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Nativity of the Lord

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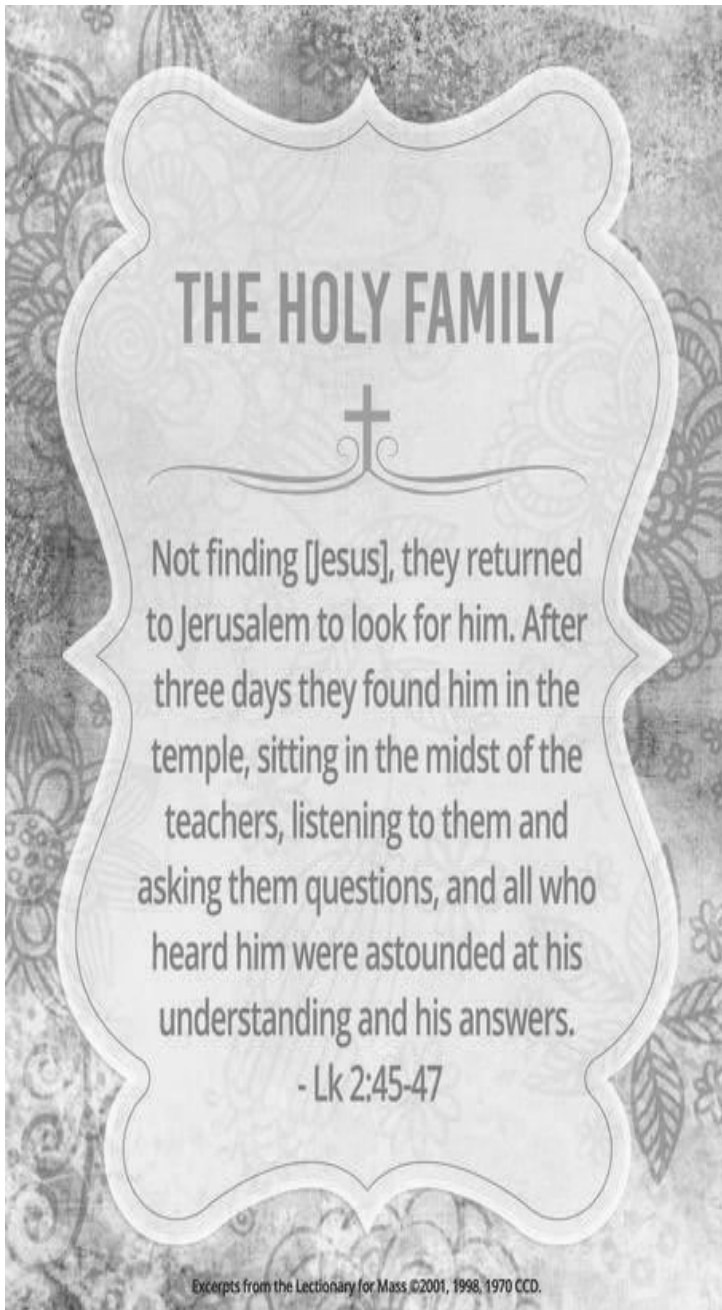
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THE NATIVITY of the Lord

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you
who is Christ and Lord." - Lk 2:11

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Sacrament of Baptism—Please contact the Parish Office. Baptism class is required to arrange the date of baptism.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—1/2 hour before the Weekend Masses. Anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony— Couples planning a wedding should contact the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance. No date should be set without first consulting with Fr. Matthew

Sacrament of Holy Orders— Parishioners are urged to pray for and encourage anyone who might feel called to be a priest or deacon, or who might serve the church in religious life.

RCIA— Those who would like to join the Roman Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office.

Visiting the Sick— Please notify the parish office of any parishioners who are homebound, sick, in hospitals, nursing homes and wish to be visited or receive Communion.

Prayer Network—If you know of someone in need of prayers, please call Diane Kieffer 355-2178 dikieffer@jetup.net Colleen Kasella 355-2733, Linda Zimmer 387-3275 lzimmer@jetup.net

Parish Registration—Registration of new parishioners should be made with the Parish Office. Parish registration is necessary before arranging for a baptism or a wedding.



Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Healthy New Year.

