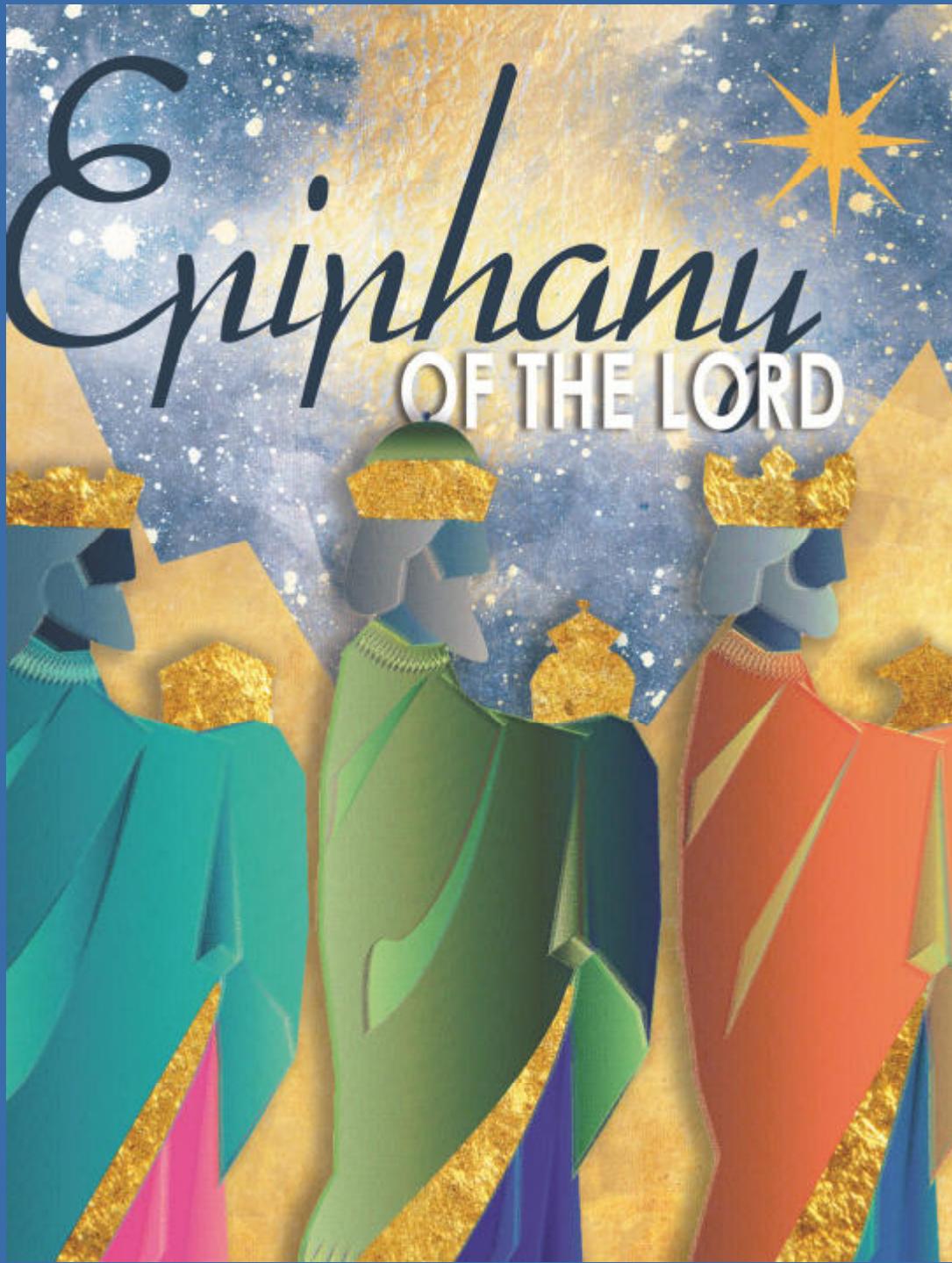


*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish*  
*January 3, 2020*



*When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,  
in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from  
the east arrived in Jerusalem.*

*~ Mt 2:1*



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year to All! So many have been looking forward to letting 2020 go and be behind us for so many reasons that need not be repeated here. Now, we have our 2021 in front of us. May we pray that together with the Lord's blessing and grace this new year may be embraced in faith and hope for everyone!



