



#### MASS SCHEDULES

Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 pm - (November thru March)
5:00 pm - (April thru October)

Sunday Masses
7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, & 4:00 pm

Daily Mass
8:00 am

**Contributions from Previous Week:** 

**12/19/2021 Weekly Offering:** 

\$14,122.63

Memorial Sanctuary Lamp this week In Memory of:

Harvey Elderbroom From Family

**No Altar Flowers During Christmas** 

No Baptisms Last Weekend

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#### <u>SACRAMENTS</u>

#### **BAPTISM**

Sundays at 12:00 pm

Pre-Baptism Class Required

for the first child.

Call the office for arrangements (699-2752)

#### RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Saturdays 3:00-3:45 pm (November - March)
Thursdays 5:30-6:30 pm

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By Appointment—Call the office to arrange a date and time

#### MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance. Contact the parish office to speak with the Pastor regarding preparations.

#### **Meet Our Parish Staff**

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Lord God of heaven and earth. You revealed Your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who live here and all who visit. May we be blessed with health, kindness of heart, gentleness, and the keeping of Your law. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our love for each other may go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

After meeting Jesus, the Magi returned home by "another way." What in your family needs to be done "another way?" Do you need "another way to resolve differences, to communicate or show affection? This is a new year, time to change what isn't working. Take a tip from some wise men, there's always "another way."

#### Fisherman's Club Fall 2021-2022

All are welcome to attend the Fisherman's Club, which is an initiative sponsored by the Office of Vocation Promotion that aims to reach college-age and young adult men who are thinking about the priesthood. For more information please contact Fr. Nathan Brooks, the coordinator of this outreach at NBrooks@syrcio.org.

Next Get Together is Tuesday, Feb. 1st, 2022

#### SACRED HEART PRAYER LIST

As a Parish family, please remember all who are struggling or suffering in mind, spirit, or body and especially those who have asked for our prayers. Please notify the Parish Office if a name can be removed from the list. The list will be purged every 3 months if we have not heard from you.

Fred Bennink Jared Mace
Tina Close Maria S.
Sandi DiBianco John Neri III
Linda Hendrix Jim O'Connor
Ryan Hill Pamela Price
Sharon Hollister Diana Procopio
Joan Patrick Schaubroeck

Shirley Kelly Samuel Tassone

Dr. Richard Kotwas Bill West
Al Langstrom Diane Willis

Libby Lougnot

#### **HAITI 180 MISSION TRIP**

Jennifer Wright

May 23rd to May 29th, 2022 Initial Informational Meeting Tuesday, January 18, 2022 from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Church Hall.

#### **VOCATION BLURBS**

(Composed by the Seminarians of the Syracuse Diocese)

"They prostrated themselves and did him homage." The magi not only brought Christ gifts, they also brought themselves and worshiped. What part of you is Christ asking you to leave at his feet in worship? Call Father Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or write: vocations@syrdio.org.

#### **2022 Altar Linen Cleaning Schedule**

1/2/2022 Suzanne Britner 1/9/2022 Liz Cullen 1/16/2022 Kathy Carrick

Thank you for your time & service to the Lord

## Message from the Pastor

#### THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

The Greek word *epiphaneia* means "manifestation" or "appearance" and indicates that we now commemorate God's gift of His Son to all humankind in Jesus of Nazareth. The prophet Isaiah proclaims the light shining in the darkness of the world. Regardless of the dark challenges life in this world present, the radiance of God permeates all corners. The psalmist grounds this symbolic vision in the reality of the just and peaceful rule of God's Anointed One in history.

In the Second Reading, St. Paul tells the Ephesians of God's stewardship of creation. Gentiles, coheirs of God's plan for the salvation of all humankind alongside their Jewish brothers and sisters, fully express the revelation of God through the grace of God's manifold wisdom. The true people of God are made up of all kinds, perfected in the eternal purpose accomplished in Jesus. God can use any and all possibilities creation offers to reveal Himself to those He calls for diverse purposes to build up this KIngdom of God on earth.

Today's Gospel from St. Matthew tells of the Christ child, born in Bethlehem in the time of the evil King Herod, who had a death wish for all potential claimants to his status and throne. After the Gentile wise men are profoundly affected by their encounter with the Christ child and His family, they make their own way in the world, defying the powers to be. The magi exemplify how God might call us to live His plan in the world despite our bestlaid plans. We need to remember that we all have leading roles in our story, but we never know when we might be significant actors in the lives of others.

