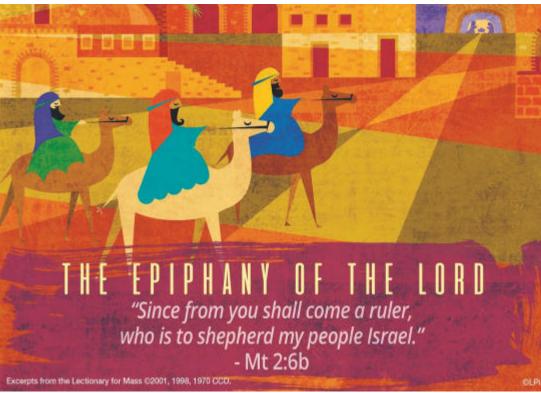


# ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH January 2, 2022

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## MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Jude The Apostle Parish, are committed to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ and following the teaching of the Catholic Church. As the People of God, we recognize the universal call to holiness, rooted in Baptism and nourished by the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. We act in charity and justice as a visible sign of our mission to be a house of welcome and a place of service to all.



#### The Sacraments of Our Church

Eucharist: All Masses are in the Church - Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday: 4pm Sunday: 7am, 8:30am, & 10:30am

Daily Mass is Monday through Saturday at 8 AM.

**Baptism (of Infants)**: Contact our Parish office for information about the Baptism Class and to schedule a Baptism.

**Reconciliation:** Every First Friday 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Formation Building Saturday 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. in the Christian Formation Building or longer as needed Reconciliation is also available by appointment at any time

**<u>Confirmation</u>**: Is a 2-year preparation process. Call Christian Formation Office for details.

**<u>Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)</u>**: Call the Christian Formation Office for information.

<u>Marriage</u>: At least one individual should be a parishioner who practices our faith. Please contact one of our Priests or Deacons to begin preparation which takes approximately 1 year.

<u>Anointing of the Sick</u>: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with serious illness may request the sacrament by calling our Parish Office at 644-7300.

#### Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Closed for lunch 12Noon to 1:00 pm



Epiphany of the Lord Jan. 2nd, 7a.m., 8:30a.m. &

10:30a.m.

Baptism of the Lord January 8th, 4:00p.m., Vigil Mass Jan 9th, 7:00a.m., 8:30a.m. & 10:30a.m.

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From Our Pastor's Desk

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St. Jude The Apostle

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Most Blessed Sacrament School Trinette Stillman (410) 208-1600 Dear Saints-in-the-Making,

Greetings in Christ, Whom wise men and women still seek!

A blessed and holy New Year to everyone.

As we hear in our Gospel this weekend of the three Magi seeking the newborn King of the Jews, I share with you something from within our Catholic Tradition.

From late Medieval times, the three Wise Men have been portrayed as having different skin tones: Balthasar has ebony skin and was thought to have come from Africa; Melchior, light skin, from Europe and Gaspar, tan skin, from Asia. Moreover, the three Magi are represented as being of different ages: one young, one middle-aged, and one in the Autumn of life. This represents that the Christ has come to redeem all peoples throughout the world, regardless of origin, race or age.

It also represents that regardless of where we come from or what we look like or how young or old we are, we are all to walk together to look for the Christ. No one is to be left out. It is why the Christ comes to us and, once grown and preaching the Good News, goes to the outcast and those on the fringes as well as to those of every background.

This desire to reach out to serve those of every background is what our neighbor Priest, Fr. Anthony Giamello, the Pastor of St. John the Apostle / St. Bernadette in Milford and Harrington respectively, will be doing for the next several months. As a Lieutenant Corporal and Catholic Chaplain in the United States Air Force, he will be deployed to Qatar beginning tomorrow, January 3, and will remain there serving the spiritual needs of our military personnel in active duty. Please keep him in your daily prayers.

