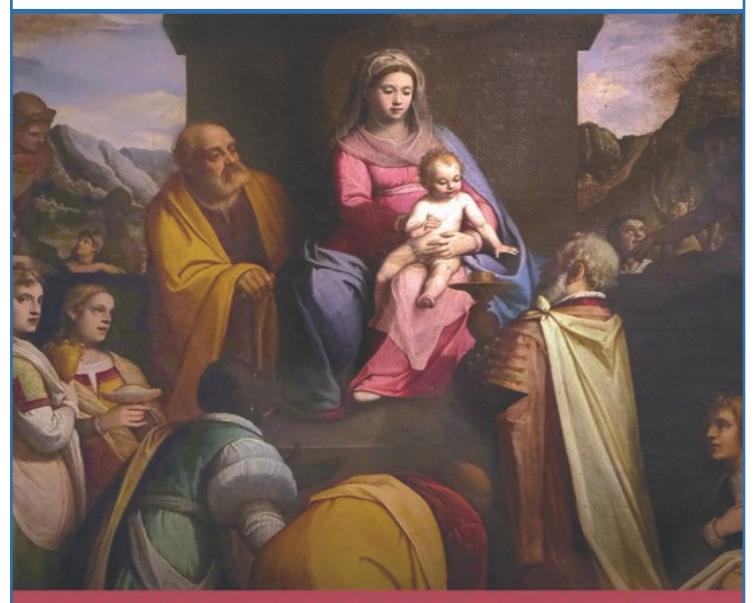
St. Paul's Church, Whitesboro, NY

Pastor Rev. Thomas P. Durant



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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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

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Thank You to all those who assisted in the Masses of Christmas and the New Year. Along with Deacons Chris and Tony, I offer my heartfelt



thanks for all the support and love shown to us during these very hectic but spiritually filled days.

Thank you to all those who have so faithfully returned to Masses here at St. Paul's and filled our pews on Christmas Eve and Day. Thank you to Gerry and choir the for all the beautiful Christmas music.

To all those who helped decorate the church and to our parish staff who devoted extra hours to the many demands of the Christmas season at St. Paul's-Annissa and the office staff - Carlos and Ken, our maintenance personnel, -our sacristans Lorraine and Joanne. Thank you to Cindy Godemann and our religious education teachers and tenth grade assistants for the marvelous Nativity Play our second grade students put on for us two weekends ago. Our Masses were "packed" with family and friends for that presentation.

Thank you to the Christmas Committee who worked so hard to make the Christmas Project a reality this year. A very special thank you to all those who bought gifts for the children in our project. Thank you to all those who supported this project with monetary donations. We could not have done it without your support and we were able to do more than we originally planned by also gifting food cards to the families.



Thank you also for the many cards and gifts I received. Your generosity is overwhelming. God Bless each and every one of you!

Fr. Tom

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Our Religious Education Program needs catechists for our Grade 3 and Grade 9 students. Please call Cindy Godemann at 315-73601124 (0) to offer your help.



This is a very rewarding ministry.

Offering Reminder our envelopes for 2022 will arrive late this year. Please see last page of bulletin for weshare information.

This Week in Our Parish

Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022-First Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m.-Confessions

Sunday, Jan. 2, 2022 No Religious Education Classes

Monday, Jan. 3, 2022 4:15-5:30p.m.-Religious Education-Gr. 3, 4, 5, 6-FDH 6:00-7:15p.m.-Religious Education-Gr. 3, 4, 5, 6-FDH

Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2022 9:30-11a.m.-Bible Study or 6:30-8p.m-Bible Study 7:00p.m.-Choir Practice-Ch

<u>Friday, Jan. 7, 2022-Firs</u>t Friday 1:30p.m.-St. Pio Prayer Group Mtg.-Ch

Saturday, Jan. 8, 2022 3:00-3:45 p.m.-Confessions

Sunday, Jan. 9, 2022 9:00-10:15a.m.-Religious Education –Gr. K, 1, 2-Nazareth 11:30-1:00p.m.-Religious Education-Gr. 7, 8-FDH

> Reminder that Face Masks are again required at Mass and all Church events. Masks are required when you enter any of our campus buildings.