Once again, I do desire to thank every person who contributed to making our parish blessed this past Advent and still now during our continuing Christmas Season. With all the gathering of donations to bless others, the contributions of stewardship to keep our faith community stable and thriving, and to the folks who keep our environment beautiful even during these trying times, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. We are truly blessed by so many good sisters and brothers who make Saint Catherine of Siena a sacred place of worship and prayer.

Our various collections to help others were so amazing. Socks, scarfs, hats, mittens and gloves are warming so many souls. The gift cards and presents you donated were lovingly coordinated and distributed by Phyllis Hagen and Sallie and Jim Whitback to many grateful families.



You are blessed and you bless so many by your prayerful generosity. And your Parish Staff is ever appreciative of your cards, goodies and other pleasantries that made us feel loved. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

A few pictures are included of good souls who decorated the church for Christmas. Crawford Butler, Gene Caccamise, Binnie Duval, Bob & Kathy Goldbach, Bob Gruber, Bill Hulbert, Sue Robinson and Evelyn Wilson with all health precautions in place did a fantastic job.



In closing I would like to share a thought from our patroness Catherine of Siena... 2020 had so many trying moments with health, politics and social justice. Discussions were troubled and heated. There were individuals, including members of our own faith community who did not agree with each other. I have said before and shared with you that is what even got Jesus Christ who we proclaim to believe in, in trouble. It brought about His execution. I hope this year we can grow in our respect for one another in acceptance of our differences. Jesus desired that we may be one. He didn't mean that we would all be alike but that we could bring our God given gifts among one another for the Kingdom of God. We need to share our hearts, thoughts and hopes. We need to be focused on His will and not our own personal will. So back to *Catherine of Siena*, she is attributed to saying, "Cry out as if you have a thousand voices, it's silence that kills the world."

May we use respectful voices to bring His love and presence to our world.

To a blessed and healthy 2021,  
Father Rob

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



**Mrs. Maggie Flynn**

**Bob & Jean Juliano**

In Memory of  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Juliano  
Mr. Mrs. Raymond Alessi

**Mike & Ginny Moszkowicz**

In Memory of  
Norma Napierda  
Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Moszkowicz  
Mr. Mrs. Edward Olsavicky

**Bill & Marcia Opperman**

In Memory of  
Paula Treggett  
Stanley Zeller  
Treggett Family



**Our 2020/2021 CMA Responsibility is:  
\$117,953**

**Our progress as of December 21st is:  
148 Donors; \$47,280 Pledged;  
40.08% of our goal;  
\$70,673 remaining responsibility**

*We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so.*

Mr. & Mrs. Mark Kastner  
Mr. & Mrs. Chip Rudd

*Thank you for your prayerful generosity!*

### Sitting at the Table

Presented by  
**Mercy Spiritual Center**

Event: The 11th Annual Women of Peace

Date: Thursday, January 14, 2021

Time: 7—8:30 p.m.

Location: via ZOOM, Requires Registration

To Register Call: 585-473-6893

Fee: \$20

"Sitting at the Table": Kamala Harris for the People will be presented by Arlette Miller Smith, PhD.

Now that Kamala Harris is the 46th Vice President-elect, her name, ethnic/racial pedigree, career accomplishment, alma maters — and even her fashion preference for pearls are common knowledge.

Generally, Harris is either celebrated or contested; praised or persecuted; revered or reproached; validated or vilified, as if she is an antithetical anomaly. From her childhood, however, it was the welfare of others that shaped Harris' cultural, legal, political, and faith journey from Oakland, California to Washington, D.C. Who influenced Harris' passion for truth, equity, and democracy? What experiences remind her to work through faith to overturn injustice and engender peace?

*This program is sponsored by Ann Maloney in memory of Louise Maloney, as women dedicated to a life of peace and solidarity with the poor.*



# LECTORS

## IT'S LECTOR SCHEDULING TIME

*It is time to begin building the March thru June Lector Schedule. Lectors will be receiving their March—June Schedule Builder via e-mail this week.*

*Please, return by January 15th. Thank you.*

*We welcome NEW Lectors for all weekend Masses. If you can help it would be greatly appreciated. Training is available. For more information or to volunteer contact Ruth after Mass or call 624-4990*

### Federal Death Penalty Call for Action

In the month of December, there were two executions ... Brandon Bernard, a man given the death penalty for a crime he committed when he was 18 years old and acted as an accomplice in a murder. The other was Alfred Bourgeois. Both are African American.