TRI-PARISH INFORMATION

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. FAUSTINA

St. Faustina: Jesus said: **The Bride must resemble her Betrothed.** St Faustina: There is no room for doubt here. My likeness to Jesus must be through suffering and humility. Jesus: **See what love of human souls has done to Me. My daughter, in your heart I find everything that so great number of souls refuses Me. Your heart is My repose. I often wait with great graces until towards the end of prayer. 268**

2021 YEARLY CONTRIBUTIONS NEED TO BE IN BY DECEMBER 31ST IF YOU WANT THEM CREDIT FOR 2021 OTHER WISE THEY WILL GO INTO 2022.

Christmas Flowers are in memory of deceased loved one's.

THANK YOU to Greg Wenner from the Foley Funeral Home for our 2022 calendars. They are in back of the churches so please take one for your home or office.

SJAS NEWS

December 2021— Merry Christmas and a very Blessed & Happy New Year from everyone at St John's Area School. The students finished their Advent projects and shared the Christmas program with their families and friends. The students and staff are now on Christmas break through January 1st.

Want to know more about SJAS? We encourage anyone who is interested in learning more about St. John's Area School to call our school at **320-968-7972** or visit our website at saint-johnssd.school.net you can also follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

Thank you: to all of our supporting Parishes!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Friday January 7th—Soup Supper at St. Elizabeth from 4:30pm-6:30pm.

December 25 & 26, 2021 Christmas

SS. PETER AND PAUL PARISH

New Shingles were put on the bus garage, the cost of the project was \$5,400. the labor was donated. If you would like to help contribute to this project, please drop your donation in the collection basket and label it " bus garage."

WELCOME BOOKLETS— A limited number of SS Peter and Paul welcome booklets have been printed and are available in the back of church. Each family is welcome to take one copy. More will be printed as needed.

Reminder your Raffle Books need to be in the Weekend of December 31st to the parish office or by mail in order to be put in the drawing.

ST ELIZABETH PARISH

St. Elizabeth Christian Women are having a baby shower for Jesus. Baby items may be placed in the crib in the back of the church during the Advent & Christmas Season. Donated items will be picked up on January 10, 2022 and donated to Rum River Life Choices.

Thank you to the ladies that came to clean the St. Elizabeth Church before Christmas. May God Bless you all!



Eternal Rest Grant unto **Fran Matvick** and **Donald(Pete) Murphy** O Lord, and let the Perpetual Light Shine on them. We extend our sympathy to their family and friends.

St. Elizabeth's Parish is looking to get a committee together to work on a Centennial Celebration for our Church in a Couple of years. Please think about being on this Committee and contact the Parish Office if interested. More information will be coming.

Friday January 7th there will be a Soup Supper at St. Elizabeth Church in Brennyville, from 4:30pm-6:30pm.
FREE WILL OFFERING

There is a sign up sheet in back of St. Elizabeth's Church if you would like to make a Soup for the Supper.

ST JOSEPH PARISH

THANK YOU for all the donations to the Pierz Toy Drive, they were so pleased to see all the gifts and gift cards come in. And we donated 332 pounds of food to the Pierz food shelf, they too were thrilled with the donation. Thank you and God Bless you for your generosity!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship as a Way of Life: "See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. "(1 John 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received: being children of God! As God's children, it's in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them—every day! Also, pray for those people who are different than you, those who you may not like or those who go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of new friendship.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Christ is born! Our mission is to be **His** heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. The ministries supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal people throughout our diocese. Please consider a gift at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

TRI-PARISH INFORMATION

Catholic United Financial is collecting caps and mittens for the needy, boxes will be in St. Elizabeth and SS Peter and Paul churches.

To all the Parishioners of the Tri-Parishes may you have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. As you all know that I will be retiring at the end of the Year. It's been over thirteen years as your secretary I enjoyed working with all of you; there has been a lot of changes and I'm sure their will be more to come. I know it will be a change for me but hopefully a good one.
Blessings to all.
Georgiann

Epiphany House Blessing. Ancient European custom is to bless your house on the Feast of Epiphany. Here's how: Gather your family at the front door. Read in your Bible Matthew 2:1-12. Take the piece of chalk blessed in Church today and write above the door: **20+C+M+B+22**. The numbers stand for the year. The letters may stand for the traditional names of the Magi—Casper, Melchoir and Balthasaar. They may also be shorthand for Christus mansionem benedicat, Latin for "Christ bless this house."

