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January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. -Mt 2:10-11



January 2, 2022-The Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions



Monday January 3rd

9:00 am † Michael Rovello by the family

Tuesday January 4th

9:00 am † Jack Denault by Mary Cummins

Wednesday January 5th

9:00 am † Rita Vila, Sr. by the family

Thursday January 6th

9:00 am † Benny Galang by Leah & Dan Joslin & family

Friday January 7th

9:00 am † Joseph Lynch by his niece

Saturday January 8th

4:00 pm † Alice & Stanley Kozlowski by the family

Sunday January 9th

7:30 am † Rubens de Jesus by The Flanagan family

9:00 am † Rita Broderick by Tracy Bozek

11:00 am † James Byers by The Godbout family

5:15 pm † Sophia Cyganowski by Cathy & Peter Marasco

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK:

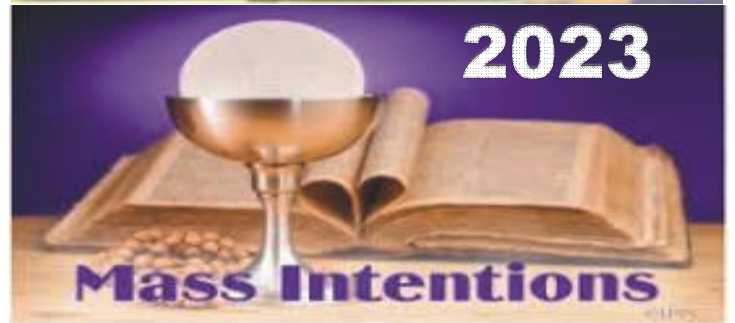
SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

READING 1: IS 42:1-4, 6-7

READING 2: ACTS 10:34-38

GOSPEL: LK 3:15-16, 21-22



The 2023 Mass book is now open. Please stop in the parish office to request a Mass or call the parish office at 203-746-2200.



For the Week of January 2, 2022~

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for † Louis Kaplow, Michael & Christopher Rovello & Jason Ruvo requested by the family.

The Chapel Lamp will burn for † Luke & Mary Lyons requested by the family.

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Live the Liturgy

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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Please pray for Fr. Nick. Lord, restore his health in mind, body & spirit.

Prayer List

If you, or a loved one is sick and would like to be on our prayer list please contact the parish office at 203-746-2200.

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| Penny Johnston | Taylor | Jaye Anderson |
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| Paul | Marjorie Nodine | Norm |
| Zena | Frank F. | Martin Blank |
| Chris | Joe Devanny | Jean |
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| Dayna | John Coppola | Terry Michinko |
| Robert Martini | James Nielson | Michael |
| Madeline DeMayo | Tom & Kelly | Julie French |
| Bob | Patricia Tompkins | John DiGirolamo |
| Jacob & Jaxson | Linda | Jamie Mitchell |

Church Hall DEDICATION



The St. Edward's church hall, now "McGivney Hall" was dedicated on Saturday, December 4th in honor of Father Michael McGivney, Founder of the Knights of Columbus.

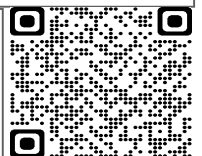
Father Michael McGivney healed preborn Mikey Schachle of a life-threatening condition. This miracle paved the way for Father McGivney's Beatification. The Pope spoke about the newly 'Blessed' on November 1, 2020,

"Dear brothers and sisters, yesterday, in Hartford, in the United States of America, Michael McGivney, diocesan priest, founder of the Knights of Columbus, was declared Blessed. Dedicated to evangelization, he did everything possible to provide for the needs of the needy, promoting mutual aid. May his example be an impetus for us to witness ever more to the Gospel of charity. Let us give a round of applause to this new Blessed!"

Offertory

The December 19th was \$19,604.00 for an average of \$17,563.96. The December 26th offertory will be displayed in next weeks bulletin. Thank you for all your support!

Using your smartphone's camera, scan this QR code to access our parish website.



Faith Formation

203-746-4270

Please leave a message for the Faith Formation office with any questions or email:

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We wish you a Happy New Year filled with God's love!!

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WE THREE KINGS

EPIPHANY PARTY

JANUARY 7, 2022
7PM

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As the infant Christ welcomed visitors from the East, we welcome you to join us and Bishop Frank Caggiano, as we celebrate the great feast of Epiphany with a delicious Chinese Dinner.

RSVP

<https://stedsyoungadults.webnode.com>

They were overjoyed at seeing the star.

Matthew 2:10

Adoration Hour

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY

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ROSARY FOR THE DEFENSE OF LIFE
JANUARY 9TH 6:30-7:30PM

Special Movie

RESPECT LIFE

WHAT SHE SAW CHANGED EVERYTHING UNPLANNED

Join us on Thursday, January 20th, on the eve of The March for Life at 7 p.m. in the Church hall to view the movie "Unplanned"

Popcorn, coffee and soft drinks will be available.

Rated R for 'some disturbing images'

Children under 17 are not permitted without an adult

Please visit the Respect Life page on our website for more information about the movie or to watch the trailer.

Presented by the Knights of Columbus and Respect Life Ministry

The Epiphany

"WE THREE KINGS"



The song "We Three Kings" details the gifts of the Magi, but do you know what you're singing? "Born a king on Bethlehem's plan, gold I bring to crown Him again." This one is the most straightforward - gold

symbolizes the Kingship of Christ. "Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom." Myrrh is an embalming spice. Already at Christ's birth, we have the symbolic reminder of his death. "Frankincense to offer have I. Incense owns a deity nigh." In many religious traditions, incense symbolizes prayers rising to heaven. In some pagan traditions, it is thought to help "call down" the deity. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.

Inclement WEATHER POLICY



If New Fairfield Schools are delayed or closed, there will be no 9:00am Mass. If schools are closed, the parish office will be closed as the roads are not safe to travel on.

Synod 2022

Pope Francis wants to hear from Us- All of Us!
Pope Francis has invited all Catholics from around the world to come together to reflect on their experiences and share input on how the Church can best fulfill her mission in these current times. We invite you to join one of our listening sessions below:

- ~Thursday, January 6th at 7 p.m.
 - ~ Saturday, January 8th after the 4 p.m. mass
 - ~ Sunday, January 9th after the 11 a.m. mass
- All sessions will be conducted in the hall and will run from 1 to 1 ½ hours. Light refreshments will be provided.



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- *For more information, call Mike Cohen at 914-661-2848

Knights of Columbus -Super Bowl LVI - Fundraiser

To participate, please complete the form below and send in along with your check for \$100 to St. Edward Knights of Columbus - P.O. Box 8194 - New Fairfield, CT 06812. You may also drop off your form to the Church Office.

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Name you want in box (Optional): _____

Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus

December 50/50 winners.

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Jeannette Ostuni
Richard Vicare
Joseph Jordano
Joyce Clark

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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.

Tax Letters

Tax letters will be mailed out by Jan. 15th. Letters will be mailed to those who donated \$250 or more for the 2021 year.

If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Tomasetti at dtomasetti@saintedwardchurch.org or call 203-746-2200 x14.

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The Epiphany

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Daily Mass

Mon. - Fri.: 9:00am

Saturdays: 4:00pm

Sundays: 7:30am,

9:00am - Children's Mass,

11:00am & 5:15pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Fridays

9:00 AM to 12:00 PM



CONFESSIONS:

Thursdays

9:30-10:15am

Saturdays

3:15-3:45pm

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