

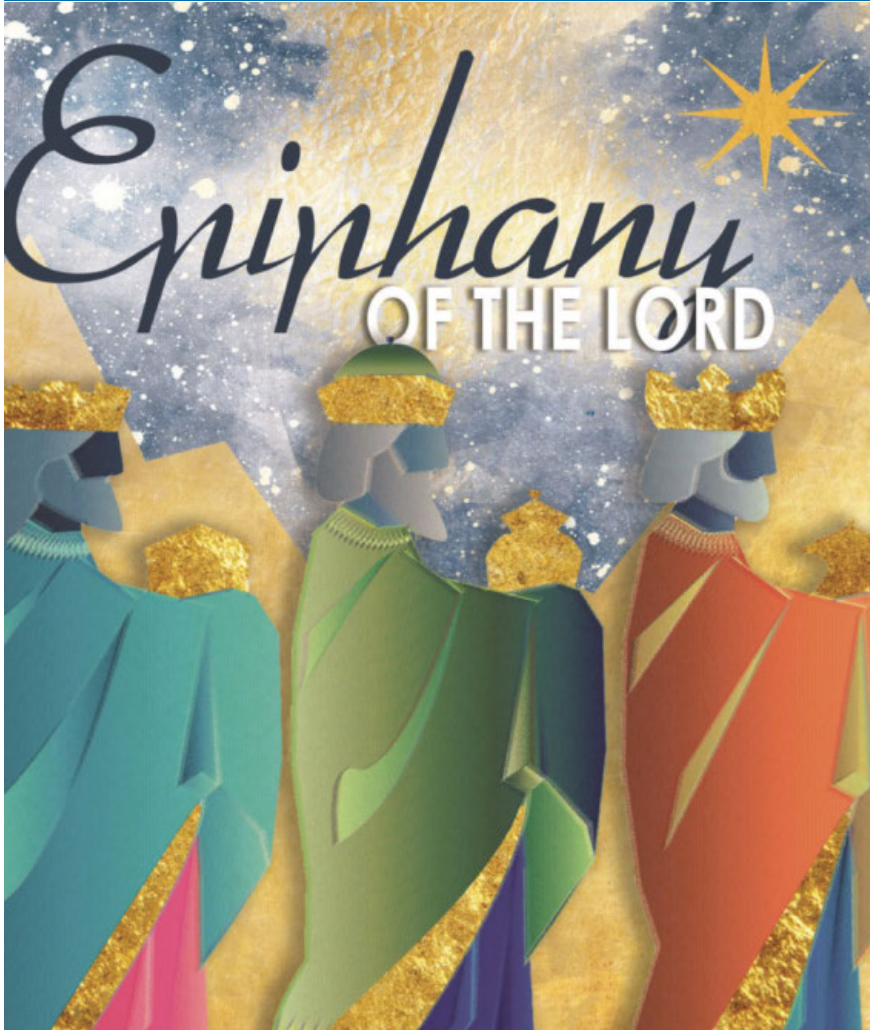
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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Livestreaming Masses at  
www.epiphanyparish.org**

Monday, January 3 - at St. Joseph  
7:30AM - (Bob Jensen)

Tuesday, January 4 - at Holy Family & Livestreamed  
8:00AM - (Jim Smith)

Wednesday, January 5 - at Holy Family & Livestreamed  
8:00AM at Holy Family & Livestreamed - (Marian Lorraine)

Thursday, January 6 - at Holy Family & Livestreamed  
8:00AM - (Mark Boyle)

Friday, January 7—at St. Joseph  
7:30AM at St. Joseph - (Larry Kockler)

Saturday, January 8 - at Holy Family & Livestreamed  
4:00PM - (Harold Harry Hutchison Jr.)

Sunday, January 9  
7:30AM at St. Joseph - (Kathy Kriegel)  
9:00AM at St. Joseph - (Rita Diekhuis)  
10:30AM at Holy Family & Livestreamed - (People of the Parish)

Face masks & hand sanitizer are highly recommended

*Please note: Weekday Mass will be canceled if there is a funeral that day.*

**Parish Support for December 14 - 20**

Tithing & Offertory      \$45,429  
Building & Maintenance   \$4,489

**Readings for the week of January 2, 2022**

Sunday:    Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
Monday:    1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
Tuesday:    1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52  
Thursday:   1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22  
Friday:      1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16  
Saturday:   1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30



*Our sympathy goes to the families and friends of Carole Pinneke and Bernadette "Babe" Van Zile. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

**St. Joseph Church will be open for personal prayer:**

Monday - Thursday 8am-4pm; Friday 8am-noon  
Please enter through the north entrance

*(Face masks & hand sanitizer are highly recommended)*



As many of you are aware, Newman Catholic School is in the planning stages of a major capital campaign to enhance facilities and improve endowments for teacher's salaries and tuition assistance. Newman is pleased to announce the theme of the campaign will be: **Forming Disciples, Now and Forever**



This theme is fitting for our Newman Catholic community and this campaign because the effort will not only meet the immediate needs of the school but also secure a strong, vibrant future for students and our families. This campaign will strengthen Newman's mission and its tradition of academic excellence by supporting students and families and investing in the long-term success of the school.

It is an exciting time for Newman as they work to lay a strong foundation for a positive future. To be successful, they will invite the entire Newman Catholic community to provide support. In the coming weeks and months you will learn much more about the campaign and the different ways you can help the cause. In the meantime, please pray for the school leaders and volunteers who will be working diligently to ensure a successful outcome.