Liturgical Ministers

January 1 & 2, 2022

Lectors

4:00pm Gwen Pekarek
8:00am Chad Barthelemy
10:00am Patric Lewandowski

Acolytes

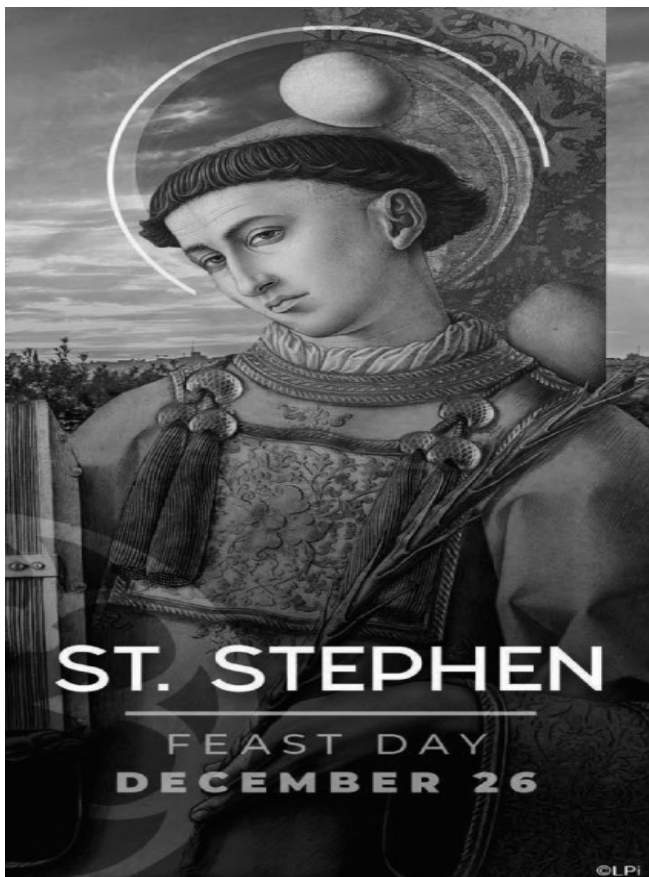
8:00am Leo Gadacz & Elijah Stay
10:00am Connor Wojciechowski

Extra-Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm Jean Young
8:00am Jeff Mastey, Sarah Gadacz, Terri Janson
10:00am Joyce Fleck

Ushers

4:00pm John Pekarek, Jack Kieffer
8:00am Mark Czech, Jeremy Rudnitski,
Bruce Brenny, Brad Juetten
10:00am Leo Zimmermann , Bert VanderWeyst



CHECK US OUT ONLINE:
Website: WWW.SESJPP.ORG

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday December 27 **Saint John, Apostle**
NO MASS

Tuesday December 28 thru Thursday December 30th
No Masses - Father Matthew will be gone.

Friday December 31 **Seventh Day within**
 the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
PP **8:00am** **+Lawrence Vouk**
 8:30am **Eucharistic Adoration**

Saturday January 1 **Vigil Epiphany of**
 the Lord
SJ **4:00pm** **Tri-Parishes of SJ, SE, PP**

Sunday January 2 **Epiphany of the Lord**
PP **8:00am** **+Clifford & Dolores Mastey**
SE **10:00am** **Adam, JoAnnah, Levi**
 Melquist

NOTICE—NO MORNING OR EVENING MASS if there is a Funeral scheduled that day.

MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | 4:00pm | St. Joseph |
| Sunday | 8:00am | SS Peter and Paul |
| | 10:00am | St. Elizabeth |
| Monday | No Mass | |
| Tuesday—Friday | Check Mass Schedule | |

Reconciliation half hour before weekend Masses.

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The Vatican: w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/it.html
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Website:
www.usccb.org Relevant Radio ~ 11:80 AM ~ All Catholic
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Sunday TV Mass at 11:00am on Channel 45
SUNDAY TV MASS AT www.stcdio.org/tvmass

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

O God,
we earnestly beseech you to bless your Church
with many vocations to the holy priesthood:
men who will serve you with their whole strength
and gladly spend their lives for your Church,
and to make you known and loved.

Amen.
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obtain for us many holy priests*
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