

# ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH & ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

PO Box 234, Taylors Falls, MN 55084

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January 3, 2021



## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

### MASS TIMES

#### Mass Times at St. Joseph's

Monday-Friday 7:30am  
Saturday 5:30pm  
Sunday 7:30am, 11:00am

#### Mass Time at St. Francis Xavier

Sunday 9:15am

#### Confessions (St. Joseph)

Monday- Friday: 7:00am-7:25am  
Thursday: 4:00pm-5:30pm  
Saturday: 4:30pm - 5:15pm

#### Adoration (St. Joseph)

Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm

#### ST JOSEPH

490 Bench Street  
Taylors Falls, MN 55084

#### ST FRANCIS XAVIER

25267 Redwing Avenue  
Shafer, MN 55074

\*The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday has been suspended until further notice.

#### OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thur., 8:30am - 4:00pm  
540 River Street  
Taylors Falls, MN 55084

ANOINTING Call Fr. Drees at 651.465.7345 for someone in need of Anointing of the Sick.

## ADMINISTRATION

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### FOR THE WEEK OF Jan. 3 Saturday, January 2

#### Sunday, January 3

7:30am

†Shirley Heilman

9:15am

11:00am

Parishioners of both parishes  
Monday, January 4

#### Tuesday, January 5

#### Wednesday, January 6

#### Thursday, January 7

#### Friday, January 8

### FOR THE WEEK OF Jan. 10 Saturday Vigil, January 9

#### Sunday, January 10

7:30am

9:15am

Parishioners of both parishes

11:00am

† Indicates repose of soul

**Please pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory daily.**

## LECTORS ON WEEKEND MASSES

If you are available to lector (read the readings and prayers) at Mass on a weekend, please contact the office at 651-465-7345 or sign-up online at: [stjosephstaylorfalls.org](http://stjosephstaylorfalls.org) and click on "Lector Sign-up" There are workbooks available for you to practice the readings.

## Would You like to Join the Parish?

If you would like to become a member of St. Joseph or St. Francis Xavier, talk to Fr. Drees after Mass so that he can personally give you a parish registration form.

## COLLECTIONS UPDATE

### St. Joseph

(\$3,100 needed weekly)  
December 13 \$3797.00  
December 20 \$ 2851.00

### St. Francis Xavier

(\$1,425 needed weekly)  
December 13 \$1745.36  
December 20 \$2039.32

## Online Giving

There are a number of parishioners who have signed-up for automatic giving (Electronic Funds Transfer). These forms can be picked up at the parish office or can be found on the parish website homepage.

## MASS INTENTION

If you want to add a Mass intention to the calendar, contact the church office. Our Archdiocese recommends \$7-\$10 as the stipend for a Mass intention.  
**Call 651-465-7345**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SUFFERING OF OUR PARISHES

Terri Angel, Steve Gall, James McIntyre, Don Nellen, Pat Lee, Sr., Justin Bradley, Dory Kazmierczak, Gene Krell, Karen Salokar, Mark Kruger, Jim Burkart, Elizabeth Cox, Daniel Ostling, Adam Carr, Loren Deneen, Troy Maassen, Mary Ohotto, Carl Ostling, Allen Peltier, Kylie Peterson, Don Klocker, Dona Roderigue, Chris McIntyre, Robert Steele, Rick Globensky, Robert Linwood, Don LeVasseur, Kimberly Vaneps.

*To add or subtract a name, please call the office.*



## From Fr. Drees' Desk

### **Come Let Us Adore Him!**

The three Magi sought the newborn king. When they found Jesus, they adored him. You and I do not have to go to Bethlehem to adore Jesus. The same Jesus the Magi adored is truly present in the Eucharist. Come adore our Lord! On Friday morning the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the altar in a monstrance. Even if you can only stop in the church for few minutes, Jesus will be delighted with your visit. Before Mass on other days (weekdays and weekends), you are welcome to spend additional time adoring our Lord in the Eucharist reserved in the tabernacle. Come let us adore Him!

### **St. Joseph January Reflection online**

The January St. Joseph Reflection for this year of Saint Joseph is posted with links on the website. This month's video reflection looks at St. Joseph and his dreams.

### **Bible in a Year**

The Bible in a Year January 1– January 15 overview video was posted after Christmas. It's not too late to jump in and join others in the parish who are reading the entire Bible in 2021.

