# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 2, 2022



When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herold, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage.-Mt 2:1-2

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Office Hours: Mon - Thurs, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Fri, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Mass Schedule: All Masses are in main church

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Tues., Wed., Fri.: 8:00 a.m.

Thursday: 8:00 a.m. during the summer,

8:45 a.m. during the school year.

Confession Schedule (in the Chapel)

**Saturday:** 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. **-** 9:30 a.m.

### **Stewardship – Collections & Tithes**

Fiscal year is July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

December Budget Total 117,000.00

December Received as of 12/20/21 \$ 74,647.04

1st & 3rd weeks include electronic tithes

Budgeted (Jul. 2021 - Nov. 2021) \$ 419,000.00

Received (Jul. 2021 – Nov. 2021) 440,447.85

Variance to Budget 21,447.85



Saturday, January 1, 2022 9:00 a.m. Patti DeMarco

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:00 a.m. Parishioners, both living & deceased

10:00 a.m. Dan Minor

12:00 p.m. Maria & Rachel Hanian

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

8:00 a.m. Chuck & Geri Flattery

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

8:00 a.m. Leon Johnsrud

Thursday, January 6, 2022

8:45 a.m. Lachner family

Friday, January 7, 2022

8:00 a.m. Elaine Seifert

Saturday, January 8, 2022

5:00 p.m. Donald & Steven Rowen

Sunday, January 9, 2022

8:00 a.m. Leonard Thein

10:00 a.m. Daniel & Jacqueline Minor

12:00 p.m. Parishioners, both living & deceased

Parish Office: 545 42nd St., Des Moines, IA 50312, 255-1175 School Office: 4320 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50312, 279-5947

#### PARISH STAFF:

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#### MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS:

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY - Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm, Parish Hall, Pres, Jackie Hruska, staugustinaltarandrosary@gmail.com,

BIBLE STUDY - Meets every Wednesday during school year at the school, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm, Emily Duong, emiaduo@aol.com, 255-3402

CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE STUDY - Meets every Wednesday during school year 9:30 am - 11:15 am, Cindy Kodis at 251-3930

BOARD OF EDUCATION - Meets 1st Tuesday of the month in Conf Room, Tim Coonan, President, timothycoonan@davisbrownlaw.com

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS - Meets every other 4th Tuesday of the month in Conf Room, 255-1175, ext. 205

ELIZABETH MINISTRY - open volunteer position

EUCHARIST MINISTER/LECTOR/RCIA - If interested, contact Deacon Kevin or Rhonda Heim at rsheim@prodigy.net, 274-4321

FINANCE COUNCIL - Meets every other month on the 4th Tuesday, Paul Mitchell, Chair

FOOD PANTRY - Collection is third weekend of month at all Masses, contact Patrick Johnson, 515-339-5207.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION - Co-Presidents: Becky Eaton, becky.eaton12@gmail.com; Stephanie Haas, stephaniehaas@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall. 1st Degree Ceremony- 5:00 pm, Rosary - 6:00 pm, Dinner - 6:30 pm, Living Your Faith - 7:00 pm, 7:45 pm - business meeting. Contact Tom Donnelly, tjdonnellyiowa@gmail.com, 988-0491

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB - Molly Topf, molly.olingertopf@yahoo.com

MARRIAGE & FAMILY COMMITTEE - Rochelle Quiner, rquiner@gmail.com

Mom's Group - Sydney Tietz, staugustinmoms@googlegroups.com

PARISH COUNCIL - Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m., Matt Eide, President, mpeide@gmail.com

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Janis Falk, Janis@staugustin.org, (515) 255-1175 x210

PRAYER CHAIN - Send your prayer requests to staugprayer@gmail.com or info@staugustin.org or call the parish office at 255-1175

PRAER SHAWL MINISTRY - Meets 1st Thursday of the month, Marty Chiovaro, 274-2482 or Pat Knight at 279-9475

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ST. MICHAEL'S BOYS GROUP - Jeff Pierick, 778-6087, kmpierick@gmail.com

USHER/GREETERS - Paul Martin, 865-6550

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP Mary Lopreato, youthministry@staugustin.org Wednesdays 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm meet in the lower level during the school year

# WEEKLY PRAYER

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 2, 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 2, 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

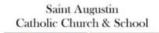
Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

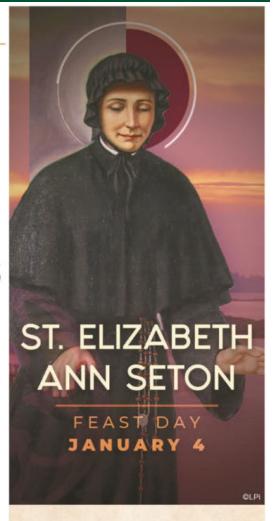
Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative 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.