Since his tour of duty will require him to be away from his parish, the Bishop has decided to appoint our own Fr. Jones as Administrator during his absence, once Fr. Jones returns from some well-deserved vacation and retreat time in his homeland of India. Beginning mid-February, Fr. Jones will remain on site at St. John the Apostle ministering to the spiritual and sacramental needs of the parishioners until Fr. Giamello returns, at which point Fr. Jones will return to St. Jude the Apostle Parish. Fr. Giamello's tour of duty should conclude at some time in July.

This means that the Diocese holds Fr. Jones in high regard, enough to give him the responsibility of a parish under his pastoral care, albeit as an Administrator. While we will miss Fr. Jones on our parish campus for the next several months, we will look very forward to welcoming him back with open arms in mid-Summer. Until such time, please keep him in your daily prayers.

And know that you are all in mine.

God love you! I do. Fr. Lewis

Tax Contribution Letters for 2021

Dear Parishioners,

If you would like a letter from St. Jude stating your total tax contribution for the year 2021 please call the office and request one.

If you have done this in previous years, you will automatically receive a letter in the mail.

Bulletin Articles due by 3PM on Friday (2 weeks prior to publication) Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

Moving In? Moving Out? Please contact us to register, or inform us of your departure.

Visit us also on Facebook

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St Jude The Apostle Catholic

## We have a new parish app!!



Or, you can search Google Play Store or Apple App Store for the

#### Weconnect Parish App

After getting the app, open and it will guide you to set your parish.

Please delete the old app as it is no longer functional.

#### **PRAYER LINE**

Week I-Shirley Young, Barbara Ann Smith, Gavin Birl, Carol Witts, Bob Woods, John Truglio, Kieran Cawley, Michelle Linehan, Sheila Naughton & Barbara Swetnam

Week II—Nicholas Tamburro, Antoinette Nash, Ann & Bill Noweck, Tahiry Rappo, Bob Cavallero & John Gannon

Week III— Buzz Gildea, Joan Bundy & Priscilla Aubrey Nutter Week IV-Susan Frie, Joe Ruiz, Jeanette Toconita, Bill Zimmerman, Ginny Lewis,

Steve Kittka & Michele Massoni Week V—Ann Wojcik, Fran Ritterhouse, Michael Killmon, Suzanne Zeltman, Ann Mallet, & Eileen Walder

Week VI-Michael S. Harris, Lisa Ledda, Susan Short, Michael Pfarr, Catherine Markel, Leonard Gilbert, Kathie Strissel, Tim Haas, Francis Seaver & Nicholas Dominelli & Family

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servant (N...) for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you or a relative are ill or in need of prayers and would like to be added to the list, please contact Carol in the office at either cturoczy@stjudelewes.org or 644-7300. The list will be on a 6 week rotation. Also only request from immediate family members will be accepted in order to protect individual's privacy.

## LET US PRAY FOR OUR

DECEASED PRIESTS Rev. Anthony F. DiMichele Most Rev. John N. Neumann Most Rev. John J. Monaghan Vy. Rev. John F. O'Brien Rev. James A. Murphy Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### LET US PRAY FOR OUR LIVING

Rev. Michael B. Roark Rev. Msgr. Stanley J. Russell Rev. James B. Smith Rev. John T. Solomon **Rev.** Daniel Staniskis Rev. Sean F. Turley Rev. Raymond F. Weisman Rev. Robert A. Wozniak Rev. John J. Abrahams Rev. Msgr. Lloyd E. Aiken **Rev.** William Arlia Rev. Robert D. Ashenbrenner Vy. Rev. James D. Bagnato Eternal God, please bless our Priests, who represent You on this earth. Make them more greatly aware of the grace that You pour out through them when they minister the Sacraments, and help them to fall more deeply in love with You after each and every Mass that they celebrate. Please strengthen our Priests, who shepherd Your flock, when they are in doubt of their faith, that they may be examples of Your Truth and guide us always on the path to You. We ask these things of You our Eternal Priest. Amen.

We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Catholic faith. Let us continue to be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic.