As Catholics, we are called to live with justice and mercy and uphold the value of all life. Our Catechism states that the death penalty is "inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person" (2267).

The death penalty violates both the Church's pro-life teaching and the teaching on the inherent dignity of the human person as created in the image and likeness of God. Not only does the death penalty target innocent life, but also those with mental illness, intellectual disability and people of color. It also redirects funds that could be used to help victims families harmed by violence heal.

Our actions are needed for other Federal Executions schedules before President Trump leaves office:

Lisa Montgomery—January 12

Cory Johnson—January 14

Dustin Higgs—January 14

To learn more visit the Catholic Mobilizing Network:

<https://catholicsmobilizing.org/catholic-social-teaching-death-penalty> where you will find opportunities for action and to join in prayer vigils.

# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

**Weekend of...**

**Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD; NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK**

Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

*Deceased relatives of the Nieznanski & Ryman Families by Nancy Pool & John Nieznanski*

**Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, RELIGIOUS**

1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

9:00<sup>am</sup> *Success of Covid-19 vaccine distribution*

**Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP**

1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

9:00<sup>am</sup> *The lonely rich and the lonely poor*

**Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. ANDRÉ BESETTE, RELIGIOUS**

1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

9:00<sup>am</sup> *Those battling cancer*

**Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

**ST. RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT, PRIEST**

1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

4:00<sup>pm</sup> *In thanksgiving for Danial Brent by Betsy Brent*

**Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

\*\*\*\*\* *No Service*

**Weekend of...**

**Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11

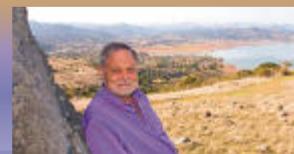
*Dee Russell by Deacon Jim & Jo Carra*

*Pattie Morgan by Joan & Bob Wallace*

*Michael Galayda by Rob Bourcy*

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Simplicity of living, if deliberately chose, implies a compassionate approach to life. It means that we are choosing to live our daily lives with some degree of conscious appreciation of the condition of the rest of the world." ~ Dune Elgin



## Matthew's Closet IS OPEN!



### NEW ADDRESS?



Have you recently moved into the area or will be moving out of the Parish this winter? Please give a call or send an email to the Parish Office to let us know your new address, email or phone number. This will help us to keep our parish records up to date and assure that you receive all of the parish mailings.

The Parish Office phone number is 624-4990—and the email address is [mstcathe@dor.org](mailto:mstcathe@dor.org). Thank you!

## Earth Angels Prayer Ministry

Although our Earth Angels Ministry has not been meeting each week after 10:30am Mass during this pandemic time, your prayer requests are still welcome.

You can submit them on our Website: <https://saintcath.org/earth-angels> OR you can still drop your request in the Collection Baskets when you come to Church. Every request is confidential. You do not need to sign your name if you do not wish. Each request is prayed for individually.



## Earth Angel Prayer Request

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Sunday 8:15am

Sunday 10:30am

Monday-Thursday 9am

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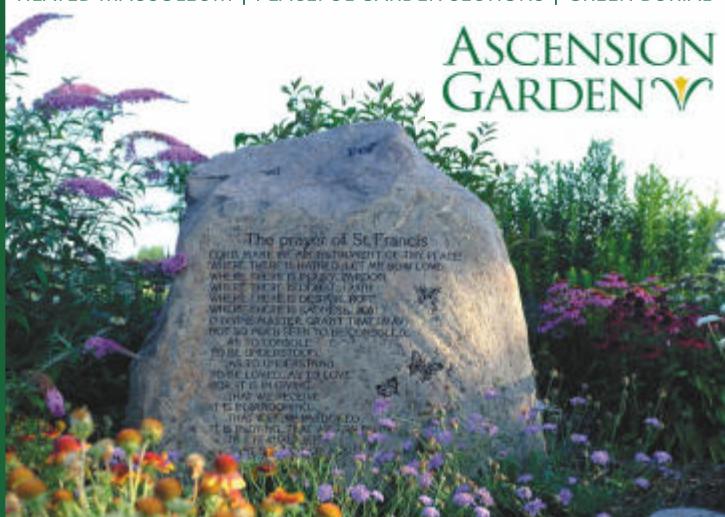
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