#### SCAMS

Please remember that you will never receive an email or text from Sacred Heart Church, Fr. Prior, the Deacons or staff requesting that you send money or gift cards or wire transfers. These are SCAMS and should be ignored.

#### **Human Development and Anna's Pantry**

First and foremost, may I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy, Healthy New Year. I pray Jesus touched your hearts in a very special way this Christmas season. I know all of you touched the lives of so many with your most generous and thoughtful gifts for the families enrolled at Anna's Pantry. Your love and support for thy neighbor truly embodies the real meaning of Christmas! With online giving, while we at Anna's Pantry may not know specifically your individual names and contributions, we know you're there for us and we love and thank you for it! Wanting you to know that the many extra Walmart and Target gift cards we received enabled us to help families who more recently came to the pantry as well as others in our community who reached out to us in need of help this Christmas season. You're all Angels! Along with your thoughtful and beautifully wrapped gifts, our church also provided each family household a Christmas ham dinner to enjoy. Again this year, the hams were provided by our friends at everyone's favorite neighborhood store and our church, Speara's! Thank you too to all those who shared their Christmas cookies with those who seek refuge at the Catholic Charites Men's Shelter to accompany our special holiday sub sandwiches. I'm certain the guys thought they were a delicious holiday treat and enjoyed them very much. May your kindness help them to come to know God's love!

Our personal care shelves are almost bare. If anyone would like to help us replenish, we are in need of: bar soap, shampoo, and toothpaste, along with toothbrushes and feminine hygiene products. Our desire is to help others look and feel their best! As always, thank you so much!

Once again, wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy, and Safe New Year! Enjoy your family and friends this most joyous season!

May God's love and protection continue to keep you and yours all safe and healthy.

Cheerfully in Christ, Kathye

#### **CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR WEEK**

Saturday, Jan. 01, 2022

3:00—3:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, Jan. 02, 2022 (The Epiphany of the Lord)

Mass at 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

8:15 am — 10:45 am Faith Formation/Confirmation Classes

12:00 pm Baptisms

12:15—1:00 pm Children's Choir Practice

3:00 pm Youth Bible Study Group (Youth Room)

5:00 pm Life Teen after Mass

Monday, Jan. 03, 2022

8:00 am Daily Mass

12:15—1:15 pm No AOA Exercise Class

7:00 pm AA Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 04, 2022

8:00 am Daily Mass 8:30 am Soulcore

1:00 pm Pickleball League

6:00-7:00 PM Faith Formation/Confirmation Classes

7:00 pm High School Open Gym (Grades 9-12)

8:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, Jan. 05, 2022

8:00 am Daily Mass

12:15—1:15 pm No AOA Exercise Class

5:00 pm Blessed Is She Women's Group (Community Rm)

6:00 pm Adult Choir Practice 7:00 pm RCIA Classes

Thursday, Jan. 06, 2022

6:30 am Men's Prayer Group

8:00 am Daily Mass

8:30 am Soulcore

5:30 pm—6:30 pm Confessions/Reconciliation

6:00 pm K of C Assembly Meeting

7:00 pm Pickleball (Gym)

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

Friday, Jan. 07, 2022 (First Friday)

7:40 am Rosary

8:00 am Daily Mass

6:00 K-4 Youth Group Meeting

6:30 pm Hanging with Angels "Lights on the Lake"

8:00 pm AA Meeting (Community Room)

Saturday, Jan. 08, 2022

3:00-3:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, Jan. 09, 2022 (The Baptism of the Lord)

Mass at 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

8:15 am — 10:45 am Faith Formation/Confirmation Classes

12:00 pm Baptisms

12:15—1:00 pm Children's Choir Practice

3:00 pm Youth Bible Study Group (Youth Room)

5:00 pm Life Teen after Mass



#### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, Jan. 3, 2022

8:00 am Erin McDonald

From Bob & Maria Ford

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022

8:00 am

**People of Sacred Heart Parish** 

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022

8:00 am Bill Corrigan

From Valerie Corrigan

Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022

8:00 am Deceased Members of

LaPrairie Family

From Diane & Peter Riley

Friday, Jan. 7, 2022

8:00 am Members of the Sacred Heart

Mass League

Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022

4:00 pm Joseph Long

From Sally Winter

Sunday, Jan. 9, 2022 (The Baptism of the Lord)

