

Church of the Holy Childhood

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January 3, 2021



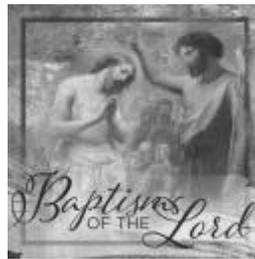
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

Pastor's Letter

EPIPHANY AND OUR CHRISTIAN VOCATION

“Epiphany” means “manifestation”. The three principle epiphanies of Jesus Christ were 1) to the wise men from the East (*Matthew 2:1-2; 9-11*), 2) at his baptism in the Jordan River (*Matthew 3:13-17*), and 3) at the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee (*John 2:1-11*). In each one of these events something of Jesus’ nature and of his mission was clearly revealed, made manifest, to those who were witnesses to it. The Father willed that his beloved Son whom he had sent into the world be known as such. The “epiphany” was an undeniable, miraculous manifestation of the Divine. The Church is a divinely-founded society. God confirmed that fact through “many wonders and signs” from its beginning (*see Acts 2:1-11; 42-43; 3:1-11*), and continues to do so in many other ways today. The Church is made up, however, of human beings who make up what is called the “Mystical Body of Christ”, and so the Church - Christ - is again made manifest wherever a Christian lives his/her faith. Conversely, the Church - Christ himself - is hidden whenever one who professes to be a Christian does not live his/her faith. It may not be an epiphany in the traditional sense of the word, but to recognize the work and the will of God is a gift not always evident but to the one to whom the grace is given (*see, for example Matthew 19:10-11*). We will never know in this world all the good - or bad - our example has done; people don’t usually tell us at the moment. I remember some years ago, when there was in some people’s mind the threat of a Soviet invasion of the US, the challenging question was being put to Christians: “If you were arrested and accused of being a Christian, would they have enough evidence to convict you?” Soviet invasion or not, it is still a valid question.



SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, BAPTISM OF THE LORD:

Isaiah 55:1-11 Water is necessary for all life. Here it is used as an allegory for the abundance of the life itself that God will confer on those with whom he will enter into Covenant through Baptism.

I John 5:1-9 To be “begotten by God” through Baptism is to enter into a filial relationship with God in his only Son, Jesus Christ, and to share in him the very life of God in his Spirit.

St. Mark 1:7-11 To be “baptized with the Holy Spirit” is to be purified and transformed in mind, heart and soul, so that in Christ, the Father can be well pleased with us, too.

ONLINE STREAMING OF THE SUNDAY MASS

HOLY CHILDHOOD ON ZOOM AT 9:15 am - MATERNITY OF MARY ON YOUTUBE AT 10:30 am

Contact Jim Evanoff to be added to the Zoom email invitation. evanoff.jj@gmail.com

Maternity of Mary - On YouTube through the Maternity of Mary website. Go to www.maternityofmarychurch.org and click on the link: Maternity of Mary YouTube page to watch live Mass. This link is under the Live Stream of Mass information.

ONLINE STREAMING OF THE DAILY MASS

The 7:45 am is now being live streamed on Zoom. Contact Jim Evanoff to be added to the list.

COMMUNION AT HOLY CHILDHOOD

Communion will be available at door # 5 (lower level church entrance off of parking lot) at approximately 8:20 am, Monday - Saturday and 10:00 am, on Sunday for those not attending Mass in the church building.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 4

Holy Childhood will have the 7:45 am Mass on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday. Maternity of Mary will have the 8:00 am Mass on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

Today, January 3 at the end of Mass Fr. Fink will bless religious articles (rosaries, chaplets, medals, etc.). The article does not need to be in church, but the person desiring the blessing does need to be present. Water is an exception and does need to be present for the blessing.

INTRODUCING "PRACTICING CATHOLIC"

On January 1, 2021, "The Rediscover: Hour" radio show on Relevant Radio 1330am becomes "Practicing Catholic" - bringing conversation with the bishops and snapshots of Catholic life to faithful listeners in brand new ways. The name change creates an opportunity to refresh and re-brand in an updated way that reaches out to Catholics wherever they are in their lives and faith journeys.

