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Becoming and Making Disciples, Welcoming all to Follow Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil – 4PM Sunday – 9:30AM Monday – Thursday 9AM

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ALL ARE WELCOME

All people are welcome at Sacred Heart. Regardless of your experience of Church, regardless of your marital state, regardless of your personal history, back-ground or sexual orientation. Please know that you are invited, accepted and respected at Sacred Heart.















January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

We have crossed the threshold into a new year, and I am sure many of us are wondering what 2022 will bring. We are still enduring a pandemic, gridlock in Washington, travel plans up in the air, inflation on the rise; the list goes on. Where is the comfort and joy?

We need to be reminded that both comfort and joy come from within. Being in right relationship with ourselves, with God and with others lays the foundation for comfort and joy within our hearts, minds and spirits. Take stock of your relationship with YOU! Many of us are familiar with the acronym HALT to measure the four risk states that affect our inner being, moods and behavior. When we are not experiencing, comfort and joy, or inner peace and are agitated it is time to HALT. Take stock of what is going on inside of you. Am I Hungry, Angry, Lonely, or Tired?

Hunger takes many forms, not necessarily hunger for food. Hunger for understanding, hunger to be heard, hunger for recognition; you get the picture. However, only you can identify what's "eating you!" Go deeper with the other three also. Why? Because inner peace and inner comfort and joy come from within. No one is responsible for making you happy, only you can do that.

The greatest enemy of inner peace, comfort and joy, is isolation. We need to make sure we have people in our lives that we can talk to and let ourselves be known. We become as sick as our secrets, and sometimes we forget to invite God into our faith journey. Psalm 139 helps us to deepen our relationship with God and our inner self.

One way I put things in perspective when things close in on me is to ask; is this a First World Problem, or a real-life difficulty? After living in Haiti, I have come to realize that leaky pipes, power outages, car repairs are nothing to get overwhelmed by.

We cross the threshold into a new year. Shake the dust from your feet, and the holes in your heart and allow the comfort and joy of our faith to enter the adventures that lie ahead.



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Due to an early bulletin submission date, collection figures for Christmas & 12/26 will be in the 1/9 bulletin



Message Shaper's Corner A Story to Tell

Most people start a family with the best intentions. Then life happens, things get messy, and hearts can get hurt. Often our attempts to make things better just make things worse. Instead of being overcome by defeat, discover God's power to change our imperfect families.

Jesus gave his mother and foster father such a glimpse. We, too, need a time to seek God's will, to take a peek at the future—a vision will lead to joy and to hope.

Reflection Questions

- Adults: How would you have reacted if you were Mary and Joseph finding Jesus in the Temple?
- Kids: What do you think it was like for Jesus to be in the Temple for three days without his parents?



Sunday, January 2nd

No Faith Formation 9:30a Mass: Mary Davis

Monday, January 3rd No Mass

Tuesday, January 4th

9:00a Mass: Simon Tesfaye

Wednesday, January 5th

9:00a Mass:

Thursday, January 6th

9:00a Mass:

9:00A MFN Cherub's Corner 7:00p Bible Study Group, DC

Friday, January 7th

6:00p Mass: New Years Solemnity of Mary 7:30p AA Meeting, Day Chapel

Saturday, January 8th

8:30a AA Meeting, Day Chapel 8:30a-12p Thrift Shop Open 3:00p Reconciliation 4:00p Mass: Betty Velazquez

Sunday, January 9th

8:30a Grade 8 Sacraments Module, CR Hall 9:30a Mass: Philip W. Morin 9:30a Come to the Tables. Teaching Mass FF & Rite of **Enrollment First Eucharist** 6:00p Confirmation II, Hall

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call the office prior to your child's birth to begin preparation.

Marriage: Call the parish office one year prior to your wedding date to begin preparation

Reconciliation: Saturday – 3PM or by appointment

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for our diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail). If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

Parish News



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No Faith Formation January 2nd

Grades K-6

Come to the Table - 9:30a Mass

Grades 1-5 In Person

January 9 - Teaching Mass January 16 - In Person Class January 23 - In Person Class January 30 - Service Sunday

Grade 7

Church outside of Church Module: Ongoing Trinity Module: 3 week class - January 16 - 8:00-9:30a

Grade 8

Church outside of Church Module: Ongoing Sacraments Module: 6 week class - Jan 9 - Feb 20 (no class 2/13) 8:30-9:30a

Confirmation I

January 23, Hall Conference Room 6-8p

Confirmation II

January 9, Hall 6-8p

First Eucharist Prep

January 9—Rite of Enrollment Mass 9:30a

Good tidings and Thanks from Father Elysee, Pastor of our twin Parish Saint Gerard's, Haiti - "I take this moment to wish you Merry Christmas. It was a good idea to find ways to help young people pay for school fees. I have already paid the fees for a lot of students and schoolchildren. I thank once again all those who have contributed for this donation.

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Congratulations to the 50/50 Advent raffle winner!!

The Terando Family

The winning ticket number was 315414 and the pot was \$1400.00! Both the Ternado's and Sacred Heart have won \$700.00. Thank you to everyone that participated in the 50/50 raffle.



It is with excitement we are mustand, announcing our return to the Mustard Seed. After a lona break due to Covid we are able to begin bringing meals

the third Tuesday of every month beginning in January. The Mustard Seed has asked that instead of bringing so many different meals that we choice just one type.

We will send out each month what the meal will be starting in February since in January Oliva's Market and The Tinio Family will make and bring the food on our behalf. The Tinio Family has for many years paid for Oliva's to make Thanksgiving for the Mustard Seed in November and are excited to go back as well.

All our cooks be on the look out for what meal we will make in February!





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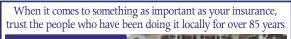
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