Blessings,  
Fr. Drees

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



**GOD IS GOOD, ALL THE TIME!  
ALL THE TIME, GOD IS GOOD!**

**Worship Aid for recorded Mass. Online by noon on Sunday, January 3.**  
**[stjosephstaylorfalls.org](http://stjosephstaylorfalls.org)**

**Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good  
will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore  
you, we glorify you, we give you thanks  
for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the  
Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord, you alone are  
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the  
Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the  
Father.  
Amen.

**1st Reading:** IS 60:1-6

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your  
light has come,  
the glory of the Lord shines upon you.  
See, darkness covers the earth,  
and thick clouds cover the peoples;  
but upon you the LORD shines,  
and over you appears his glory.  
Nations shall walk by your light,  
and kings by your shining radiance.  
Raise your eyes and look about;  
they all gather and come to you:  
your sons come from afar,  
and your daughters in the arms of their  
nurses.  
Then you shall be radiant at what you  
see, your heart shall throb and over-  
flow, for the riches of the sea shall be  
emptied out before you,  
the wealth of nations shall be brought to  
you.  
Caravans of camels shall fill you,  
dromedaries from Midian and Ephah;  
all from Sheba shall come  
bearing gold and frankincense,  
and proclaiming the praises of the  
LORD.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 72

*R/ Lord, every nation on earth will  
adore you.*

**2nd Reading:** EPH 3:2-3, 5-6

Brothers and sisters:  
You have heard of the stewardship of  
God's grace  
that was given to me for your benefit,  
namely, that the mystery was made  
known to me by revelation.  
It was not made known to people in  
other generations  
as it has now been revealed  
to his holy apostles and prophets by the  
Spirit:  
that the Gentiles are coheirs, members  
of the same body, and copartners in the  
promise in Christ Jesus through the gos-  
pel.

**Gospel:** MT 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of  
Judea,  
in the days of King Herod,  
behold, magi from the east arrived in  
Jerusalem, saying,  
"Where is the newborn king of the  
Jews?  
We saw his star at its rising  
and have come to do him homage."  
When King Herod heard this,  
he was greatly troubled,  
and all Jerusalem with him.  
Assembling all the chief priests and the  
scribes of the people,  
He inquired of them where the Christ  
was to be born.  
They said to him, "In Bethlehem of  
Judea,  
for thus it has been written through the  
prophet:  
And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,  
are by no means least among the rul-  
ers of Judah;  
since from you shall come a ruler,  
who is to shepherd my people Israel."  
Then Herod called the magi secretly  
and ascertained from them the time of  
the star's appearance.  
He sent them to Bethlehem and said,  
"Go and search diligently for the  
child.

When you have found him, bring me  
word, that I too may go and do him  
homage."  
After their audience with the king they  
set out.  
And behold, the star that they had seen  
at its rising preceded them,  
until it came and stopped over the place  
where the child was.  
They were overjoyed at seeing the star,  
and on entering the house  
they saw the child with Mary his moth-  
er.  
They prostrated themselves and did him  
homage.  
Then they opened their treasures  
and offered him gifts of gold, frankin-  
cense, and myrrh.  
And having been warned in a dream not  
to return to Herod, they departed for  
their country by another way.

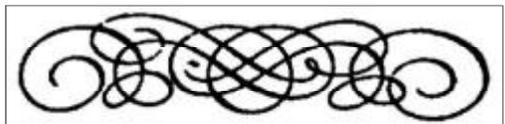
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**Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all  
things, and I desire to receive You into my  
soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive  
You sacramentally, come at least spiritually  
into my heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

**St. Michael Prayer**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in  
battle. Be our protection against the  
wickedness and snares of the devil; May  
God rebuke him, we humbly pray;  
And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly  
Host, by the power of God, cast into hell  
Satan and all evil spirits who prowl  
about the world seeking the ruin of  
souls. Amen.



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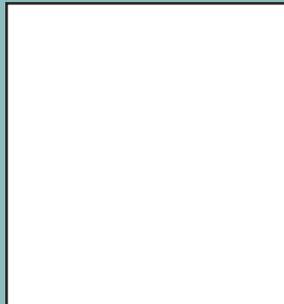
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