**Valentines for Vets**



KCMR Radio and the VA Clinic in Mason City will be distributing Valentine cards to their patients on Valentine's Day and their home nurses will be surprising their patients with Valentines that week as well. This is a great way for our community to show our appreciation with Valentine's Day cards.

KCMR Radio will collect all of the Valentine cards and get them to the VA Clinic.

We hope that you will help support the Valentines for Vets project and help us get those Valentine cards to our Veterans.

Cards can be dropped off at KCMR Radio, 316 North Federal Ave, by February 10th or mailed to the radio station so they are received by February 10th.



**Social Justice Committee In-Service & Meeting** - Would you like to know more about the function and activities of the Social Justice Committee? Please join us on Wednesday, January 5th, at the Parish Center West End Meeting Room (the gray door on the far west end of the building) for a Social Justice in-service beginning at 5:30pm followed by the Social Justice committee meeting.

**January is Poverty Awareness Month!**

During Poverty Awareness Month, join the U.S. Bishops, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, and the Catholic community in the United States in taking up Pope Francis' challenge to live in solidarity with the poor! In addition to the calendar, longer daily reflections are also available. All of these resources are also en Español. You can sign up to have the daily reflections emailed to you during Poverty Awareness Month! Check out the link on our Epiphany Parish webpage!



**Ministry of Communion to the Homebound**

As we continue to celebrate our Advent Reunion, we are looking ahead with caution and also with hope. We are reviewing our plans to restart the ministry of communion to our homebound parishioners in their homes and in care facilities. After much prayer and consideration, we will begin this ministry of outreach and of pastoral care as we begin a new year in 2022. Please prayerfully consider your love for and commitment to the Eucharist. If you were trained, mentored and supported could this ministry become part of your life? If so, please contact Tammy Stanton at the Parish office 641-423-5001 or by email t.stanton@dbqarch.org.

**Bereavement Faith Sharing Groups**

If you have experienced the loss of a loved one in the last year or two, please consider participating in one of our parish's six week bereavement faith sharing groups that will begin meeting in late January. Groups will have approximately 6 to 8 members and will use a faith sharing process similar to the process used by our ARISE groups. Each group will have a facilitator to lead and help the group to feel comfortable in sharing what members wish to share. Please contact Sr. Annette Kestle (641-423-5001) by January 15, 2022 if you would like to participate or if you have any questions.



**We welcome into the life of the church through the waters of Baptism**



Zoey Mae Colon  
Rylee Marie Orfield  
Kameron Elizabeth Orfield  
daughters of Jeremiah & Michaela  
baptized Sunday,  
December 26<sup>th</sup>  
at St. Joseph Church.

Walker Edward Santos Wagner  
son of Nathan & Cherielynn  
baptized Sunday,  
December 26<sup>th</sup>  
at St. Joseph Church.

Vincent John Petersen  
son of Andrew & Anne  
baptized Sunday,  
December 26<sup>th</sup>  
at Holy Family Church.

Leon Paul Kelley  
son of Patrick & Mary  
baptized Sunday,  
December 26<sup>th</sup>  
at Holy Family Church.

We would like to acknowledge additional contributions sent into the Christmas Flower Fund.

**In Loving Memory:**

Mindy Cradduck  
Al & Rosanna Bartholomew  
Tristan Marlow  
Irene Vavroch  
Ruth Marshall  
Dennis Nolan  
Cecil Weaver  
Carl & Joan Tatone  
John Goefubb  
Deceased members of the Nick Goebuff family  
Ann Sewell  
Leigh Powers

# Newman News



One on One Mentoring kicked off in December.

Newman Catholic is so fortunate to have our One on One Mentoring Program back and running this year. Through the Mason City Youth Task Force, our high school students volunteer and sign up to be one on one peer mentors with our elementary students. We have almost 20 high school mentors who have started their visits with the elementary students. Such a fun program!



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**Eucharistic Adoration:** St. Joseph—1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month following 7:30AM Mass until 8AM Saturday morning; Holy Family—3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month following 8AM Mass until 4PM

**Reconciliation at Holy Family:** Saturdays, 8AM-9AM or by appointment

## Epiphany Parish Celebration of Baby's First Christmas



We are inviting all of our parish families with a baby that celebrated their first Christmas this year to attend one of the Masses on January 1st (4pm) or 2nd (9am or 10:30am). There will be a special blessing and gift for each of these families at these Masses. Please contact Sr. Annette with questions ([a.kestel@dbqarch.org](mailto:a.kestel@dbqarch.org), 641-423-5001).

## Epiphany Parish Feast Day Celebration



All Epiphany parishioners are invited to celebrate our parish feast day on January 8th and 9th with special activities at church and on-line offerings on the parish website and Facebook page. Epiphany gift bags will be handed out (one per household) at each Mass. These bags include items that explore the meaning of the Epiphany as well as instructions for performing a traditional New Year's house blessing. Coffee and doughnuts will also be held on that Sunday.

Online offerings will include a family guide for star gazers and a reflection on what the Epiphany means for us today. Continuing our Advent theme, parishioners will be encouraged to perform simple acts of "Hope, Healing and Hospitality" during the month of January.

**First Friday 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph Church** will be Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, immediately following 7:30am Mass and will continue until 8:00am on Saturday morning. The north doors are unlocked until noon, after that time, knock on the east side chapel door to be let in. If you wish to sign up for an hour(s) or have any questions, please call Pat Keenan (641) 425-0406.

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