While parishioners are obligated to attend Sunday & observed Holy Day Masses, one Mass per weekend will continue to be livestreamed for the benefit of those temporarily or permanently homebound in our community. Unless otherwise communicated, that Mass will continue to be our 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil liturgy which can be accessed at our YouTube Channel in real-time, or recording (after-the-fact).

## Scripture Readings

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 In 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/ In 3:22-30 Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [116]/ Acts 10:34-38/L 3:15-16, 21-22 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:16-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/ Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-2

Grief Support - New Normal

## **The New Normal**

Our parish will offer a new Grief Support Program. Each session runs 6 weeks long and is approx. 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to 2 hours each session. The program is available to all who wish to attend, but pre -registration is required. Please call the Parish Office and ask about The New Normal.

Next Session - 7:00 p.m. - Tuesday, Jan 4, Jan. 11 & Jan. 18

# Líturgy

## Masses the week of January 2 to 9

#### Sunday, Epiphany of the Lord

- 7:00 AM Robert Chassion 8:30 AM For the People of the Parish 10:30 AM Felicia & Andrew Maiorano
- Fr. Lewis Deacon Joe

Fr. Jones - Deacon Marty

Fr. Jones - Deacon Howard & Deacon Don

Monday, Holy Name of Jesus 8:00 AM Theresa Bellerose

Fr. Jones - Deacon Barry

Tuesday, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton8:00 AM Rosalie LaszakFr. Jones - Deacon Bill

Wednesday, St. John Neumann 8:00 AM Suffering Souls in Purgatory

Fr. Lewis - Deacon Joe

Thursday, St. Andre Bessette 8:00 AM Mary McNulty

Fr. Lewis - Deacon Marty

Friday, St. Raymond of Penyafort8:00 AM Henry HarmsFr. Jones - Deacon Howard

Saturday 8:00 AM Loreta Gerochi 4:00 PM Walter Angielski

Fr. Lewis - Deacon Al Fr. Jones - Deacon Al

## Sunday, Baptism of the Lord

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish 8:30 AM Alexandre Pio Dos Santos and Frank T. Peace 10:30 AM Frank Frazzano

Fr. Jones - Deacon Joe

Fr. Lewis - Deacon Barry Fr. Lewis - Deacon Bill



#### MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK January 2 to 8

Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in Loving Memory of William & Marie Bowler. Requested by Rick Venish.

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week Wishing Fr. Lewis, Fr. Jones and Fr. Tom a Happy and Safe New Year.

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week Wishing all our Deacons, Bill, Don, Marty, Howard, Al, Joe & Barry a Happy and Safe New Year.

Altar Candle in the Chapel will burn this week in Honor of Prayer Blanket Recipients. Requested by The Prayer Blanket Ministry.

Altar Candle in the Chapel will burn this week in Memory of Marie Mollick. Requested by Ron & Bev Stoner, OPS.



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

"We should consider those moments spent before the Blessed Sacrament as the happiest of our lives." - St. John Vianney - The Cure of Ars

We are blessed as a parish community with the Real Presence of Jesus Christ exposed in our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel.

Please call Al Hanley (302-703-2419) if you are interested in signing up for a regularly scheduled hour of Adoration.

## HOLIDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE



From New Year's Eve, Friday, noon, until Sunday, January 2, 12 noon, Eucharistic Adoration will continue as usually scheduled.

Those assigned to adore during these hours should plan to adore as usual, and visitors will be welcome.

Scheduled adorers with conflicting holiday commitments, however, may be excused.

Accordingly, the small door on the exposition tabernacle may be opened by any adorer present in the chapel, but it must be closed by any adorer upon leaving the chapel when no other adorer is present.

As usual, the chapel door will be unlocked from 7 am to 7 pm, and accessible by key code from 7 pm to 7 am.