Practicing Catholic will feature regular conversations with Archbishop Bernard Hebda and Bishop Andrew Cozzens, along with a broader array of voices. Patrick Conley, who has hosted The Rediscover: Hour since 2016, looks forward to anchoring Practicing Catholic and contributing to its growth and outreach. It will also continue highlighting young adult ministries, parish outreach and evangelism efforts, and the many people and local ministries who help us answer Christ's call to discipleship.

In addition to re-naming the show, the Practicing Catholic team will be sharing interviews and other show content in ways that are more accessible to the faithful. Read more at archspm.org/rediscover-hour-changes-to-practicing-catholic/.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Friday, January 22, 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, St. Paul and via livestream

Please join us for this prayer service to commemorate the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. Limited seating will be available, and COVID-19 protocols will be followed. The prayer service will also be livestreamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page: facebook.com/cathedralsaintpaul.

HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION SUNDAYS AT 2:00 PM

All are welcome to attend and spend some quality time with Our Lord.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- January 4 Jenny Coyne, Doug Fairbanks, Dolores Picha
- 6 Sue Evanoff, Lorraine Quinn
- 9 Mary Berthiaume, Lorraine Fait



FAIR SHARE PLEDGE DRIVE KEEP THOSE CARDS COMING!

At the close of 2020, 63% of households have responded with pledges for 2021.

FAIR SHARE ENVELOPES

The Fair Share envelopes are available in the narthex. If you currently are not attending Mass in church please call Mary to let her know you would like them mailed out.

For those who are currently getting their bulletin by mail, Mary will include a few envelopes each week.

Thank you for your continued generous support of Holy Childhood.

Parish Support

December 20	\$ 3972.00
December 25	\$ 2009.00
December 27	\$ 2775.00

CATHOLIC SERVICE APPEAL FOUNDATION

Thank you to one and all who contributed to the 2020 CSAF. As of December 24, 2020 the amount received exceeded our goal. We received our first rebate check in the amount of \$2130.00. THANK YOU!

Goal:	\$15,800.00
Amount Received:	\$ 22,290.00

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 2

7:45 am † Carmen Gabrielli
5:00 pm Doug Fairbanks BD

Sunday, January 3

9:15 am Parishioners

Monday, January 4

No Mass

Tuesday, January 5

7:45 am † Joseph Doan

Wednesday, January 6

No Mass

Thursday, January 7

No Mass

Friday, January 8

7:45 am † Tom Schraad

Saturday, January 9

7:45 am † Michael Holleran
5:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, January 10

9:15 am † Karen Merth



Parish Information

Pastor, Fr. Timothy Cloutier
Parochial Vicar, Fr. Joseph Fink
Weekend Assistant, Fr. James Reidy, Ph. D.
Parish Office 651-644-7495
Buchanan Hall 651-647-0689

Our Current Services

Confessions - Saturday.....4:00-4:30 pm
Thursday.....7:10-7:25 am
Door #6 - in the bell tower entrance to Buchanan Hall

Saturday Anticipatory Mass..... 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass.....9:15 am
Weekday Masses...Monday - Saturday..7:45 am
Holy Day of Obligation as announced.
Rosary - Thursday 6:00 pm
Prayer Chain.....Peggy - 651-645-4955
Website.....www.holychildhoodparish.org
Email.....contact@holychildhoodparish.org
Victim Assistance Program.....651-291-4497

OH THE GENEROSITY OF HOLY CHILDHOOD PARISHIONERS!



This picture was taken on Friday, December 18. A table full of items had already been delivered to the Karen Community on December 12. In addition to the items sent, \$1980.00 was given to the Franciscan Brothers for the Karen Community needs.



Dah Poe sent this picture of the bags she prepared for the Karen Families from the donations from our parishioners. Fifty families received bags on December 23. Dah sends her heartfelt thanks and wishes everyone a Merry Christmas.

Watch the bulletin for additional ways to help the Karen students and families of St. Jerome school.



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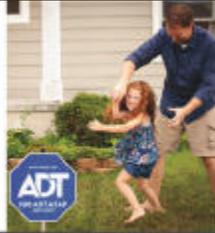
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