Weekend of

Jan. 8/9, 2022

Lectors/ **Eucharistic Ministers:**

If you have not received a new Jan./Feb. 2022 schedule via email, please pick up a copy in Fr. Tom's Sacristy. Thank you.

Mass	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
4:00p.m.	Doris Young	A/JA/JE Falk C Haas/D Hellinger <u>No Precious Blood Distribution</u>
8:00a.m.	Ann Bush	S Smith/C Sorrell/M Krecidlo M Hillick/S O'Callaghan <i>No Precious Blood Distribution</i>
10:30a.m	Shannon Nowak	G Olivella/M Owen/K Zick J Warmuth/M Adams <i>No Precious Blood Distribution</i>
<u>Please sign in in Fr. Tom's Sacristy before Mass.</u> If you are unable to make your commitment, please secure a sub. Until further notice, please wear your mask during distribution.		



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Thank You

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Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton January 4

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.



After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

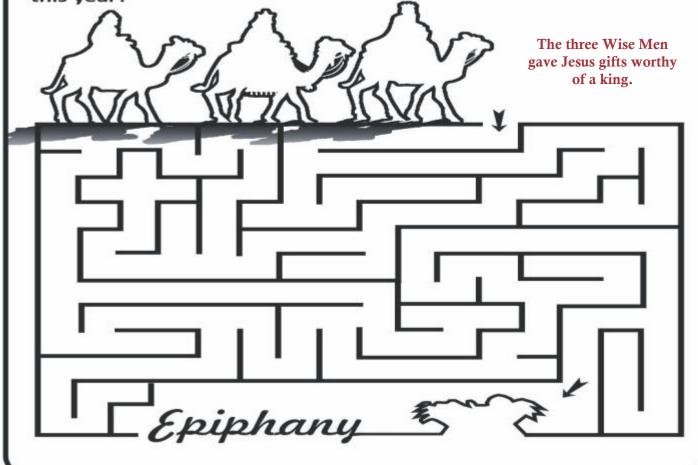
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

Disorder in the society is the result of disorder in the family.

Laying our gifts at the feet of the King

Epiphany, Mt 2:1-12

Three wise men were searching for Jesus. They traveled from very far away to meet him. They followed a star and finally found him in Bethlehem. They adored him and gave him special gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. What gift would you like to give to Jesus this year?





Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God 4:00pm–Cure for Dementia Frank Edic-Ray/Donna Sylvester John Furmanski-Ron/Judy Zabek Jim Moore-Mom & Dad

Sunday, Jan. 2, 2022

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 a.m.-Francis Edic-Louis Paciello Betty Hemmel-Spudie Family Robert Spudie-Spudie Family Shirley Spudie-Spudie Family

10:30a.m.– Elizabeth Ernst-Daughters & Family Lisa Falange-Fred/Doreen Folino Helen Pirog-Pat/Mike Donohue

<u>Monday, Jan. 3, 2022</u> 8:15 a.m.– No Liturgy

Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022

Memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious 8:15a.m.– Mary McAlinden-Tom/Maureen Mayer Stephanie Pankiewicz (BDay)-Family

Wednesday, Jan., 5, 2022 Memorial of St. John Neumann, Bishop 8:15a.m.-For All Immigrants

Friday, Jan. 7, 2022-First Friday Memorial of St. Andre Bessette 8:15a.m.– Memorial Society

<u>Saturday, Jan., 8, 2022</u>

4:00p.m.-Cure for Dementia Margaret Fischer (4th Anv.)-Daughters Jack Fliss-Carol/Debbie (Sisters) Brian Monahan-Bill Brink

<u>Sunday, Jan. 9, 2022</u>

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

- 8:00 a.m.-Donna Candella-M/M Paul Strife Evelyn Perras-Carol/Tony Curtacci Dottie Williams-Pat/Marilyn Joe/Wanda Zabek-Ron/Judy Zabek
- 10:30a.m.– Bryan Klossner-Carol (Wife) Raymond Lee-Wife Anthony/Petrina Lumbrazo-Daughters

Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Bernard Attili Jr. Attili Family



This lamp beside the Tabernacle reminds us of the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Why do Catholics pray to Mary?