Please pray for members of the military who are serving both here and abroad:

Capt. Ryan J. Bickley, M. D. USA (Grandson of Claire & Richard Thomas)

Daniel J. Blake CPO/USN (Son of Jim & Christina Blake)

Lance Corporal Michael Caravaello (Caravaello Family) SPC Alex Castagna, Army (Grandson of Marian Balawejder

Lt. Col. Joseph Davis, USAF (Nephew of Jean Stewart) E6 1st Class Petty Officer Michael A. Foti, USN (Son of Jonnel Foti)

Capt. Justin A. Farinelli, USA (Son of Tom & Cathy Farinelli)

E5 Kyle Fowler, USN (Grandson of Frances Patterson Master Sgt. David Frost, USAF (Grandson of Bob and Mary Lou Frost)

1st Lieutenant Jeffrey Frost, USAF (Grandson of Bob and Mary Lou Frost)

Lt. Col. Anthony Giamello, Chaplain, Air Force

LTjg Sean Hanley, USN, USS Milius DDG69, Deployed West Pacific (Son of Joe and Frances Hanley)

*Capt. William Hanley, USMC, 1st Marine Expeditionary Force (Son of Joe and Frances Hanley* 

Spec E4 Brendan Hartford, USCG (Grandson of Jean Stewart)

Maj. Garrett Jacob, USA (Son of Marie and Edwin Jacob)

Capt. Meridith Jacob, USA (Daughter-in-law of Marie and Edwin Jacob)

Capt. Laura Marshall, USAF (Daughter of David & Marie Marshall)

Staff Sgt. Trevor McCarthy, Marine Corp (Nephew of Chuck & Amy Gooding)

Pvt. Timothy Liam McLaughlin, USA (Grandson of Joseph & Christina Paul)

Sgt. Tyler Stewart, U. S. Army (Grandson of Jean Stewart)

AN Brendan A. Tighe, USN (Grandson of Virginia M. Koshi)

EMNI Marc Van Kleek USN (Grandson of Kay & Charlie King)

Sgt. Abby Young, USMC (Granddaughter of Bill and Viki Nitsch)

Almighty and eternal God, protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *(United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)* St. Jude, pray for peace.

To be included in this list, please send the name, branch of service, and location of your family member to office@stjudelewes.org



#### Praying The Rosary

The Church encourages Catholics to celebrate and deepen their relationship with Our Lady. One way to do this is through acts of devotion, and the most familiar Marian devotion is the Rosary. After the 8 a.m. daily Mass and continuing every Wednesday, all are invited to stay and pray the Rosary together.



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 2, 2022 The Epiphany of the Lord

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 selfabsorption. 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.

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#### **Little Disciples Program**

Do you have a preschooler or Kindergartner (ages 3-6) who might enjoy an hour of fun, songs, crafts, and best of all getting to know God!



We have a few openings in our Little Disciples program which takes place on Sundays from 10:30 to 11:30am right in our Christian Formation Center. For more information, please call the Christian Formation Office, 302-644-7413.



## And

## More Religious Ed Happenings

Please also note that Religious Ed Classes & Little Disciples <u>will</u> <u>not be held</u> on <u>January 2 and 3</u>. Classes resume on Sunday, January 9 and Monday, January 10.

Any students participating in the Sacrament of First Reconciliation are asked to attend practice on Saturday, January 8, 2022. More details will be communicated to the parents later this month.

Confirmation Prep Classes Year 1 & 2 – next class is Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 - 2:30pm.

**<u>Prep 2 Students</u>** - A personal letter to Fr. Brian Lewis about yourself and "Why I Want to Be Confirmed", is due to the Christian Formation Office **no later than January 28, 2022**. Your Christmas break is a great time to get started on this!



Each month <u>one</u> of our Religious Ed classes has been assigned a 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Our next Youth Mass will take place on **Sunday**.

January 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Students from our Grade 5 Religious Education classes will participate in the Mass. The students are assigned certain roles as active participants in the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. This includes, lecturing; ushers/greeters; gift bearers; offertory; and, our music ministry. Come support our 5<sup>th</sup> graders as they experience the source and summit of our Catholic Faith.

## Hurry - it is not too late! Dining Cards still available - restaurant discount applies through April!





#### **RCIA** – Rite of Christian Initiation

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a gradual, communal process of formal initiation into the Catholic Church. It was developed in the 1st and 2nd centuries of the Church for those seeking Jesus Christ.