7:30 am Rita Facht

From Children

9:30 am **Brandon Difabio** 

From Family

11:00 am Mariano & Lily Dawis

From Manny & Evelyn Serrano

4:00 pm Gregorio Tolentino

From Family

#### CHALKING THE DOOR—The Epiphany House Blessing

"Chalking the door" is a centuries-old custom in which Christians gather on the feast of the Epiphany to ask God's blessing on their home. A traditional way of doing this is to take a piece of blessed chalk and inscribe above the entrance door to the home: 20+C+M+B+22. If you are interested in having this done to your home, please call the office and speak to Joy about scheduling a date/time.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE STILL SELLING THE 2022 \$AVE AROUND COUPON BOOKS. If you are interested in one for yourself or for a family member, or as a gift, please contact either Gary Natali at 314-436-5204 or John Roder at 315-317-6619. They are \$25 a book and if you purchase 5 books, you will get a book free! THANK YOU!

#### HOLY NAME SOCIETY—LOTTERY TICKETS

We have started our major fund raiser for 2022. Please consider purchasing one of our lottery tickets Please ask your family, friends and neighbors if they would like to purchase one also. You might all be winners. There are still applications in the gathering space of the church or call the office for more information. THANK YOU!





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Follow us on Instragram @sh\_life\_teen for daily updates!

RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH

Jan. 20th-22nd, 2022 - Washington, DC

Contact Office for more information

3:00 pm Bible Study in the Youth Room All teens are welcome

Life Teen Meeting after 4 pm Mass Jan. 2nd: "Living Like Christian in 2022" Jan. 9th: "Foundations" The Importance of Baptism



Sam Donnelly , EDGE Coordinator 315-744-4743 sjd9@alfred.edu

EDGE will meet every other Wednesday from 6-8 pm

Next EDGE Meeting:
January 12, 2022
NOTE: Until May 1st, EDGE will
be meeting in the Gym

### K-4 Youth Group

Angel Fikes, K-4 Coordinator rivera5949@yahoo.com

Meetings will be on the 1st Friday of each month

NEXT MEETING: January 7th, 2022 at 6:00 pm

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!



Tracy Shaughnessy, Director (315) 699-7678 sheartfaithformation@syrdio.org www.sacredheartofcicero.com

The Faith Formation office will be closed from 12/22 until 1/3.

Faith Formation, previously referred to as Religious Education, is intended to begin by 1st grade and continue through Confirmation. At Sacred Heart the two-year Confirmation program begins as early as 7th grade. After Confirmation, we learn about our faith as we live and share it. Our goal is to assist families, where the majority of the faith is learned, along their path.

**Schedules and registrations** for 2021-2022 are now available on the Faith Formation page of the parish website.

Faith Formation Classes-1st through 6th Sunday class–1/9 Ch. 10 & Epiphany; 1/23 Ch. 11 Tues. class–1/4 Ch. 9 & Epiphany; 1/11 Ch. 10

**First Sacraments**—Session 7 in You are Forgiven should be completed by 1/2. You can hand the worksheet in by placing it in the purple bin in the Gathering Space.

Confirmation Classes

Year 1-Sunday 1/9 Les. 6 Seg. 2&3; 1/23 Les. 7 Tuesday 1/4 Les 6 Seg. 1; 1/11 Les. 6 Seg. 2&3 Year 2— Sun 1/9 Les. 17 Seg. 3; 1/23 Les 18 Seg. 1&3 Tuesday 1/4 Les. 17 Seg. 1&2; 1/11 Les. 17 Seg. 3

Children's Liturgy of the Word is back at the 9:30 A.M Mass during the weeks we have Faith Formation classes. We are in need of Adult volunteers to serve this ministry. Please contact Tracy at tshau@syrdio.org or (315)699-7678 ext. 14.



#### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2022**

The 39th Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on February 13, 2022 at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse, the Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will especially honor couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th and beyond 50th anniversary in 2022. If celebrating your 25th, 50th or 50+ anniversary in 2022, please contact the parish office to receive a special invitation to the Mass from Bishop Lucia.

