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SACRAMENTS

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR UPDATES TO OUR SCHEDULE DURING THIS TIME OF SUSPENDED PUBLIC LITURGIES

Weekend Mass Schedule:

- » Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
- » Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

- » Tuesday to Friday: 7:30 a.m.
- » Saturday: 8:00 a.m. (*ad orientem*)

Eucharistic Adoration (in the church):

- » Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:
8:15 to 9:15 a.m.
- » Saturday: 8:45 to 10:00 a.m.

Confession:

- » Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:
8:15 to 9:15 a.m.
- » Saturday: 8:45 to 10:00 a.m.
- » By appointment: Please call the pastor

Baptisms & Weddings

- » Please call the parish office

MASSES DURING TIME OF PANDEMIC

Face masks are **REQUIRED** for all those who come for Mass, Confession, and Adoration, with the exception of children under the age of five. Use your mask properly, **COVERING BOTH YOUR MOUTH AND YOUR NOSE.**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, January 5

7:30 a.m. + Mass
8:15 to 9:15 a.m. + Confessions & Adoration

Wednesday, January 6

7:30 a.m. + Mass
8:15 to 9:15 a.m. + Confessions & Adoration
7:00 p.m. + First Reconciliation Parent Meeting (via Zoom)

Thursday, January 7

7:30 a.m. + Mass

Friday, January 8

7:30 a.m. + Mass
8:15 to 9:15 a.m. + Confessions & Adoration

Saturday, January 9

8:00 a.m. + Mass
8:45 to 10:00 a.m. + Confessions & Adoration
5:00 p.m. + Mass: The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 10

8:30 a.m. + Mass: The Baptism of the Lord
10:30 a.m. + Mass: The Baptism of the Lord

Next Sunday marks the end of the Season of Christmas. As the season draws to a close, we offer thanks to God and to you that you joined us for these great and solemn feasts: the Nativity of the Lord; the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; the Epiphany of the Lord; and the Baptism of the Lord. We pray that the year ahead brings you closer to the Lord and opens you to everything he desires to give you.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation continues to be suspended as long as the pandemic continues. This means that you are not presently obligated to attend Mass.

All COVID-19 positive persons, those who are symptomatic, and those living with them, must stay home.

Persons over age 65 and those with preexisting health conditions should continue to stay home during Phase II and avoid public gatherings, including in church.

ON THE EPIPHANY

We hear today about the bright and shining star that led the magi to encounter and adore the Christ Child. We who have encountered the Newborn King, and who, like the magi before us, offer him our adoration, are also called to be like that star. We are called to be light to the world, helping others encounter Jesus Christ so that they can be caught up in his love. Pope Leo the Great offers a fine meditation on the Epiphany, including this call to imitate the star.

THE LORD HAS MADE HIS SALVATION KNOWN TO THE WHOLE WORLD

By Pope Leo the Great

The loving providence of God determined that in the last days he would aid the world, set on its course to destruction. He decreed that all nations should be saved in Christ.

A promise had been made to the holy patriarch Abraham in regard to these nations. He was to have a countless progeny, born not from his body but from the seed of faith. His descendants are therefore compared with the array of the stars. The father of all nations was to hope not in an earthly progeny but in a progeny from above.

Let the full number of the nations now take their place in the family of the patriarchs. Let the children of the promise now receive the blessing in the seed of Abraham, the blessing renounced by the children of his flesh. In the persons of the Magi let all people adore the Creator of the universe; let God be known, not in Judaea only, but in the whole world, so that his name may be great in all Israel.

Dear friends, now that we have received instruction in this revelation of God's grace, let us celebrate with spiritual joy the day of our first harvesting, of the first calling of the Gentiles. Let us give thanks to the merciful God, who has made us worthy, in the words of the Apostle, to share the position of the saints in light, who has rescued us from the power of darkness, and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. As Isaiah prophesied: *the people of the Gentiles, who sat in darkness, have seen a great light, and for those who dwelt in the region of the shadow of death a light has dawned. He spoke of them to the Lord: The Gentiles, who do not know you, will invoke you, and the peoples, who knew you not, will take refuge in you.*

This is the day that Abraham saw, and rejoiced to see, when he knew that the sons born of his faith would be blessed in his seed, that is, in Christ. Believing that he would be the father of the nations, he looked into the future, giving glory to God, in full awareness that God is able to do what he has promised.

This is the day that David prophesied in the psalms, when he said: *All the nations that you have brought into being will come and fall down in adoration in your presence, Lord, and glorify your name. Again, the Lord has made known his salvation; in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.*

This came to be fulfilled, as we know, from the time when the star beckoned the three wise men out of their distant country and led them to recognize and adore the King of heaven and earth. The obedience of the star calls us to imitate its humble service: to be servants, as best we can, of the grace that invites all men to find Christ.