If you would like to know more about becoming a Catholic, or someone you know has questions or expressed interest, please call the Parish Office, 302-644-7300 or the Christian Formation Office at 302-644-7413.

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#### St Jude The Apostle Parish Library

Winter is here. For many of us, this means more time to be indoors to do some quiet activities.

Why not stop by the Parish Library, located in the Christian Formation Center, and check out highlighted materials for January on such topics as the Solemnity of Mary (January 1), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (January 4), The Three Wise Men (January 6), St. Francis de Sales, patron of the Diocese of Wilmington (January 24), and St. Thomas Aquinas (January 28). Start off the New Year <u>with the resolution</u> to find out more about these saints.



Come join Us for Bible & Breakfast

Come join a group of parishioners at 9:00 am each Tuesday, in the Christian Faith Formation Office, rooms 30-32. The group listens to the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. It is much like Lectio Divina, whereby a scriptural reading is meditated upon, followed by discussion and prayer. This long-established Catholic tradition is intended to promote communion with God through His Word. Connecting with other parishioners is an added bonus! Please stop in any Tuesday!



## Tuesday Rosary Group Meeting Weekly via ZOOM

In 1897, Therese Martin, a 24-year-old Carmelite cloistered nun in Lisieux, France, passed away from tuberculosis. This obscure young woman would be canonized a saint shortly thereafter, in 1925, and has become one of the most

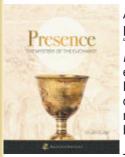
well-known and beloved of saints. Her doctrine of "the little way of trust and love" was explained in *The Story of a Soul*, and led to her being proclaimed in 1997 one of only four women Doctors of the Church.

You are invited to learn more about her with the Therese Rosary group of St. Jude The Apostle Parish that meets via Zoom every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. to pray the Rosary with meditations from her writings. Come any time your schedule allows to pray and join in conversation about the meaning of Therese's words for our lives. To receive a Zoom link invitation, please email Deacon Al Barros, al\_barros@hotmail.com or call the Christian Formation Office, 302-644-7413.

## JOIN US FOR OUR NEWEST ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist - From FORMED

## January – February 2022



Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist* explores the truth and beauty of Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members.

This study consists of four (4) 90-minute

sessions. Our program will be offered in two formats and at two different times for your convenience beginning **Wednes**day, January 19 through Wednesday, February 9.

In-Person: 10 a.m. – 11:30 in the CFC – Deacon Al Barros, Facilitator

Virtual: 7 p.m. – 8:30 via GoTo Meeting – Mrs. LeeAnn Augustine, Facilitator

To **register**, complete & mail (or drop-off) the registration form available from the Christian Formation Office OR <u>go to our</u> web site and follow the links off our home page OR call the Christian Formation office at 302-644-7413. <u>Deadline to reg-</u> ister is Wednesday, January 5, 2022. A suggested donation of \$20 is requested.



The learning tool called FORMED is available and can be widely used by our St. Jude the Apostle Parish community. FORMED.org is a premier on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas,

ebooks, and talks - and it's free for every parishioner.

To subscribe to FORMED, use the simple steps below:

- 1. Go to <a href="https://signup.formed.org">https://signup.formed.org</a>
- 2. Enter our parish zip code (19958)
- 3. Enter your name and email address. You're in!

Initial sign in must be completed on a personal computer, Ipad, or tablet.

After you have signed in, you may download the FORMED App on your smartphone by searching "FORMED Catholic".

For technical support: https://watch.formed.org/contact/support.

## Prayer for a New Year



Dear God,

Thank You for new beginnings. What an incredible day this is with a fresh year's potential stretched out before me. I want to be found faithful this year in each and every opportunity You bring to me. Thank You, Lord, for new beginnings. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen. — Pastor David McGee

## St. Víncent de Paul

#### January 2: Epiphany Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn King and offer Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.



