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January 2
2022

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SAINT MARY

Duc in Altum
Cast Out Into The Deep

Mass Times

Tues & Thurs: 5:30 pm
Wed & Fri: 8:00 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Confession

Wednesday 12pm - 1 pm
Saturday 10:30 - 11 am
or by appointment

Adoration

Wednesday: Exposition 5 pm
Benediction Concludes at 6 pm
Please join us for any portion of the Holy Hour

Emergency Line

Please leave a voicemail
319-359-7072

Anointing of the Sick

To schedule please call
641-236-7486
*If you are having a medical procedure,
please consider receiving this great
sacrament beforehand.*

Office Hours

Mon - Thurs:
8 am - 3:30 pm
Fri: 8 am- 12:30 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

TUESDAY, Jan 4 Mass for Carroll Smith +
WEDNESDAY, Jan 5 Mass for Dennis Ashby +
THURSDAY, Jan 6 Mass for Lucille Anderson +
FRIDAY, Jan 7 Mass for Special Intention
SATURDAY, Jan 8 Mass for Bill Husak +
SUNDAY, Jan 9 Mass for the People of the Parish
 Mass for Chris Molitor +

Readings for the week of January 02, 2022

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/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/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/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

Observances for the week of January 02, 2022

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
Monday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Tuesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
Wednesday: St. John Neumann, Bishop
Thursday: St. André Bessette, Religious
Friday: St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord



AREA MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church, Newton

Mass: Saturday - 4:00 PM
 Sunday - 9:00 AM
 Mon, Wed - 11:30 AM
 Tue & Thur - 5:15 PM
 Fri - 9:00AM
Confession: Saturday - 3:00 pm

Immaculate Conception, Colfax

Mass: Sunday - 9:00 AM
 Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM
Confession: Saturday - 10:30 AM
 (Church Office)

St. Patrick, Brooklyn

Mass: Saturday - 4:00 PM
 Sunday - 8:00 AM
 Wed & Fri - 8:00 AM
Confession: 1 hour prior the Masses

St. Bridget, Victor

Mass: Sunday - 10 AM
 Tue & Thur - 8:00 AM
 Saturday: 8:00 AM
 First Friday - 5:00 PM
Confession: 1 hour prior the Masses

Traveling?

Find a Mass at masstimes.org



ESTIMATED MONTHLY EXPENSES

\$26,360.00

Thank you for your continued generous support of our parish, most especially during these trying times. Thank you and stay well!

WEEK 1 INCOME \$3,408.31

WEEK 2 INCOME \$8,937.55

WEEK 3 INCOME \$3,091.16

WEEK 4 INCOME Amount not available at time of publication

TOTAL \$15,437.02



...from Father Scott



Pietà - Italian for “Pity” or “Compassion”

Sculpted by Michelangelo (c1498-1499)
Located in St. Peter’s Basilica in Vatican City

Photo by: Stanislav Traykov

January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the greatest saint of all time. Vatican II encourages everyone to have a genuine Marian devotion and to entrust one’s life to her motherly care.

God bless you, *Fr. Scott*

FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation: We look forward to seeing all our families THIS Wednesday, January 5th with a meal beginning at 5:30 pm and our session to begin at 6 pm. Les and Linda will be hosting the meal again with a menu of meatballs, spaghetti, carrot and celery sticks, garlic bread and a dessert.



Confirmation 2022 preparation will be celebrating a Rite of Welcome NEXT Sunday, January 9th at the 9 am Mass. Preparation to follow in the lower level Church Hall.



First Eucharist Preparation will begin, Sunday January 16th, 2022 at 9 am in the lower level Church Hall.



K-12 Families Service Sunday Our next event will be NEXT Sunday, January 9th with a meal hosted by Les and Linda beginning at 11:45 am and our session to follow shortly after 12:00 noon.

Junior High and High School Our next gathered session will be January 16, 2022.

We continue seek help with Faith Formation:

- We have leaders for the JH and HS “In Real Life” sessions BUT we are still needing team helpers (small group leaders). This group meets every first and third Sunday of the month from 6-7:30 PM.
- Planning/Serving/Cleaning up the meals served the First Wednesday and Second Sunday of the month.

FUNDRAISER INFORMATION



We are so grateful that we were able to take our trip to NCYC in Indianapolis even though we did not raise the money needed before we left. Please look for future fundraisers to continue to pay for that trip and to replenish our youth activities fund that helps our young people attend such events.