Dear friends, you must have the same zeal to be of help to one another; then, in the kingdom of God, to which faith and good works are the way, you will shine as children of the light: through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with God the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. Amen.

WITH FRIENDS LIKE THESE ...

Renee in the parish office recently received a bit of feedback about celebration of the Mass *ad orientem*. We eventually determined that it came from a classmate, friend, and fellow priest who will remain nameless. It's too good not to share.

Greetings in Christ,

My name is Ludwig Pumpenickel and I attend Masses at Good Shepherd once in a while. I am not a registered parishioner. However, I am writing to provide some feedback about Father Marquard's praying to the east Masses. In Latin, I think you call it *ad orientem*.

First, I miss seeing Father Marquard's handsome face during the Eucharistic Prayer. There is something quite angelic about seeing his warm countenance as he prays to God. The back of his head is nice too, but not nearly as splendid as his face.

Second, I am wondering if he will be giving the homily to the east in the near future as well. This would be hard for me as it would be more challenging to hear his voice if he is turned the other way when speaking to us. However, I understand he is speaking to God so I would do my best to adapt.

Third, the other day I noticed Father Marquard was celebrating Mass slightly elevated off the ground. I still can't figure out how he did this. I've always had a hunch he was holy, but this is proof in the pudding. Please let him know that I am praying for him.

Fourth, please tell Father Marquard that overall, I like the changes at Mass. Basically, I like everything Father Marquard does. He may get some negative feedback, but tell him that he's a great priest and not to worry too much.

Fifth, I hope to purchase a puppy in the near future. Do you happen to know if Father Marquard would be open to blessing it? If so, would he bless the puppy *ad orientem* or would it be "toward the puppy"? If either option is possible, I would prefer he gives the blessing toward the puppy as it would be a little more meaningful for me and for the puppy.

I think that's everything. Please let Father Marquard know that I am praying for him. Oh, and tell him that he's looking great! I've noticed he's been getting in shape. He is an inspiration to me and the entire Pumpenickel family. May the splendor of the Christ Child shine upon you and may you experience many blessings in the New Year!

Sincerely,
Ludwig

I am plotting my revenge.



REQUIESCAT IN PACE

We pray for **Bill Schindler** who died this past month. May he rest in peace.

HELP NEEDED: ALTAR LINENS

We are looking for two additional volunteers to help wash and iron the **Purificator** and **Lavabo** towels for the months of March and December and April and July. If you would like to volunteer or would like more information, please contact Renee at 763.544.0416, ext. 810.

MASS INTENTIONS

We are scheduling Mass Intentions for 2021. Please stop in or call the Parish Office to schedule masses.

ADORATION CHAPEL

We are moving forward with designs for some renovations to our Eucharistic Adoration chapel at the Parish Center. The goals of the renovations are 1) to have a place on campus where people can come and pray with our Eucharistic Lord throughout the day (while maintaining the security of our school building), and 2) to provide a place for the celebration of smaller Masses, such as wedding convalidations, initiations, and private funerals. We will keep you posted on the progress. If you have questions or would like to donate to these efforts, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

HEY ALTAR SERVERS!

If you and your family are comfortable with you returning to service during Mass, please contact the parish office. We look forward to getting you back into the rotation.

PRAY FOR OUR EXODUS MEN

Several men from the parish and community will begin their journey with Exodus 90 tomorrow, January 4. Please pray for them — that this will be a time of profound growth in holiness and virtue, that they will allow the Lord to lead them to experience new freedom with his grace, and that our community will receive new life through their efforts.

STAY IN THE KNOW

In an effort to communicate with our people more easily and frequently, we recently updated our email list. If you have been getting regular email updates from Father Marquard, then you are on the list. If you have not been getting these updates, then that means we do not have a current email address for you. To subscribe to our emails, please visit our parish website at www.goodshepherdgv.org. On the front page, you will find a form where you can enter your name and email address. When you hit the "subscribe" button, your information will be automatically added to our list. Our emails contain information about upcoming events, including schedule changes necessitated by weather, illness, and new directives from the state and the archdiocese.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK		
Sun. 1/3	8:30 am	All Parishioners
	10:30 am	† MaryLou Fox
Tues. 1/5	7:30 am	† Robert Bird
Wed. 1/6	7:30 am	† Marcella Samuelson
Thurs. 1/7	7:30 am	† Father Francis Hayes
Fri. 1/8	7:30 am	† Clifford & Janet Olesen
Sat. 1/9	5:00 pm	Staff of Good Shepherd Catholic Church & School
Sun. 1/10	8:30 am	All Parishioners
	10:30 am	† Mark Starbird

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 10:30 A.M.

