about the universality of Jesus' salvation. This means that he was sent to save not only the Jews but all people. Precisely, because of this, the liturgical calendar calls it Epiphany which literally means manifestation - the manifestation of Jesus to all people represented by the magi.

Epiphany reminds and challenges us that Jesus must be revealed to men and his message constantly unfolded to all.

In Jesus, Fr. Nonito



PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please keep our Confirmation candidates; Claire Brei, Sarah Carroll, Julia Hahn, and Grace Hartleben, their families and those preparing them in your prayers. Fr. Nonito and Fr. Hanz would like to thank Bethany Grunewald, Darry Paisar and David Carroll for all their work in supporting the families with preparation.

Confirmation Mass is on Wednesday, January 5th at 7:00pm at Sacred Heart, Shawano.

Readings for the week of January 02, 2022

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

MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND MASS SERVICES FOR THE HOMEBOUND ARE OFFERED BY THE FOLLOWING TV STATIONS: WBAY-TV- CHANNEL 2 AT 5:30 AM ON SUNDAYS. CHANNEL 5 WFRV BISHOP RICKEN'S MASS AT 7:30AM. MASS OFFERED ONLINE AT WWW.HEARTOFTHENATION.ORG.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

01/07 Russell Stoehr 01/09 Milton &Edmire Herzfeld 01/14Russell Stoehr 01/16 James Redmond, Gervase & Bonita Ebert 01/21 Russell Stoehr 01/23 Rose Paiser, People of the 4 parishes <u>ST. MARY</u> 01/09 Don Brunner 01/16 Jeanne Asenbrenner 01/23 People of the 4 Parishes 01/30



Liturgical Minsters

<u>St. Francis Solanus</u> 01/09

<u>DI/09</u> Lector: Dave Minister: Sandy G. Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman, Jason L, Jeff S. <u>01/16</u>

Lector: Cindy Minister: Holly Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman, Jason L, Jeff S.

<u>St. Mary</u>

<u>01/09</u> Lector: Carol S. Server: Carroll Family Ushers: Tim M., Darold P. <u>01/16</u> Lector: John A. Server: Carroll Family Ushers: John R., Robert V.

> Thank you for serving at the lord's table



WELCOME!

The Lord has called all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace as our Savior. May joy and peace be yours as we praise our Lord and grow close to God and one another. It is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. If you are considering joining our parish, please talk with Father Nonito or call the Parish Office at 715-787-3250. Anyone who has not officially signed up and would like to be a registered member, please stop in the office.

Wedding Banns Bann 1 Beau Brady & Megan Smith



Canon Law 1057 states: the conference of bishops is

to issue norms concerning the examination of the parties, and the marriage banns or other appropriate means for carrying out the necessary inquiries which are to precede marriage. The pastor can proceed to assist a marriage after such norms have been diligently observed. Since marriage is not a private possession of the two parties but a matter of public interest, both ecclesial and secular societies have traditionally enacted legislation concerning basic requirements for marriage, aimed at assuring they will not enter into a relationship detrimental to themselves, possible children, or the community.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

Do you know that prayer changes things? If you would like prayers of healing or for other intentions, please join us! Come and see what the Lord is doing at St. Francis Solanus, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 23rd. Deacon Mark and others will be available to pray with and for anyone who would like prayers.

Margie Reedy, Brad Hess, Barb Carroll, Margaret Hoffman, Roni Schultz, Mark Dillenburg, Debbie Brady, Mary Zahringer, David Carroll, Jim Knoke, Shelly Gudis, Kim Lamberies, Robert Lohrentz, Todd Lohrentz, Rod Lohrentz, Dana Walton, Vincent Carroll, Albert Schroeder, Ataloa Wadzinski, Steve Brockman, Kathy Zoglman-Felkner, Ed Wedde, Jenny & Makenna Wiitanen, Katelyn Fehrman, Robert Knowles, Pat Paiser



Prayer List: If you would like to add yourself or someone else to our parish prayer list please contact the parish office. When the specific need for prayer is over, please let the parish office now so that the name can be removed.

Bulletin News/Announcements: Deadline for new information is 9:00 am Mondays. Submit to parish office by email.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS ST FRANCIS SOLANUS 12/19/2021 Support \$1,054.00 B & G \$0.00

ST. MARY FINANCIAL BLESSINGS 12/19/2021 Support \$5,005.00 B & G \$80.00

UPCOMING EVENTS ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS 1/04 6:30PM HOLY HOUR 1/05 8:30AM MASS 1/06 6:00PM 2022 PICNIC MEETING 1/07 8:30AM MASS

ST. MARY 1/05 5:45 PM NO RE 1/05 7:00PM CONFIRMATION@ SACRED HEART, SHAWANO 1/06 8:30 AM MASS

FR. HANZ WILL BE ON VACATION 1/11-1/14



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