



HOLY FAMILY OF THE BLUFFS CATHOLIC COMMUNITY JANUARY 3, 2022- JANUARY 9, 2022

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Monday, January 3 | @ Wexford..... | 8:00am |
| Tuesday, January 4 | @ New Albin..... Madilyn Benda..... | 8:30am |
| | @ Wexford..... Purgatorial Society..... | 10:30am |
| Wednesday, January 5 | @ Lansing..... Ross M Cavanagh, Jr..... | 4:00pm |
| Thursday, January 6 | @ Lansing..... John Costello..... | 8:00am |
| Friday, January 7 | @ Lansing..... Frank & Mikel Delaney..... | 8:00am |
| Saturday, January 8 | @ Harpers..... Connie Luster..... | 4:00pm |
| | @ Wexford..... Steve & Eleanor & Joe O'Neill..... | 5:30pm |
| Sunday, January 9 | @ New Albin..... For The People..... | 8:00am |
| | @ Lansing..... Eric Troendle..... | 10:00am |

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday 8:00 – 9:00 am @ Lansing, Saturday, 3:15 – 3:45 pm @ Harpers,
Sunday, 7:15 – 7:45 am @ New Albin
or call the office and schedule an appointment

**SAINT
JOSEPH**
New Albin

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**
Lansing

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**
Wexford

**SAINT ANN -
SAINT JOSEPH**
Harpers Ferry

**Stewardship -
share Jesus' love**

*“Rise up in splendor,
Jerusalem! Your light
has come,
the glory of the Lord
shines upon you.*

Isaiah 60:1

Schedule of Liturgical Ministers • January 8 & 9

The Baptism of the Lord

| | 4:00 p.m. Harpers | 5:30 p.m. Wexford | 8:00 a.m. New Albin | 10:00 a.m. Lansing |
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| Lector | Tom Diggins | Marcia Kruse | Julie Rethwisch | Theresa Yaeger |
| EMHC | Sheila Diggins | Pat Delaney | Karen Johnson | Gerti Monat |
| Altar Servers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Ushers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Giftbearers | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |
| Rosary | | | | Pat Wellendorf |
| Sacristan | | | | Tony&Gerti Monat |
| Greeters | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> | <i>None at this time</i> |

Communion to the Homebound [Lansing] – Pat Wellendorf & Lynn O'Hara

Linked Parish Office

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— and —
“Father Sean Smith”

From the Desk of Father Smith



As I write this on Dec. 22, I have just arrived home from my time visiting family. The trip was wonderful! My parents are well, my kids are well, and my grandson Graham is doing great! He turns 1 in just a few days and we're all very excited!

It takes a lot of help for a priest to take a vacation, and I have a lot of people to thank! First, thank you to Archbishop Jackels for graciously offering to cover the weekend Masses. This is a great gift to us priests and to the parishes who get to see their Archbishop. This is rare among bishops and we are especially blessed by his shepherding! Also, thank you to Msgr. Cletus Hawes, Fr. Donald Hawes, and Fr. Joe Schneider for covering all the daily Masses in my absence. A special thank you to Amber Lier, the secretary for our parishes, who did a great job running the office! And thanks to everyone else that stepped up to help everything go smoothly! It's like you didn't even miss me!

Due to the heavy winds and storms that brought damage to Iowa a few weeks ago, our Feeding God's Children event was postponed until this Wednesday, January 5, at 6:30 pm. This will be our Faith Formation for the week, so all young people and catechists, grades K-10, should come at 6:30 pm this week! It sounds like Feeding God's Children was a huge success thanks to your generosity, and we'll have final results to report soon.

This weekend we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord! The word "epiphany" literally means a manifestation of God, and this feast in particular is often linked with the coming of the wise men from the East to visit the child pointed to by the star. The wise men are not themselves the epiphany; they came to see the epiphany, to see this manifestation of God. Orthodox Churches place the significance on this Epiphany, even more than the physical birth at Christmas, as a way of highlighting who Jesus is, and what his birth means. That is something for us to reflect on. What does the coming of Jesus actually mean to us? Do we see and experience God revealed in the coming of Jesus? Would we travel to see this revelation, go "out of our way" to experience God's coming as the wise men did?

A few weeks ago I had mentioned that I would be part of a trip to Israel and Italy in early February. With the rapid increase in COVID-19 cases around the world due to the latest variant, that trip has been postponed. I don't know if or when it will be rescheduled. So I guess I'll be here to enjoy February with all of you!

Running out of things to say after my travels, so you get another big picture. Epiphany Blessings to you!



Weekend Mass Schedule

| <u>January 1 & 2</u> | | | | <u>January 8 & 9</u> | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|---------|----------|-----------|
| 4:00 pm | Harpers | 8:00 am | New Albin | 4:00 pm | Harpers | 8:00 am | New Albin |
| 5:30 pm | Wexford | 10:00 am | Lansing | 5:30 pm | Wexford | 10:00 am | Lansing |

Meetings & Happenings in "HFB"

- **Friday, Nov. 5:** First Friday Mass at 8:00 am at IC Lansing, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration at 8:30 am with Benediction at 9:15 am. Reconciliation will be available.

Daily Mass readings (January 2- January 9

To subscribe to receiving daily readings by email every morning visit:

<https://bible.usccb.org/>

This Sunday, January 2: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

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, January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 4: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 5: St. John Neumann, Bishop

1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday, January 6: St. André Bessette, Religious

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday, January 7: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday, January 8:

1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday, January 9: The Baptism of the Lord

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

Thank You!

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank those who contributed to the Gift Card Giving Trees in our parishes. 69 cards have been delivered to the LIFT and will be given to those in need in our community. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank You

Prayer for Family Commitment

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world. Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love. Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor. In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us—spouses, parents, and children— share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

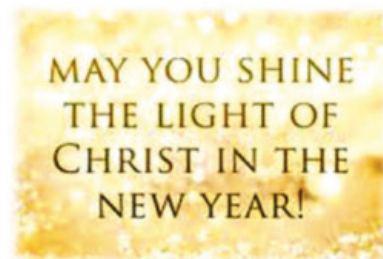


"Stewardship" Report for December 18 & 19

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| Act of Kindness | \$154.00 |
| Retirement Religious | \$10.00 |
| Candle | \$7.00 |
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| Unrestricted Donation | \$150.00 |
| Lansing | |
| Adult | \$882.00 |
| Act of Kindness | \$9.00 |
| Retirement Religious | \$10.00 |
| Unrestricted Donation | \$500.00 |
| Wexford | |
| Adult | \$484.00 |
| Act of Kindness | \$140.00 |
| Restricted Donation | \$1000.00 |
| Children | \$5.00 |

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