Annual Report to the Community 2020-2021 Our 2020-2021 Annual Report is linked in the weekly emails, available in the Parish Office, or you can find it at:

https://bit.ly/3H94ygF



#### SAINT OF THE WEEK

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

Monday, January 3, 2022 6:30 p.m. Men's Group - CR

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

4:00 p.m. CGS - LL 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice- LL

7:30 p.m. Flower Crown Ministry - LL

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

9:15 a.m. CGS - LL

9:30 a.m. Catholic Scripture Study - PH

4:00 p.m. CGS - LL

6:00 p.m. RE/CGS - LL/PH/CR

7:00 p.m. Youth Group - LL

Thursday, January 6, 2022

6:30 p.m. Altar & Rosary Meeting - PH

7:00 p.m. KC officer's Meeting - CR

Friday, January 7, 2022

9:00 a.m. Children's Holy Hour - Chapel

Sunday, January 9, 2022

9:00 a.m. Mystagogy - CR

10:00 a.m. RCIA - CR

PH-Parish Hall LL-Lower Level CR-Conference

### CATHOLICJOBMARKET

Diocese of Des Moine s Internal Control Specialist

The Diocese of Des Moines has an immediate opening in our Finance Department working with parishes and schools. More info can be found on the Employment page of our website under Diocesan openings.

www.dmdiocese.org

St. Pius PT Pius Pals Afterschool Care

Pius Pals, the before and after school program for St. Pius X Catholic School, is looking for individuals age 16 on up to work PT. Mon - Fri: 3- 5:30 pm with the opportunity for additional hours on no school days. More info. at stpiusxurbandale.org/our-school/employment-opportunities

St Francis FT Communications Coordinator

This position facilitates the bulletin, website, social media, e-newsletters and marketing materials. Communications, Marketing, or Journalism degree with a min. 3 yrs experience. Proficiency in Microsoft Office and web-based content management systems. Practicing Catholic preferred. Resume & Cover Letter to: Human Resources, 7075 Ashworth Road, West Des Moines, IA 50266. Or email: communications@saintfrancischurch.org

# Are you new to our Parish? Welcome!

Please introduce yourself to us and join us for coffee & donuts in the Parish Hall after our 8 am & 10 am Sunday Masses. For questions and to register, contact Cindy in the Parish Office at (515) 255-1175, ext. 201. You can also find our registration form online at www.staugustin.org.

### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

# "Could you not watch one hour with me?"

(Matt 26:40 RSV)

Hours of Greatest Need:

Mon. 11 am, 6 pm, 7 pm
Tues. 1 pm, 4 pm, 10 pm

Wed. 12 pm, 1 pm, 4 pm, 7 pm Thurs. 10 am, 11 pm Fri. 7 pm, 8 pm Sat. 6 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm

Sat. 6 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm Sun. 3 am, 4 am, 5 am

CALL or TEXT: Janis Falk at (515) 255-1175, ext. 210 or email her at janis@staugustin.org.

### BUS RIDES TO AND FROM MASS

The Knights of Columbus are offering pickup and return rides home for our 10:00 am Sunday Mass.

Interested in a ride? Call Cindy in the Parish Office at (515) 255-1175 during regular office hours.





Please help us UNDECORATE the parish grounds! Jan. 9th we need help to take down and put away decorations. We will work 1 - 5 pm followed by a soup dinner for volunteers. If needed we will also work the 10th from 9 am -12 pm.



# St. Augustin Youth

St. Augustin Church Faith, Fellowship, Food, Fun

Inviting all High School students to join us in the lower level on Wed. evenings from 7:30 - 9:00 pm.

For more information contact Mary Lopreato at: **youthministry@staugustin.org**.

Let's have some fun!

#### RITE OF WELCOMING AND ACCEPTANCE OF RCIA CANDIDATES



Candidates are those who've been baptized seeking reception into full communion of the Catholic Church. Catechumens are unbaptized individuals preparing for initiation and full communion in the Church.

The rite consists of the declaration of intent of the candidates, affirmation by their sponsors, and receiving the sign of the cross on their ears, eyes, lips, heart, shoulders, hands, and feet, being marked with the magnitude of Christ's love and the immensity of Christ's pain, as a reminder that following Jesus leads to the cross.

Left to Right are Catecumens: Elliot Pohlmeyer, Claire Kinder, and Layne Ogle, on the right, Candidate Travis Dingeman. Not pictured, Denny Donnelly, who is preparing for Confirmation

Please keep them and their journey in your prayers.