Our SVDP society is still up and operating during this time. A strong plastic box has been placed between the Church and the Parish Life Center by the white fence for the courtyard. You may place any donations of nonperishable food items in the box. Please do not place any food or boxes outside of the box. Our SVDP members will be checking the box and emptying it regularly.

If you wish to make a monetary donation during this time, please mail a check to St. Vincent DePaul Society PO Box 94 Lewes, DE 19958.

Respect Lífe

The National Prayer Vigil for Life will take place from Thursday, January 20 through Friday, January 21 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC. The January 20 Opening Mass will begin at 5:30 p.m. (Eastern) and will be immediately followed by a 7:00-8:00 p.m. Holy Hour for Life, concluding the evening portion of the Vigil program. Both the Mass and Holy Hour will be televised live by EWTN so that millions can participate remotely. The following morning, the Closing Mass on January 21 will take place once again at the Basilica at 8:00 a.m. (Eastern), and will also be televised by EWTN.

## Love Can Make The "Unwanted Child" Wanted!

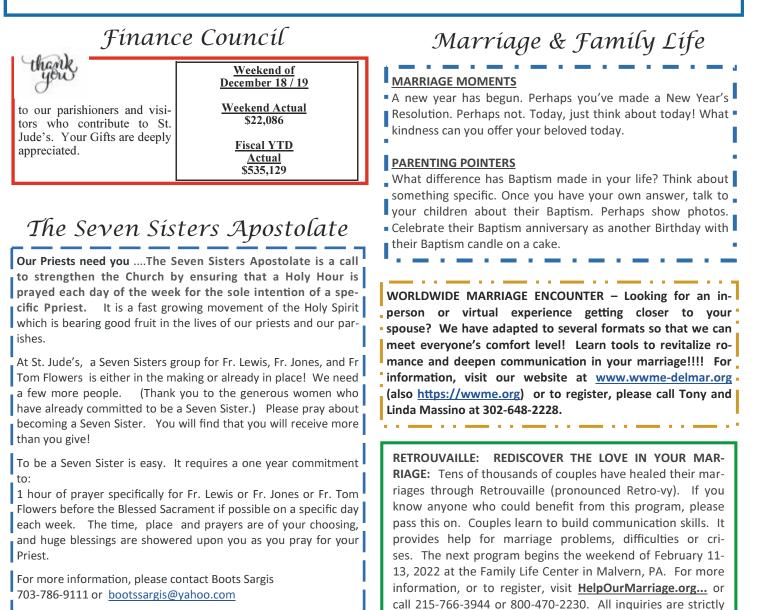
"One hundred fifty years ago, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation declaring that slaves held in Confederate territory were free men and women. One hundred fifty years later, children in every part of the country still face the degradation and hopelessness of the practice President Lincoln sought to end ..... For the last 40 years and even earlier in some states, many of our judges and lawmakers have treated people like property.

They've held babies in the womb to be like chattel, possessions to be discarded or destroyed, with their mothers cast as owners.

These officials, along with the abortion industry itself, feign ignorance of the unborn child's humanity ..... We can't stop all evil in this fallen world, but we can fight it in our own neck of the woods with love. Love never ends. Love can save lives.

Love declares that there is no such thing as an unwanted child ..... With love, children are adopted, not aborted. With love, children are cherished, not abused. With love, there is less room for the oppressor because his hunting grounds are smaller ..... We simply need to see no child as unwanted ..... And it can start with just one. One life loved can make all the difference.

After all, one life changed the entire world." Alveda King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



Details are at: https://sevensistersapostolate.org

Retreat

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**College-Age\* Retreat** January 7 – 9, 2022

Marianist Family Retreat Center Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This retreat is designed to bring young people together of <u>college-age</u> (17-22). So whether you are in college or working come join us to renew your spiritual life, deepen your relationship with God and to meet new friends. Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, peer group discussions, Eucharist and lots of fun!

Cost: \$140 per person Register at: www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829

Some financial aid is available

\* High School Seniors are welcomed







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