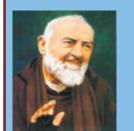
Catholics don't pray to Mary, but instead ask her to pray for us. For example, the Hail Mary prayer asks the Mother of God to stay close to us in prayer. While we don't worship Mary, we honor her as Jesus' mother. On the Cross, Jesus gave her to us as our own mother (John 19:27). We can approach her with our needs and concerns and ask her to present them to Her Son.



St. Pio (Padre Pio) Prayer Group meets in-person every First Friday of the month.

> Our next meeting will be <u>This Friday, Jan. 7</u> in church at 1:30 p.m.

All are welcome to join us. (Please use the ramp entrance of church as front doors are locked at that time.)



"Our Lord sometimes makes you feel the weight of the cross. This weight seems unbearable but you carry it because in his love and mercy, the Lord helps you and gives you strength."

St. Pio



Fr. Tom needs altar servers at our 4:00p.m. Saturday Mass.

Parents: If you attend the 4:00p.m. Mass and have a child in third grade or above and they would like to become an altar server, we NEED them! This is another wonderful way for our youngsters to practice their faith. Please ask and encourage them to consider this ministry.

Please let Fr. Tom know you are interested!

Steeple Lights

Upper Deck All Health Care Workers

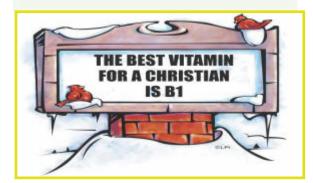
Lower Deck All First Responders



Stewardship of: Time, Talent & TREASURE OF St Paul's Parish Community



Due to the early publication of our December/January bulletins, Stewardship amounts will appear in later bulletins.



Make giving easy—Sign up for WeShare. As easy as 1-2-3, An easy way to make your weekly and extra contributions. Go to: https:stpaulswhitesboro.weshareonline.org Or simply scan our Bar Code.



Please mail in your envelope or use WeShare even if you are not able to be with us at this time. Our expenses, for the most part, have not changed. *Please make up your contributions. Thank You!*

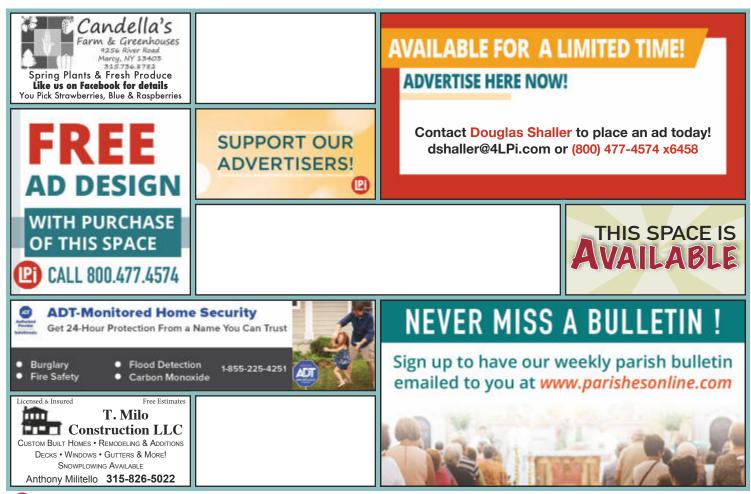
As Fr. Tom has mentioned, <u>Stewardship</u> <u>Envelopes for 2022 will not arrive until</u> <u>after the beginning of the New Year (Jan./</u> <u>Feb. 2022).</u>



Please sign up for WeShare by scanning the barcode above or go to https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/4222746

If you aren't able to use the above, simply place an envelope in the collection plate with your stewardship amount, and Envelope # and name on front. Thank you.

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