# How to Help Refugees

### Refugee & Immigrant Resettlement Efforts

Here are some ways you can support Afghans resettle in Iowa:

- ◆ The Catholic Charities of Des Moines is looking for financial support and volunteers. Volunteers would provide transportation to necessary appointments, help organize donations and assist in setting up apartments. Donations would help cover costs of services, such as medical, housing, and food services, and supplies that are not donated, mostly furniture. For more information, and to donate, contact
- ♦ Kelyn Anker at (515) 237-5095
- ♦ Donate to the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants
- ♦ by calling (515) 528-7525. To volunteer for the agency, you can also email them at volunteer@uscri-desmoines.org.







### WILL YOU HELP?

St. Augustin Parish provides dinner to the residents of the **St. Joseph Emergency Family Shelter** on the fourth Sunday of the month. Our Parish has enthusiastically embraced this monthly meal and many families have been doing it for many years.

We are soliciting names of individuals, groups or families interestedin joining this rewarding mission in 2022. This includes planning and delivering the meal to 30-35 adults/childrenliving in the shelter.

Meals can be homemade or as simple as delivering pizzas or fried chicken.

If you are interested in helping in 2022, please contact Michael Woody at:

CriticMCW@gmail.com.



# Congratulations

On Sunday, December 19, 2022, Fr. Pisut commissioned two additional Stephen Ministry Leaders: Karen Pierick & Kate Rainwater who will join

current Stephen Ministry Leader, Julie Melcher. If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister & providing care for parishioners who could benefit from Christ-centered support as they navigate life's challenges, please contact any of these three individuals to learn more. Stephen Minister training begins January 10.

Karen: kmpierick@gmail.com, (515) 778-7096 Kate: katie.l.fitzgerald@gmail.com, (515) 571-0774 Julie: juliemelcher@gmail.com, (515) 210-9536





All young adult professionals in their 20s & 30s are invited to join the Young Catholic Network Speaker Series on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>! Join us at 6:00 pm for an evening of networking and fellowship at the Catholic Pastoral Center in downtown Des Moines. Enjoy complimentary drinks and appetizers while meeting other young Catholics committed to professional and spiritual growth. Sharon Krause of Krause Group (parent company of Kum & Go) and Dalla Terra Ranch will be our featured speaker. She will talk about the alignment of one's personal and faith-based mission in the workplace and beyond! Free childcare is provided if you register by Jan 17. Register today at www.dmdiocese.org/ycn!



### Join Us for Our 2022 Kickoff!

## Friday, January 14th Noon St. Francis of Assisi

Our January meeting will be a twopart meeting. First, Matt Willkom, Iowa Catholic Radio's Executive Director, will join us to launch our 4<sup>th</sup> year of ManUp West Power Lunch. A discussion of Lenten activities will follow.

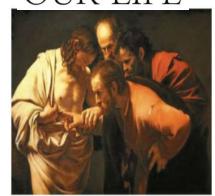
### Our Agenda includes-

- An update on Iowa Catholic Radio's Plans for 2022
- A description of the "Eucharistic Miracles Display" and the stories behind it as well as an explanation of the process to schedule it for your parish
- An update on "Exodus 90", which begins Jan. 17th
- Updates on other "Men's Small Group" offerings in the Des Moines Area

A lunch from Chick-fil-A will be available for a free-will offering.

Register for this event at: www.iowacatholicradio.com/events

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# CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FOR ADULTS...... COMING IN JANUARY!

You've heard **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** (CGS) is a beautiful approach to the faith formation that meets the developmental needs of children...have you ever wished it had been there for you growing up? Would you like to experience an "atrium session" designed for you?

Sign up to attend Wednesday, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, Jan. 19<sup>th,</sup> and Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> for a series of adult catechesis nights with Dir. of Religious Education, Janis Falk, 6 - 7:30 pm in the church lower level and Level II atrium. Come once or for all three nights. Refreshments and social time included!



Themes include examination of the Eucharist, moral parables, and Kingdom of God meditations.

Register on our website or with the QR code to the left.







Items will be on display in the east parish hall entrance the weekend of January 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. You can also, pick -up items in the parish office before January 11<sup>th</sup>. Any items not claimed by January 11<sup>th</sup> will be donated.

Wood beaded rosary in white bag
Girls' olive-green coat (Cat & Jack)
Black girls black winter jacket
Toddlers' girl's leopard winter vest
Girls pink fleece
Children's mittens, gloves, and stocking hats
Several children's books
Baby burb cloth
Black snow boots
Women's black and white head scarf

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