#### "Hanging with Angels"

Thanks to all those who participated, our Great Sacred Heart Church Cookie Swap was a big success. I know families are going to enjoy an abundance and wide variety of Christmas cookies. There was one sweater. hands down, which was the most outrageous and festive to take the Christmas sweater prize. The comedy movie, Nativity, was outrageously fun to watch and provided lots of belly laughs! Keeping in the Christmas spirit and twelve days of Christmas, out next event is a trip in a car caravan to Lights on the Lake on Friday, January 7th. We'll be leaving the church parking lot at 6:30 and returning to the church hall for ice cream sundaes and hot chocolate. Yum! If we planned correctly, maybe we'll have snow on the ground to fully take in and enjoy the beautiful, shiny lights! The following week, on Friday, January 14th, we will be taking a trip to Hawaii to celebrate Elvis' birthday and attend his famous Aloha from Hawaii concert! Our birthday party bash will include a buffet of the King's favorite foods! Please look for a sign up "Dish to Pass" sheet in the gathering space. Googling the theme will provide great ideas!

The Ladies of Faith would like to invite you to help the families of the Kentucky tornado disaster, Their needs are many and it will take them a long time to recover. We many not be able to give them a home, however, we would like to give them a simple comfort of home, a pair of pajamas. We are in the process of setting up a gift registry where the items will be shipped directly to their church. There will be more details to follow. We look forward to once again working together to help others.

#### FINDING HOPE IN HEALING

Faith Grace Love Compassion Prayer

The purpose of this support group is to provide a warm atmosphere of caring acceptance and confidentiality for those grieving the loss of a loved one. This meeting is open to all—newly bereaved and longer bereaved — who have experienced the death of a family member or friend. All are welcome and invited to join us.

SACRED HEART BEREAVEMENT GROUP WILL

MEET THE 3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH

Next Meeting: January 17th 6:00-7:30 pm

#### "WILD GOOSE" IS RETURNING!

Starting Wednesday, January 12, 2022 The Wild Goose will be held downstairs in the Church Hall at 6:30 pm. It will be for 14 weeks ending in the Life in the Spirit Seminar on April 30th from 8:30-4:30. Please mark your calendars and watch for more information.

**DID YOU KNOW...**Canada passed legalized euthanasia in June 2016 under Bill C-14 for medical assistance in dying (MAID) aimed to end the suffering of terminally ill adults. In March 2021 Canada amended & expanded the 2016 law with the passage of Bill C-7 "which permits medical assisted dying in additional situations, including for certain patients where natural death is not reasonably foreseeable, subject to additional safeguards." (Wikipedia) In an interview, Dr. Kulvinder Gill, president of Concerned Ontario Doctors, raised concerns with The Hospital for Sick Children's (Toronto) proposed policy for child euthanasia. In September 2018 The Hospital for Sick Children indicated "that they are not only willing to do child euthanasia but the proposed policy states that a child could die by euthanasia without the consent or knowledge of the parents."(LifeNews.com) "The Council of Canadian Academies will make recommendations in December concerning the extension of euthanasia to mature minors." (Euthanasia Prevention Coalition) The legalization of euthanasia should be a concern to all of us as an opening of a door to a slippery slope. Our only hope for a return to a respect for all life is prayer and awareness.

The Monsignor Ronald C. Bill Scholarship application is available online at <a href="www.sacredheartofcicero.com">www.sacredheartofcicero.com</a>. This meritbased scholarship is available to all graduating high school seniors (GPA 85 or above), who will be attending a 2 - 4 year institution. The applicant must be a member of Sacred Heart Church in Cicero, NY. Application deadline is March 1st. The Selection Committee will meet in March to review applications submitted that meet the requirements established. The selection process will be done anonymously as applications are numbered (without names or grade averages given).

Four \$1500 scholarships will be available for the 2022 college term. This is made possible through the generosity of Sacred Heart Church's Holy Name Society, Knights of Columbus and some very generous donors. The Board of Directors would welcome any tax deductible donations to the fund; as it continues to be self sustaining. Tax deductible donations may be made to: Msgr. Ronald C. Bill Scholarship Fund,

#### **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition**

Girls and boys ages 9-14 are invited to take part in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition. The first level of competition will be in the Sacred Heart gym on Saturday, Jan. 15th at 10:00 am. There are champions for each age group both boys and girls. Winners will advance their way to the Chapter, Conference and State Levels. Parents need to be present to register their children on this day and bring a copy of their birth certificate. Any questions, call Peter Riley at 315-532-2032. Hope to see you there.



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