The Parish Library, located in the lower level of church, has been refreshed and re-organized, and is currently featuring books for Advent and the Christmas season. Come check out some good reading! (If you happen to have books at home that were checked out pre-pandemic, please return them at your earliest convenience.)

BRINGING HOME THE GOSPEL

December 26, 2021
The Holy Family
Luke 2:41-52

The Holy Family

Jesus lived a rather ordinary life with his family. We have only one story from his childhood: Luke's account of Jesus being left behind in Jerusalem. I love this story because it makes the Holy Family seem so human, and it reminds us that even the holiest of families have problems.

Mary and Joseph are coming back from Jerusalem in a large caravan of relatives. After traveling for a full day they realize Jesus is missing. Imagine the scene. They are scared to death. Maybe they even argue a bit about what to do. Perhaps Joseph allows his fear to sound like anger as he questions Mary about when she has last seen Jesus. They turn around and retrace their steps to and through Jerusalem.

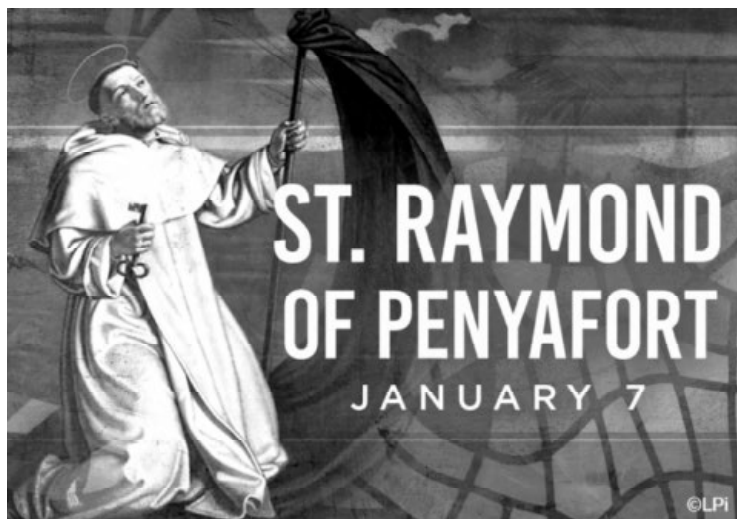
For three days they search for Jesus, concerned that he is afraid, alone and lost. Instead, they find Jesus in the temple, sitting comfortably with the teachers. Their relief turns to the very human emotion of frustration, as Mary asks her son, "Why have you done this to us?" Jesus answers like any other twelve-year-old: "I thought you'd know...."

Like all families, the Holy Family probably had times when their communication was less than perfect. Like all strong families, they probably said their "sorrlys" and learned from their mistakes. I jokingly like to say that we don't hear about Jesus for the next eighteen years because he was grounded, but I'm just projecting a mother's frustration. More seriously, we know this was an important event for Mary, because she kept it forever in her heart.

FAMILY RESPONSE: All families have problems. Handling problems in a positive way, and not letting them dissolve family unity, is a trait of strong families. And so is good communication. Ask family members to talk about positive ways of solving problems.

PERSONAL RESPONSE: All parents hold things in their hearts regarding their children. What are the really special things about your child or children that you do not want to forget?

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SAINT OF THE MONTH



**SAINT
ELIZABETH
ANN SETON**

**FOUNDER OF AMERICAN
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A reminder that if you or someone you know is hospitalized or is struggling, and you wish for Father and the prayer chain to know, please call or email the parish office.

As we all adjust to our post-pandemic lives, we want to make sure that no one is forgotten. Thank you!



*Founded on the principles of charity, unity
and fraternity, the Knights of Columbus
was established in 1882
by Blessed Michael J. McGivney.*

Interested in joining the Knights of Columbus?
Contact Kent Reed at (319)231-2382

Liturgical Aide Schedule

Usher Schedule

	4:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Jan 8/9	Larry VanErsvelde Patti Cline	Mike Sims Marvin Waechter	Lee McFee Jane McFee

Reader Schedule

Date	4:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Jan 8/9	Michelle Otto	Patsy Probasco	Tommy Hexter

LET'S DO THIS ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Appeal Goal	\$54,313
Pledges So Far	\$38,153
TO BE RAISED	\$16,160
Number of Donors	104

If you haven't yet responded to the Annual Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so.

If we don't reach our pledge goal, the parish will need to pay the difference directly out of our operating funds.

**Please realize that
your gift is important.**

**Every gift, regardless of size,
is vital to the success of the Appeal.**



In his Apostolic Exhortation, *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with

the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