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL AND VIA LIVESTREAM

Please join us for a 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: [face.com/cathedralsaintpaul](https://www.facebook.com/cathedralsaintpaul).

MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT, JANUARY 15-17

"A Listening Heart" silent weekend retreat for men will be held at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN, Jan 15-17, 2021. The retreat begins Friday at 8 pm and ends at 12:45 pm on Sunday. Suggested offering is \$160, including non-refundable \$30 deposit. Several retreat scholarships are available for students high school and older. Join us for a peaceful, prayerful, and affordable retreat experience. Please call 763.682.1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com for online registration or more information.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3, 2021	
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 [8ab]/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17 [cf. 11]/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/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/Mk 1:7-11 or Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

ADDITIONAL CONTACTS

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Southwest Options for Women	
Pregnant? Need Help?	952.938.4496
Befrienders	763.544.0416
Archdiocese's Victim Assistance Program	651.291.4497



EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSINGS

Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. One great family practice on this solemnity is to do the annual Blessing of the Home. Please stop by the gathering space during all weekend Masses this weekend and throughout this week to get a copy of the blessing and a piece of blessed chalk.

AD ORIENTEM ROUNDUP

Throughout the Season of Advent and the Octave of Christmas, we celebrated Masses at Good Shepherd *ad orientem*, with the priest and people facing the same direction, toward the Lord, during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. As I explained in my homily on the First Sunday of Advent, presiding and participating in Masses celebrated in this way has brought me a more profound and powerful understanding of the Mass. It is also something that I had been longing to share with all of you with the hope that it would bring something new to your understanding and love of the Mass. I provided some information about *ad orientem* Mass and the reasons I was excited to share it in my letter, *People, Look East*.

As I indicated in my homily and my letter, I am interested in hearing about your experiences with Mass celebrated *ad orientem*, especially as it concerns your understanding of the Mass and your entry into the sacred mysteries. To facilitate this, I will be hosting two virtual discussions (and more, if necessary). The goal is to allow you to share your observations, to ask any outstanding questions, and to hear from one another. If you plan to join us and have not yet read *People, Look East*, please read the letter. It is available in the gathering space and on our website. The Zoom links for the following two meetings will be emailed and available on our website.

+ Friday, January 8, from 6 to 7 p.m.

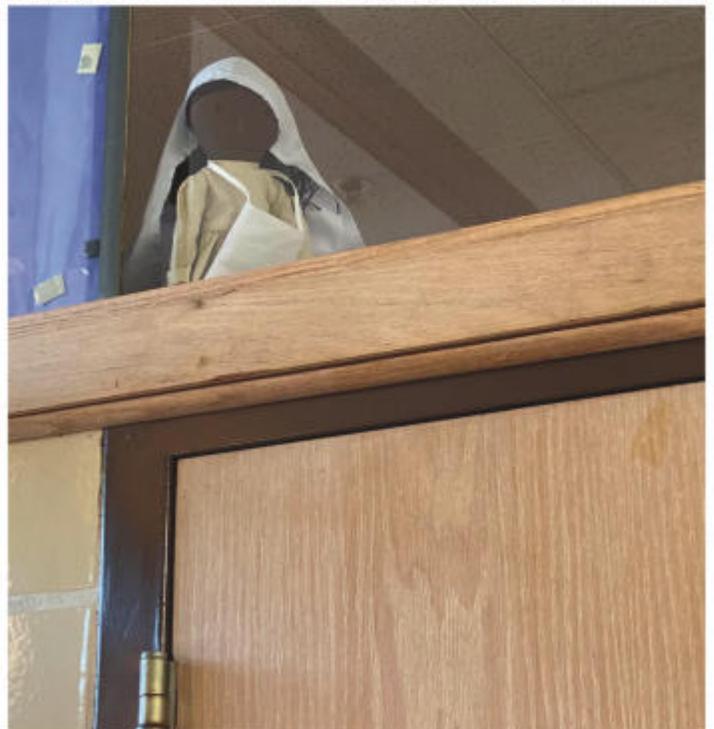
+ Sunday, January 10, from 4 to 5 p.m.



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Mary of Nazareth was hiding in new places around the school during Advent. The class that found her each day got to read Mary's messages from her satchel on the loud speaker each afternoon. Our second graders read Mary's messages: "Send your worries to the Lord" and "Give thanks for your toys, collect the ones you don't play with and donate."



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